

# Survey Results: Housing Needs

[Survey Info](#) - This survey was sent on behalf of the City of Arkansas City to the FlashVote community for Arkansas City, KS.

These FlashVote results are shared with local officials

## 102

**Total Participants**

97 of 196 initially invited (49%)  
5 others

Margin of error: ± 10%

Applied Filter:  
**All Responses**

Participants for filter:  
**102**

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Started:  
**May 17, 2021 11:09am CDT**

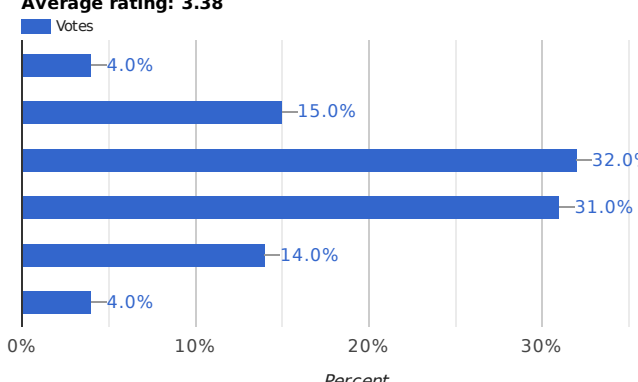
Ended:  
**May 19, 2021 11:13am CDT**

Target Participants:  
**All Arkansas City**

**Q1** Please indicate how inexpensive or expensive you think housing is in Arkansas City:  
(100 responses)

Options	Votes (100)
Very Inexpensive (1)	4.0% (4)
Slightly Inexpensive (2)	15.0% (15)
Neutral (3)	32.0% (32)
Slightly Expensive (4)	31.0% (31)
Very Expensive (5)	14.0% (14)
Not Sure	4.0% (4)

**Average rating: 3.38**

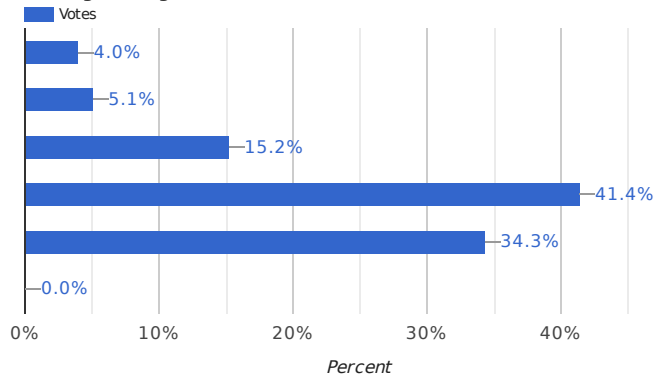


**Q2** How much do you agree or disagree with the following statement?  
"The range of housing costs in Ark City should match the range of people's incomes"  
(99 responses)

Options	Votes (99)
Strongly Disagree (1)	4.0% (4)
Disagree (2)	5.1% (5)
Neutral (3)	15.2% (15)

Options	Votes (99)
Agree (4)	41.4% (41)
Strongly Agree (5)	34.3% (34)
Not Sure	0.0% (0)

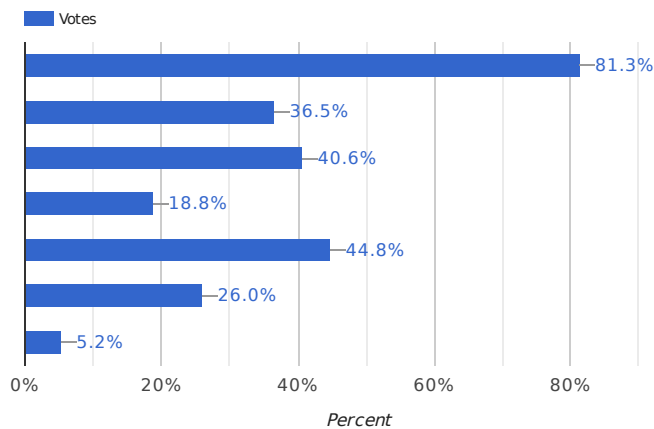
**Average rating: 3.97**



**Q3** What kind of housing do you think the City needs most, if any? (You can choose up to THREE)

(96 responses)

Options	Votes (96)
Single-family homes	81.3% (78)
Two-family homes (duplex/halfplex)	36.5% (35)
Apartments	40.6% (39)
Townhomes	18.8% (18)
Senior housing	44.8% (43)
Multi-generational homes (where multiple generations of a family live together)	26.0% (25)
Other:	5.2% (5)



Income-based housing

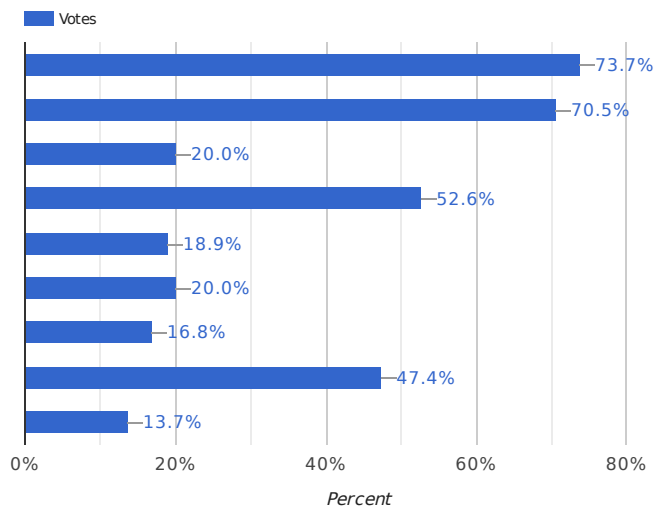
Room shares

Rooms for rent

HUD/Section 8, Low Income Apts./

**Q4** Which of the following do you AGREE with, if any? (Choose all that apply, if any)  
(95 responses)

Options	Votes (95)
There is a shortage of quality housing in the lower price ranges	73.7% (70)
There is a shortage of quality housing in the middle price ranges	70.5% (67)
There is a shortage of quality housing in the higher price ranges	20.0% (19)
The economic well-being of the Ark City community is dependent on more housing options	52.6% (50)
Taxpayer money should be used to help create more housing options in Arkansas City	18.9% (18)
Homelessness is a big problem in Ark City	20.0% (19)
Homelessness is not a big problem in Ark City	16.8% (16)
I know someone who has struggled to find quality housing in Ark City	47.4% (45)
I think:	13.7% (13)



repair price yards poorly  
city need pay  
tax homes renter  
make rent people  
areas existing town maintained



The City should create a fund that will help citizens fix up their properties. Money could be loaned for qualifying projects with little or no interest charged.

Beautification ordinance need to be enforced.

Affordable housing close to shopping is highly needed.

We need to invest in restoring what we currently have.

We need to help owners to develop their vacant houses into decent properties for rentals. There are many vacant houses that can be used.

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I think we need to take a closer look at what we have and utilize it in a more constructive manner. We need to restore buildings and repurpose them. We should also make efforts to educate people about stewardship responsibilities related to the care and upkeep of our homes and community spaces. Then we need to help some accomplish this task by lending a helping hand until they can continue these tasks on their own, much like the "teaching man to fish" adage. Services such as these, will not only project a better image to the world around us but also demonstrate a genuine commitment to each other as a community. Ultimately, we have everything we need, we just need to combine a little ingenuity, creativity, and care for what we have been provided; including each other.

Help the contractors out that are trying to solve the problem.

We want people who get a job in Ark City to live in Ark City. How many people work in AC, but live in another town? Habitat for Humanity has met a need one house at a time.

AC needs senior housing for middle income persons like Winfield. Duplex, apartments etc.

I support removing or updating dilapidated housing and renovating/revitalizing neighborhoods. Pablo Fuentes is to be commended in trying to improve housing options. More incentives are needed to support this type of initiative to provide options for varying income levels.