

**Comments Received- Jamestown High School Government Class  
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1. a. What are your top three examples of what makes James City County a desirable place to live and work? Why?  
b. What do other localities do that you would like to see James City County do and why?
  2. What is the one most pressing issue facing James City County and why?
  3. Where are some “Youth Friendly” places in the County?
  4. Do you consider James City County a good place to live once you’re done with High School or College? Why or why not?
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**Answers:**

**Individual # 1**

1. a. Low crime rate, Williamsburg is pretty safe. It has great history, just look at Jamestown and Williamsburg. It has a wide variety of amenities.  
b. They have concert venues and teen clubs that cater to our ages, there just are not very many places we can hang-out and relax at because there are age restrictions or, like New Town, restrictions on us gathering. Something, like a rock gym or a teen-oriented concert venue, that caters just to us would be wonderful.
2. There needs to be a cap on the explosive growth, every year there is less and less green space. Environmental stewardship needs to be more of a priority to save the resources we have left.
3. The Movie Theater, but not New Town as a whole. Freedom Park is good and so are most of the other parks that have open fields for recreation. Colonial Williamsburg and Jamestown Settlement are good places to learn the history of the area, which is very beneficial.
4. Yes, it’s why my parents did. It is a safe and educational place to live for growing families, and is generally scenic and naturally beautiful. I’ll probably leave after I go to school, but I think I will end up coming back.

**Individual # 2**

1. a. Low crime rate, no worries about getting robbed or beaten. Relaxed atmosphere, not a lot of noise, quiet and peaceful. Colonial architecture makes our city have a “homey touch”.

- b. They have more youth activities with later times, for example teens can walk around and socialize without (being) loitering.
- 2. Youth voices and involvement. Most of the places in Williamsburg revolve around the elderly and families. Youth are seen as troublesome and too much youth involvement could be bad.
- 3. To a point...New Town. We get hassled there when it comes to hanging out. (Not too many though).
- 4. Yes, as far as raising a family. Not as far as establishing a business.

### **Individual # 3**

- 1.
  - a. Small enough, but not too small. Job opportunities for the young. Good location.
  - b. Natatorium, state of the art gym.
- 2. Expansion and age conflict.
- 3. WISC, Rec Center
- 4. Sort of, I may see myself here or somewhere similar when I am settled.

### **Individual # 4**

- 1.
  - a. Low crime, great school system, locality between Virginia Beach and Richmond.
  - b. Downtown center that has things for people to do.
- 2. Growth, how to control it.
- 3. Concert venues, outdoor movies.
- 4. Not really, mainly a person who's looking for activities won't really find many here. You have to go to Richmond or Newport News to find things to do.

### **Individual # 5**

- 1.
  - a. The trees and brick buildings, although old fashioned, are very beautiful and create a relaxed setting. No crime. Busch Gardens.
  - b. Open more public areas such as a mall, drive-in movie, roller rink, or arcade.
- 2. Cost of living is too high for teenagers or middle-class families.
- 3. New Town, Busch Gardens, Rec Center.
- 4. Maybe when I am closer to 50, but the cost of living is too high and the town is too rural for me.

**Individual # 6**

1.
  - a. Low crime rate, reasonable amount of things to do (movie theatre, Busch Gardens), and reasonable road system.
  - b. Some places show movies, have concerts in local parks, which would be awesome here. There's also no music venue. It doesn't have a bar (like Norva or something) but just somewhere. Better bus system! More stops, more lines, easy to understand schedules.
2. Too many cops. It doesn't help keep the crime rate low. It gives them time to hassle teens in New Town.
3. Anywhere before 9 p.m.
4. Not for people between high school (or college) and having kids or retiring. WJCC is awesome for parents with little kids or retired persons. Unfortunately, once the kids get to be about 12-13, there is nothing to do until the kids come back to have their kids.

**Individual # 7**

1.
  - a. New Town, Busch Gardens, the Rec Center.
  - b. Concert venue.
2. The growing retirement population in relation to the younger population.
3. Warhill, New Town.
4. In ways such as access to many opportunities for growing families and it is close to Norfolk and Richmond. Problems are the high cost of living as a young person in Williamsburg.

**Individual # 8**

1.
  - a. College Creek, Colonial Parkway is a nice place to go in the summer. Newtown is nice. Williamsburg is pretty close to Norfolk and Richmond.
  - b. I would like more music venues so that high school bands can play. It would be nice to have a mini music street where kids can hang-out, shop, eat, and listen to music and dance.
2. A pressing issue is the lack of music in Williamsburg.
3. Busch Gardens, Water Country, and New Town are "youth friendly".
4. I think that James City County is a good place to live because it's close to Norfolk and Richmond, but it would be better if we had more music here.

**Individual # 9**

1. a. There is very little crime, so it's a safe place to live. It is very scenic. The public facilities, like the Library and Rec Center are really nice.
  - b. I would like to see James City County bring in more cultural events and venues, like a music hall. Also, I think there should be more shopping, we should get a mall.
2. I think the most pressing issue is the need for more "youth friendly" places.
3. Some "youth friendly" places are New Town, the Rec Center, and Prime Outlets.
4. I don't really consider James City County a good place to live once you are done with high school or college. There just isn't enough for young people to do.

**Individual # 10**

1. a. The places to walk around outside, such as Colonial Williamsburg, the Parkway, and the path, but they are only nice during summer and spring. Also, high pay rates at jobs.
  - b. Young adult dance clubs, live music, young adult clothing stores. Some place like "Sports USA". It had several pool tables, air hockey, video games, darts, boxing ring, and a small pool. The food was good and although it offers alcohol, but some place here doesn't have too.
2. Places for young adults to go where they won't be in trouble.
3. WISC.
4. No, because I enjoy the night life while I'm still young, and there is not much left open past 9 p.m.

**Individual # 11**

1. a. There are lots of job opportunities for youth and WJCC is a safe area.
  - b. Develop areas geared more towards the youth and don't try to kick them out. Build concert venues or teen/younger crowd clubs.
2. An aging population, if it continues there may not be enough working age people to keep a strong economy. Instead of developing expensive timeshares, build higher density per-acre lofts or apartments that would attract a younger working crowd.
3. IHOP, Busch Gardens.
4. No, I plan to enter a music industry profession, and there are no job opportunities for that in WJCC. No music venues, no major recording studios, etc. The attractive aspect of the community is the almost nonexistent crime rate.

**Individual # 12**

1. a. It's clean, nice surroundings, and good school system.

- b.** More teen geared venues, for example it would be nice to have a concert venue and/or a dance club.
- 2.** Expansion and non-teen friendly. JCC is growing and some say too fast, also teens are viewed as trouble and establishments are not geared towards them.
- 3.** New Town but only during the day, because groups of kids are constantly harassed by cops. I personally do not want my tax money going to harassing kids. Give cops something more important to do.
- 4.** Personally, I will not come back to live here because I want a job in a city, hopefully in Washington D.C. working for the government. This city is good for young families and retired people.

**Individual # 13**

- 1. a.** James City County is safe; it has the College of William and Mary and is a good retirement community. People like safety and William and Mary has a fantastic reputation and a lot of people want to retire in a nice area.
  - b.** I want there to be more efficient public transportation. I want to rid the area of the houses and buildings that damage the town's image.
- 2.** James City County is growing rapidly. The County has to make sure that it can support all the needs of its population.
- 3.** Busch Gardens, New Town, Colonial Williamsburg.
- 4.** I do not consider WJCC a good place to live after high school/college. I originate from CA and the difference is unbelievable. I don't think I could ever relate to this culture.

**Individual # 14**

- 1. a.** They have a lot to do, which keeps people busy, JCC has lots of history and recreational areas to keep people busy.
  - b.** Offer more activities or areas that would allow for more variety in lifestyles.
- 2.** It seems to be more focused on older citizens. It leaves little room for younger citizens.
- 3.** New Town, Busch Gardens, Water Country, certain shopping centers.
- 4.** While it is a little boring sometimes, James City County has a lot to offer. People just have to look for it.

**Individual # 15**

- 1. a.** Busch Gardens because it gives people something to do during spring/summer and part of fall.

Low crime rates, people don't need to worry about being robbed when walking down most streets, relaxed atmosphere. History, there's a lot of history to learn about when you live in JCC. You can go to CW or Jamestown anytime you want.

- b. Places like Newport News/Hampton offer clubs, malls, concert venues, etc. for younger people/young adults that draw a lot of people in, and I would like to see some of that in Williamsburg because it would give people something to do, and it gets annoying driving to Newport News/Hampton every weekend.
2. Tourism, there are too many people her at all times. It's almost impossible to get into a restaurant on the weekends, without waiting in line for almost an hour, or to get a parking spot at the outlet mall without driving around for a long time. Also, this past summer Busch Gardens was at maximum capacity very often, so it eliminated an option for entertainment.
  3. Colonial Williamsburg, the Rec Center, New Town, (sometimes College Creek).
  4. It could be, because of the low income rate, but the tourists are extremely frustrating and would probably raise my blood pressure if I lived here for a long time at an older age, and it's becoming too crowded.

#### **Individual # 16**

1.
  - a. Mall (real indoor), music venue, diverse things (tea shop, different stores)
  - b. Entertainment.
2. Not enough to do because youth/young adult buildings conflict with older/retired people buildings.
3. New Town, Rec Center.
4. No, not many jobs after college (engineer, etc.)

#### **Individual # 17**

1.
  - a. The historical significance, it's safety and security.
  - b. A rock climbing gym, a concert venue, a sports complex/gym near KM, more ethnic restaurants, bars.
2. Everyone is old.
3. WISC, Colonial Williamsburg.
4. No, I'm a city person, but I will probably visit my parents until they move.

#### **Individual # 18**

1.
  - a. Plenty of teen-friendly jobs, no crime, happy place, beautifully green.

- b. Stop growing. Save the trees. Indoor-outdoor music venue.
- 2. Roads aren't too good, save the trees and the river, please.
- 3. Nowhere at night, during the day – parks, beaches, CW, outlets.
- 4. I do plan to come back here and raise my family. As of now, Williamsburg is a great place for young children, adults, and senior citizens. Please stop building new communities, it draws in more families causing more population growth, requiring more schools, roads and pretty soon, we're a Newport News. If Williamsburg becomes a Newport News, I will not move back. Calm down the police enforcement on teenagers. Most of it is unnecessary rules. No more than two teenagers may gather in New Town, you can't stay there for more than 15 minutes without buying things. You can't go on the beaches at night; you can't go to the parks at night.

**Individual # 19**

- 1. a. Tradition, green space, limited outsiders.
  - b. Preserve green space, discourage industry, stay small town rural.
- 2. The loss of itself, it is slowly turning into a Newport News.
- 3. Freedom Park, preserved wetlands, etc.
- 4. We'll see; needs more green space.

**Individual # 20**

- 1. a. Not too much traffic, many jobs available, not too big.
  - b. Be more youth friendly, bowling alley is ghetto, better facilities for teens, everything here is geared toward retirees, more sidewalks and public transportation.
- 2. Growth because it is dramatically increasing in population and schools are overcrowded.
- 3. Movies, New Town, we need more places to go on weekends that aren't so expensive, everything closes too early, need small concert area for teens like the Norva.
- 4. No, it's becoming a retiree area. It needs to change, do more for youth so families will continue to move here, school system needs help.

**Individual # 21**

- 1. a. Beautiful, close to both mountains and beaches, lots of opportunities for teens.
  - b. A nice upscale mall, like Short Pump or Stony Point. (Not another strip mall).
- 2. Growth because we need to learn how to manage it.

3. Only for really young children like Kidsburg, Busch Gardens, etc.
4. No, not while I'm young and single there is nothing to do for young singles. When I'm older and want to raise a family it would be nice to live here.

**Individual # 22**

1.
  - a. It's not over-developed yet, no traffic, fairly green (but that's being taken away).
  - b. Music venue.
2. Overdevelopment – too many neighborhoods with retirees.
3. No where is truly “youth friendly”.
4. No, although there is plenty for younger families and older people, there is nothing for young adults (16-25).

**Individual # 23**

1.
  - a. Relatively safe, clean, not over-developed, but it's getting that way.
  - b. Music venue. Stores open past 8:00. Stores that welcome young adults.
2. Destruction of green space.
3. Can't think of any...everywhere seems to have an issue. For elementary school age there are a lot.
4. For middle-aged people, families with young children, and retirees, it is great. Directly after high school or college though, I don't think so because you don't fall into the aforementioned categories. There are few opportunities for that age group unless you count being complained about in “The Last Word”.

**Individual # 24**

1.
  - a. It is a good place to raise a family or retire. Elderly friends. Historical. Very clean.
  - b. No answer.
2. It is very expensive to live here, but if you are looking to retire it doesn't really matter.
3. There are close to none, New Town which is over-run by middle school kids, it is difficult to have a “youth friendly” place here because so many people come here to retire.
4. No, absolutely not, it is very expensive to work and live here, but Williamsburg is not built to support the youth.

**Individual # 25**

1.
  - a. Good schools, lots of trees, safe.
  - b. More movie theaters.
2. Growth, lots of rural areas that first attract tourists, now is becoming destroyed.
3. Not many, Busch Gardens, Water Country.
4. Not for me, but that's just because I want to go further south (warm winters).

**Individual # 26**

1.
  - a. Good school system, low crime, green space.
  - b. Limit development, places increased burden on infrastructure, County catch-up to development.
2. Overcrowding, too many people.
3. Kidsburg.
4. Yeah, better than most places I have been to.

**Individual # 27**

1.
  - a. Nice houses (subdivisions). Good schools, low crime, lots of trees.
  - b. More movie theaters, more competition to lower movie prices.
2. Growth, James City County is growing extremely fast.
3. Not many, Busch Gardens and Water Country.
4. I think it is a good place to live but I would not live here. Not enough going on. I'm more of a city person.

**Individual # 28**

1.
  - a. It has pretty surroundings, growing commercial aspects (stores and such), and plentiful summer jobs.
  - b. I can't think of anything good off the top of my head.
2. Domination and growth of the elderly population. This skews public opinion and shuts out younger people who want to help make policy.
3. New Town (unless there are a bunch of unnecessary cops), Kidsburg.

4. Since there are both a lack of engineering jobs nearby, and few single women between 25-30, I probably won't come back. I want to try somewhere else for at least a while.

**Individual # 29**

1.
  - a. Wide variety of jobs in convenient locations, good neighborhoods and roads.
  - b. More things for youth to do, more attractions.
2. There is really no place to hang-out for teenagers, besides the movies.
3. Movie theater, WISC and the Rec Center.
4. Yes, there are lots of good homes, neighborhoods, and good businesses, especially in New Town. Adults have all of the nice restaurants, Colonial Williamsburg for kids, etc.

**Individual # 30**

1.
  - a. Great schools, nice community, history.
  - b. Public golf course.
2. Rapid growth.
3. Kidsburg, Colonial Williamsburg, WISC, neighborhoods.
4. Yes, it is a good place to live. I will not, I enjoy change and travel. Williamsburg/James City County is a great place to raise a family; it cannot turn into Newport News, please. I want to take my kids back here.

**Individual # 31**

1.
  - a. Good schools, good public services, relatively strong economy.
  - b. Incentives to not drive, for example bike commuter friendly).
2. Environmental issues.
3. Parks, Colonial Williamsburg, Merchants Square.
4. Good place to raise a family, not good for young single people. I like the area but it gets very boring.

**Individual # 32**

1.
  - a. Atmosphere friendly, trees, rivers, and gardens. People friendly, people say hello to everyone that pass by. Colonial Williamsburg, historic background, has its own place in history.

- b. Larger city areas, a more centralized meeting place. Allows a place to go and get the bigger city type feel.
- 2. Tourist coming and invading the restaurants, streets, and everywhere else.
- 3. Busch Gardens, New Town.
- 4. Not directly after college, James City County is for older people with children. No night life!

**Individual # 33**

- 1. a. Still a lot of green space, it's a very attractive area. We get more and more restaurants/stores everywhere as the County grows. With growing community there is a decent amount of job opportunities for teens.
  - b. More things and places catered to youth.
- 2. Traffic, traffic, traffic!
- 3. There's not many at all, there are a few places for younger kids such as Kidsburg, but there's a need for youth friendly places ages 14-18.
- 4. No, there's not enough going on here, and to live here and be single would be horrible. This community is a heavy retirement area and the 60+ crowd makes it a less desirable place to live if you are younger.

**Individual # 34**

- 1. a. Nice neighborhoods, clean town, low crime.
  - b. There need to be more kid friendly areas for the youth.
- 2. Amount of growth and whether or not it will turn into something like Newport News.
- 3. New Town.
- 4. Yes, because it is a very nice town with a good school system and a nice place to raise a family.

**Individual # 35**

- 1. a. Low crime, good school system, Jamestown High School is a well run school, jobs for teenagers.
  - b. No answer.
- 2. Roads need to be redone.
- 3. New Town, Colonial Williamsburg.

4. Living in James City County is a good idea, but housing is very expensive for college graduates.

**Individual # 36**

1.
  - a. Location, James City County is within close proximity to major cities such as Newport News, Richmond, and Norfolk. It is also near Colonial Williamsburg which is a nice area for families. Job opportunities, because of the amount of tourism in Williamsburg, James City County has plenty of job opportunities for people of all ages such as Busch Gardens, Kingsmill, and many restaurants. Overall a nice area, though the County has its rough spots, James City County is overall a really nice and safe place to live. There are places for teens and young adults to go as well as places for the older folks in town. It's also rather quiet.
  - b. I'm not really familiar with things that other localities do, but I do think that it would be nice to have more County parks. The area is really being built up quickly, and it would be nice to preserve the natural beauty found here.
2. Personally, I feel that the biggest issue pressing James City County is how our money is put to use. They spent huge amounts of money and time to "fix" the road between New Town and Marshall's, yet it seems even more confusing than ever. Also, millions were just spent constructing New Town, which I thought was supposed to be a place for people of all ages to spend their time, but now they are spending even more to make a teen-free version of New Town right down the street. Couldn't we be using this money for important things such as roads or schools.
3. Youth friendly is a sensitive term in James City County. I understand that 15 teenagers walking around New Town in a group can be intimidating to some, but the lengths that the County is going to; to make sure that the youth aren't "hanging out" at establishments is a little ridiculous. My guess is that every cop in the city doesn't need to sit in front of the movie theatre every weekend. I feel like the youth are very poorly represented, therefore creating an unfriendly vibe toward that generation at many establishments.
4. I think that James City County is a wonderful place to settle when you have a family or after your family has grown-up and had a family of their own, but not for high school or college graduates. James City is so limited, high school and college graduates should, in my opinion, explore other locations and try living in different places. After you've finished growing or are ready to settle somewhere permanently, James City is a great choice.

**Individual # 37**

1.
  - a. Scenic, nice communities by the river.
  - b. Fix up beaches or more parks. More stores, a mall!
2. Bad roads, locals know other roads to travel during tourist season and the roads are torn-up.
3. New Town.
4. Yes, I believe so. It's a good size and very pretty. Colonial Williamsburg is an awesome place for learning and walking.

**Individual # 38**

1. a. Relatively clean, low crime area, not too crowded.  
b. I would like to see a music theater because we don't have concerts around here.
2. Building too many apartments and subsidized housing.
3. Rec Center, YMCA, Kidsburg – but nowhere at night.
4. Yes, because of its cleanliness and small community atmosphere.

**Individual # 39**

1. a. Relatively clean, no crime, lots of forests.  
b. I would like to see an indoor/outdoor music venue and an outdoor theater for summer entertainment.
2. Stop growth because the small community makes James City County special.
3. Nowhere at night or in the winter.
4. Yes, because it is a family-friendly, small community.

**Individual # 40**

1. a. Relatively low taxes, because I don't like to pay high taxes on any products I buy. Neighborhoods are clean which is good for all Williamsburg residents. Crime is relatively low, which makes it a safer place to live.  
b. No answer.
2. The issue over how and why the President of William and Mary was fired.
3. Any of the parks in the County.
4. Yes, because it is a nice town to retire in and raise children.

**Individual # 41**

1. a. Low crime, more land, low traffic.  
b. No answer.
2. Older drivers.

- 3. New Town, Sports events.
- 4. Yes, it's a safe place.

**Individual # 42**

- 1. a. Green space, buildings are aesthetically pleasing.  
b. Amphitheater.
- 2. Affordable housing.
- 3. Kidsburg.
- 4. Yes, because it's a family-friendly community.

**Individual # 43**

- 1. a. The neighborhoods, the location in terms of how close the cities and beaches are; you can get anywhere in 15 minutes.  
b. More variety in stores, people, etc.
- 2. Housing, a lot of new developments and stores.
- 3. New Town, Sno-to-Go and Rec Center.
- 4. Yes, it's safe. The area is a nice location and landscape to raise a family.

**Individual # 44**

- 1. a. Stores (New Town give us something to do). Movies (something to do on weekends). Housing (you can get places).  
b. I would like to see more things or places to go that are fun (a larger variety of stores).
- 2. Housing, too many new houses.
- 3. The Rec Center, the YMCA, New Town.
- 4. I think I would because it is a safe place and its growing so large there will be lots of things to do.

**Individual # 45**

- 1. a. The beautiful trees. It's not too industrialized. The rich and colonial backgrounds.  
b. A place for the young ones to hang-out.

2. Limiting industry. The more we build, the less Williamsburg becomes itself.
3. Not very many places.
4. I consider James City County the perfect place to settle down and have a family. I will probably live in a city for some excitement and then come back.

**Individual # 46**

1.
  - a. The green, the wealth, and fine arts.
  - b. Concert (bands), stadiums and indoor pools and something like the Ferguson Center.
2. Growth, we're growing too fast to keep up.
3. Colonial Williamsburg, Kingsmill, William and Mary, and Busch Gardens.
4. Yes, I do; it has what I like in the look and feel.

**Individual # 47**

1.
  - a. It's clean, quiet, and safe.
  - b. Good shopping, things to do for teens on the weekend.
2. Nothing for teens to do and nothing unwealthy.
3. Busch Gardens.
4. No, it would be a waste to not be where I could afford things and not have to drive out of the way. Be able to go out after work because Williamsburg closes at dark.

**Individual # 48**

1.
  - a. Busch Gardens, Colonial Williamsburg, seniors.
  - b. Clubs, something for teenagers to do, laser tag, something kids can do and have fun.
2. It's too boring for teenagers here, nothing for kids to do.
3. Rec Center, Busch Gardens, Kidsburg.
4. Yes, when I'm a senior.

**Individual # 49**

1.
  - a. The city builds things around tourism and seniors, not helping teens stay somewhere safe and enjoyable.

- b. No answer.
- 2. Transportation, many people complain about poor transportation to youth areas.
- 3. None. Need clubs
- 4. Yes, but not a good place to live when you are in high school.

**Individual # 50**

- 1. a. The jobs, the retirement.
  - b. I would want more places for youth to go so they can be youth and not get in trouble.
- 2. New Town, because it's too much. It's like for people who have money.
- 3. Busch Gardens is not a lot.
- 4. Yes, only if you have family here, other than that no, because there is not really nothing to do around James City County.

**Individual # 51**

- 1. a. James City County has better jobs, safer community, and is a great place for people to retire. Most people come here because it is more calm and it is not that hard to find a job.
  - b. In Hampton they have a teen club, which we don't have down here, many people drive 45 minutes to an hour just to have fun. In order for us to go to a mall we have to go to Newport News because they have better shopping facilities.
- 2. They are building a lot of unnecessary things, they are building a lot of building we don't need. I think the reason they are building them is because they are not hearing everyone's voice.
- 3. Put-Put Golf near K-Mart, Rec Center, Kidsburg, Kiwanis Park, Movies, YMCA, and Go Cart Plus.
- 4. It's a good place to start off your life, but it's not a good place to start off a career. Also, James City County only has one college down here and that's William and Mary; which everyone doesn't want to go to.

**Individual # 52**

- 1. a. Quiet, low taxes, safe.
  - b. No answer.
- 2. Percentage of people.
- 3. New Town.

4. No, too many people and too few law enforcement officers.

**Individual # 53**

1.
  - a. Retired, very quiet sometimes, some places to hang-out.
  - b. Make it more fun and having more things to do.
2. Gangs, there are many bad things happening that I want not to be happening.
3. Busch Gardens.
4. No, because it's real boring and there is not much to do.

**Individual # 54**

1.
  - a. Low crime, hospitality, not too big, not too small.
  - b. A few more options of places to go at night other than New Town.
2. How to build new things while not distorting or tarnishing our towns image.
3. Rec Center, WISC, New Town.
4. Possibly, because we seem to be a growing community. The only reason I wouldn't want to come back right away is because I've lived here my entire life and I want to experience other places. But it really isn't a bad place to live; it's just boring because I've been here forever.

**Individual # 55**

1.
  - a. It's good climate and clean.
  - b. A concert hall, some place for teens to go and not feel unwanted, a piercing/tattoo place, salons, and a club for 18+ teens to go.
2. Nothing to do after 6:00 p.m.
3. New Town, Rec Center, Sports Complex.
4. Yes, and no. Yes, because then you will merge into the work force. Although there is still nothing to do afterwards, except go to the bar, which is not something they need to do.

**Individual # 56**

1.
  - a. James City County is a desirable place to live because it is clean and generally safe. It's a good place to work because there are always jobs available and it's a generally busy place.
  - b. No answer.

2. I really don't see or know any pressing issues facing the County.
3. New Town was a youth friendly place until the police started being too strict on teens in that area. But, the bowling alley is a typical place, that's about it.
4. No, because it's far too boring and senior citizen oriented. Also, I've been here a bit too long and I like big city life, like in New York or D.C.

**Individual # 57**

1.
  - a. Good place to retire, not a lot of crime, very upscale because it's a very comfortable environment.
  - b. More urban and flashy places for youth to go other than just New Town, because there is a younger generation that lives here.
2. Not enough places for the youth to do, the older people make the decisions.
3. New Town and the outlet mall, Busch Gardens and Water Country.
4. No, because there is not much you can do in Williamsburg as far as expanding your ability to live alone, and living in the same area is not really what I want to do.

**Individual # 58**

1.
  - a. Environment, history.
  - b. Focus more on young people's entertainment.
2. Balancing tourism.
3. Warhill, Rec Center.
4. No, because James City County is more directed towards the elderly population.

**Individual # 59**

1.
  - a. Housing, nice environment, Busch Gardens, Water Country.
  - b. Mall, mall, mall! Less driving to Richmond.
2. Too many old people stuff and it's getting boring.
3. None.
4. Yes, because nice homes, Busch Gardens, Water Country, nice schools, nice restaurants.

**Individual # 60**

1.
  - a. Security, peaceful place, lots of job opportunities for teens.
  - b. Malls, disco's, swimming facilities.
2. Transportation, very long distances between places.
3. Busch Gardens, Water Country, New Town.
4. Yes, job opportunities, and secure place to live.

**Individual # 61**

1.
  - a. Colonial Williamsburg, activities and opportunities for elderly and families. Busch Gardens and Water Country for children and adults. Good suburb, size, growth pretty consistent.
  - b. Nice shopping mall, expand shopping in New Town.
2. Middle school, youth are ignored.
3. Busch Gardens, Water Country, Colonial Williamsburg, New Town, Monticello.
4. Yes, to raise a family but not ages 20-25.

**Individual # 62**

1.
  - a. No answer.
  - b. No answer.
2. We have great new sports complexes which are wonderful, but we have no pools. As a Jamestown high school swimmer, I practice from 5-6 a.m. in a crowded pool and for our "home swim meet", we travel to Hampton University. I don't get home until around 1 a.m. The new YMCA has a pool, but it is not suitable for swim meets, neither is the Rec Center (it's too shallow to dive). It would be a great asset to the community to build a pool complex. Possibly, a 50-meter pool with a bulkhead so that it can be divided into two 25-meter pools. There could also be a small-water pool area, like at Ft. Eustis, or Great Wolf Lodge.
3. No answer.
4. No answer.

**Individual # 63**

1.
  - a. Very low crime rate, nice buildings, quiet.
  - b. Arcade centers, because it would give teens something to do.

2. Judging teens because more older people live here than young.
3. Movies, that's about it.
4. It would be okay if you don't like living life to the fullest. But once you think about it, no.

**Individual # 64**

1.
  - a. It's quiet. William and Mary is right here so I don't have to go off to college, saves money. House's have backyards.
  - b. Stop growing, open place are better than shopping places.
2. They keep expanding and building and it's no longer as small or quiet.
3. Parks, New Town except when they try to kick you out for being a kid, Busch Gardens.
4. If it stay's like it is now then it would be a great place to stay, but if it turns into a big city and that kind of living then it won't be as quant of an area. I don't plan on living in one place for long anyway, but if I ever wanted to settle down then this would be a good place.

**Individual # 65**

1.
  - a. The scenery, the shopping, family.
  - b. Dances, things on weekends for kids, planned parenthood, real mall, tattoo and piercing parlor.
2. Nothing for teens.
3. New Town, Rec Centers.
4. No, because there is no where a 20-year old is going to want to do.

**Individual # 66**

1.
  - a. Safe environment, good schools, history sites.
  - b. Concert venues, more youth related areas and activities like Richmond.
2. Uncontrolled growth.
3. New Town.
4. Yes, because it's very nice and is a great place to retire.

**Individual # 67**

1. a. Good shopping, enough jobs for all people.  
b. I don't know.
2. Workers for lower paid jobs, water, new roads.
3. Busch Gardens, Water Country, Waller Mill Park.
4. No, because I like to live with my family and my family is in Maryland. James City County is a nice place but my mom doesn't like it over here.

**Individual # 68**

1. a. The tourism leads to a good job market, the community is fairly well upscale and a safe community.  
b. I think James City County does a pretty good job overall.
2. *Illegible*
3. Kidsburg, Busch Gardens, and Water Country.
4. Yes, but it is really too expensive to have live here after high school or college.

**Individual # 69**

1. a. We have Colonial Williamsburg where our country started and it provides a lot of jobs. *Illegible*. It is beautiful and it is very unique because of the Parkway.  
b. More public transportation to places.
2. Building and *illegible*.
3. New Town youth friendly, it is bus accessible and has a movie theater.
4. Yes, because it is safe and has a lot of history and things to do.