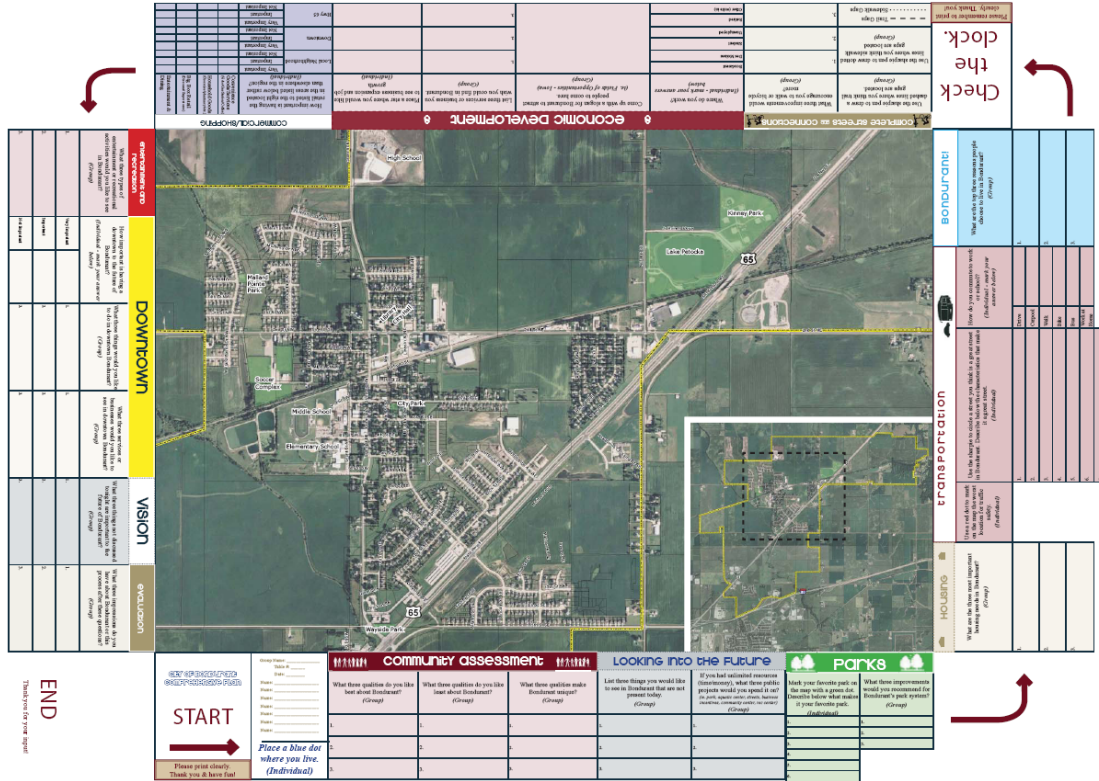


Game Board Responses

In the past months, Bondurant game boards have been used to gather community input. People had the chance to fill them out at Summerfest as well as at meetings for various groups. It asks participants to think about Bondurant in order to talk about what they like, what could be improved, and what they would like to see their community become.



The questions were varied but some messages kept appearing in the answers:

- The small town feeling here is special, particularly being so close to Des Moines
- We have high quality schools
- We really need a grocery store
- We could use restaurants/other retail as well
- Lake Petocka is an important amenity for the community
- Highway 65 has high traffic volumes which is good for business, but bad for pedestrians and traffic safety
- Pedestrian and bike circulation should be improved
- Housing should be diversified

Responses to the game appear below

Community Assessment:

What qualities do you like best about Bondurant?

School district
Small town feeling
Good Baseball Program
Small town qualities
Safety
Friendly people
School system
Community involvement
Proximity to metro
Forward thinking
Schools
Small town
Casey's pizza
Gas competition
Small town
Schools

What qualities do you like least about Bondurant?

Unrealistic speed control
Commercial development lacking
Lack of retail and professional services
Lack of athletic facilities
Lack of youth and adult programs
Lack of infrastructure
Street layout
No grocery
Limited dining
Not enough entertainment
Not a lot of community for new people

What qualities make Bondurant unique?

Sense of community
Proximity to cities
Transportation corridor
Size of town near metro
The generosity of the people
Small town

Looking into the Future

List things you would like to see that are not in Bondurant today

Grocery store
Swimming pool
Turning lanes on Grant
Pharmacy
Restaurants
Grocery store
Pool
Larger sports bar
Pharmacy
Commercial office building
Sanitary upgrades
Commercial retail
Dining
Grocery store
Grocery store
Grocery store – Fareway
Pool
Park by Cove
Younkers

If you had unlimited resources, what public projects would you spend it on?

Improved parks
More parks
YMCA
Trail to Chichaqua
Tax incentives for development
Pedestrian crossing over 65
Hospital
Trails
Rec center
Aquatic center
Pool
Rec center
Community center

Parks

Parks identified as “favorite parks”

Lake Petocka
City Park
Kinney Park
Mallard Pointe Park

Describe what makes it your favorite park

Location
Water at Petocka
Green space
The lake
Basketball court
Swings

What improvements would you recommend for Bondurant’s park system?

Repair basketball hoops
Park district budget
Basketball hoops
Amenities
Trails that link them
Bike trails from City Park to Petocka
New hoops
Bigger basketball court
New hoops
Better volleyball area

Housing

What are the most important housing needs in Bondurant?

High end housing
No more HUD homes
Larger plots
Senior
Multi family
2nd/Upper level homes
Investors in developments
Sewer to the annexed areas
Townhomes for single or lower income

Transportation

Worst spots for traffic safety

2nd St & Grant
2nd St & Hwy 65
Grant & Hwy 65
2nd St & Hwy 65
5th St SE
Lincoln & Hwy 65
Grant & Hwy 65

Great Streets

Grant St (By the Elementary School)
Lincoln St (Between City Park and Railroad)
1st St SE & Grant
Main Street

What makes these streets great?

Downtown
Open area
Great small town feel/look on houses
None
Neighborhood streets w/o much traffic
Wide streets

How do you commute to work or school?

Drive 82%
Bike 4%
Bus 7%
Walk 4%
Work at Home 4%

Bondurant!

What are the top reasons people choose to live in Bondurant?

Size of community
Size of school
Away from the hussle
Just far enough away from city
Rural, but close to metro
Schools
Size
Affordable
Not the West Metro
Small town
Proximity to amenities
Schools

Complete Streets and Connections

Where are trail gaps located?

Along RR
Grant St
Along RR
Along Mud Creek
Past Elementary/Middle School

Where are sidewalk gaps located?

Everywhere
Everywhere

What improvements would encourage you to walk or bicycle more?

Trails
Bigger sidewalks
Trails to surrounding parks
Trails (Bike)
Sidewalk
Pedestrian bridge
Amenities/Parks/Businesses to go to
Good connectivity
Maintenance
Traffic circulation around Diamond Crystal
Pleasant St finished

Economic Development

Where do you work?

Bondurant 27%
Des Moines 27%
Ankeny 9%
Ames 5%
Other (Unspecified) 32%

Come up with a slogan for Bondurant to attract people to come here

A place to be you
Middle of the A's (Ankeny, Altoona)

List services or businesses you wish you could find in Bondurant

Grocery
Car dealership
Restaurants
Pharmacy
Hardware
Auto parts
Farm store
Grocery store
Restaurants
Youth center/hangout
Ice cream shop
Smaller 24 Hour Fitness
Pool
Hardware
Drug store
Shopping mall
Fareway x8
Fast food like Subway
Food
Small restaurants

Where would you like to see business growth and expansion?

Near high school
East of Kinney Park along Hwy 65
Hawthorne Crossing
South of Hwy 65 along Michael St
Main Street

Where would you like to see business growth and expansion? (cont.)

Brick Street

Across Hwy 65 from Wayside Park

West of town along 2nd St

North of Wolf Creek

Western edge of town along Hwy 65

Grant & I-80

Hwy 65 & Lincoln

Between Hwy 65 and Lake Petocka at 2nd St

West of Mud Creek on 15th St

Entertainment and Recreation

What types of entertainment or recreational activities would you like to see in Bondurant?

Tennis courts

Frisbee golf

Racquetball

Theater

Pool

Aquatic center

Rec center

Amphitheater / bandshell

City center

Summer concerts

Farmers market

Golf Course

Aquatic center

Movie Theater

Trailhead facilities

Downtown

How important is having a downtown to the future of Bondurant?

Very Important - 27%

Important – 36%

Not Important – 36%

Additional Comments: Very Important as a destination and for community but do not overload one

What things would you like to be able to do in downtown Bondurant?

More dining

Coffee shop

Retail

Food/deli

Identifiable downtown

Mixed use buildings

Ice cream

Destination place

Farmers market

Movies

What services or businesses would you like to see in downtown Bondurant?

Jimmy Johns

Movie theater

Ice cream

Restaurants

Sandwich shop

General store

Barber shop

Flower shop

Gift shop

Dry cleaning

Vision

Additional things not discussed in the game?

Post office to stay

Take care of current businesses

Schools