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Dear Worcester resident,

Thank you for taking part in our study. We are a group of researchers working on a study about the lives of city residents and the natural and social environment in six world cities. In addition to Worcester, MA, representing the USA, this research is being conducted in five additional countries in the following cities: Accra, Amsterdam, Brussels, Dhaka, and Maputo. This survey has been organized by Clark University in Worcester, Massachusetts. Additional information about this research project is available online at <https://www.projectmisty.org>

The purpose of this study is to better understand the issues and effects of migration, transformations, and sustainability for the environment and for the communities impacted by migration. We aim to understand how life events, such as forming a family or moving to another place, affect the way people get involved in their community or take care of the natural environment. Your participation may impact society by helping us to better understand and manage migration and its impact on communities while protecting the natural and the community resources, therefore contributing to the improvement of sustainability of both your community and its natural resources.

The survey takes about 10-15 minutes and includes questions about you and your life in the city of Worcester. For instance, we will ask about your main occupation and your family life. We will also ask about your perceptions of your neighborhood. To ensure anonymity, we will not register the name of your neighborhood. Instead, we use anonymized codes. Your name and your answers will remain anonymous. The study will only mention general

patterns, but not individual responses. The first two questions are the qualifying questions to verify if you are eligible to participate in this survey. They ask for your age and your residency. After answering them, if you do not want to answer any of the following questions, you can select the ‘prefer not to say’ option. You can stop your participation at any time. Clark University will retain survey results including your replies securely stored for 3 years after the conclusion of this study.

The risks of participating in this study are minimal. While we will do our best to protect the anonymity of all participants, we cannot guarantee it in full. *In case you are an undocumented immigrant we suggest that you either refrain from participation or proceed at your own discretion.*

This study has been approved by the Clark Committee for the Rights of Human Participants in Research and Training Programs (IRB). Any questions about human rights issues should be directed to the IRB Chair, Professor Robert Johnston Tel: (508)-751-4619.

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To participate in our study, please confirm that:

☐ You have read and agreed to these terms and conditions.

Online Survey

What is your year of birth?

Where are you currently living?

- ☐ Worcester
- ☐ Other

In which country were you born?

- ☐ United States
- ☐ Other - I was born in: (country, city/town)
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Were you born in Worcester?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No, I was born in: (state, city/town)
- ☐ Prefer not to say

We would first like to ask you some questions about your current place of residence.

**In which year did you arrive
to \${q://QID3/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}?**

*If you were born in Worcester and you always lived there
please indicate your year of birth again.*

*If you lived in \${q://QID3/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}, you
moved elsewhere and you came back, we want to know
about the last time you moved back.*

- ☐ Year you arrived in Worcester
- ☐ Prefer not to say

In which area neighborhood of the city do you currently live?

If unsure, view this interactive map to locate your
neighborhood: [https://www.city-data.com/nbmaps/neigh-
Worcester-Massachusetts.html](https://www.city-data.com/nbmaps/neigh-Worcester-Massachusetts.html)

- ☐ Beacon Brightly
- ☐ Beaver Brook / Cider Mill
- ☐ Broadmeadow Brook
- ☐ Burncoat
- ☐ Cambridge Street
- ☐ College Hill
- ☐ Crown Hill / Piedmont
- ☐ Downtown / Lincoln Square
- ☐ Elm Park

- ☐ Forest Grove
- ☐ Franklin / Plantation
- ☐ Grafton Hill
- ☐ Great Brook Valley
- ☐ Green Hill Park
- ☐ Green Island / Canal District
- ☐ Greendale
- ☐ Hadwen Park
- ☐ Hamilton
- ☐ Indian Hill
- ☐ Indian Lake
- ☐ Kelley Square / Water Street
- ☐ Laurel / Clayton
- ☐ Main South
- ☐ Mass Ave
- ☐ Mill Street
- ☐ Montvale
- ☐ Newton Square
- ☐ Quinsigamond Village
- ☐ Salisbury Street
- ☐ Shrewsbury Street / Columbus Park
- ☐ Tatnuck / West Tatnuck
- ☐ Union Hill
- ☐ Vernon Hill
- ☐ Webster Square
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

What year did you move to this neighborhood?

- ☐ Year you moved into this neighborhood:
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Please mark all answers that apply to you.

Most of the time you lived in this neighborhood, you lived (with):

- ☐ Alone
- ☐ Your father and/or mother
- ☐ Your partner(s) / spouse(s)
- ☐ One or several brothers/sisters
- ☐ Your son(s) / daughter(s)
- ☐ Other relative(s)
- ☐ People other than relatives
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Most of the time you lived in this neighborhood, you were...

- ☐ Living rent free
- ☐ Tenant or participating in payment of rent
- ☐ Owner
- ☐ Resident in a student residence, shelter, group home, hostel (workers), etc
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Compared to other households in this neighbourhood, your household is:

With household we refer to you and other people living with you.

- ☐ Among the poorest
- ☐ Below average
- ☐ About average
- ☐ Above average
- ☐ Among the richest
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

All things considered, how satisfied have you been with your life as a whole while living in this neighborhood?

- ☐ Very unsatisfied
- ☐ Rather unsatisfied
- ☐ Neither unsatisfied nor satisfied
- ☐ Rather satisfied
- ☐ Very satisfied
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Please mark all answers that apply to you.

Overall, do you have access to:

	Yes	No	Prefer not to say
Tap water	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Electricity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Flushing toilet	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Garbage collection	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Garbage separation bins	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public transport: near your residence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Public transport: affordable	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Private car	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

	Yes	No	Prefer not to say
Good quality healthcare	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good quality education (schools, higher education)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good quality of housing	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good quality of support from the local government	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Good quality of support from non-profit and/or community assistance organizations	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Where on the ladder would you rank your neighborhood in terms of the access and quality of the green areas? *We refer to public areas: community woodlands, green roofs, landscape around buildings, street trees, urban parks and gardens and/or wetlands in the neighborhood.*

- ☐ Very bad
- ☐ Bad
- ☐ Neither good nor bad
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Very good
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Where on the ladder would you rank your neighborhood in terms of the access and quality of support from friends and neighbors?

- ☐ Very bad
- ☐ Bad
- ☐ Neither good nor bad
- ☐ Good
- ☐ Very good
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you move around by foot, bicycle or public/shared transport?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you grow your own fruit, nuts, vegetables, cereals, or other food and / or keep your own animals (for

instance, chickens, sheep or pigs)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you use your own bag when carrying groceries?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you take care of the common areas near your house (pavement, staircase, green areas, etc.)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always

☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you separate organic waste (coffee grounds, fruit and vegetable peels, garden waste etc.) from the rest of your everyday waste?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you make efforts to save everyday water use (through less number of baths in a week, for cleaning and cooking, immediate action to repair leaks in water pipe or tap, ensuring multiple uses of used water etc.)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often are you currently volunteering in any organization aimed at preserving the environment?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often are you currently volunteering in any organization aimed at preserving people's rights (e.g. right to equality, health, housing, religion, etc.)?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you or your household members wear second-hand (used) clothes? (We only ask about you and/or family members living with you)

- ☐ Never

- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you choose certain products to consume because the people involved in their production are treated and paid fairly?

We refer to products labeled “Fair Trade” , “HavelaarlaUTZ, “UTZ” etc., but also goods produced, for instance, by disadvantaged groups in the community, e.g. by an association empowering women, disabled citizens, etc.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Apart from family members and friends, how often do you help people who are worse off than you, e.g. through giving food, gifts, donations, or money?

These can be donations made directly to those in need or through an organization – non-profits, church, mosque, etc.

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you borrow, rent or swap products such as a hammer, a car or a ladder instead of buying them?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

To what extent do you agree with the statement that you are making efforts to reduce your use of resources in order to protect the environment (for instance, using public transport instead of driving a private car, recycling, reusing products, reducing the use of electricity and water or the generation of waste)?

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Do you agree with the following statements regarding your neighborhood?

This neighborhood is part of my life

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I want my family and friends to live here in the future

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree

☐ Prefer not to say

I feel like an outsider in this place

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I live here because it is practical

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I miss the place when I am not here

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

My friends and / or family living here are a good support for me

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I enjoy being involved in the neighborhood activities

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

How often do you feel secure / safe in the neighbourhood?

- ☐ Never
- ☐ Rarely
- ☐ Sometimes
- ☐ Often
- ☐ Always
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Do you agree with the following statements:

"I have confidence in the decisions that the local government makes to protect the environment and the community"

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I have the same opportunities as others in the community

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

I can say whatever I want in public

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

We have now some questions about your attitudes on environmental and socio-economic issues.

To what extent do you agree with the following statements:

"Looking after the environment is important, to care for nature and save life resources"

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

It bothers me that the world's natural environment is changing so quickly

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Ordinary people have responsibility to conserve resources for future generations

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

My individual actions will make a difference regarding global climate change

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

It is important to me to do something for the good of society

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

It bothers me when people do not care about the well-being of others

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

People should help strangers or people they do not know who need help

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

My own actions can improve how things work in the community

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

It is important to restrain ourselves from buying new goods (for example mobile phone, laptop, clothes, shoes, car etc.)

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree

- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

It bothers me to see in the market so many one-use plastic products that produce a lot of waste

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

We all have the responsibility to limit our use of energy resources and cause less pollution

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

By swapping and using second-hand (used) clothes or other products I can contribute to reduce the amount of pollution and waste produced in the world

- ☐ Strongly disagree
- ☐ Disagree
- ☐ Neither agree nor disagree
- ☐ Agree
- ☐ Strongly Agree
- ☐ Prefer not to say

We are reaching the end of the questionnaire. We have now some questions about you.

Do you identify yourself as:

- ☐ Man
- ☐ Woman
- ☐ Other
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Do you hold USA citizenship?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not applicable, I am stateless

☐ Prefer not to say

Where was your first main caregiver (parent, guardian, other) born?

- ☐ In the USA
- ☐ In another country
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Did you have a second main caregiver (2nd parent, grandparent, guardian, other)?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Where was your second main caregiver (2nd parent, grandparent, guardian, other) born?

- ☐ In the USA
- ☐ In another country
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Are you currently in a relationship? (We consider "relationship" to mean a committed partnership between you and another person. You do not need to be married or living in the same home as your partner)

- ☐ I have a partner for one year or more
- ☐ I have a partner for less than one year
- ☐ I do not have a partner
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Do you have any children? (this includes adopted and foster children)

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Prefer not to say

What are you currently doing?

If you combine several activities, please indicate only the activity that you consider the most important.

- ☐ Studying (enrolled in an educational institution)
- ☐ Economically active; including formal and informal work, family help, apprentice/trainee or intern
- ☐ Unemployed
- ☐ Homemaker

- ☐ Retired
- ☐ Other inactive
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

If you have any, please indicate what is your highest diploma, qualification or certificate:

- ☐ **Early childhood education (Kindergarten, Preschool)**
- ☐ **Primary education or first stage of basic education (grades 1 - 6)**
- ☐ **Middle School (grades 7 & 8)**
- ☐ **High School (grades 9 - 12), Vocational school or equivalent**
- ☐ **Some college, Vocational license**
- ☐ **Associate degree, Nursing license or similar**
- ☐ **Bachelor's or equivalent level**
- ☐ **Master's or equivalent level**
- ☐ *Doctoral or equivalent level*
- ☐ *None, but I can read and write*
- ☐ *None, but I went to the Koranic or other religious school*
- ☐ *Don't know*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

We will finish the questionnaire with 6 questions about why you decided to live in this neighborhood and if you

want to stay
in \${q://QID3/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices}.

What was the main reason you moved to your current neighborhood?

- ☐ *For employment reasons*
- ☐ *For education*
- ☐ *For family reunification (join spouse/partner/children)*
- ☐ *Because of family obligations/problems*
- ☐ *To access health (care)*
- ☐ *For better housing / housing problems*
- ☐ *To reduce cost of housing*
- ☐ *To earn money to pay back debt*
- ☐ *Because of environmental degradation (drought, erosion, etc.)*
- ☐ *Because of an extreme event (flooding, cyclone, etc.)*
- ☐ *Social/political problems (discrimination, bad law and order, war, etc.)*
- ☐ *To find better infrastructures (sanitation, electricity, etc.)*
- ☐ *Better connectivity (public transport)*
- ☐ *There was not enough recreation/entertainment in my previous place of residence*
- ☐ *To broaden my horizons*
- ☐ *To return home*
- ☐ *Other*
- ☐ *Don' t know, too young to remember*
- ☐ *Not applicable, 1st. neighbourhood of residence/I never moved*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

Ideally, if you had the opportunity, would you like to go to another place to live or work some time during the next 5 years, or would you prefer to stay in $\{q://QID3/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices\}$?

- ☐ Stay in $\{q://QID3/ChoiceGroup/SelectedChoices\}$
- ☐ Go and live in another place in this country– preferably another city
- ☐ Go and live in another place in this country– preferably in the countryside
- ☐ Go and live in another country
- ☐ Don't know
- ☐ Prefer not to say

Why do you prefer to stay?

Please indicate the main reason

- ☐ I have (access to) employment here
- ☐ I have (access to) education here
- ☐ My family is here / this is where I belong
- ☐ Family obligations / problems
- ☐ I have (access to) health (care) here
- ☐ I am happy here / I have a good life
- ☐ I am worried about uncertainties in other locations (relating to work, dangers, etc.)
- ☐ I cannot afford to move
- ☐ I do not have skills / education
- ☐ I do not know where to go
- ☐ Other

- ☐ *Don't know*
- ☐ *Not applicable*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

Why do you prefer to go and live in another place?

Indicate the main reason

- ☐ *For employment reasons*
- ☐ *For education*
- ☐ *For family reunification (join spouse / partner/children)*
- ☐ *Because of family obligations / problems*
- ☐ *To access health care*
- ☐ *For better housing / housing problems*
- ☐ *To reduce cost of housing*
- ☐ *To earn money to pay back debt*
- ☐ *Because of environmental degradation (drought, erosion, etc)*
- ☐ *Because of an extreme event (flooding, cyclone, etc)*
- ☐ *Social/political problems (discrimination, bad law & order, war, etc)*
- ☐ *To find better infrastructures (sanitation, electricity, etc)*
- ☐ *Better connectivity (public transport)*
- ☐ *There is not enough recreation/entertainment here*
- ☐ *To broaden my horizons*
- ☐ *To return home*
- ☐ *Other*
- ☐ *Don' t know*
- ☐ *Not applicable*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

To what extent has the coronavirus crisis influenced your ideas on where to live in the next 5 years?

- ☐ *None at all*
- ☐ *A little*
- ☐ *A moderate amount*
- ☐ *A lot*
- ☐ *A great deal*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

Last question: Please tell us why the coronavirus crisis has influenced your ideas on where to live in the next 5 years?
Please let us know in as much detail as you are willing to share.

- ☐ *Coronavirus influence on where to live:*
- ☐ *Prefer not to say*

You do not meet the qualifications for this survey. We sincerely appreciate your participation in our online survey.

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