

Survey Findings

SO FAR!

CURRENT LAND USE DECISION-MAKING IN NEW YORK CITY IS DEEPLY FLAWED.

To ensure that community members have a meaningful role in shaping the outcomes of development projects in District 35, we launched a survey to hear about your experiences, priorities and vision.

As of May 3rd, 537 people have completed the survey, providing their input that will ultimately inform how the Council Member votes on new developments in the district.

If you haven't already, please take the survey and share it with your friends, family and neighbors! We want to make sure we hear from everyone across the district.

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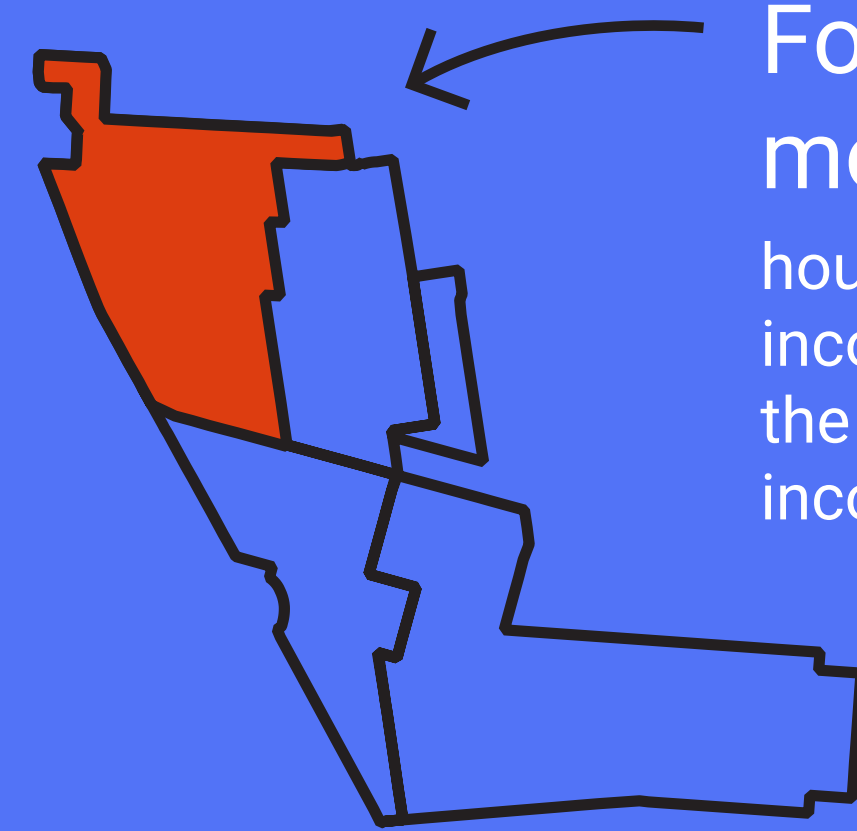
A NOTE ON METHODOLOGY

These income levels correspond to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)'s 2022 NYC Area Median Income (AMI) levels for 1-person households.

Though imperfect, and **not reflective of the real incomes in District 35**, this system is how rental affordability is currently determined, and therefore relevant to land use. For these survey findings, households that earn less than \$75k per year were categorized as low-income, and households that earn \$75k or more per year were categorized as moderate- to high-income.

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We've heard from 537 survey respondents:



Fort Greene has the most income disparity housing 26% of moderate-to-high income household respondents in the district, as well as 28% of low-income household respondents.

59% of Black respondents have lived in the district for more than 20 years.

So have 48% of low-income household respondents compared to only 15% of moderate- to high-income household respondents.

62% of homeowner respondents are white, while only 17% are Black.

45% of respondents 65 years or older are in low-income households.

Of these respondents:

HOUSING

80%

agreed that it is challenging to find affordable housing

FOOD

26%

struggle to find healthy, affordable food options

SMALL BUSINESSES

84%

said commercial rent prices endanger small businesses

AGING IN PLACE

44%

noted unreliable inaccessible transit as a critical mobility challenge for seniors

GREEN SPACE

46%

wish for more green space in the district, like community gardens, parks and parkways

ACCESSIBILITY

64%

called out public seating and accessible train stations as unmet accessibility needs

We also heard about:

Many new luxury highrises

A lack of parking

New housing that isn't actually affordable

Constant, disruptive construction

Gentrification and rising cost of living

Dangerous traffic

Improved neighborhood safety

Mixed feelings about Open Streets

What would you add?