

CITY OF PAM COAST'S DEFINITION OF QUALITY-OF-LIFE

While there is no universally accepted definition of quality of life, in general, **quality of life is determined by an individual's perception of their position in life, their value system, and their goals, expectations, standards, and concerns.** This is a moving target that the City of Palm Coast is consistently trying to improve through services to citizens, recreational amenities, a low crime rate, and civic engagement opportunities. We measure responses from our citizens through the bi-annual citizens survey where quality of life is a factor in many questions. During the most recent survey, in 2021-2022, the City of Palm Coast received high satisfaction scores in quality of life responses from the respondents who completed the survey.

Should Surveys about Quality-of-Life include the reality (not an individual's perception) of Residential Neighborhoods Environment and Health?

Note: Surveys are designed by professionals to ask questions that would lead to a favorable outcome for the city. Using the city's definition of Quality of Life the surveys will not ask the below reality questions of residents.

NOTE WHAT SURVEYS DO NOT INCLUDE:

Residential Neighborhood's Environment

Residential Neighborhood's Protection From

- a) Excessive Traffic
- b) Speeding Traffic
- c) Harm to Health from Traffic Fumes/Dust/Noise

WHAT THE SURVEYS WILL NOT ASK:

Is there excessive traffic on your residential street?

- a) Does traffic noise wake family members at night?
- b) Does traffic noise make it difficult for anyone in family to concentrate, especially children?
- c) Does traffic noise at times make it difficult to hear another family member?
- d) Does traffic noise at times require the volume to TV or Radio to be increased?
- e) Does traffic fumes/dust bother any family member's breathing?
- f) Is City Council responsive to concerns about environment or health (traffic fumes/dust/noise) in residential neighborhood?

Is there speeding on your residential street?

- a) Scared to let children play outside due to traffic conditions?
- b) Does any family member report speeding to Sheriff's Office?
- c) To the best of your knowledge has anyone or pet been harmed from a speeding vehicle?
- d) Is City Council responsive to concerns about speeding in residential neighborhood?

SEE HOW TRAFFIC AFFECT RESIDENTS, ESPECIALLY THE MOST VULNERABLE, THE CHILDREN AND ELDERLY

[Infographic: Living Near Busy Roads or Traffic Pollution - USC Environmental Health Centers](#)