

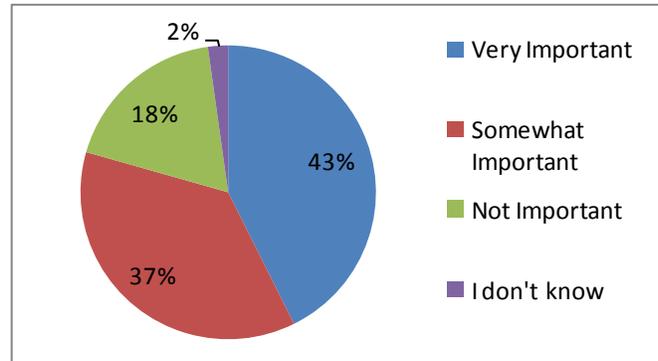
# Renewable energy sources - solar, geothermal

## Multiple Choice Questions

**Question #1: How important do you believe it is for the Town to address each of the following issues?**

**Multiple Choice #7: Increasing the use of renewable energy (solar, wind, geothermal).** This could include at individual homes, CCES, 4H Headquarters, or the Lawton Center. It could also include investing in a solar electric vehicle charging station.

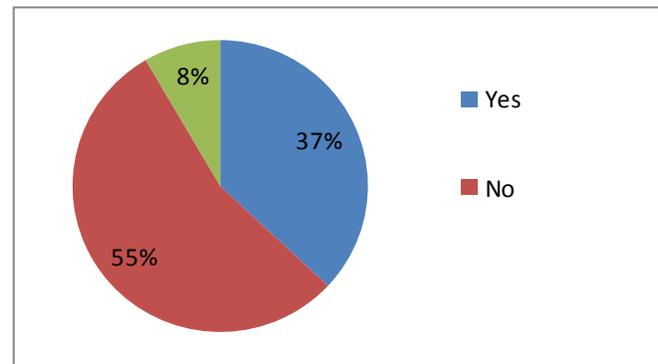
136 respondents



**Question #4: Greenhouse Gas survey follow-up questions.**

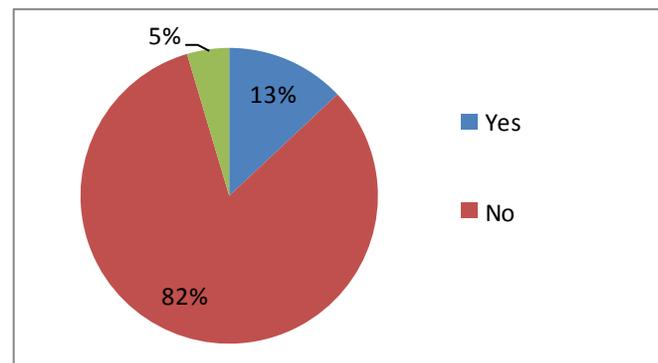
**Multiple Choice #7: Have you purchased energy from renewable sources?**

130 respondents



**Multiple Choice #8: Do you have solar panels, solar hot water, or geothermal energy at your home?**

131 respondents



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## Open-Text Questions

*NB: for comments on EV charging station see Green Private Transportation options*

**Question #2: In your opinion, what is the most important issue that the Town should address in order to improve the environment and long-term livability of this community?**

1. Reducing waste and increasing the use of renewable energy.
2. I think both increasing homeowners' use of alternative energy (solar, wind, maybe even fuel-cells?) and then tying in to better preparedness for climate-related emergencies would be very valuable.
3. Pollution control and encouraging energy efficiency/ alternate energy use.
4. Promoting renewable energy....
5. could do a lot more to promote solar panels (hold a seminar with testimonials from us believers, let people have a yard sign that says it's a solar house, put panels on the Leland Center). 2) should continue urging people to do home energy evaluations (we had a thorough tightening-up done by SolarCity and it's made a significant difference to our gas bill). 3) have a show-and-tell about electric vehicles and consider converting some of the town vehicles to newer technology.

**Question #3: Being realistic, what do you think are the three most important things the Town might do to help you and your family reduce your negative impacts on the environment?**

1. less complicated process to install/contract for solar panels
2. Increasing Usage of Renewable Energy
3. solar panel based street lighting
4. Allow for removal of trees that interfere with Solar Panels. Stop planting large trees under wires.
5. Solar- geothermal collective.
6. use renewable energy (solar panels) to offset electric use in town offices
7. town should encourage use of green and high efficiency building technologies and renewable energy.
8. alternative energy use
9. Solar EV charging station.
10. go solar! on the municipal buildings
11. Provide financial assistance to residents who might choose to adopt their homes for solar energy
12. Geothermal, Solar.
13. Provide opportunities to join/purchase environmentally friendly services or products such as the solar panel program
14. encourage and perhaps subsidize solar panel installation (is there a way we can get some kind of bulk rates if numerous Town families are interested?) even just aggregating and providing info to Town families on their options re: alternative energy sources would be very helpful.
15. info session on solar
16. Allow residents to use their own judgment in maintaining trees on their property, so that those who want solar power can have it if they so choose.

**Bottom of Question #1: Feel free to provide comments on the topics above or suggestions for additional environmental issues you feel the town might address”**

1. Would love to see a solar EV charging station in the town.

**Bottom of Question #4: Feel free to tell us other actions you have taken to reduce your environmental impact.**

1. geothermal heating/cooling, solar panels,
2. We have Solar Panels
3. daily use Solar hot water
4. Form a neighborhood collective to allow residents to collectively invest in a solar panel farm on both the Lawton Center and CCES. Putting them on
5. wind energy, donations, etc.
6. purchase 100% wind generated electricity
7. First - your questions are presuming your plan is appropriate. However, I have looked at the costs for my house for multiple options. Even though I am capable and do most of my own work, including obtaining permits, and I cost evaluate many of my own real estate investments regarding improvements and maintenance, I have not been able to find a solar option (hot water or electric) that is cost justifiable. The alleged social costs of environmental impact are not monetized.

**Final Question: Please briefly describe any issues you would be interested in discussing further.**

- No answers