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Purpose & Intent

- The purpose of the Map Your Vision Tool was to provide another way for residents to reflect on the Village today and into the future.

- This web-based tool asked users to pinpoint locations on a map of the Village and then categorize their comments about that location into one of the following three categories:
  - Favorite or Special Places
  - Opportunities or Ideas for the Future
  - Current or Future Challenges or Issues

- Users also could further categorize comments by topic (Community Facilities, Parks & Open Space, etc.) and upload a photo.
The Points

- More than **80** points were identified on the map, with an average of 2 points placed on the map per user.
Overall Results

- The pie chart shows the range of topics identified through the points, with the most frequently identified being **Transportation (cars, parking)**. Comments under this topic focused largely on **traffic safety** concerns.

- Points related to **Land Use & Development** covered topics such as the **preservation of small commercial nodes** in the Village.

- Points related to **Transportation (walking, biking)** generally identified areas for **installing sidewalks or improving street lighting for safer walking** and **better connecting paths/trails**.
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Summary of Map Comments

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- Need sidewalk from train to Ridgecrest
- Great downtown
- Properties likely to be contaminated
- Ped safety; install flashing lights
- Special, favorite place
- More contemporary music at Bandshell
- Confused intersection
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- Make Franklin safer for peds
- Special, favorite place
- Relocate BOE, rent as offices
- Empty stores due to lack of parking
- Commuter parking vs. shopper parking
- Improve the bus shelter
- More active, inviting
- Van Neste Sq
- Excellent for families
- There should be trolley down Ridgewood Ave
- Good example of redevelopment
- Add turn signals at intersection
- Properties likely to be contaminated
- Town garage is eyesore
- More contemporary music at Bandshell
- Special, favorite place
- Excellent for families
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Commentary on the Results

- We recognize that being a map-based exercise, the Map Your Vision Tool naturally facilitates comments regarding streets and transportation.

- Some of the specific ideas that residents provided in their responses to the short-answer questions in the Visioning Questionnaire are represented on the maps on page 6 and 7 (e.g., improving the bus stop, improving street lighting, adding more activity in Van Neste Square, etc.)

- The three most common topics and sub-topics represented by the points on the map include:
  - **Transportation** (cars, parking): Traffic Safety.
  - **Land Use & Development**: Preservation of Small Commercial Nodes.
  - **Transportation** (walking, biking): Safer Walking Conditions (via sidewalks and/or street lighting) and Improved Connections to/between Paths and Trails.

- All of these sub-topics are well-represented overall in the responses to the Visioning Questionnaire, with the exception of the idea of preserving the small commercial nodes that are located within the Village.