# As part of a McMaster

research study, we did surveys with residents in Keith, Stinson and Stipley neighbourhoods. Here are some highlights from Stipley. You can download a full report at

www.crunch.mcmaster.ca/projects/hnstudy.

# STIPLEY neighbourhoods Study update STIPLEY neighbourhoods study

# ABOUT THE STUDY

Our research team at McMaster is doing the Hamilton Neighbourhoods Study to help find out what kind of difference the City of Hamilton's Neighbourhood Action Strategy is making in your neighbourhood. In 2012, we interviewed residents in Stipley, the neighbourhood surrounding the stadium, stretching from Sherman to Gage and Main to the CN tracks. Participants were selected at random.

We
talked to
386 residents
aged 18 and
over in
Stipley.

average, they
had been living in
Stipley for 10 years and
living in their current dwelling for 8 years. Four in 5
people we talked to (80%)
had not moved in the
past year.

would like to stay in their neighbourhood for years to come.

reported that they were either 'very satisified' or 'satisfied' with their residence overall, and 73% with the neighbourhood overall.

felt safe in the neighbourhood during the day. At night, they felt less safe in the neighbourhood.

94%
described the
people in their
neighbourhood as
'friendly' or 'very
friendly.'

Around

1 in 4 people
felt that places to buy
healthy food, meet people
and have a meeting were
lacking. Around 2 in 5
people felt that childcare,
public libraries and places
to be physically active
were lacking.

About half felt that

services for youth, banks, and family doctors/walk-in clinics were lacking. About 1 in 12 felt that those services were inaccessible.

people
agreed the neighbourhood has ways
of sharing information
and opportunities for
celebration and
fun.

they weren't convinced the neighbourhood has ways of working together to solve problems, or that they have influence over what their neighbourhood is like.

GET INVOLVED WITH STIPLEY!

Your neighbours have been working on these issues and priorities. If you'd like to find out more or get involved in neighbourhood action in Stipley, contact:

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### **Sherman Hub Community Planning Team**

Meets the 1st Monday of every month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.at St. Giles Church, 85 Holton Ave., Hamilton

To get more information on the Neigbourhood Action Strategy and the South Sherman Neighbourhood Action Plan, visit www.hamilton.ca/neighbourhoods

People we surveyed were asked: "What do you think are the TWO most important things that would make your neighbourhood a better place to live? Here's what we heard most often, with the number of responses in brackets.

- Address issues related to sex work (59)
- 2 Drug dealing and use (58)
- Greater police presence needed (42)
- Traffic calming measures needed e.g. stop signs and traffic lights (31)
- 5 Community/recreation centre needed (30)

## **HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?**

Dr. Jim Dunn and his staff at McMaster University are doing the research study this report is based on. If you have any questions, call the study hotline or email us.



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