

Q10 What is your ideal Senior Center? Is there anything else you want to share? (optional)

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Off street parking, A/C, storage space for activity materials and equipment, and reliable heat.	2/12/2018 4:43 PM
2	A convenient place with ample parking that offers a wide variety of activities for Seniors to get out and socialize	2/12/2018 4:35 PM
3	programs and entertainment	2/12/2018 4:29 PM
4	Very important for Seniors to come together socially	2/12/2018 4:17 PM
5	A variety of rooms for different events. Center should be large enough to accommodate other organizations that could rent part of the facility on a regular basis.	2/12/2018 4:14 PM
6	Keep up the good work, and please consider the needs of those on a fixed income	2/12/2018 4:11 PM
7	There is a need for at least one Senior Center	2/12/2018 4:09 PM
8	A place of hospitality and service	2/12/2018 4:01 PM
9	A friendly place to meet other people away from traffic and the main downtown congestion! A fun and safe place with lots of things to do	2/12/2018 3:58 PM
10	A place where people can meet	2/12/2018 3:50 PM
11	HJO center	2/12/2018 3:15 PM
12	HJO center is great	2/12/2018 3:13 PM
13	HJO Center is ideal - many, many programs, over 250 members, the center is busy every day and most evenings. We accept members who love our programs from 30-50 miles away - why turn them away? Membership fee should be only \$20 per YEAR.	2/12/2018 3:06 PM
14	Good activities and quality educational interest in a polluted society. Perhaps help offered by the county etc.	2/12/2018 3:05 PM
15	A location on the North side is ideal	2/12/2018 3:01 PM
16	transportation (public)	2/12/2018 2:53 PM
17	I see it as a place to "hang" around.	2/12/2018 2:46 PM
18	welcoming, interested and interesting	2/12/2018 2:42 PM
19	Northside Beach	2/12/2018 2:35 PM
20	Seniors can participate in activities presented by volunteers or through donations so more financially strained Seniors can participate i.e. Tai Chi fitness classes	2/12/2018 2:25 PM
21	bright, warm, pleasant environment	2/12/2018 2:24 PM
22	An ideal senior center offers exercise programming, meals, cafe or coffee shop, meeting places, discussion groups, a place to organize events, a garden on the grounds, and tutoring for children & adults	2/9/2018 4:50 PM
23	What we have now at HJO center is amazing. They are always looking for ways to improve things. It is such a great place for Seniors to socialize and keep active!	2/9/2018 4:44 PM
24	Tai Chi every week, all year, is wonderful! And it is not available anywhere else	2/9/2018 4:33 PM
25	HJO senior center	2/9/2018 3:34 PM
26	An updated building	2/9/2018 3:28 PM
27	A place to drop in for several hours a day to visit, etc.	2/9/2018 3:03 PM

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28	Being with others	2/9/2018 3:02 PM
29	I think it's very important that the Seniors have a place to go	2/9/2018 2:58 PM
30	Harry J Olson center is ideal 2nd most ideal would be Northside Beach Neighborhood	2/9/2018 2:55 PM
31	Harry J Olson - with a few changes this would be a perfect Senior Center. Any place, even your home, requires updates & maintenance, but HJO is structurally sound - just needs some "sprucing up" Also a yearly fee would be better than monthly!	2/9/2018 2:40 PM
32	La Crosse should offer both physical senior center locations AND programming at other locations such as the Y, churches, or neighborhood centers. My ideal center is safe, accessible, easy to get to so I can get together with others in the same situation.	2/9/2018 2:19 PM
33	The facility should be 100% handicap accessible with good parking options.	2/9/2018 8:09 AM
34	Clean but basic is fine. Doesn't have to be only a "Senior" Center. Bridge and other card games are not necessarily only for seniors. Bridge is important to many people and we shouldn't have to beg for space. "Senior" Activities at another facility (BRBNC, Myrick Park facility, SSNC, La Crosse Center, Onalaska Center, Omni Center or many of the other city or county buildings) is fine. Cooperation seems possible as does sharing costs with La Crosse County and/or other county municipalities.	2/8/2018 5:34 PM
35	I do not have experience with senior centers, so I'm unsure about how to respond to some of the issues about location. I think if there is one central location for a senior center, cheap and easy transportation would be very important. Would teaming up with churches, mosques, synagogues to provide activities for seniors be worth looking at?	2/8/2018 3:00 PM
36	Offer more into evening. I would absolutely love to participate in many activities offered, but most during the day and I still work full-time. Perhaps hours can be adjusted for those who organize/work at facilities to have more evening opportunities. Exercise track is beautiful thought...opportunity for exercise for both north/south and separate Centers possibly for social events because otherwise it would be too large of an audience.	2/8/2018 9:40 AM
37	A place for several services, healthy food, clean and safe place	2/7/2018 5:40 PM
38	The center could be rented out to members for birthday parties, graduation parties, bridal showers, etc	2/7/2018 4:59 PM
39	A permanent building with plenty of parking which provides seniors with socialization, education, nutrition, etc/ Bustling with activity - we need a director for seniors and not just for meals. More people are young retirees than you might think.	2/7/2018 4:48 PM
40	I wish to add that it is so imperative that Seniors, of which make up a very large portion of this community, deserve places in which their peers can and should gather to encourage each other to strengthen and broaden their remaining years	2/7/2018 4:38 PM
41	Combine with other organizations such as the Y or neighborhood center	2/7/2018 4:34 PM
42	I am 83 years old and for approximately 15 years my wife and I have been going to the south side senior center approximately 3 times a week to play cards - 500 or euchre. One of the great values of senior centers is that it fills in the spaces. When you retire or lose your spouse it keep you connected and you continue to meet new people your age - plus gives you a reason to get out of bed and also keeps your mind active - all are important for successful aging. I think most of the people using our center are satisfied with our building just the way it is. However, if we move to a new building the proper location is a high priority. We wish to drive as long as possible & you need a user friendly location to get the max use of the building. How can we have our own place without duplicating Southside neighborhood center or Black River beach center? I do think that looking at the South branch library is a good idea. I realize future seniors will have different desires and needs. On a side note - we need to be creative to attract people in the city and county. They could be lonely/bored and our neighborhood centers and libraries and senior centers have so much to offer. We need to get their attention.	2/7/2018 2:45 PM
43	I like to swim; too often the water is too cold. The Y is expensive - would like a better exercise option with exercising and walking	2/7/2018 2:29 PM
44	A center with a swimming pool would be wonderful. One with meeting rooms and a large room for big groups to hold conventions etc. Also good well-lit and safe parking. Make the facility be a County/City endeavor, not just the City	2/7/2018 2:16 PM

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45	Rent a space in eitehr Bridgeview Plaza or Shelby mall - They usually have vacancies, are teh right size, have plenty of parking, the lot is cared for by the building owners, they have front and back entrances, and bus route service is already available. These spaces could also be rented out for family gatherings, showers, parties, etc. The Town of Greenfield and the Town of Onalaska both build a town hall to rent out and this seems like a good idea. They seem to do okay, and it is such a great service to their communities. We have tables and chairs, but we need a space to gather.	2/7/2018 1:50 PM
46	Involved in community, involved in Westby 17th May Celebration, involved in County, involved in exhibits at Lax library/hospital etc.	2/7/2018 1:43 PM
47	As a Senior Center Coulee Woodcarver we are interested in other activities in the area that can add to our activeness.	2/7/2018 1:39 PM
48	Socializing, meals, exercise equipment	2/7/2018 1:34 PM
49	Why can't we use the No side & So side community centers we already have? They appear to be under used and would be ideal as they are already there and beautiful.	2/7/2018 1:13 PM
50	It must be inclusive! Must have public transportation	2/7/2018 10:17 AM
51	As far as I know, if we combine the Senior Centers with the Neighborhood Centers, this would provide a substantial program for Seniors....the aquatics, exercises, etc. you can go to the Y!!!!	2/7/2018 9:39 AM
52	A hub of healthy social, educational and entertainment choices for a variety of ages 50-100.	2/6/2018 11:18 PM
53	n/a	2/6/2018 12:01 PM
54	a clean place where seniors can feel comfortable in there surroundings and socialize	2/6/2018 10:31 AM
55	i enjoy the exercise programs	2/5/2018 5:26 PM
56	One with regular schedule classes, special events,	2/5/2018 4:09 PM
57	No	2/5/2018 3:17 PM
58	maybe senior activities could be incorporated into the existing community centers. also, whatever it is, there should be a convenient bus stop at the location	2/5/2018 10:03 AM
59	Community gardening on site, memory: music & scrapbooking	2/3/2018 7:32 PM
60	Mixed-use facility serving diverse (age, ethnicity, race, income) population. The YMCA is the most diverse place in La Crosse which is so refreshing.	2/3/2018 4:54 PM
61	One that is located where all ages might interact.	2/3/2018 4:24 PM
62	I would like a warm water aquatic facility that provided water exercises.	2/3/2018 3:39 PM
63	Like the one in Port Angeles, WA. It is a town of 20,000 but has a beautiful and active senior center.	2/2/2018 9:17 AM
64	open to all at low cost	2/2/2018 7:08 AM
65	Open to all seniors at minimal cost; various programs to fit the various needs of La Crosse seniors	2/2/2018 7:05 AM
66	Easily accessible - close to other places everyone frequents. It must not feel like a musty old folks home. Bus service to pick people up for major events and later return them as many seniors may no longer drive. Transportation is a big issue. A design more like the Black River Community Center which is welcoming and open feeling. A dedicated computer center with on site volunteer tutors and frequent classes: tablets, smart phones, getting started on email, the Internet,from very basic (turning it on), and some individual tutoring too. A community Center plus geared to serve older members. These people often want the same offerings as the main community Center - just at a slower pace. They may not be able to keep up and need more time - so they stop going.	2/1/2018 5:42 PM
67	Be able to rent the space for family or organizations events.	2/1/2018 7:21 AM
68	Volunteers to drive people to senior centers certain days a week.	1/31/2018 10:33 PM
69	Located within walking distance of north and south side housing.	1/31/2018 9:26 PM
70	coffee shop	1/31/2018 7:18 PM
71	good parking, safe, clean	1/31/2018 6:39 PM

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72	A physical senior center location, easy to get to, a place to play cards, visit, be with people. I added a suggestion about having a place in one of the malls, Bridgeview Plaza or Shelby Mall. both have vacant spots, are on the bus line, large parking lot, that they maintain, the right size location, and it could be rented out to local people, for family or community events! Or if our place at 1220 Denton closes, where can the City provide a place, to replace this one. It has to be a place with PARKING in a "commercial" neighborhood, rather than residential. Building new is very costly....unless K-Mart buidling???	1/31/2018 4:56 PM
73	Fully staffed during open hours; offers all or most of the activities/classes listed above; open daily	1/31/2018 4:48 PM
74	No	1/31/2018 4:46 PM
75	I think a new building would be nice	1/31/2018 4:37 PM
76	Incorporate a section of K-Mart building if and when it is occupied. Its a central location and has parking. Also southside library has an extra back room for cards 1 day per week	1/31/2018 4:34 PM
77	open more often, maybe a drop in place	1/31/2018 4:33 PM
78	Handicap accessible, cozy place, well-maintained	1/31/2018 4:28 PM
79	A welcoming atmosphere, easy access/parking/ transportation	1/31/2018 4:23 PM
80	A place for events, meals, social and physical activities is a good goal. Perhaps other social services could be available. A combination with library facilities would benefit the whole community. Get lots of input, please!!	1/31/2018 2:41 PM
81	I am on board with using the Libraries wiin conjunction with gathering areas for seniors.	1/31/2018 2:15 PM
82	The Charmant. I'd like to share that my sweater that I knitted from belly button lint is almost done.	1/31/2018 2:04 PM
83	meal delivery	1/31/2018 1:14 PM
84	My ideal Senior Center is what I described above. In answering question 11, in my opinion a Senior Center should be open for free. I do understand there are costs to run it though. I don't know if a per month or per event/item is a better way to go. Since I'm already on a restricted income now, I understand the frugality our seniors face. I'm afraid charging them would make them shy away. That said, I believe I could spare \$15.00/month, providing the center offered what I described above.	1/31/2018 12:47 PM
85	See previous	1/31/2018 12:06 PM
86	few or no stairs, handicapped accessible, kitchen facilities, classroom space and other open spaces for education, meeting	1/31/2018 12:03 PM
87	A one level facility or one with elevator. Quality parking spaces that snow can be easily cleared from.	1/31/2018 11:15 AM
88	Supported by and integrated with the community, friendly not just to seniors but also to families, pets, young people, with focus on seniors.	1/31/2018 9:46 AM
89	An indoor walking track would be my top priority on the south aide.	1/31/2018 9:29 AM
90	Senior center should be a resource center and a hub of numerous and diverse activities. Not meals and cards for the same 12 people.	1/31/2018 9:18 AM
91	One level, purchase of an existing building in La Crosse, or add on to the current north/south side community centers. Don't have to duplicate everything, ie., the YMCA has great pool and exercise facilities for seniors. The north and south side community centers offer a lot of the above mentioned options.	1/31/2018 9:16 AM
92	warm friendly personal interaction via group topics	1/31/2018 8:11 AM
93	a nearby center where I could go and feel at ease and be able to share ideas, activities, memories	1/31/2018 8:01 AM
94	A place that is comfortable and designed specifically for seniors - not for children!	1/31/2018 7:42 AM
95	Take the out to the ball game, take them to concerts, group outing,	1/30/2018 9:42 PM
96	movie center	1/30/2018 8:56 PM
97	Student Union model — diverse selection	1/30/2018 6:13 PM
98	Adequate parking	1/30/2018 5:07 PM

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99	Maybe sub contract with the Y and offer free/ discounted membership and add activities.	1/30/2018 4:13 PM
100	More activities for individuals to interact with one another. Special events activities, per season or holiday.	1/30/2018 4:12 PM
101	accessibility	1/30/2018 4:08 PM
102	A place or meeting area that doesn't need to be one location where seniors can meet up to socialize. Of course, having a physical building would be great but, it would have to be accessible to all and close enough to senior's homes.	1/30/2018 4:00 PM
103	Easy parking and main floor.	1/30/2018 3:44 PM
104	A senior center with park-like grounds, perhaps to the north of the Festival Foods area on Copeland Ave. or in a new development on the Riverside North property. Near good transportation, near useful shopping, near places that seniors might need/want to go anyway. Not tucked out of sight. Make it easy to get there, easy to provide services there. No neighborhood affiliation required.	1/30/2018 3:43 PM
105	An existing facility that offers various social activities for senior citizens.	1/30/2018 3:36 PM
106	part of community center	1/30/2018 3:26 PM
107	A Senior Center should interact with citizens of different ages. I think it helps pairing up seniors with young adults and children. They can help each other in many ways and it connects the community.	1/30/2018 3:26 PM
108	help with forms and confusing insurance type problems	1/30/2018 3:22 PM
109	A place to learn things that our generation was never taught. Dancing would be a great thing. SC also help those who have no one.	1/30/2018 3:17 PM
110	A center where you can dine together, play games, exercise (pool and machines and a track), continued education on various subjects. Basically, be a type of support system where seniors can get together and socialize on all levels.	1/30/2018 2:56 PM
111	South side Senior Center, 1220 Denton. Old place but really nice.	1/30/2018 2:51 PM
112	We have a north and a south side community center, why couldn't the seniors use these existing places, instead of wasting money on something new?	1/30/2018 2:43 PM
113	Social area - cards, bingo, etc. Neighborhood center - rather than "senior" center, why not include all ages. Would be nice to include a pool or other activities. Do events at existing facilities - not aging senior centers.	1/30/2018 2:33 PM
114	na	1/30/2018 2:32 PM
115	I think just being open for regular socializing is important too. Even if there isn't a "scheduled" event.	1/30/2018 2:32 PM
116	A functional, modern building with multiple rooms for different activities. It must be large enough to host 2 or 3 activities or classes at one time. Maybe an outside/covered seating area for outdoor activities or just watching the sunset.	1/30/2018 2:30 PM
117	Seniors don't want to be thought of as just seniors. Holding classes and events at inter-generational facilities is better for all. For example, many seniors meet at the YMCA, work out or take a class and socialize there. They don't want to go to a traditional "senior center". They don't see themselves as just seniors.	1/30/2018 2:29 PM
118	A place that is centrally located, easy to access for handicapped and others ...no stairs difficult on joints and feet.	1/30/2018 2:28 PM
119	shared facility with other community groups	1/30/2018 2:26 PM
120	All of the above and good staffing.	1/30/2018 2:24 PM
121	NA	1/30/2018 2:20 PM
122	Multi-generational use building	1/30/2018 2:19 PM
123	Senior transportation. rides for seniors, flat fee per stop.	1/30/2018 2:12 PM
124	Non-residents should have to pay more for services.	1/30/2018 2:11 PM

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125	I haven't been active in a senior center, but since I recently retired it may be something to check out.	1/30/2018 2:01 PM
126	Accessible building including bathrooms. A lot of light, natural and lighting Flexible space for crafts, small groups, and larger groups Close parking with lots of disabled parking spots.	1/30/2018 1:53 PM
127	activities fee individual classes, basic FREE of charge. ie walking trail, food classes, legal wills etc, hiking trail, social services	1/30/2018 1:39 PM
128	An ideal Senior Center should be fully-funded by the community (county, city, hospital systems). Seniors are most likely on limited budgets and would be deterred by membership prices. They deserve to be supported by their community and have services and recreational opportunities available to them. If having a stand alone senior centers are not feasible then need to ensure that various services are available throughout various venues such as local hospitals, retirement communities, recreation centers, and schools, even local businesses should participate.	1/30/2018 1:20 PM
129	A welcoming place, where everyone feels comfortable in participating in chosen activities!	1/30/2018 1:04 PM
130	shared space with multi-generations	1/30/2018 12:58 PM
131	Have as many offerings in one locations as possible	1/30/2018 12:40 PM
132	none	1/30/2018 11:25 AM
133	See #9	1/30/2018 11:02 AM
134	Brain health activities, caregiver support groups	1/30/2018 10:40 AM
135	Activities and fitness programs are essential	1/30/2018 10:21 AM
136	One level, easy access, bus stop close, in a neighborhood near other public spaces	1/30/2018 9:56 AM
137	I believe that because there are so many boomers, and because La Crosse has been growing so nicely, seniors deserve to have well equipped and updated or new centers. The buildings currently being used are so out of date!	1/30/2018 1:00 AM
138	Keep new locations in the same neighborhoods as current locations	1/29/2018 9:54 PM
139	See #9. Also, any center needs to be accessible by all modes of transport, not only by car. I go to the BRBNC occasionally (when there is a program I'm interested in), and always shudder at the thought of going by bike or foot. Getting across Copeland (or is that Lang Dr?) is nigh-impossible at many times of day.	1/29/2018 5:33 PM
140	All the ideas sound great!	1/29/2018 5:03 PM
141	Central location, sufficient parking, handicap accessible, senior friendly	1/29/2018 4:37 PM
142	A friendly, welcoming place for all participants, with an emphasis on health and fitness.	1/29/2018 3:43 PM
143	I worry about centralizing the senior centers as many older adults do not like to drive too far. Additionally, some might not drive at all. Also, a centralized center might seem too big or impersonal. It could also be more intimidating for some.	1/29/2018 3:31 PM
144	They are not used by enough people to spend money on this. The roads are a more important issue	1/29/2018 2:41 PM
145	na	1/29/2018 2:32 PM
146	Ideal Senior Center setting would be bright, clean and attractive; a welcoming and comfortable environment. NO metal chairs or hard folding tables.	1/29/2018 1:00 PM
147	I do not trust the city to maintain or manage a facility. I believe that Hill Senior Center is a partnership of organizations and services.	1/29/2018 12:53 PM
148	Meeting place, playing cards and games, senior fitness, simple meals.	1/29/2018 12:41 PM
149	The buildings where the centers are currently housed need updating/repairs. I think the Myrick Park option for a centralized location is a good one. I especially like that this location is perfect for a walking club.	1/29/2018 11:46 AM
150	one centrally located option would suffice... Kmart location would seem ideal.	1/29/2018 11:44 AM
151	Swimming exercise social	1/29/2018 11:13 AM

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152	pleasant community room, meal noon site at least, lounge area for social interaction, and room for physical activities such as walking, water aerobics or swimming laps, and pickle ball/badminton.	1/29/2018 10:38 AM
153	it would have a small exercise pool and a transport van	1/29/2018 10:38 AM
154	One that is very accessible...my brain is all here, but not my knees! Reference the next question..why limit those numbers without additional info. Is it a monthly fee only, everything or many classes and events free? Is it a monthly membership with payments for each class? Need based "scholarships" available? Attract the younger seniors with more sophisticated and varied offerings and they will stay active as they age. The #1 comment I have heard from older siblings when I suggested they check out the senior center to meet people and get involved in things has been "Everybody there is REALLY" old." If you need a day care center for elderly, that should be a separate thing or at least a separate entrance. Once you stop learning and experiencing new things you start dying....and no one wants to be a part of that. Too many local options are focused on caregiving, dealing with aging issues...how about living?	1/29/2018 9:49 AM
155	Smiles. Helpful, kind assistance and a variety of mind and body building(or maintaining - ha) activities!	1/29/2018 9:36 AM
156	I think that shopping and grocery shopping trips should also be included in the outings offered. Some seniors no longer drive, and it would be very helpful for them.	1/29/2018 9:22 AM
157	warm welcoming, variety of activities	1/29/2018 8:52 AM
158	one stop completely focused senior center	1/29/2018 8:42 AM
159	x	1/29/2018 8:14 AM
160	Na	1/29/2018 7:57 AM
161	Roomy, bright, offer bus trips to interesting places.	1/29/2018 7:54 AM
162	Get rid of the Olson, and outside senior centers. They are so run down, and will only get worse. Just use the parks and rec. facilities. Black River, SSNC, and Myric Park.	1/29/2018 7:49 AM
163	no	1/29/2018 7:23 AM
164	A place to meet new people, get out of the house, stay active (mind & body), and have fun.	1/29/2018 7:12 AM
165	from what I've heard from talking to fellow seniors, the prices charged for trips are too high.	1/29/2018 6:36 AM
166	Na	1/28/2018 9:06 PM
167	Socialization Center	1/28/2018 5:23 PM
168	Having multiple support systems, education on caregiving. Education on fall prevention.	1/27/2018 7:04 PM
169	I think the city could explore the idea of turning the South side library into a multi-functional use building. Adding on to make it a one-stop destination. Grab a book, get a coffee(a small coffee bar could also generate revenue), and (with an addition) it could serve as senior center and community center featuring various classes and rental space. It's already there and the community wants to keep the library open. In addition it has a new park.	1/27/2018 6:15 PM
170	A place to stay active, yet have connections with others, quiet space too	1/27/2018 5:33 PM
171	It should be affordable, nearby and offer multiple activities and opportunities for education and physical fitness. I attend the Harry J Olson center and find it a wonderful place. It could be improved with more paid staff (including maintenance) and funding. The center offers healthy meals daily and home delivery of meals. They also do fundraisers to help fund services. The question section asked about an indoor pool--I think the cost and maintenance is prohibitive and would be better in a center where it can benefit the all ages with a time slot designated for seniors.	1/27/2018 5:00 PM
172	Looks like you have a good setup. Each of the centers are centrally located to the northern and southern communities that they serve. Needs to be a clean, well-kept space. I don't have many suggestions over what you already offer. I think it would be reasonable to remodel the centers to provide a nice place to socialize.	1/27/2018 3:00 PM
173	I would like to see a well staffed center, open normal hours, which would have the ability to just "drop-in" to a "lounge" for social contact, cards, conversation, etc.	1/27/2018 11:20 AM
174	Anything fun and have ride accommodations	1/27/2018 11:09 AM
175	rides offered for certain programs	1/27/2018 10:09 AM

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176	Place it or them away from major traffic routes.	1/27/2018 7:14 AM
177	Clean and healthy environment	1/27/2018 3:42 AM
178	no	1/26/2018 10:28 PM
179	Safe, handicap access, mentors	1/26/2018 10:24 PM
180	Swimming pool included	1/26/2018 10:18 PM
181	None	1/26/2018 9:31 PM
182	Many activities. Outings. Things to do to keep the mind, body and spirit alive.	1/26/2018 8:33 PM
183	We live on the South side, so would like a facility in our area, where we could eat a tasty nutritious meal daily and make new friends. It should be attractive and comfortable with many activities. We currently enjoy the music venues at the south side neighborhood center and Black River Beach Center during the summer, but their activities are only for a few short weeks in the Summer.	1/26/2018 6:58 PM
184	A clean, risk-free, healthy environment.	1/26/2018 6:24 PM
185	Safe, handicap accessible	1/26/2018 6:05 PM
186	North and South Side facilities that would sometime share events or scenic bus trips. Definitely handicap facilities throughout the building and located in the heart of the neighborhood community. Computer and cell phone how-to classes would also be on a wish list of many seniors trying to keep up with the current modes of communication.	1/26/2018 11:00 AM
187	Support outreach to bring in people wanted to use facility but do not have transportation to get there.	1/25/2018 3:33 AM
188	A place where people can gather to socialize with each other. Maybe provide opportunities to give back to the community.	1/24/2018 10:17 PM
189	Is it feasible to use the existing YMCA's as Senior Centers with van service pick-up???	1/24/2018 9:30 PM
190	Accessible to all seniors; a place to gather for playing games, doing exercises, learning on various topics.	1/24/2018 6:19 PM
191	be sure it is equipped to handle wheelchairs, walkers, canes, and oxygen	1/24/2018 12:40 PM
192	The pool should be salt water. It's much healthier than chlorine and just as easy to maintain if understood properly.	1/24/2018 10:24 AM
193	centrally located on busline, ADA accessible, new, green building with safe outdoor space for walking/gardening	1/24/2018 9:36 AM
194	Very large meeting room (maybe with optional dividers), accessible toilets (doors swing outward to open from ladies room stalls, so you don't have to do a straddling balance act over the bowl to get in & out), easy entrance (if two floors, ramp into top floor &/or an elevator), functional kitchen, daylight spectrum LED lighting, windows which can open with screens for fresh air. Seeing questions above about walking track or pool: our City already has several viable options for both, so trying to include them in a Senior Center would be a huge waste of money & would create many huge problems in finding sites.	1/24/2018 8:45 AM
195	I think locating the southside center at the southside public library would be an excellent idea. The land is there, adding an addition to the library to accommodate the senior center with a kitchen several gathering rooms and a woodworking area would have to be included. The center should be accessed independently from the library so access to the center could happen when the library is closed. of course expand the parking lot, and include in the landscape outdoor gardens and rest areas that those who want to work with a community garden can do so. The possibilities are endless for community/generational interaction is limitless if encouraged to grow.	1/24/2018 8:40 AM
196	When I participated in tai chi classes at the North side Senior Center I felt rather unwelcome...almost as if I had "invaded" a private group. I would love for any center, now and in the future, to be welcoming to new participants and inclusive. And friendly!	1/24/2018 8:36 AM
197	Something that resembles what bgc offers for kids and teens	1/24/2018 8:16 AM
198	not sure	1/24/2018 6:19 AM
199	computer classes and music events	1/23/2018 5:16 PM

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200	An attractive, inviting cozy place with plants, comfortable chairs a variety of programming inside and outside of the center and a welcoming staff with training in customer care, patient care and counseling education.	1/23/2018 4:34 PM
201	transportation options,	1/23/2018 12:29 PM
202	Similar to the YMCA's but with less stairs.	1/23/2018 12:08 PM
203	A place that allows seniors to continue to feel a part of a community, which is why I strongly agree that there should be 2 separate sites.	1/23/2018 11:14 AM
204	Flexibility and a place to be with people.	1/23/2018 10:48 AM
205	Is there possibly room at the south branch library for a senior center, or could one be added on to?	1/23/2018 10:30 AM
206	None	1/23/2018 9:32 AM
207	Drop in facility for swimming, exercise, coffee shop, maybe senior meals program too, offering classes in painting, crafts, financial management, budgeting, maintaining quality of life classes and social interaction.	1/23/2018 9:21 AM
208	Attractive, comfortable physical building. Are there any church schools currently closed that could be renovated?	1/23/2018 9:07 AM
209	The opportunity and venue to share talents and interests with others, interact with younger members of La Crosse and socialize safely.	1/23/2018 8:42 AM
210	Getting back to boys and girls club...during school hours is it in use? Perhaps companioning seniors and youth in one building is a solution. I lived in LaCrosse for sixty years. Now live in a small northern, Wi city for past five years. Our community of 2,250 has a senior/ community center and our neighbor, city Cameron has a recently built senior center/ public library center.	1/23/2018 8:35 AM
211	Couches and chairs the seniors can get out of easily. A large dining/craft area that could be turned in to a dance floor. Separate rooms around that perimeter designated as meeting rooms for consultations, massages or book clubs. A large yard for a garden. A stage for entertainers. Definitely one or two large screen televisions for movies or other age appropriate viewing. Classes offered that would include art, cooking, dance and music. Transportation to the Club.	1/23/2018 8:03 AM
212	Planning things for Seniors to do together, maybe go places or out to eat.	1/23/2018 6:55 AM
213	Consider a more inclusive adjective than "senior", because I've always felt it is an unnecessary box to put our more advanced aging individuals into.	1/23/2018 6:32 AM
214	My ideal Senior Center has everything the YMCA has, and all the life learner classes WTC used to offer before Act 10.	1/23/2018 5:53 AM
215	A place where seniors can spend time with others without necessarily participating in a structured activity.	1/23/2018 5:42 AM
216	A place that is easily accessible with room for activities and quiet spaces for those who want to read or simply socialize with others.	1/23/2018 12:40 AM
217	Large space for events with kitchen, Wi-Fi, smaller spaces for classes and workshops, near public transportation, able to be reserved for community events.	1/22/2018 11:28 PM
218	Driving updates	1/22/2018 10:54 PM
219	Warm, comfy welcoming respectful place for people of all ages and sizes, big and little. Open to all.	1/22/2018 10:16 PM
220	I appreciate what is already there. The Community Centers---ie feel more like their name. Not focused on a single community. I think Seniors can often feel overpowered at such facilities especially as you age.	1/22/2018 8:23 PM
221	I'm married so to get my husband to try the senior center is a challenge. You would need to offer something multi interest. My husband is fine with just being on a computer. He and other computer experienced people could be very helpful to people new to computers at their leisure. Have discussion groups on travel may. Who doesn't like to talk about a place they have been.	1/21/2018 12:51 PM
222	My family is my "senior center"	1/19/2018 2:40 PM
223	locations seniors are drawn to where they want to spend time socializing with all age groups	1/17/2018 8:19 AM
224	Accessible with many options and offerings and collaborating with other organizations, businesses and groups all at the same location.	1/14/2018 2:19 PM

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225	First: that it not be called a senior center Second: that it be all access - we don't want to just hangout with old people Third: That there should be some consideration to keeping us alive. Fourth: Fun Fifth: More fun	1/12/2018 4:26 PM
226	Integrated with other types of offerings like the YMCA so it doesn't feel like a "senior center".	1/11/2018 4:20 PM
