

Negative Feature	Priority Sticker					Total Priority Stickers
lack of zoning and tight development rules	2	5	4	4	6	21
lack of wifi and internet	6	6	4	2		18
lack of enforcement of rules	6	3	4			13
Route 23 safety and traffic	7	2	2	2		13
poor curb appeal; decline of hanes falls, scrap metal and junk, not looking good, depressed feeling and poor main street façade, poor upkeep and congestion on Mtn road. Meed upgrade buildings in Hunter	3	6	3	1		13
parking for Kaaterskill Falls	3	2	2	1	3	11
lack of jobs	3	4	4			11
lack of public transportation up the mountain	3	8				11
high density development in rural areas are a threat to property values, character and environment	8					8
lack of business opportunities	2	3	1			6
empty houses and blighted bldgs	3	2	1			6
Lack of year round attractions and growth	4					4
garbage and trash on roads	2	1	1			4
decreasing school enrollment	4					4
High poverty	4					4
lack of quality of life issue enforcement	3					3
lack of land use planning and zoning	3					3
lack young fulltime residents	3					3
pollution of certain areas of our town	3					3
lack of infrastructure or solutions for huge increases in visitors - litter, traffic	3					3

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Overuse of Kaaterskill Clove	3					3
water and sewer access outside watershed	3					3
Lack of tourism for children	2					2
need for quality restaurant, closed hours	2					2
lack of bed base for tourist housing	2					2
lack of consistency in balancing tourism and reg	2					2
property taxes	2					2
abandoned or closed businesses on Main St Hunter	2					2
lack of affordable housing	1	1				2
Tannersville image as a party town	2					2
lack of transparency in town meetings	2					2
lack of centralized information on events	2					2
decreasing quality of school	1	1				2
too many overseers (DEC, DOT, DEP, etc.	2					2
not thoughtful on land development	2					2
placement of parking lots can destroy the feel of a small town streetscape	2					2
losing rural character	2					2
lack of bike lanes, pedestrian trails and multi-use trails	2					2
lack of grocery store variety	2					2
Jashbar (spelling??) community	2					2
need for better building maintenane	1					1
need for stores	1					1
duplication of government services	1					1
need for more businesses in village	1					1
Lack of coordination between businesses	1					1

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Laws not applied equally to all residents	1					1
Issues addressed verbally not followed through by local govt	1					1
poor infrastructure	1					1
restriction of local business growth	1					1
lack of financial sustainability for businesses and homeowners	1					1
people walking on streets everywhere	1					1
lack of promotion of whole town, too focused on Tannersville	1					1
lack of beautification	1					1
Air BnB	1					1
no recreation or community center	1					1
disjointed organization and lack of coordination and communication	1					1
dollar general, restoration of buildings instead	1					1
rural nature is at risk because too much focus on modern features/trendiness	1					1
lack of respect for natural features, being overrun by people without that respect	1					1
lack of entertainment	1					1
infrastructure - old pipes	1					1
lack of recreational and fitness facilities for locals and tourists	1					1
Tenter trespassing	1					1
Industrial business on scenic byway	1					1
flood elevation levels (changing them)	1					1
lack of leadership on town board	1					1
cost of real estate too high						0

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Lacking hospitality						0
lack of resoures for elderly and homebound						0
lack of newspaper and communications						0
development restrictions						0
decreased residency						0
public land acquisition						0
tourism regulation						0
lack of trail system						0
lack of easy trail access to natural resources						0
lack of building new houses						0
housing stock is old						0
lack of community event						0
trailways schedule						0
Failure of local government to guide economic process looking beyond just tourism						0
infrastructure of roads outside of town						0
lack of ethnic diversity						0
lack of community participation						0
lack of healthcare						0
short business hours on mtn top						0
disconnect between town and village officials						0
no indoor winter activities						0
cell tower obstacles with preserving views of natural beauty						0
lack of community outreach						0

<b>Maintaining Positive Ideas</b>
affordable housing
biking trail improvements
bring educational programs to the kids
bring in businesses
bus that makes loop between attractions
cultural center
DEP access - Rec Trail
educate people about overuse, garbage, how to use property
encourage expansion
expand hunter mountain
get more help - rangers
green land trust involvement
have a recreation department to provide programming
have town dedicated as historic site
ideas for enhancing the use of seasons
Land trust to protect rural character
maintain wilderness feeling
More access to North Lake
more code enforcement
More communication in agency
more community meeting places, picnics, fairs, general activities
more farmers markets
More forestry support
More hotels
more parking
more public transportation
preserve nature - animal coordinors
promote scenic beauty
promote tourism
protect headwaters of streams
ride share
sidewalks throughout Haines Falls and Tannersville
signage to educate people to pick up garbage on 23A
think regional
This was America's first wildness/history/awareness/why people come here from city
Trail maps
work with DEC closer
working with Peak Resorts to work jointly to enhance towns
zoning laws

<b>Ideas for Fixing Negatives</b>
attract investors
better marketing
change image of tannersville as a party town
community calendar on social media
consolidate township and services; eliminate redundancy and enhance coordination between municipalities
create a zoning law
don't forget parks, they don't vote here and it is them that support the parks and other communities
economic opportunities for tourism
Entice more people to use the school system
fill empty spaces with art, music
Fines for parking illegally or towing
give mountaintop customers 10% off in village
have a property maintenance law
have outreach program with posters
Hold business workshops for future businessowners
Identify properties not maintained, inform code enforcement
Incentives for better property maintenance
incentives to attract businesses
limit what businesses come into town and make sure they are geared towards locals and tourists
look at traffic laws - too much finger pointing
Make path to falls for traffic
Make plan to deal with 23A corridor
Make the Town Offices user friendly
manage density
More big events
More enforcement on littering law, buiding maintenance,junk and junk cars, older buildings falling down - increase fines. Need beefed up and improved code enforcement to be able to keep up with demand
More family oriented for children
more playgrounds, ballparks, tennis courts
Need local ombudsman to deal with peoples' issues
need to expand internet, wifi
need visitors center to tell all locations where to park
new cell tower near Haines Falls
Pamphlets on town about what's available
Permit parking only
promote and support Hunter Mountain Foundation
protect rescuers to stop hikers from going up falls
protection of natural resources
provide more family amenities
Seek grant for new sidewalks
Shuttles, close existing Rt 23A parking lots and have shuttle, incentives to parkg elsewhere
Social media has to be better roganized in tourism area

<b>Ideas for Fixing Negatives</b>
Solar and wind to build jobs, no footprint left
Town Board and Planning Board to facilitate buiding
volunteers to sell town services









<b>I love My Community Because</b>
23Arts programs
4 seasons vacation area, 4 seasons of activities
aboretum
access to large tracts of undeveloped land
access to state park and trails, hunter mountain
Amazing outdoors
arts, influx of music, arts and culture
Beautiful place to raise a family and live your life.
beauty and nature draws special people
beauty of place, sense of family that comes from a small community
children want to stay in the Town when they become adults
cultural history
dark skies to see stars
Density just right, right amount of people. Not overcrowded.
easy commute to NYC, close enough to full time home to visit often
efforts that have improved the community over the past 30 years
events geared toward younger families
Foundations
good restaurants
great history, history of place
Great place for retreat/artists
great school
Has not changed since the 60's
hiking
I enjoy the wildlife, working on the land, biking in the beautiful countryside, sharing our time with family and friends, I love Tannersville shops and Opheum
It opens a beautiful alpine landscape close to NYC.
It reminds me of my childhood
It's a nice place to work
It's a place to get away from the city, relax, and explore animals
Its home
Lack cell service
Leadership position we should aim for 50% men and 50% women
library
Local Farms
minimal traffic
mountains
Mt. Top Historical Society
My history with this place
my roots are here
Nature, forest and streams, and waterfalls, undeveloped forest, pristine environment, natural surroundings, clean air and water, wild and elemental, vast, remote
not looking for a 'bigger is better' footprint
Outdoor activities
People are friendly, everyone is kind to everyone, close knit, like family, lovely local people, great sense of potential of community if managed correctly

**I love My Community Because**

Quiet, peaceful

rural nature

Scale and density of Tannersville

scenic mountain views; scenery is wonderful, gorgeous

ski mountain

Small, small town features

Special character of vacation based community

State land you can hike on and visit

We share a beautiful landscape that no one I have ever met has not embraced. Ability to have been able to afford to be part of a community. Quiet, respectful to individuality. My children love it.

weather

<b>My community could be improved by</b>
More fun things for kids
affordable housing
Better approach to falls, not a good gateway, fix mess of parking and pedestrians
better clean up of town
better communication
better transportation around town and to City
better zoning and planning board rules
bring in businesses/economic opportunities that complement and enhance Town of Hunter
build more stores and amenities
Business in Haines Falls or do something with existing buildings
CEO enforcement consistency
cleaning up roads and community, clean up abandoned buildings
community health services
continued development of walking trails
control traffic at the falls
create a town conservation committee
cutlure, movies, shops, restuarants, concert, farmers market, gym, healthy wholesome
Development of cycling, on road and mountain biking to attract people
economic sustainability especially through enterprises/industries like health care, tech services
economically viable for local businesses
educational programs for the arts and environment
encourage more diversity
environmental enforcement everywhere.
farmers market
financial business knowledge
financial sustainability
fitness center/recreation center
food banks
Have a land trust to protect rural character
health and medical facilities, gainful employment, balanced growth
increase tourism and help sustain small local businesses
keeping the garbage off of the road
keeping to local businesses growing and flourishing
less apathy, more involvement
less restrictions on town level growth
lessen us vs. them sentiments
longer view of growth, what kind, where it goes, rather than haphazard development
More AP classes in school, improved school
more business opportunities, but not sure what
more cell and internet servcies
more community involvement
more focus on preserving natural beauty and environment
more jobs
more organized tourism and promotion
more play grounds
more recerational paths for walkers and bikers

<b>My community could be improved by</b>
more sidewalks
More summer events
more thriving and sustainable 'downtown' area
more vibrant village with more attractions and activities
mountain road patrols - litter, parking, pedestrians
no high density development on Wase Road
NYS coordination with locals on use of 23A
offer more to younger generation - programs and opportunities for high school students
offering more for families looking to move here
Outdoor recreation committee and a parks and recreation department
proactive promotion of sustainable (low carbon footprint) business and building practices
protect natural resources
provide adequate resources for those who are in need
reduce high commercial vacancy rate
removal of falling down buildings, fix blighted properties
renovate rundown buildings, offer incentives
restrict commercial chain stores
rip van winkle in costume at parking lot
smart growth
Stop Air B&B in residential areas - they compete with legitimate hotels/B&Bs. They undermine community
streamline local laws
Trader Joes
transparency of the Town Board
Village + Town - village doesn't have to adhere to town laws
water distribution and sewer connection
zoning