

1 **How long have you lived in Colchester?**

Less than 5 years
5-10 years
10 - 25 years
More than 25 years

2 **Are you male or female?**

Male
Female

3 **Which level of income best describes your household income during the last year?**

less than \$24,999
\$25,000 - \$49,999
\$50,000 - \$74,999
\$75,000 - \$99,999
\$100,000 - \$149,999
More than \$150,000

4 **In what category is your age?**

Under 21
21 to 25
25 to 40
40 to 54
55 to 64
65+

5 **What situation best describes your situation?**

No children
School age children enrolled in Colchester
School age children enrolled outside of Colchester
Children in college or other post-secondary program
Children finished with school

6 **Are you or someone in your household an employee or contactor of the Town of Colchester?**

Yes
No

7 **How do you rate the quality of life in Colchester?**

Excellent
Good
Fair
Poor

8 **How do you rate Colchester as a place to raise kids?**

Excellent
Good
Fair
Poor

9 **How do you rate Colchester as a place to retire?**

Excellent
Good

Fair
Poor

Each of the following questions (10 -13) will have a comment box following the questions

- 10 **If you have used the services listed below, please rate your experience and quality of service.**
- | | Excellent | Good | Fair | Poor | Never used |
|---------------------|-----------|------|------|------|------------|
| Fire Department | | | | | |
| School System | | | | | |
| Police | | | | | |
| Senior Center | | | | | |
| Social Services | | | | | |
| Building Department | | | | | |
| Public Works | | | | | |
| Town Hall | | | | | |
| Park & Rec Program | | | | | |
| Youth Center | | | | | |
| Food Bank | | | | | |
| Library | | | | | |
| Sewer & Water | | | | | |

- 11 **In the 2018 budget what is your preference for funding each area.**
- | | Raise
Spending | Maintain
Spending | Reduce
Spending |
|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
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Sewer & Water

12 **As many of you know the State of Connecticut reduced funding to the Colchester School District. Please indicate how those reductions should be managed:**

- Increase Colchester Taxes to cover reduction from the state
- Reduce educational programming/services from the Education Budget
- Combination of tax increase, reduction of educational programming/services

13 **In order to maintain current levels of Town services would you be willing to pay higher taxes to cover any increase in operation costs?**

- Yes
- No
- Maybe

14 **Did you vote in the last budget referendum?**

- Yes
- No

15 **If you selected "No" please indicate why?**

- Too busy
- Did not have enough information
- Did not know there was a referendum
- I have no transportation
- Other - please add comment

16 **What can the town do to increase participation in voting?** Comment box

17 **What is the best way for you to receive town information (check all that apply)?**

- Newspaper
- E-mail
- Facebook
- Twitter
- Town Website
- Other - please indicate

18 **Is there a service Colchester does not provide you wish it did?** Comment box

19 **Please add any comment that help us better serve Colchester?** Comment box

20 **In the future would you support spending for the following?**

- | | Yes | No | Maybe |
|--|-----|----|-------|
| New Senior Center | | | |
| Land Conservation/Open space | | | |
| Community Center | | | |
| New Police Building | | | |
| New Fire House to increase number to three Fire Houses | | | |
| New Updated Fire House to replace current one | | | |
| Recreation field improvements | | | |