

Southwest Georgia Regional Commission Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

The Southwest Georgia Regional Commission is updating the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) and we need to ask you a few questions about your community. The CEDS gives us a blueprint of the economic condition of the region and will assist us in regional community planning. The survey is designed to only take a few minutes.

County you live in or represent _____
 City you live in or represent _____

1. What are some of the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats for **economic growth** within your community?

STRENGTHS _____
WEAKNESSES _____
OPPORTUNITIES _____
THREATS _____

2. What steps could be taken by your community leaders to enhance existing jobs or bring additional jobs to your area?

3. Which do you feel is the largest contributor to economic growth in your community? (rate from 1-8 where 1 is the lowest contributor and 8 is the highest contributor)

___ Education	___ Affordable Housing	___ Skilled Workforce
___ Available Jobs	___ Population	___ Transportation
___ Government	___ Other	_____

4. How many business closures or openings did you have in your community over the past year?

Openings: _____ Closures: _____

5. Do you work in the community in which you live? Yes/No

If no, how many miles do you travel for work? _____

6. What goods/services do you purchase outside your community? (check all that apply)

___ Gas	___ Groceries	___ Automobile Purchases
___ Appliances	___ Medical	___ Recreation/Entertainment
___ Education	___ Household needs	___ Personal Care (salons, manicures, etc)
___ Other:	_____	

7. Do you know if your community has an Economic Development Plan? Yes/No

We thank you very much for participating in this survey. Please send back to our office:

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