

# **Session 1**

# **Roundtables**

# **Summary**

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November 2025 - March 2026

25 groups

240+ participants

## **Session 1** ✓

Introductions, discuss Suwanee's strengths and challenges

## **Session 2**

Discuss economic development, planning, and transportation

## **Session 3**

Discuss other key topics, including arts and culture, engagement, parks, and public safety

## **Session 4**

Discuss draft vision, goals and strategies

## **Session 1 Roundtables:**

# **What we've heard**

We asked groups to tell us about Suwanee's **strengths and challenges** for the future. Participants identified parks, trails and green space as top strengths. Events also ranked very high, and a strong sense of community and diversity in age and culture, schools, and safety rounded out the most commonly identified strengths. For challenges, participants identified transportation issues, particularly traffic related to growth and the need for multimodal connections. Growth impacts and related issues of planning, infrastructure, and maintaining green space and small town character were also most commonly identified challenges.

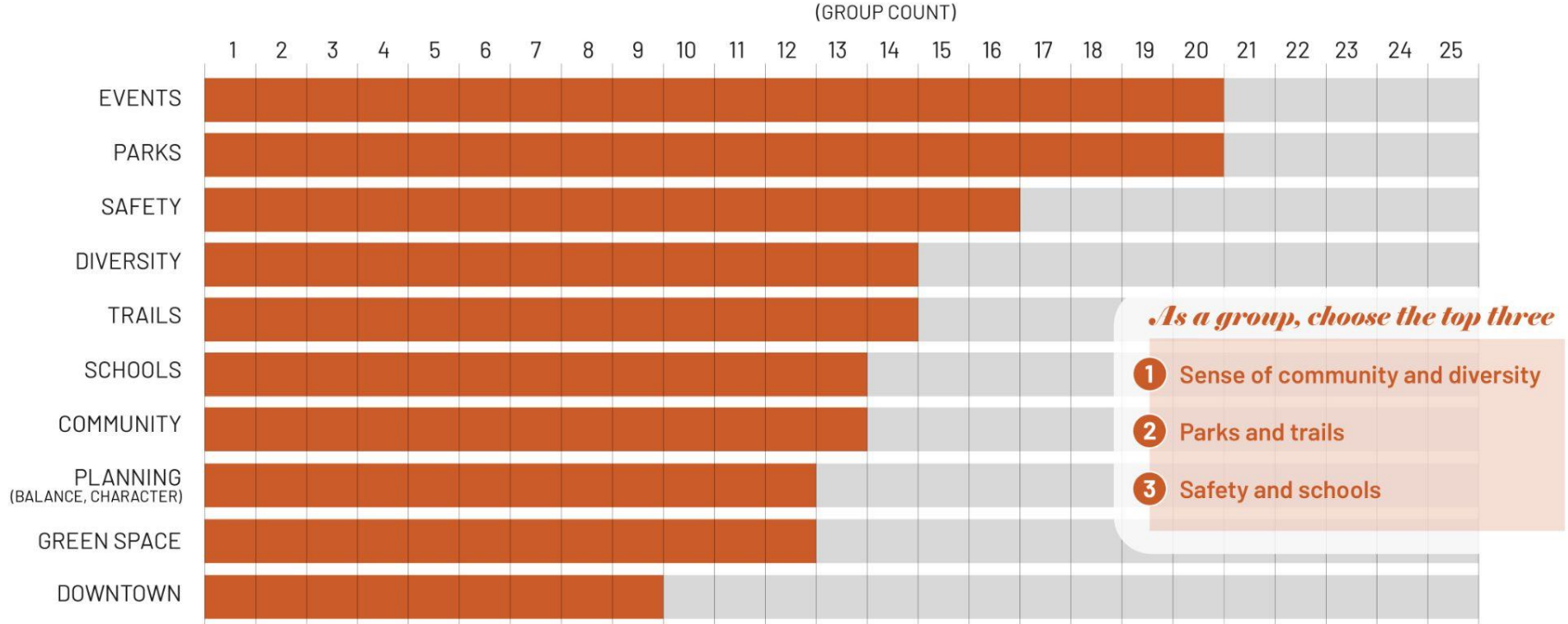
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# Elaborate on why you chose these top three strengths

Groups came to consensus on elevating their top three strengths

1

## SENSE OF COMMUNITY AND DIVERSITY

*People feel welcome and included*

*Cultural diversity and vibrancy of people and businesses are assets and attract talent*

2

## PARKS AND TRAILS

*Parks and trails are central to Suwanee identity and contribute to placemaking*

*They are a valuable resource for health, recreation and engagement*

3

## SAFETY

*Safety underpins Suwanee's reputation*

*Sense of security supports quality of life, businesses, tourism*

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## SCHOOLS

*Schools are a top reason to move here, it's reflected in property value and housing demand*

*Schools have a reputation for excellence and family engagement*

*tied*

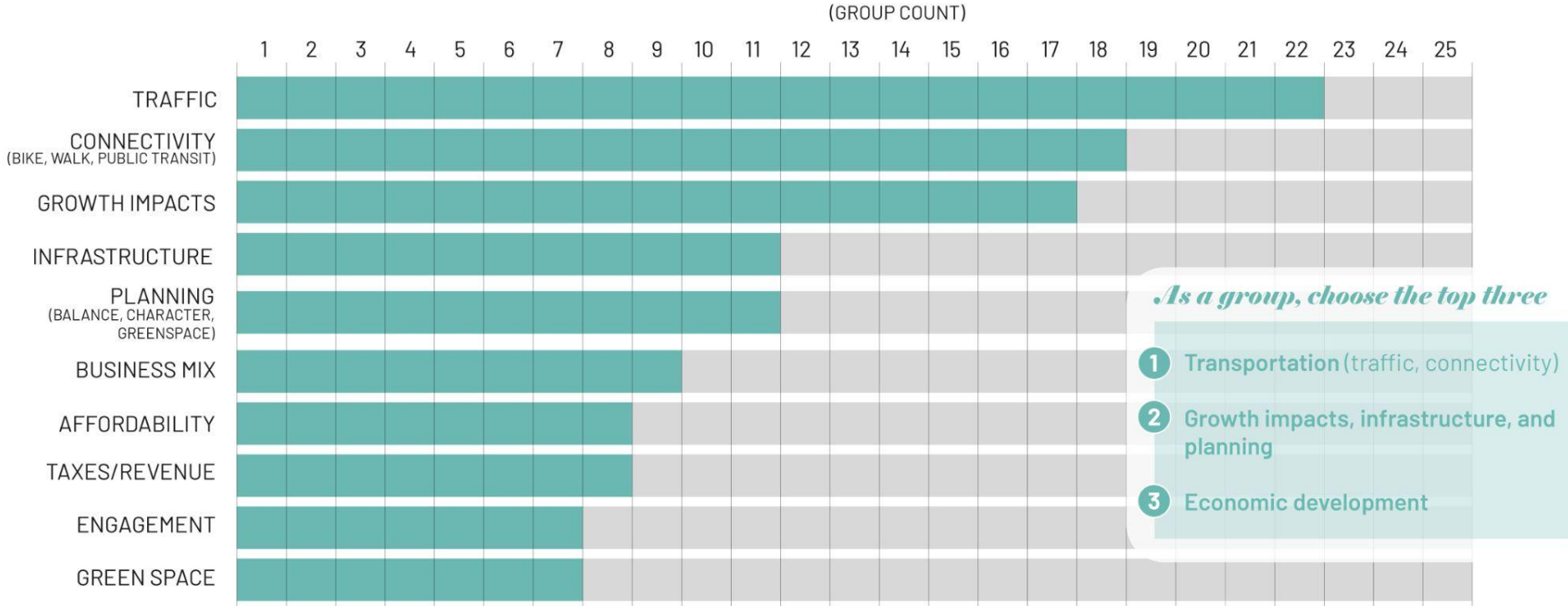
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# What are the challenges that you believe Suwanee faces over the coming decade?

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# Elaborate on why you chose these top three challenges

Groups came to consensus on elevating their top three challenges

## 1 TRANSPORTATION

*Increasing traffic congestion with growth is impacting quality of life and safety*

*More walkability and multimodal connectivity are desired*

## 2 GROWTH IMPACT

*Planning needs to manage growth and maintain character and cohesion*

*We need infrastructure to support growth*

*Housing affordability is a key concern*

## 3 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

*Foster local businesses - affordability, space, streamlined processes*

*Support economic diversity and attract professional career opportunities*