The most <u>attractive</u> features of your community include:

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outdoor activities	58
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Canaan Valley	5
wildlife	5
veterans wall	4
churches	4
golf course	4

forest	4
Theme	References
opportunities	2
diversity	2
campgrounds	2
farmers market	1
Corridor H	1
camp horseshoe	1
cemetery	1
windmills	1
coal	1
seasons	1
senior citizen center	1
breweries	1
white grass	1

- Low crime rate.
- The people. (4)
- Mountaineer days, Leaf Peepers festival, Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley Resorts.
- Blackwater Falls. (2)
- Small, unique.
- Friendly people.
- Buildings and house that have been restored. Thomas City Park.
- Leaves changing, peacefulness.
- The wild life and mountains.
- Quietness Ability to get away from routine.
- Small towns, national forest, wildlife refuge.
- Friendly people, you are warmly greeted whether you are a tourist or resident.
- Sincerity, friendliness of people.
- Scenery and clean air.

- State parks.
- The goodness of the original residents of this city.
- Resorts/Blackwater Falls/Nature.
- Small town life and beauty of our state.
- The wide open opportunities that are here for all.
- Natural resources.
- Blackwater Falls Dolly Sods.
- Small town shops convenient to home in the mountains.
- National forest, Blackwater Falls, Dolly Sods.
- Small town, rural.
- Natural landscape.
- Mountains, rivers, nice people.
- Nature.
- Blackwater Falls, State Park and Canaan Valley State Park.
- Parks and recreation places.
- Beauty, cool temperatures in summer, friendly atmosphere, winter sports.
- The Veterans Wall in Parsons and Davis of course Blackwater Falls!
- The beautiful scenery. The town, however, still needs a lot of work although improvements are being made. Lack of money for everyone there is a major problem.
- State Parks.
- Scenery mountains, wetlands, wildlife, forests, hiking trails, biking trails, tranquility, white grass cross country skiing.
- The mountains, beautiful rivers.
- Blackwater Falls, quiet, Mon Forest and wilderness areas, ski areas, renewal of Parsons.
- The river. (2)
- The national forests.
- Trails, restoration of Front Street.
- Blackwater Falls The Mountains this area is one of the most breath taking places on earth.
- Ski resorts and biking.
- State Parks and wilderness areas.
- Beauty, nature, wild animals.
- Nature and kindness of locals.
- Courthouse River Parks Churches.
- The resilient residents and their patriotic attitudes ae very attractive in raising families in Tucker County.
- Parks.
- Clean parks, flowers, nice lighting, friendly people.
- Scenic beauty safety (low crime).

- The Monongahela National Forest!!!
- Natural beauty, low temperatures in summer.
- Forest.
- Born and raised here.
- Laid back, outdoorsy. Always something going on that we can opt in or out of.
- The outdoors.
- Natural beauty. (4)
- People. (2)
- Peaceful.
- Small towns, music festivals, city parks, farmers market.
- Rivers, waterfalls, fireworks for the Independence Day celebration, bluegrass festival.
- Downtown it's looking good. Parks.
- Courthouse, Veterans Wall Memorial, our parks and churches and our people.
- Small town appeal friendly people.
- All outdoor activities i.e., nature, hiking, fishing, hunting.
- Everybody knows each other.
- Local camping area.
- Blackwater Falls, ski activities, winter sports, fishing, hunting.
- Nature at its best!
- Friendliness of most residents.
- Outdoors.
- The courthouse, recent beautification, the wonderful rail-trail and the fabulous USFS nursery bottom for walking, biking, dog walking and birding.
- Blackwater Falls, hiking trails.
- Beauty of the area.
- Natural diversity.
- Ski areas.
- Nature! Peace and tranquility Beauty!
- Forests, mountains.
- Mountains, golf course.
- River.
- The people of the outdoor community and the locals who <u>have</u> embraced them.
- Safety, peacefulness, close to nature, not especially materialistic, helpful and generous generally.
- Mother Nature! Most of the time it's like one big happy family.
- Blackwater Falls State Park absolutely beautiful.
- Natural Wildlife Wetlands Streams.
- 3 rivers: Blackwater River. Dryfork, and Black Fork and our 5 mountains. We're rested in a valley.

- Good people and natural treasures.
- The beauty of Canaan Valley and Dolly Sods.
- The most attractive features of St. George are the Academy School and the St. George Park settled down amongst the mountains.
- Outdoor recreation.
- The swinging bridge, bike trail, and the river.
- Courthouse. (2)
- Bike trail, fishing, Black Fork River.
- Trails and rivers to hike, bike, camp, ski, canoe, kayak, raft, run. Purple Fiddle dance hall.
- Blackwater Falls.
- Nature.
- It's beauty.
- Scenery Country Out of the fast lane.
- Natural beauty, arts and music community, outdoor recreation opportunities.
- Open scenic areas, recreation, hospitality.
- Whole County!!
- Peaceful living.
- The land, Front Street St. Thomas.
- The beauty of the river and mountains and most people are friendly but concerned about the crime coming here from citizens.
- The courthouse, Allegheny Highlands Trail, community parks, rivers, campground, National Forest.
- The women and Blackwater Falls.
- Canaan Valley Golf Course.
- Our local residents.
- Parks. (2)
- Canaan Valley State Park, Canaan Valley Wildlife Refuse, and Timberline Resort.
- State Parks, activities in Parsons open to public (city parks, Friday night music, Skateboard Park, and new water park for youth).
- Outdoor recreation opportunities, live music/bar opportunities.
- Scenic views.
- Diversity in what jobs folks work at, knowledge of things like fixing cars, gardening, folk medicine, storing food, etc.
- Friendly people, beautiful area.
- A lot of the people, the courthouse, the 5 River Camp Ground. The willingness of most people to help you anyway they can.
- Peaceful, crime free, scenic.
- The downtown beautification projects in Parsons, the new buildings, the skate and splash park.

- Quiet, safety, mountains, freedom, outdoor activities.
- Nature and the arts, Music Bee scene.
- Wonderful people.
- We are not a community as such but three occupied houses in a rural isolated region of Tucker County.
- A portion of the largest mature mixed deciduous/coniferous forest on the planet. The relatively healthy streams that the forest sustains. Tons of public land dedicated to conservation wise use of the resources described.
- Wildness of nature, air, mountains, animals, hiking in this wilderness.
- Natural beauty.
- Scenic, safe, low traffic, good neighbors, quiet, night skies and tons of fire flies.
- Beautiful, scenic.
- The true and honest beauty of nature that will forever stay preserved.
- Community support.
- Nature, skiing, library, golf.
- Nature/historical sites/skiing/golf.
- The mountains.
- Blackwater River and Park.
- The mountains.
- Pristine beauty. Excellent indigenous people.
- Quiet country life.
- Beautiful mountainous area, small town, unique shops.
- View.
- City Park, nursery bottom trail, old buildings that have been renewed. Parsons
- Year round outdoor activity 4 seasons. Thomas
- The young artists moving in and the old locals and newcomers all working together toward common goals including improving the community, the beauty, nature, wilderness, trails, rivers, parks. Canaan Valley
- A very quiet setting. Parsons
- Friendly, helpful people. Canaan Valley
- Clean and maintained property. Parsons
- Blackwater Falls. Thomas
- State parks. Thomas
- Beautiful open country, good climate, great people. Canaan Valley
- Biking, skiing, white water. Canaan Valley
- The natural beauty of the land. Canaan Valley
- Quiet weather small town ambience. Davis
- Nature. Davis
- The beauty of the outdoors. Canaan Valley

- The people, the beauty of our surroundings, cohesiveness when tragedies strike our area, families. Davis
- Beyond comparison it is the natural beauty and desolation provided by the mountains we call home. – Davis
- Beautiful countryside, quiet, safe and great skiing and outdoor sports. Canaan Valley
- Natural beauty. Red Creek
- Natural beauty Canaan Valley
- Nice breeze in summer. Canaan Valley
- Kayaking the Blackwater Canyon, hiking, skiing. No large developments. Davis
- No stop lights, no housing, or large development. Davis
- Great people. Canaan Valley
- Mountains and wildlife. Canaan Valley
- Canaan Valley, Blackwater Falls, Fairfax Stone, Douglas Falls, coke ovens and overlooks.
 Thomas
- The parks, the beautiful falls Blackwater, ski slopes, nice restaurants, nature itself. –
 Thomas
- Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley. Thomas
- Beauty of not having houses on top of each other. Thomas
- The people, our outdoor activities, and natural parks, falls, and scenery. Thomas
- Fairs, pick'in in Parsons. Parsons
- Parks. Parsons
- No pollution, clean rivers and streams, beautiful mountains and vistas. Davis
- Area. Davis
- It's pretty here. Parsons
- Country. Parsons
- All the rivers, Blackwater Canyon, Otter Creek (my favorite), Blackwater Falls, Lindy Point, Cheat River, mountains, trees, everything! Too many to name. Hendricks
- The awesome town of Thomas with all its shops, eateries, clubs and the town of Davis with its wild west adventure sports venues. –Thomas
- Nature. Canaan Valley.
- City Hall and the Courthouse. Parsons
- Leaves in the fall, rivers and streams, camping areas. Parsons
- Blue Grass Festival, golf course, skiing in Canaan, Tucker County Fair, Garden Club, Mill Race Park activities and splash Children's Park activities. – Parsons
- Nature, landscape. People fixing up buildings in downtown. Thomas
- Rehab of Jack Nordek house, rehab of Buckshots and Duncan Funeral Home, efforts of Friends of Blackwater, work on Cottrill Opera House. – Thomas
- Beautiful scenery, low crime, low property taxes, nice people, and terrific law enforcement! – Thomas

- 5 Rivers good people and high work skills. Parsons
- People. Thomas
- Mountains and rivers. Parsons
- Parks Blackwater Canaan. Davis
- The natural beauty and the consequent outdoor adventures. Thomas
- Parks Blackwater Canaan. Davis
- Visitors and children enjoying the outdoors i.e., skiing, swimming, mountains. Canaan Valley
- Beautiful scenery, friendly residents, safe community. Parsons
- Views of the land. Parsons
- Natural beauty. Davis
- Rivers, streams, mountains, trees, wildflowers and the people. St. George
- The nature aspect. Ledmine
- Nature, good, kind people. Davis
- The landscape and the number of recently constructed buildings. The coming of Corridor H is an attraction. – Parsons
- Outdoor beauty nature. Parsons
- An abundance of natural resources. Thomas
- Small, close knit community in a rural area with plenty to do/see. I <u>hate</u> cities, crowding, and traffic. – Thomas
- Geographically beautiful. Canaan Valley
- The Courthouse, the Veterans Monument. Parsons
- Blackwater State Park. St. George
- Scenic beauty, friendliness of most residents. Parsons
- Community parks, golf, wellness center, good EMS services, some attractive buildings, county government. – Parsons
- Churches. Parsons
- Nature Rivers Woods Courthouse. Parsons
- Local parks and festivals. Also no bars in the city limits which keeps crime lower in my opinion. Parsons
- Shavers Fork River, Blarkfork River, Cheat River. Parsons
- Bike paths, fishing, hiking, skiing. Parsons
- Nature, no stoplights, no traffic. Canaan Valley
- Scenery. Parsons
- Outdoor adventures! Davis
- Rivers, ski resorts, parks, outdoor features, canoeing, boating, changing of the seasons in fall, leaf peepers, historic places. Hendricks
- Fresh air. Hambleton
- The continuing development of our parks. Parsons

- Courthouse, rail/bike trail, two parks. Parsons
- Mountains, parks, and other scenery. Parsons
- Blackwater Falls Park. Davis
- None. Canaan Valley
- Beautiful scenery. Parsons
- Outdoor beauty, friendly people. Hambleton
- Left alone. St. George
- Agriculture, landscape, forests. St. George
- The parks, the scenery, rivers, trails, etc. Parsons
- Renovated courthouse, railroad bridge conversion to bike trail crossing, old time store fronts. – Parsons
- Golf course and resort state parks. Hambleton
- The outdoors, the arts, the opportunities, people working together! Thomas
- Supportive. Hendricks
- Close access to Blackwater Falls State Park, hiking white water rafting through Black Note Canyon Bicycle Trail through Black Water Canyon, Canaan Valley State Park skiing golf. – Thomas
- Quiet life, good climate, safe environment. Davis
- The fantastic natural environment, the beauty, peace of the mountains, the weather. –
 Red Creek
- Rivers, forests, trails, ski resorts, parks, valleys, peaks, bears and other wildlife. St.
 George
- Natural beauty. Canaan Valley
- River. Parsons
- Blackwater Falls. Parsons
- Skiing, Blackwater Falls, shops in Thomas. Parsons
- Camp Horseshoe St. George Park. St. George
- Bluegrass Leaf Peepers. Parsons
- Park Mill Race. Parsons
- Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley. Canaan Valley
- The Mon Forest, Cheat River, High Canaan Plateau. St. George
- Natural resources, small community. Davis
- Skiing, sight-seeing, nature trails, etc. Davis
- It used to be the ability to get away...Tourism has diminished that. Davis
- There is a sense of teamwork and collaboration. Thomas
- Supports an active lifestyle. Dryfork
- Our memorial wall, our cemetery, our courthouse, our parks. We are already seeing some visitors looking on buying a home in our community. – Parsons

- The National Forest, the rivers and streams, the wilderness regions, biking trails, backpacking trails. Parsons
- Nature. Hendricks
- The friendliness of people, wiliness to help others. Parsons
- Very nice park, nice people, little traffic or noise. Parsons
- Rivers, fish, and game reserve. Canaan Valley
- Farm fields. Parsons
- Mountains, rivers, homes, farms. St. George
- Restoring of the older building on Main Street, the apartments as well. Starting to look very nice! I am impressed with this. Thomas
- Canaan Valley, local history, Thomas and ski attractions. Canaan Valley
- Blackwater Falls State Park, Canaan Valley State Park, Canaan Valley Wildlife Area, Historic Thomas, Davis, Parsons, St. George, Hambleton, and Hendricks. Thomas
- Historical sites. Hambleton
- Sense of community and Dolly Sods/ Canaan Wilderness. Davis
- Back country experiences. Canaan Valley
- Blackwater Falls. St. George
- The small unique shops are a great attractions. Thomas
- Thomas Front Street, Riverside Park in Davis, Parks in Parsons, Blackwater Falls State
 Park. Davis
- Water/rivers, forests. Hambleton
- National Forest/Rivers. Parsons
- Outdoor landmarks. Thomas
- The incredible natural beauty and opportunities for outdoor recreation and the cultural scene and attitudes in Thomas and Davis. Parsons
- Nature and beauty. Canaan Valley
- People, nature. Canaan Valley
- Beautiful community with friendly people. St. George
- Natural beauty. Parsons
- The people that are in it and wildlife. St. George
- Natural undisturbed nature. Mountain freedom. Davis
- Parks. Hendricks
- Forests Rivers Camping. Hambleton
- The beauty and the niceness. Unknown
- Splash parks, parks and rivers. Parsons
- Mountains, rugged terrain, the people, Blackwater Falls. Parsons
- Mountains, park, courthouse, ski areas, windmills in Thomas-Davis area. Hambleton
- Mountain views. Red Creek
- Nothing here. Parsons

- Rivers and foliage. Parsons
- Outdoor activities, natural beauty, people who live here. Canaan Valley
- Mountains and weather, trees, foliage, vies, rivers, hunting and fishing opportunities, national forests. – St. George
- The natural beauty and river. Hendricks
- Friendly, independent and caring. Canaan Valley
- Small town, good people, natural history, beauty of resources. Canaan Valley
- Walking trail. St. George
- Open spaces, views, access to sports/events that use outdoor environment. Canaan Valley
- The natural attractions in the Canaan/Davis areas. Canaan Valley
- Natural beauty, unspoiled. Fresh air, wonderful summer weather. Lots of snow for winter sports enthusiasts. Almost no crime. – Canaan Valley
- The people, nature. Thomas
- Outdoors, older building (not those in disrepair). Davis
- The new courthouse. Some changes on Main Street to look like actual business there. –
 Parsons
- Our courthouse, bike and walking trails, rivers (2), and the people. Parsons
- National forest land. St. George
- People, genuine caring attitude. Parsons
- Our park. St. George
- The mountain, local flavors, one stoplight in the county. Canaan Valley
- Our natural resources. Parsons
- Remoteness, isolation, environment. Thomas
- All the open, untouched space and land. All of the trails. The people who live here and the small town feel. – Davis
- The people. Canaan Valley
- Accessible state parks and businesses improving accessibility. Thomas
- The beauty, the unique shops and welcoming residents. Thomas
- Nature, general sense of community. Davis
- Natural beauty. Canaan Valley
- Peace and quiet. Thomas
- The people, the mountains, the fields, the deer and birds, bears and woodchucks, the flowing water. The quiet and calm and cleanliness. The absence of junk tourism. Davis
- Friendly welcoming residents and visitors. Things to do after 5 PM (places open for dinner), yoga, beautiful sky and landscape. Gathering! – Canaan Valley
- Douglas Canyon should have a train ride through it. Thomas
- Natural beauty, welcoming spirit, strong volunteer ethic. Canaan Valley
- I love it all. Would like to see more jobs so our young people would stay. Parsons

- Forests and rivers. St. George
- Unmatched scenery, clean water, NO GAS FRACKING. Eglon
- Scenic views. Canaan Valley
- Historical buildings that are restored This is where community needs to <u>be</u>. –
 Hendricks
- The wild places. Canaan Valley
- Summer concerts in Mill Race Park every Friday Blue Grass Festival PVFD Homecoming. – Parsons
- Quiet. Parsons
- Outdoor recreation. Canaan Valley
- The beauty of the area. Canaan valley
- The people. Parsons
- Rich history of the coal mines and lumber industry. The fact there is so much public land
 2 state parks, 2 national forests. Also, wildlife refuge, 2 downhill ski areas, cross country ski area, Dolly Sods wilderness area. Davis
- The nature! The cultural activities like music, art and food. Canaan Valley
- Beauty. Davis
- The natural landscape. The "can-do" attitude of so many of the residents. The "kindness" of. Canaan Valley
- Friendly folk, many (relatively) perspectives. Canaan Valley
- Vivid scenery, extensive outdoor recreational activities, great potential for quaint, small town redevelopment. – Dryfork
- Quiet, slower lifestyle. St. George
- Solitude, guiet and uncrowded nature areas. Canaan Valley
- None. Hambleton
- Mountains, splash park parks. Hambleton
- Citizen involvement and support. Davis
- The people, beauty of place, mountains. St. George
- Peaceful, beautiful nature, nice neighbors, feeling safe. Davis
- Canaan Valley Resort, Dolly Sods, Blackwater Falls. Dryfork
- Natural resources. Dryfork
- Parks –rivers-community. Davis
- Beauty of nature. Parsons
- Blackwater Falls State Park, Dolly Sods, Towns of Davis and Thomas. Thomas
- Canaan, Timberline, Blackwater Falls, coal, winter, summer. Parsons
- Small town charm with sophisticated mix of old world traditional down home –
 Appalachian Heritage, unique shops, river area. Thomas
- Beautiful scenery, love thy neighbor. Parsons
- Nature. Unknown

- Quiet peacefulness, low crime. Davis
- Nature. St. George
- Helpful people. Parsons
- Historical sites. Parsons
- Friendly people. St. George
- Mountain views and river valleys. Hambleton
- The ski resorts. Parsons
- One red light in Parsons. Parsons
- Beautiful rivers, mountains. Hambleton
- Beautiful. St. George
- Mountain and stream beauty. Parsons
- Natural beauty, local residents. Canaan Valley
- It's really nice. St. George
- The mountain. Parsons
- State parks, wildlife refuge, trails, outdoors. Canaan Valley
- Geographical location: nature, wildlife. (State parks). Hambleton
- Good neighbors. Parsons
- Quiet, relaxing personable, crime free. Davis
- Nothing. Hambleton
- Some good, need better. Hendricks
- Friendliness of residents, natural beauty. Parsons
- The rivers, Mill Race Park, bike trails. Parsons
- Churches parks scenery Senior Citizen Center Pickin in Parsons!!! Alumni banquet etc.
- Farmland, woodland, animals. Parsons
- The outdoors and the serenity from all the hustle of city life. The enjoyment of watching wildlife (deer, turkey, bears). – St. George
- Mill Race Park and Rail to Trail. Parsons
- Low crime rate. Secluded. St. George
- Friendliness. Parsons
- Forest landscaping. Davis
- State Parks, trails, activities. Canaan Valley
- Beautiful area. Parsons
- The snow and the great outdoors. Davis
- Nature, history. Parsons
- Parks, outdoor sports. Davis
- The beauty of the surroundings, the abundance of flora and fauna, diversity, the open and friendly people. – Davis

- 2 State Parks Scenery, Blackwater Falls, Fairfax Stone, Blackwater Canyon, Canaan Valley. – Davis
- Natural beauty. Red Creek
- Nature, community. Thomas
- Hiking trails, biking trails, music venues, breweries, nature. Canaan Valley
- Nature, community. Thomas
- The natural mountain beauty. Thomas
- Blackwater Falls. Thomas
- Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley. St. George
- Parks, scenery, court house. Parsons
- Rivers, forest, wildlife. Parsons
- Beautiful landscape, high diversity, immense outdoor recreation opportunities, connection with arts and music. – Dryfork
- Mountains and river. St. George
- Mountains maintaining unstained beauty, wildlife, culture and history needs highlighted! "Back-in-time" appeal, winter/summer sports & outdoor life. Thomas
- Outside! Canaan Valley
- Rivers, mountains, ATV riding, hiking, biking. Hendricks
- Safety. Canaan Valley and Red Creek
- The big outdoors. Red Creek
- Environment. Davis
- White water boating, cycling, trail running, hunting, and fishing. Davis
- Natural beauty love the nature. Nature is best suspect of the people, associations + their leadership – too inbred. – Canaan Valley
- The people and the natural beauty. Davis
- National forest, Blackwater River, all the mountains and untouched land. Thomas
- Campgrounds, nature, off the grid quality. Leadmine
- Parks, Refuge, National Forest. Purple Fiddle live music venues. Art and craft galleries.
 Opportunities to learn new things. Canaan Valley
- The music, art, and outdoor activities that make a special blend that you don't find in many small towns in WV. – Thomas
- National forests/wilderness. Hambleton
- Relaxing atmosphere with plenty of outdoor activities. Canaan Valley
- Blackwater Falls State Park. Hambleton
- My neighbors. Canaan Valley
- Blackwater and Cheat Rivers, 5 River Camp Ground, our courthouse. Parsons
- River! Parsons
- Blackwater Falls, Bogs, Blackwater River. Davis

- Outdoor beauty and recreation, good food, good people, good music, peaceful and remote. – Canaan Valley
- State parks. Davis
- The mountains. Canaan Valley
- The people, history and friendliness. Thomas
- Natural resources. Parsons
- Canaan Valley, Blackwater, etc. Hambleton
- Parks. Davis
- Landscaped flowered trees along downtown streets Quiet streets/Vintage houses/Rivers running thru town – Local owned restaurants. – Parsons
- Scenery, wildlife, ruralness. Red Creek
- Forests, creeks, rivers, views do not like windmills. Leadmine
- A nice little park, a small general store with cabins to rent and camping. St. George
- Dolly Sods, wilderness, winter and summer activities for outdoor activities. Canaan Valley
- Outdoors, quiet. Canaan Valley
- Natural beauty and the goodness of people. Thomas
- The most attractive features of my community is the breathtaking and virtually untainted beauty and affinity with Mother Nature! – St. George
- Natural resources; open friendly people. Canaan Valley
- Rivers, side roads, creeks, hills, fall colors, snow. St. George
- State Parks. Davis
- Front Street. Thomas
- Blackwater Falls, Canaan Valley State Park, Wildlife Refuge, White Grass, historic downtown. – Thomas
- Natural beauty, local art stores, local bars, and cafes. Thomas
- Beautiful area, close to the outdoors and nature. Davis
- 1. Streetscape love Thomas urban infrastructure. Incredible foundation for growth and infill. 2. People friendly, engaged makers. Thomas
- The people. Parsons