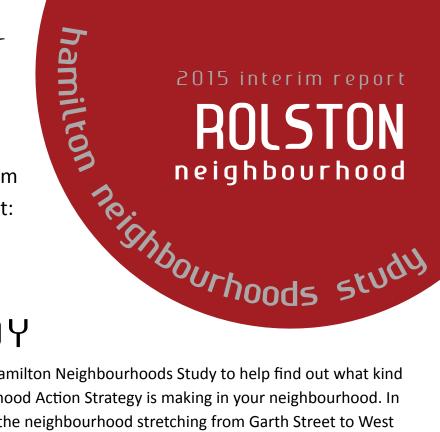
As part of a McMaster

research study, we did surveys
with residents in Beasley, Keith,
McQuesten, Rolston, Stinson and
Stipley. Here are some highlights from
Rolston. You can see the full report at:
www.crunch.mcmaster.ca/hnstudy



ABOUT THE STUDY

Our research team at McMaster is doing the Hamilton Neighbourhoods Study to help find out what kind of difference the City of Hamilton's Neighbourhood Action Strategy is making in your neighbourhood. In 2013-14, we interviewed residents in Rolston, the neighbourhood stretching from Garth Street to West 5th Street and the Lincoln M. Alexander Parkway to Mohawk Road West. Participants were selected at random.

We
talked to
302 residents
aged 18 and
over in
Rolston.

average,
respondents had been
living in Rolston for 15
years and living in their
current dwelling for 14
years.
92% of people had not
moved in the past

year.

98%
felt safe in the neighbourhood during the day.
At night, they felt less safe in the

neighbourhood.

84%
felt that living
in the neighbourhood gives them a
sense of pride.

reported that they were either 'very satisfied' or 'satisfied' with their residence overall, and 95% with the neighbourhood overall.

94%
described the people in their neighbourhood as 'friendly' or 'very friendly'.

52%

of respondents felt that family doctors or walk-in clinics were are important but lacking in the neighbourhood.

74%

of respondents
felt that the people in
the neighbourhood want
the same things from the
neighbourhod.

75% agreed that neighbours watch over each other's property.

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was deemed a 'somewhat or serious problem' by 53% of respondents.

When asked if there was anything that makes it difficult to participate in community events and organizations, the top four responses were:

- 1. Busy with work
- 2. Busy with children
 - 3. Health reasons/mobility concerns
 - 4. Lack of interest

People we surveyed were asked: "What do you think are the TWO most important things that would make your neighbourhood a better place to live?" Here's what we heard most often, with the number of responses in brackets.

- Improve on traffic and road safety (121)
- More amenities (107)
- 3 Increase the sense of community (100)
- Focus on beautification (70)
- Deal with crime and safety (57)

GET INVOLVED WITH ROLSTON!

Your neighbours have been working on these issues and priorities. If you'd like to find out more or get involved in neighbourhood action in Rolston, contact:

Laura Ryan, Community Developer

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Rolston Community Planning Team

Meets the 2nd Thursday of every month from 6:00p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Contact Laura Ryan (above) for the location.

To get more information on the Neighbourhood Action Strategy and the Rolston Neighbourhood Action Plan, visit www.hamilton.ca/neighbourhoods

HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

Dr. James Dunn and staff at McMaster University are doing the research study this report is based on. If you have any questions, please contact us.



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