



Neighborhood Research Worksheet

Property Address: _____

Neighborhood/Subdivision: _____

Date(s) Visited: _____

SCHOOLS RESEARCH

Why It Matters: Good schools increase property values and attract stable families. Future resale depends on school quality.

Elementary School:

- Name: _____
- Rating (GreatSchools.org): _____ /10
- Distance: _____ miles
- Walk/Bus: _____

Middle School:

- Name: _____
- Rating: _____ /10
- Distance: _____ miles

High School:

- Name: _____
- Rating: _____ /10
- Distance: _____ miles

School District Overall Quality:

Excellent Good Average Below Average

Recent School News/Changes:

Boundary Changes Planned:

Yes No Unknown

Notes:

Ready to Make Offer? Yes No Maybe

COMMUTE ANALYSIS

Primary Workplace Address: _____

Commute Distance: _____ miles

Commute Time:

Morning rush (7-9am): _____ minutes

Evening rush (4-7pm): _____ minutes

Off-peak: _____ minutes

Weekend: _____ minutes

Commute Method:

Drive Public Transit Bike Walk

Traffic Patterns:

Heavy Moderate Light

Public Transportation Options:

Bus routes: _____

Train/subway stations: _____

Distance to nearest stop: _____ miles

Highway Access:

Nearest major highway: _____

Distance: _____ miles

On-ramp convenience:

Easy Moderate Difficult

Secondary Workplace (if applicable):

Commute Time: _____ minutes

Commute Dealbreakers Found:

Yes No

Notes:



CRIME & SAFETY

Overall Crime Rate vs. National Average:

Lower Similar Higher

Recent Crimes in Area (Past 6 Months):

- Violent crimes: -----
- Property crimes: -----
- Other: -----

Specific Concerns Found:

Street Lighting:

Adequate Needs Improvement

Neighborhood Watch Active:

Yes No Unknown

Police/Fire Station Distance: ----- miles

General Safety Feeling:

- Daytime: Very Safe Safe Neutral Unsafe
- Nighttime: Very Safe Safe Neutral Unsafe

Would You Feel Comfortable Walking Alone at Night?

Yes No Unsure

Notes:



AMENITIES & CONVENIENCES

(15-MINUTE TEST)

What can you reach in 15 minutes?

Grocery Stores:

- Nearest store: _____ (_____ miles)

Restaurants/Dining:

- Types available: _____
- Quality/variety: Excellent Good Limited

Shopping:

- Major retailers: _____
- Distance to mall/shopping center: _____ miles

Healthcare:

- Nearest urgent care: _____ miles
- Nearest hospital: _____ miles
- Nearby pharmacies: _____

Banks/ATMs:

- Your bank nearby: Yes No
- Nearest branch: _____ miles

Gas Stations:

- Nearest station: _____ miles
- Number within 5 miles: _____

Parks & Recreation:

- Nearest park: _____ (_____ miles)
- Park quality: Excellent Good Basic Poor
- Playgrounds: Yes No
- Walking/biking trails: Yes No

Gyms/Fitness Centers:

Libraries: _____



Entertainment:

- Movie theaters: _____ miles
- Other: _____

Pet Services (if applicable):

- Vet clinics: _____
- Dog parks: _____
- Pet stores: _____

Overall Convenience Score (1-10): _____

Notes:

ONLINE RESEARCH

Websites Checked:

- Zillow (property history, value trends)
- Realtor.com (market data)
- Greatschools.org (school ratings)
- Spotcrime.com (crime data)
- Walk Score (walkability rating)
- Google Maps (commute, amenities)
- City-data.com (demographics)
- Local news sites (recent developments)
- NextDoor (neighborhood discussions)
- Facebook neighborhood groups

Walk Score: _____/100

Bike Score: _____ /100

Transit Score: _____ /100

Demographics:

Median household income: \$ _____

Median age: _____

Owner-occupied: _____ %

Interesting Findings:



FINAL NEIGHBORHOOD EVALUATION

Strengths (Top 3):

- _____
- _____
- _____

Weaknesses (Top 3):

- _____
- _____
- _____

Deal-Breakers Found: Yes No Explain: _____

Rating by Category (1-10):

Schools: _____

Commute: _____

Safety: _____

Amenities: _____

Character/Fit: _____

Future outlook: _____

Overall Neighborhood Score (1-10): _____

Would You Be Happy Living Here? Yes Maybe No

Ready to Make an Offer on Property in This Neighborhood? Yes No Need more research

Next Steps:

- Visit again at a different time
- Research specific concerns
- Talk to more neighbors
- Check additional properties in area
- Attend HOA meeting
- Drive commute during rush hour
- Ready to move forward