



## **ISSUES LIST from QUARTERLY COMMUNITY SURVEY**

**Survey taken during 3rd quarter 2022--- Posted OCT 1, 2022**

- 1 - Womens' right to choose (new abortion rules in Texas/Mississippi, etc by Supreme Court.)
- 2 - The threat of Nuclear War (WWIII) from the Russia/Ukraine war.
- 3 - Mass shootings, worrying if it will come to Mass and Maine
- 4 - Drug abuse by teens and older
- 5 - High cost of pharmaceutical drugs and government's lack of price controls.
- 6- Housing prices escalating immensely. Prices up, jobs/wages down. Can't buy.
- 7 - Locally-owned businesses going under, especially restaurants.
- 8 - Concerns of Election Fraud from Russia, Republicans/Trump, China.
- 9 - Republican efforts to undermine democracy by legislating voter suppression (excessive ID), less polling places in minority areas & gerrymandering.
- 10 - other Environmental/ecology issues.
- 11 - COVID-19 Virus health concerns, Omicron strain, and whether mask mandates are good for the state and private business.
- 12 - Attempts by certain interests for public funding for religious schools.
- 13 - Homelessness, especially veterans; and other veterans' care issues.