

**Grow Decatur May, 2015 General Strategy Session Results**  
**Weaknesses - Category Summary**  
**3-Jun-15**

In each meeting, we asked participants to identify Internal Weaknesses –  
What does our community do poorly; what are we missing?  
Unless we strive to fix these, they will hinder our ability to effectively compete and succeed.

Participants recorded their ideas, and the information was compiled.  
In addition, we categorized the items to provide some grouping of similar thoughts.  
This resulted in 2 documents:

This summary of the grouping, sorted by the number of submissions in the groups,  
and also a detailed list of all the items, sorted by the categories.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Count</u>
image / market / perception	52
relations / groups / race	29
poverty	18
low expectations	17
jobs	14
look and smell	13
population decline	13
education	11
health / drugs	11
amenities	10
housing	9
workforce development	8
business issues	7
safety / fear	7
infrastructure	6
taxes	6
transportation / location	6
collaboration (lack)	5
funding	5
government / city	4
income gap	4
resources needed	4
awareness	3
unassigned	12