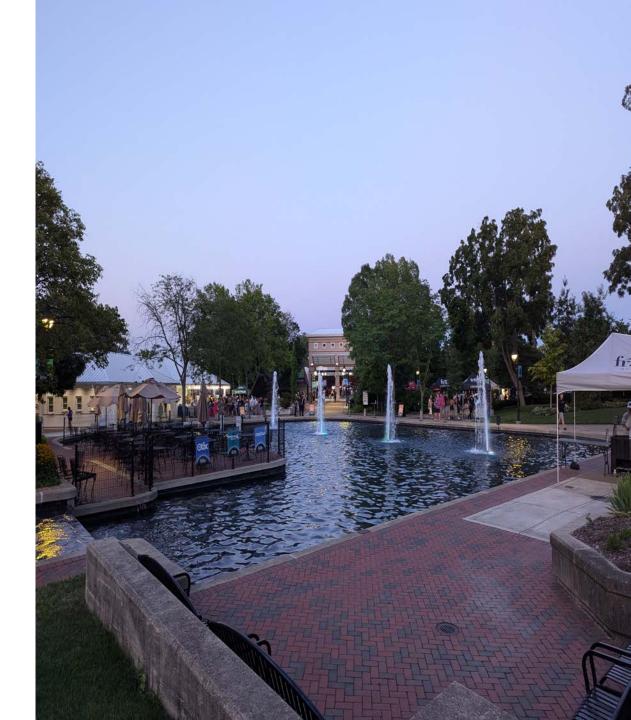


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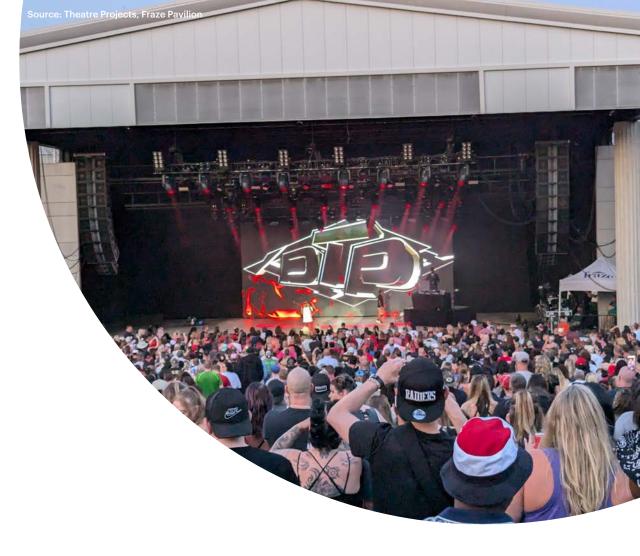


### **Executive Summary**

Owned and operated by the City of Kettering, Ohio (City), the Fraze Pavilion (Fraze) has been identified as a treasured asset by the City, regional artists, and the people it serves locally and throughout the region. Opened in 1991, its location in Kettering's Lincoln Park (Park) gives the Fraze a serene and intimate setting and has become known both as a commercial music venue as well as a community gathering space.

The Fraze's has a capacity of 4,300-seats and serves as the City's home for live music, community events, and festivals. However, with increasing competition in the outdoor venue market, the Fraze has been underperforming in both ticket sales and ancillary revenue generation, which is causing a greater than anticipated need for annual City subsidy.

To continue planning strategically for the future, the City engaged Theatre Projects in early 2024 to conduct an assessment of Fraze operations, marketplace competition, and its relationship to Lincoln Park. Both the pavilion and park hold a place of significance and community pride for the City and the surrounding neighborhoods. Our goal is to provide an honest and accurate assessment to support future decision-making regarding funding, operations, and a realistic business model for the Fraze.



## **Guiding questions**

As we began our analysis process, along with the Fraze project team, we developed a set of guiding questions meant to be answered through this assessment, including:

- What is the community sentiment towards the Fraze today, and how does that compare with the City's internal understanding of community support and overall sentiment?
- What Fraze programming and experiences are the most meaningful and valuable to the community?
- In an increasingly competitive market, how can the Fraze stand apart via changes and improvements to its brand, programming, community access, and overall guest experience?
- How can the Fraze team create a balanced booking strategy that provides an optimal balance of free community events/festivals and commercial (revenue generating) ticketed programming?
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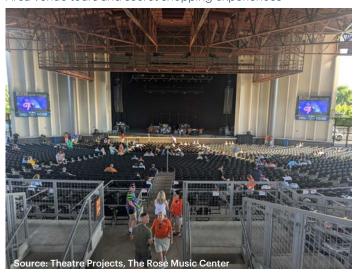


# Our approach and methodology

Our work combined local research, analysis and in-person engagement as a foundation to answer the guiding questions. We engaged with Fraze team members and City leadership during monthly project meetings to gain a greater understanding of the challenges and opportunities of the Fraze today.

Our team traveled to Kettering in July 2024 to extensively tour the pavilion, attend two Fraze events (Ludacris on July 18 and Night Ranger on July 19), attend a show at a competitive venue (.moe at The Rose Music Center), tour surrounding venue inventory, and more fully experience the surrounding communities.

Area venue tours and secret shopping experiences







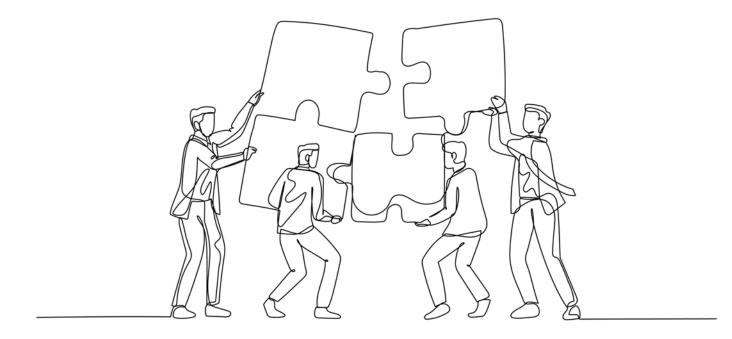


# Community and stakeholder engagement

Engaging with the community and key stakeholders was crucial to our process to ensure that our analysis is grounded in the real-world experiences and perceptions of those most directly impacted by its operations. By involving the full-time Fraze/City of Kettering team, City leadership, Fraze guests, and the local community in the assessment process, we gained valuable insights into the Fraze's strengths and challenges from multiple perspectives. This inclusive approach not only enhanced the accuracy and relevance of our findings, but we believe the approach will also foster a sense of ownership and support among stakeholders. This support is essential for the successful implementation of any recommendations that emerge from the analysis.

With the help of the Study Project Team, we identified key stakeholders as:

- Fraze Pavilion team (full-time employees)
- City of Kettering leadership
- Fraze guests (current and past attendees and ticket buyers)
- Local Kettering community (at-large)



## **Community Engagement**

Based on the community engagement surveys and in-person interviews, several key themes emerged from the feedback provided by the community and the City team:

- > Strong Community Value and Sentiment: The overwhelming majority of respondents (90%) have attended an event at the Fraze Pavilion, with over half attending both ticketed and free events. This demonstrates that the Fraze holds significant value for the local community as a cultural hub. Many respondents expressed appreciation for its role in bringing the community together, providing entertainment, and being a social gathering space.
- Desire for More Diverse and High-Quality Programming: While the community appreciates the Fraze's offerings, there is notable dissatisfaction with the recurring use of tribute bands and the limited variety of big-name artists. There was strong feedback from community members suggesting a greater focus on free and community-oriented programming to stay aligned with its original mission. Additionally, many respondents called for more diverse and fresh lineups, citing that the Fraze is losing quality acts to other local venues like the Rose Music Center.
- > Operational Challenges and Needed Improvements: There are clear operational issues that need to be addressed, particularly concerning concessions, ADA accessibility, and overall customer service. Long wait times at concession stands, unfriendly staff experiences, and outdated infrastructure like seating were consistently mentioned as areas needing improvement.
- Financial and Structural Concerns: The need for more efficient management and financial sustainability was evident in the feedback. Community members and internal teams alike mentioned that the Fraze seems to be falling behind competitors and needs investment in infrastructure upgrades and new technology, including point-of-sale systems and better amenities for both patrons and performers. Additionally, many respondents highlighted the need for a clearer vision for the venue's future, with some expressing concerns over the Fraze's reliance on City subsidies.
- ➤ Positive Perception of Location and Atmosphere: One of the most consistent positives mentioned across all survey groups was the Fraze's beautiful, intimate setting within Lincoln Park. Respondents appreciate the natural environment and park integration, which adds to the overall concert and event experience.

The community clearly values the Fraze Pavilion but believes that significant improvements are necessary to enhance its programming, operational efficiency, and infrastructure to remain competitive and financially viable. Focusing on more diverse programming, improving customer service, and addressing physical improvements are key areas for the Fraze to focus on moving forward.

## Concessions analysis

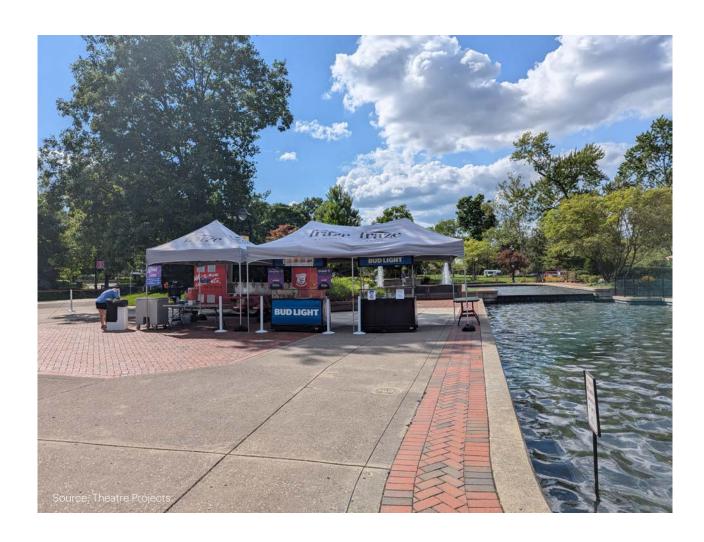
A well-structured and managed concessions program can significantly enhance the guest experience and generate substantial revenue for venue operators. As we observed Fraze concessions operations, and reviewed the programs details of product selection, inventory management, trend analytics, and staffing, we applied the current Fraze program to industry standards for similar-sized outdoor amphitheaters. The current Fraze program is operated through oversight from City of Kettering purchasing, HR, legal, and financial, and is managed by the Fraze team who mostly staff hourly staff who are either students (high school and college/university) or from the retired population, in addition to supplemental volunteer workers from other City departments (Parks and Recreation, etc.) and the community.

As outlined in the experience mapping section, the most necessary area of improvement for Fraze operations is the concessions program. We have identified different areas of improvements, both immediate and short-term, as well as longer term that will require concessions infrastructure modifications. A modern concessions program requires expert use of technologies including mobile ordering, contactless payments, and point-of-sale (POS) systems to streamline operations. As the Fraze continues in their improvement process, the technological infrastructure additions are just as, if not more, important as the improvements to the physical spaces.

As a part of this study's identified KPI's, the concessions program most strongly relates to delivery of guest experience and revenue generation. Following our time on-site observing Fraze concessions operations, we compared the current program to key components of best practices in concessions management, which included observation and assessment of the following areas:

- Menu (food and beverage)
- Speed and efficiency of service
- Guest experience and satisfaction
- Staffing and general operations (including food safety, local compliance, and regulations)





Overall, the Fraze concessions program is struggling to meet modern day concessions program standards due to the physical infrastructure requiring nightly, and manual, temporary POS set-up, and the lack of any technology systems to support the inventory management, transactions, tracking, and reporting necessary for a program of this level.

Additionally, there are challenges with the overall quality of staff and volunteers, as many frontline employees are younger and may lack the necessary motivation or experience to consistently provide high-quality, fast service. This issue is further compounded by the existing limitations in physical and technological infrastructure, which hinder their ability to perform efficiently.

The financial reporting of inventory, pricing, and sales is inconsistent between Fraze department tracking and City of Kettering financial reporting. While the staff is doing their best to create manual systems, the ability to maintain consistent tracking of inventory levels, product, and points of sale is not without error and the ability for manual adjustment. Staff is managing inventory through "counting caps and bags" which allows for a higher level of loss and risk.

# Competitive and programming analysis

Our project team researched and analyzed the venues that are within direct competition with the Fraze. We looked at the 2024 season programming of the following amphitheaters.

- > The Rose Music Center Huber Heights, OH
- > PNC Pavilion Cincinnati, OH
- ➤ MegaCorp Pavilion Newport, KY
- > KEMBA Live Columbus, OH

The project team was focused on the following guiding questions during this exercise:

- In an increasingly competitive market, how can the Fraze stand apart via changes and improvements to its brand, programming, community access, and overall guest experience?
- How can the Fraze team create a balanced booking strategy that provides an optimal balance of free community events/festivals and commercial (revenue generating) ticketed programming?





Given the increasingly competitive landscape, which is dominated by large promoters, it will become more challenging for the Fraze to secure high-profile shows. The four competitive venues we researched are partnered with companies like Live Nation and AEG, both of which possess extensive resources and influence across the region and the country. This allows them to monopolize many touring acts, making it difficult for smaller, independent venues like the Fraze to compete.

Competition from the Rose Music Center, which is operated by MEMI, poses a substantial challenge. MEMI also owns and operates the PNC Pavilion and the much larger Riverbend Music Center in partnership with Live Nation. With Live Nation's involvement, MEMI has access to a larger pool of tours, increasing their control of the local market. Additionally, MEMI plans to open a new 4,500-capacity, year-round indoor venue next to the Rose Music Center, further intensifying competition in the market. They also operate the 4500-capacity Andrew J Brady Music Center in Cincinnati, OH.

PromoWest Productions adds another layer of competition as the owner and operator of both MegaCorp Pavilion in Newport, KY, and KEMBA Live! in Columbus, OH. PromoWest is partnered with AEG, the second-largest live music company globally, which, like Live Nation, frequently buys entire tours and brings those shows to AEG-controlled venues. Both MegaCorp Pavilion and KEMBA Live! have the flexibility to operate year-round as they utilize both indoor and outdoor spaces, giving them a significant advantage over the Fraze in terms of the volume of shows they can present and the flexibility to accommodate larger or more frequent acts.

Because of these challenges, if the Fraze wants to be competitive in this market, it will need to make significant infrastructure and operational improvements, as outlined in the 2016 study by Sustaita Architects. As such, we suggest that the Fraze should consider developing different kinds of programming and maintaining a mixed booking strategy. While high-profile shows will continue to be more difficult to secure, Fraze can lean into community-driven events, festivals, and free programming that set it apart from larger competitors. Embracing local music showcases, free movie nights under the stars, low-ticket-price shows, and unique events like yoga sessions at the Fraze can create a more diverse and inclusive atmosphere. These offerings not only provide value to the community but also generate consistent foot traffic and build a loyal following that distinguishes the Fraze from other venues focused solely on large-scale productions. By positioning itself as a venue that caters to both large events and community-centered experiences, Fraze can attract a broader audience while maintaining its relevance in an increasingly competitive market.



### **Overall observations**

Our investigatory process led us to observe that the Fraze is operating well within industry standards and local expectations given the current constraints of an aging facility, lack of an available consistent workforce, and, at times, restrictive City policies. The talented and dedicated team across the Fraze and the City appear to be committed to the future short-term and long-term success of operations but are eager for City leadership to provide direction on how to define success at the Fraze.

We have distilled our overall observations into areas of strengths, challenges, and opportunities:

Strengths	Challenges
<ul> <li>Dedicated Fraze team</li> <li>Loved in the community</li> <li>Appreciative and loyal audience base</li> <li>Free events provide access to those who may not be able to attend ticketed events</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Lack of qualified concessions staff and aging F&amp;B infrastructure</li> <li>Operating within governmental organizational business structure</li> <li>Reliance on single vendor for lighting equipment, IATSE (production) staffing and venue production management</li> <li>Multiple similar sized venues within 90-mile radius.</li> <li>Growth of festivals in market area, creating new exclusivity conflicts</li> <li>Shortened season compared to competitive venues in the region</li> </ul>

### **Opportunities**

- Develop stronger brand message, with a new communication to the community of what the Fraze experience is
- Marketing services enhancements
- Business model and process adjustments
- Improvement in hiring parameters for qualified staffing
- Concessions infrastructure enhancements to improve guest experience and profitability



# Opportunity: Business model adjustments

Opportunities exist for the Fraze to evolve its business model and modes of delivering quality and authentic experiences. We identified three paths that align with different success metrics and outcomes—namely, financial sustainability, community engagement, and a balanced approach—as illustrated below in Figure A. During the final phase of our study, we collaborated with the project team to evaluate each option and discuss the City's vision of success for the future of Fraze. Success was ultimately defined by delivering high-quality experiences while minimizing financial subsidies and reducing overall risk to the City. Each path is more fully detailed on the following pages.

Figure A: Path models Free festivals Low cost concerts Community Driven Community events Free concerts Change of 5-10 major shows management Maximize large Low cost concerts **FRAZE** commerical shows **Bottom Line** Mixed Fewer community Driven **PAVILION** More festivals events Fewer festivals Community events Source: Theatre Projects

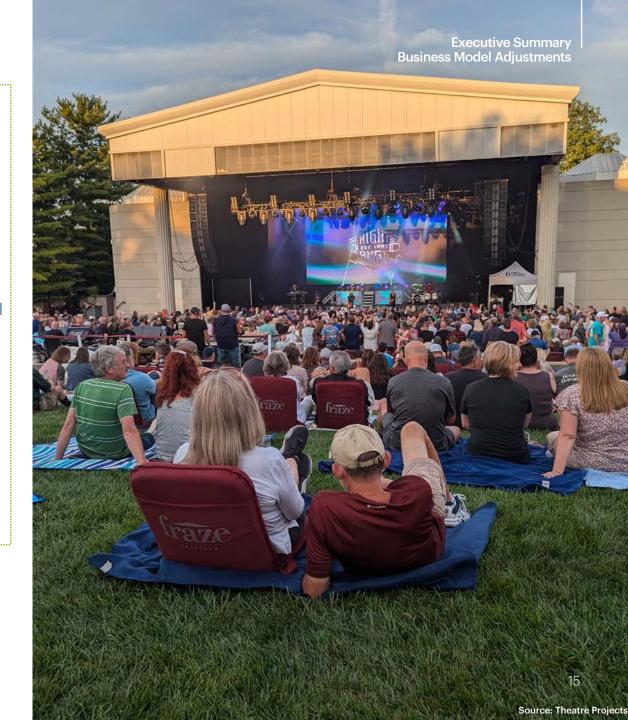
# Path 1 – Community driven

- Shifting the Fraze's focus to producing and hosting free festivals and community events as well as free or low-cost concerts would allow the Fraze to be less reliant on an increasingly more competitive booking market for big ticket live music acts and would allow it to redefine itself as a community-driven and accessible gathering space.
- This community driven model would most likely require a greater City subsidy annually.
- Short-term adjustments to concessions program menu, line management, signage, hours of operation, and non-event access that would allow the concessions areas to be more permanently set-up for the duration of the season.
- Long-term investment in concessions infrastructure and ADA seating and access accommodations
- Operational management remains with the City, with the potential for concessions operations shifting to a commercial entity.



### Path 2 - Bottom line driven

- This model focuses on an improved bottom line financial outcome and reduces or fully eliminates free community events. The pavilion would only be open when a profitable ticketed event could be booked.
- To become a viable commercial venue in the local market would likely require not only a programming shift, but a full operational management shift.
- This bottom-line driven model could greatly reduce the level of City subsidy for annual operations; however, a larger initial and on-going capital asset contribution would be required.
- Greater and more immediate investment in the facility in both the back-of-house enhancements for artists, as well as the front-of-house renovations to concessions and ADA accommodations will be necessary
- Operational management shifts to a commercial operator (operator-at-risk model) who would be responsible for a greater emphasis on revenue generation and the need to maximize the number of available dates for commercial bookings.



# Path 3 - Mixed strategy

- This model allows the Fraze to maintain a diverse programming mix but forecasts reducing reliance on numerous large-name artists by instead focusing on booking 5 to 10 major shows each season.
- Prand messaging focuses on the benefits and positive community impacts delivered by the Fraze (on behalf of the City) to the Kettering community, including brand messaging connected to festival, free programs, as well as the ticketed pavilion live music events.
- This diverse yet reduced programming strategy could offer a unique programmatic diversity not found at other venues in the market, by featuring smaller artists at lower ticket prices, along with increasing the number of free festivals and community-centered events.
- This model would still require annual City subsidy to maintain operations, offer affordable programming, and plan for on-going repair and replacement cycles.
- > Short-term adjustments to concessions program menu, line management, signage, hours of operation, and non-event access that would allow the concessions areas to be more permanently set-up for the duration of the season.
- > Long-term investment to improve the concessions infrastructure would be key to helping drive revenue.
- > Operational management remains with the City, with the potential for concessions operations shifting to a commercial entity.

# Opportunity: Business model adjustments What path best defines success for the City of Kettering?

Path 1 – Community Driven Path 3 - Mixed Strategy Path 2 – Bottom Line Driven (Operator-At-Risk) City **Subsidy Levels** City **Staffing Levels** Commercial **Music Acts** Community **Festivals & Events** Infrastructure Investment

### **Recommendations - Path 3**

Given the primary goal of determining the best path forward for Fraze that supports the amphitheater in a financially sustainable manner while driving community vitality, we recommend that the City eliminate Path 1 (community driven) as it will increase the subsidy and place too great a financial burden on the City. While Path 2 (operator-at-risk) presents a potential option worth exploring, we do not believe it is the most viable solution due to the large number of commercial operators already managing competitive facilities in the crowded marketplace. These operators own multiple venues in the market area, making it unlikely they would want to take on the financial risk of managing a venue that could negatively impact the profitability of their current businesses.

Although this path could be further validated through an RFQ process, we recommend that the **City prioritize Path 3 (rebranding and mixed-use strategy) as the most effective and sustainable path forward.** This approach will preserve community value while simultaneously reducing the Fraze's reliance on subsidies. We recommend the follow considerations and next steps:

- Community-Focused Programming: the Fraze can rebrand itself as more than "just" a summer concert venue by offering a variety of events year-round that emphasize community engagement and accessibility. This includes hosting free or low-cost events like outdoor movie nights (Movie Under the Stars), local music showcases, and wellness festivals, making the pavilion a gathering place for residents of all backgrounds. These community focused events could also be produced as rental events and further identified via an RFP process.
- Leveraging Free and Low-Cost Events: While free or low-cost events may not generate significant ticket revenue, they can drive increased foot traffic, which can be monetized through enhanced concessions and other revenue streams, as well as driving City-wide economic impacts. By increasing the frequency of these events, Fraze Pavilion can foster deeper connections with the community while still supporting financial sustainability through related sales.
- **Maintaining High-Profile Events**: Fraze can continue to host 5-10 high-profile, ticketed events per season. These events, strategically selected to align with the venue's community-first brand, will attract sponsorships and continue offering high-quality experiences while balancing free and affordable programming.
- **Expanding Festival Partnerships**: Fraze can explore new partnerships with local and national festival producers by issuing an RFQ to attract diverse festivals such as farmers markets, holiday festivals, and food and beverage events.
- **Year-Round Programming**: Fraze can look at developing year-round programming to continue to engage the community throughout all seasons, such as a farmers' markets, ice carving festivals, or other cultural or holiday festivals.
- Concessions Overhaul: Fraze can revamp its concessions offerings, streamlining operations and introducing fast-moving, high-quality options to maximize revenue from increased foot traffic during community events.
- Evaluating Profitability of Ticketed Events: For the rebranded programming strategy to be successful, the pavilion must evaluate each ticketed event's profitability based on artist performance history, production costs, and ancillary revenue potential. A detailed financial matrix that includes ticket fees, merchandise, and concessions revenue will help ensure that ticketed events contribute positively to the venue's financial goals.



### **Evaluating and Managing Ticketed Events for Profitability:**

In order for Path 3 to be successful, the Fraze team must carefully evaluate each proposed ticketed event from the talent buyer. This evaluation process should include the following:

- ✓ Past Ticket Sales History of the Artist: Understanding how the artist has performed in similar markets or venues, this may be received by an agent or pulled from Pollstar or Celebrity Access reported data and should include the number of tickets sold and show gross.
- ✓ Date of Last Performance in the Market Area: Ensuring the artist is not oversaturating the local market, which could negatively affect ticket sales.

Additionally, the team should receive a full breakdown of expenses from the talent buyer, including estimated production costs, artist fees (including backend potential), and marketing expenses, along with an estimated gross sales potential and number of tickets sold for the event.

Once all this information is collected, it should be evaluated through a profit and loss matrix, which will project potential earnings based on estimated ticket sales and ancillary revenues. This matrix should account for:

- ✓ Ancillary revenue estimates (concessions, merchandise, etc.), based on average per-head spending during the event.
- ✓ Ticket fee rebates: The venue should estimate how much it
  will earn from ticket fees based on the expected ticket prices.
- ✓ Venue facility fee: This should be based on the estimated total tickets sold.

### **Programming Decision Matrix**





## **Defining success**

Throughout this study, we've observed an assumption within the community and City financial frameworks that ties the Fraze's financial and operational success to Lincoln Park. While Kettering boasts a robust parks system with numerous open spaces with community programming, only Fraze Pavilion and Lincoln Park are currently scrutinized for their subsidy levels as a combined asset. This scrutiny doesn't fully consider the distinct costs associated with the park's amenities and the pavilion's infrastructure—combined, they create a unique destination but demand resources beyond what a stand-alone pavilion might require.

This raises a fundamental question: Why are the Fraze and Lincoln Park financially and operationally connected? Is it purely a matter of proximity, or does this connection reflect a broader vision for what Kettering can offer—a unique, community-centric asset that brings people together through shared experiences?

If the connection is based solely on proximity, we suggest exploring the option to separate them. This approach would enable Fraze's success to be more accurately measured through its ticketed events and programming, while free activities and festivals in the park could be assessed within the context of the City's larger parks system.

However, if the City sees Fraze Pavilion and Lincoln Park as a unified asset, we recommend establishing a set of tailored success metrics for this combined entity—metrics that aren't benchmarked against other parks with free programming but rather aligned with similar community-focused destinations in the region. This would then help to validate the reasons for any necessary on-going City subsidy as it includes not only the typical park area subsidy, but a larger subsidy validation that is connected to the overall success metrics and community benefit.

We believe it's essential to outline success metrics, such as:

#### What makes a Fraze show successful?

- Financially positive?
- Community impact?
- High-capacity ticket sales?
- Audience development targets met?

### What does success look like year-round at the Fraze?

- Full calendar of high-profile events?
- Active calendar of diverse events with a range of ticket prices and free events?
- Multiple options for community gathering?
- Economic impact?

By creating specific, actionable metrics, the City can chart a path forward for Fraze Pavilion that celebrates its role in the community, supports sustainability, and brings Kettering's vision to life.



#### **Executive Summary**

By integrating this analysis into the event planning process, Fraze Pavilion can make better and more informed decisions about which events to book and ensure that ticketed shows contribute positively to the venue's financial sustainability.

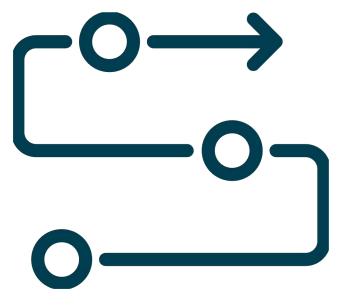
This will achieve Fraze and the City's ultimate goals of creating a financially sustainable and community-centered asset to the Kettering community.

Our team conducted a comprehensive analysis by reviewing financial documents, vendor contracts, and performing secret shopping at the venue to evaluate the Fraze's operational strengths, weaknesses, and areas for improvement. This was followed by a market and competitor assessment, as well as a thorough evaluation of the venue's current programming strategy. These efforts have been synthesized to provide well-rounded recommendations for both the Fraze and the City team.

The following report pages detail the process and analysis and further explores the pros and cons of each path, opportunities, risks, and necessary next steps for the Fraze. There is detailed investigation and recommendations that will support the Fraze as it moves into its next chapter as an important asset to the City.



# Experience mapping





# **Experience mapping**

In July 2024, project team consultants traveled to Kettering, OH to extensively tour the pavilion and attend two Fraze events (Ludacris on July 18 and Night Ranger on July 19). While in the Dayton area our project team attended .moe at The Rose Music Center and received a tour of the venue, toured surrounding venue inventory and more fully experienced the surrounding communities.

The project team was focused on the following guiding questions during this exercise:

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- Within the modification and improvement strategy recommended, how can the Fraze also be financially sustainable in the long-term, and how can it begin to decrease the financial risk to the City?

The Fraze is a well-regarded venue that has successfully hosted a variety of performances and events over the years. However, as the competitive landscape evolves and the demands of both artists and audiences increase, it is essential for the pavilion to assess and address key areas of its infrastructure and operations.



This analysis is broken out to cover the below two areas:

**Front of house (FOH) and guest experience:** The concessions area requires significant improvements to meet guest demands and maximize revenue potential. A dedicated, permanent concession area would streamline operations and improve the guest experience. Furthermore, storage space, particularly refrigeration, needs to be enhanced and maintained annually to ensure that all concession services are delivered efficiently and consistently.

**Back of house (BOH) and infrastructure:** The current infrastructure presents several challenges that impact both the operational efficiency and the overall experience for artists and guests. Notably, the loading dock access is limited in both size and layout, making it difficult to accommodate modern-day production needs. Additionally, the stage height is lower than contemporary standards, which may restrict certain performances. Backstage areas, including dressing rooms and catering facilities, are in need of expansion to meet the expectations of larger tours and more prominent acts.

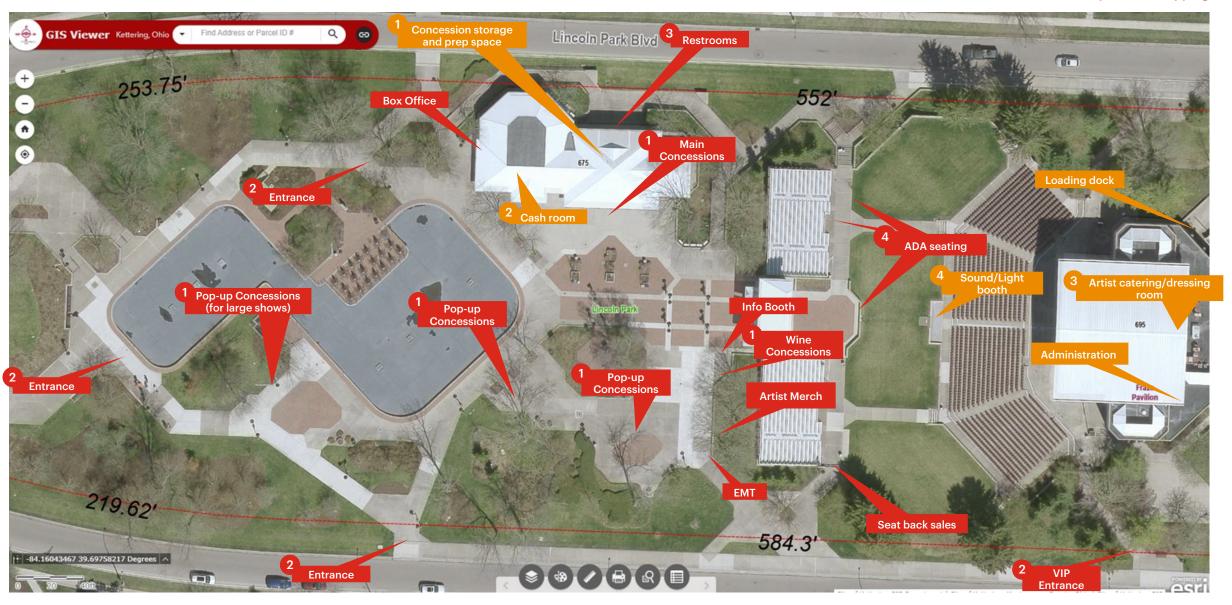
We also analyzed the Fraze's online presence, including the pavilion's website, social media engagement, and online search visibility. Overall, the Fraze's website is user-friendly, well-organized, and provides a simple navigation experience for visitors. Key areas such as event listings, ticket purchasing, and visitor information are presented clearly on both browser and mobile interfaces, and no significant changes are recommended. There is a strong presence on Facebook with high interaction rates, particularly for posts that encourage audience engagement such as asking favorite songs or showcasing upcoming events. Fraze uses Facebook effectively to drive audience participation and connect with fans.

Fraze is relatively easy to find on platforms like Google and TripAdvisor, where it ranks well for local searches. However, it remains unclaimed on platforms like Yelp and TripAdvisor, which presents an opportunity for improvement. The full online presence analysis can be found in Appendix A.

The following graphic provides an overview of the Fraze Pavilion and highlights the location of key infrastructure components that are essential to the venue's operations. Each point identified in the graphic corresponds to critical elements such as concessions, artist accommodations, guest services, and accessibility areas, all of which are discussed further in this report section. The layout of these elements influences the flow of guests, service speed, and overall visitor satisfaction. The mapping aims to analyze how these infrastructural components can be optimized to enhance the overall experience for both guests and performers at the venue.



#### **Experience mapping**



# Front of house (FOH) and guest experience

### Concessions stands and pop-ups

#### Signage and line management:

- **Current observations:** The existing concession setup lacks clear signage, causing confusion and delays as guests cannot see product offerings until they reach the front of the line. Additionally, the absence of an effective line management system results in lines merging, leading to congestion and further delays.
  - **Recommendations:** Implement stanchions and improve signage to clearly indicate product availability and streamline guest flow. This will reduce confusion, speed up the ordering process, and improve overall guest satisfaction.

#### Product availability awareness:

- Current observations: Guests are unclear about which products are available at specific concession stands (menu boards) contributing to inefficiencies and prolonged wait times.
  - Recommendations: Use large, visible menu signs that clearly indicate available
    products at each stand. This will help reduce confusion and expedite the
    ordering process. Also clearly identifying the type of each line will help with
    confusion upon line entry (Beer/Wine Only, Credit Only, Wine Only, Concessions,
    etc.).



### Concessions stands and pop-ups

#### Stand operations efficiency

- **Current observations:** Many concession stands lack expediters, requiring staff to walk long distances to retrieve products. This significantly increases wait times, we experienced the main concessions stand taking over 17 minutes, and the wine stand taking 13 minutes.
  - **Recommendations:** Introduce expediters to reduce wait times and improve service efficiency. This change could lead to faster service and greater guest satisfaction and revenue generation.

#### Staff training and consistency

- **Current observations:** The mix of paid staff and volunteers results in inconsistent service quality. It appears that many staff members lack training, leading to slower service and a diminished guest experience.
  - **Recommendations:** Provide comprehensive training for all staff members, including volunteers, with an emphasis on customer service and efficiency. Implementing TIPS (Training for Intervention ProcedureS) certification for those serving alcohol can enhance both service speed and quality.

#### Receipt issuance

- **Current observations:** The current point of sale (POS) system lacks the ability to easily provide receipts to guests, with some staff resorting to handwritten receipts or being unable to provide a receipt at all.
  - **Recommendations:** Upgrade POS systems to ensure receipts can be issued quickly and efficiently. This improvement is essential for customer satisfaction and accurate financial tracking.





### Quest venue entrances

- Current observations: With multiple entry points, guests find it easy to enter into the Fraze. However,
  accessing the box office from the opposite side of the venue can be complicated. Guests may require
  staff escorts to the box office to purchase tickets or solve any ticket issues, which can be cumbersome.
  - **Recommendations:** Consider implementing mobile sales options at entrance points using tablets to reduce the need for guests to travel to the box office.



### Restrooms

- **Current observations:** The number of restrooms are adequate for the size of crowd. We observed staff blocking ingress and egress paths, causing congestion. The flow of traffic in restrooms varied between events, which led to inconsistency and confusion among guests.
  - **Recommendations:** Standardize restroom operations with clear procedures for ingress and egress. Use consistent signage with arrows to guide guests, ensuring smooth and efficient movement. Better training for staff to manage restroom traffic effectively and better directional signage would help alleviate these issues in the future.

### 4 ADA seating

- **Current observations:** The ADA seating area is not elevated, making it difficult for wheelchair users or those seated on bench seats to see the stage, especially when guests in the lawn area are standing.
  - Recommendations: Redesign the ADA seating area to include a raised platform, ensuring better sightlines for all guests with disabilities. This will enhance accessibility and ensure greater compliance with ADA standards.





### FOH space utilization

#### High-top tables and guest movement

- **Current observations:** High-top tables provide a convenient place for guests to eat and drink but take up valuable space needed for movement around the concession areas. This can lead to congestion, particularly during busy events. The fountain takes up a large amount of space that otherwise would allow the guests to spread out more naturally.
  - **Recommendations:** Re-evaluate the placement and quantity of high-top tables to optimize guest flow and reduce congestion. Consider alternative configurations that balance guest convenience with the need for clear movement paths, particularly around the fountain.







Source: Theatre Projects



### **FOH further observations**

#### Staff identification and roles

- **Current observations:** The use of different colored shirts for FOH staff members is an effective way to distinguish roles for the team. However, the guests may not be aware of what the different colored shirts mean as they are not clearly identified, this can cause confusion for guests who need assistance.
  - **Recommendations:** Introduction of distinct shirts for volunteers that clearly indicate their role and further designation for managers or those in charge may be helpful. This will help guests easily identify who to approach for assistance, improving the overall guest experience.

#### **Emergency response**

- **Current observations:** There is uncertainty about the emergency response plan and the existing relationship with the Kettering Police Department (KPD).
  - **Recommendations:** Develop and communicate a clear emergency response plan in collaboration with the KPD. Develop training to ensure all FOH staff are trained in emergency procedures.



### **FOH further observations**

#### Outdoor lawn signage

- **Current observations:** There is adequate outside signage directing guests to appropriate seating areas outside the official venue entrance. We found interactions with the Fraze team were positive and friendly, especially when guiding guests away from private property.
  - **Recommendations:** Continue to maintain clear signage and positive interactions between the community members and Fraze team in these areas. Additional signs or barriers may help ensure guests stay within designated listening areas, preserving the venue's relationship with neighboring properties.

#### **Temporary infrastructure**

- **Current observations:** Bike rack fencing is used to create a perimeter for entrances into the Fraze concessions area. However, this setup is time-consuming to assemble and disassemble for each event.
  - **Recommendations:** Look into the possibility of setting up a DORA (Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area) for the concessions area and move ingress to the pavilion itself. If this is not possible or in the best interest of the Fraze, further exploration into a more permanent or quicker-to-deploy infrastructure solution to reduce setup and teardown times would be recommended. This could lead to better use of staff time and resources.



# Back of house (BOH) and infrastructure

### Concessions storage and prep space

#### Temporary vs. permanent infrastructure

- **Current observations:** The reliance on temporary setups for concessions is inefficient, as these setups are time-consuming to prepare before each event.
  - **Recommendations:** Invest in more permanent infrastructure for concession areas to streamline operations and reduce setup times. This will also help maintain a consistent level of service across events.

#### Storage capacity

- Current observations: Inadequate storage space, particularly for refrigerated items, hampers the efficiency of concession operations.
  - **Recommendations:** Expand storage capacity, including refrigeration, to ensure that all necessary products are readily available during events. This will support smoother operations and reduce the need for last-minute adjustments.

### Cash room

- Current observations: There is a lack of security cameras in the box office and the cash room and around inventory areas, which raises concerns about accountability and the potential for theft and a safety concern for staff assigned to these areas.
  - **Recommendations:** Installation of security cameras in key areas where money is being handled and exchanged would greater ensure the safety of staff and reduce the risk of theft.



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### Artist catering, production and dressing rooms

#### **Catering infrastructure**

- Current observations: There is a significant lack of dedicated catering infrastructure, which requires staff to set up temporary kitchen facilities outside under tents. This setup is not only inefficient but also limits the ability to provide high-quality service, particularly for larger events. Storage and refrigeration space are insufficient, leading to the use of temporary refrigeration units and freezers placed side stage to meet demand. This is a workaround solution that highlights the need for more permanent infrastructure. All catering operations are handled in-house, which can strain resources, especially when accommodating larger tours or groups. The current catering area is too small to comfortably serve larger groups, which affects the overall experience for artists and their teams.
  - Recommendations: Invest in permanent catering infrastructure, including a fully equipped kitchen and adequate storage and refrigeration space. This would streamline operations and improve the quality of service. Consider expanding the catering area to accommodate larger groups and ensure that the needs of all touring parties can be met comfortably.





### 4 Artist catering, production and dressing rooms

#### Dressing rooms and production offices

- **Current observations:** There is a noticeable lack of dressing rooms, forcing staff to create makeshift dressing areas using temporary walls in the catering area. This solution is far from ideal and does not provide the level of comfort and privacy expected by touring artists. The current setup also lacks sufficient production offices and dressing rooms to accommodate larger tours, which can deter high-profile acts from choosing this venue.
  - **Recommendations**: Construct additional dressing rooms and production offices to meet the demands of larger tours. This would not only improve the backstage experience for artists but also make the venue more competitive with other amphitheaters in the area. Consider permanent structural changes or expansions to the existing facilities to eliminate the need for temporary solutions like makeshift walls.

### Sound and lighting booth

- **Current observations**: We observed guests seating near wires and placing drinks where they could easily spill onto sound or lighting desks. /There is little protection around this area aside from stanchions. Guests can easily access these areas, posing risks to both the equipment and overall event operations.
  - **Recommendations:** Install permanent barriers or other protective measures to prevent guests from sitting near wires and placing drinks near the sound and lighting equipment. This will safeguard the equipment and ensure that the technical aspects of events run smoothly.



# Concessions analysis





# **Concessions analysis**

A well-structured and managed concessions program can significantly enhance the guest experience and generate substantial revenue for venue operators. As we observed Fraze concessions operations, and reviewed the programs details of product selection, inventory management, trend analytics, and staffing, we applied the current Fraze program to industry standards for similar-sized outdoor amphitheaters. The current Fraze program is operated through oversight from City of Kettering purchasing, HR, legal, and financial, and is managed by the Fraze team who mostly staff hourly staff who are either students (high school and college/university) or from the retired population, in addition to supplemental volunteer workers from other City departments (Parks and Recreation, etc.) and the community.

As outlined in the experience mapping section, the most necessary area of improvement for Fraze operations is the concessions program. We have identified different areas of improvements, both immediate and short-term, as well as longer term that will require concessions infrastructure modifications. A modern concessions program requires expert use of technologies including mobile ordering, contactless payments, and point-of-sale (POS) systems to streamline operations. As the Fraze continues in their improvement process, the technological infrastructure additions are just as, if not more, important as the improvements to the physical spaces.

As a part of this study's identified KPI's, the concessions program most strongly relates to delivery of guest experience and revenue generation. Following our time on-site observing Fraze concessions operations, we compared the current program to key components of best practices in concessions management, which included observation and assessment of the following areas:

- Menu (food and beverage)
- Speed and efficiency of service
- Guest experience and satisfaction
- > Staffing and general operations (including food safety, local compliance, and regulations)





Overall, the Fraze concessions program is struggling to meet modern day concessions program standards due to the physical infrastructure requiring nightly, and manual, temporary POS set-up, and the lack of any technology systems to support the inventory management, transactions, tracking, and reporting necessary for a program of this level.

Additionally, there are challenges with the overall quality of staff and volunteers, as many frontline employees are younger and may lack the necessary motivation or experience to consistently provide high-quality, fast service. This issue is further compounded by the existing limitations in physical and technological infrastructure, which hinder their ability to perform efficiently.

The financial reporting of inventory, pricing, and sales is inconsistent between Fraze department tracking and City of Kettering financial reporting. While the staff is doing their best to create manual systems, the ability to maintain consistent tracking of inventory levels, product, and points of sale is not without error and the ability for manual adjustment. Staff is managing inventory through "counting caps and bags" which allows for a higher level of loss and risk.

# Menu Variety

Finding a balance of menu items that meet the needs of your audience without creating too large of a menu, while still allowing for diversity of preferences, dietary needs, seasonal products, and service-friendly products will vary from venue to venue. We observed that the Fraze has a large menu overall, with little consideration for healthy and/or dietary needs guests and is very heavy in the beverage program. There are small variations in the menu offers between concessions stand, without clear definition to the buyer of where those items can or can't be purchased. In planning for next season's menu, we recommend considerations for a balanced menu design include:

- **Audience demographics:** Understanding of guest profile (age, preferences, dietary needs) to offer a range of that appeal to different tastes. A survey could help you to better understand this profile if the ticketing system is unable to provide the details needed.
- Sales by category: Tracking trends across the sales, reviewing the percentage of total sales from food (packaged, hot, and cold) and beverages (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) to design a menu that leverages popular categories. With the addition of a POS system, this will be more achievable in future seasons.
- Service speed and transaction time: Compare size of menu to targeted service speed and transaction times to ensure that the variety of menu offerings is not so large that guests are not ready to purchase immediately, slowing town the service speed and reducing the amount of revenue generation over the sales period through slow and inefficient concessions lines. As illustrated in the experience mapping section of this report, line wait times exceeded recommended industry targets. The International Association of Venue Managers (IAVM) GuestX programs suggest a general goal of concessions wait times to not exceed between 5 to 10 minutes to ensure guest satisfaction and potential repeat/return sales. With this in mind, we recommend cutting the number of beverages available to help speed up service and transaction time.
- Local Cuisine & Specialties: Opportunities exist to offer local food and beverages that can create a connection with the community and enhance the venue's identity and removes the pressure from the Fraze concessions program to serve quality and local hot and cold food items. Consider additional options of the consistent availability of local food truck stations on show and event nights that will allow for local food offerings that do not have to be supported by the concession program kitchen, storage, and service infrastructure.
- **Dietary Options**: Based on guest profile, the menu may include vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and allergy-conscious choices, as well as non-alcoholic mixed drinks, beers, and other n/a beverages. Currently the menu is limited for anyone meeting this profile.
- **Seasonal Menus**: If extending the service season through the expansion of operations, providing a seasonal menu modifications that reflect locally available ingredients or holiday specials to keep the menu fresh for returning and frequent guests. This refresh could also be incorporated between early summer, late summer, and fall.



#### **Beverage Selections**

Leveraging sales trends, guest profile, and speed of service targets, a well-designed beverage program will include a combination of:

- **Alcoholic beverages:** A variety of beer (canned and draft), wine, and canned cocktails, including local craft options needs to be balanced with speed of service and guest profile. When developing the program, designate service locations where premium cocktails, wine, or craft beer (draft) can be served. For the standards lines, limit the menu to canned products that sell well and have a high profit margin.
- **Non-alcoholic beverages:** A baseline of soft drinks and water (flat and sparkling), with special considerations towards specialty non-alcoholic beverages like canned mocktails, n/a beer, and bottled iced tea and coffee drinks should be integrated more fully into the existing beverage menu. If self-serve stations could be added, these stations could be grab-and-go style in designated cooler areas that don't require ID-check for alcoholic purchases.
- **Drink packages & upgrades:** Based on available storage and layout improvements, consider re-usable souvenir cups, combo deals (drink + food item), and branded drinks to boost sales overall, including options for VIP and mobile order areas.



Source: Theatre Projects



#### **Food Selections**

Understanding that the guest profile may be looking for a light meal or heavy snacks with festival and evening events, food selections should be better balanced to include a limited amount of quality and service efficient offerings outside of pre-packaged snacks. Based on the availability of local food trucks on-site that can supplement a larger need for food, a well-designed food program should include a focus on both convenience and variety while maintaining high service standards and efficient service times. Food selections observed were inconsistent and significantly extended the transaction time to leave the POS for chicken tenders, pizza slices, and BBQ slider sandwiches. A refinement of the food offerings could include:

- **Packaged snack items**: Standards of popcorn, chips, nuts, and candy boxes can also be supplemented with healthy alternatives such as protein bars, and nut and trail mix. These can be sold in all standard lines and could also be a part of a non-alcoholic and snack self-serve area.
- Packaged cold items: Gourmet packaged sandwiches and wraps, cheese and
  charcuterie boxes, fresh fruit cups can be offered for standard or VIP service areas, with
  special consideration to pre-order items sold via the ticketing process. We recommend
  a system of pre-order and special packages to start this process to reduce food waste
  and spoiled cold items.
- Hot items: Standards of pretzels, hot dogs, pizza, chicken tenders, and sliders can also be supplemented with items such as savory empanadas, plant-based burgers and sausages. Hot food offerings should only be considered if infrastructure supports the quality and efficient service of these products, and can also be limited to VIP areas, preorder party package, or supplemented by food truck partnerships. Currently the need to step away from the POS to retrieve hot items negates the convenience and quality of having this type of hot items offered. We recommend specific locations with hot and cold items (with signage saying FOOD) that is set-up to better serve quickly a variety of these options. Partnering with local restaurants to provide the hot items, as is done currently, is a creative solution to serving hot food without the adequate food preparation, storage, and cooking areas.



Source: Theatre Projects



### **Service Speed & Efficiency**

Quality, efficient, and fast service allows for the highest revenue generation potential, and great impacts guest experience and their willingness to return to the concessions area multiple times. Systems, staffing, and menu size are all dependent on each other for service speed and efficiency, and a noted in the experience mapping section, special attention and focus to these areas is necessary to concessions program improvements, including:

- **Multiple points-of-sale:** Create a variety of layouts (large concerts, community events, festivals, etc.) that includes sufficient selling areas for each type of audience (profile and size), options for portable stands, and even self-service stations (coolers and touchless transaction kiosks) can minimize wait times and should be further studied. Special attention should be focused on types of product sold at which POS, improved signage (FOOD, BEER/WINE ONLY, CRAFT BEER, etc.), and new, larger, and more easily readable menu boards.
- **Mobile ordering and pre-ordering:** Technology that allows guests to order from their phones for in-seat delivery, VIP pick-up stations, or advance pre-order (packages) for pick-up, reduces congestion and can help to increase revenue while reducing the strain on the primary POS.
- Cashless and contactless transactions: Promoting contactless payments decreases transaction time and reduces line size and reduces risk.

Equally as important to support service speed and efficiency is layout and flow, including considerations of:

- **POS locations**: Strategically place concession stands (POS) throughout the park and venue entry area to manage crowd flow and ensure accessibility from all seating areas, while also limiting stands in circulation pinch points and access areas.
- **Queuing systems**: Use well-marked lines or stanchions, post clear signage that can be easily understood, and dedicate specialty service areas for local products, sponsored products, and VIP lines. During high attendance events, also provide guest experience staff to monitor and communicate to guests, offering alternate service locations as well as move guests efficiently through lines.
- **Guest circulation and flow**: Plan for how POS areas can work with crowd movement, especially during high-traffic times like before shows or during intermissions.



#### **Guest Experience & Satisfaction**

Guests can get excited about and support at well-designed concessions program, or they can be unsatisfied with the experience and the offerings, which will reduce their desire to wait in lines, arrive early for special packages and meal-type service, or return for repeat purchases. By leveraging the understanding and connection to your guest, you can increase sales by considering the experience in the following areas:

- **Local partnerships:** Partner with local restaurants, breweries, or food trucks for branded food options that enhance the guest experience, which can be offered outside of the standard concessions stands (special tents, food trucks, etc.). These local partnerships can be staffed externally, and the venue receives a commission on sales nightly.
- **Themed nights**: Offer specialty food and drink menus that align with events (e.g., pairing food with music genres or artist preferences, movie night favorites, etc.).
- **Leveled experiences**: Incorporate exclusive service areas, VIP food and drink service areas, or even pre-show culinary experiences for premium ticket holders, sponsors, or donors.

Sustainability efforts may also entice guests to support and engage with the concessions program, with eco-friendly considerations including:

- **Eco-friendly packaging**: Using biodegradable containers and utensils to align with sustainability goals and programs.
- **Food waste reduction and composting**: Implement strategies for reducing food waste, including smaller service portions, donation programs, or composting initiatives (as available).
- Water stations: Offer free water refill stations to reduce single-use waste from bottled water, while also selling branded venue water bottles.

The Fraze concessions program not only offers an amenity to guests attending events at the venue, but it should also be a primary source of earned ancillary revenue that needs to be more fully maximized. As improvements to the program are considered, following a model that serves the park experience, festivals, and community gatherings can increase the operational days, and potentially develop a more consistent reason to "drop into Lincoln Park" when there is not a show, creating a larger sense of community gathering and place making.



#### **Industry operational standards and opportunities**

Finding a POS system that will allow the Fraze to easily source and track data and performance analytics continues to be a key factor in modern day concessions operations, including:

- **Data from POS system**: A quality digital POS system that allows for data from sales transactions, inventory, and sales periods to be easily tracked for trends in product performance, preferences, and inventory levels is a critical element of any concession program today. The current method is a manual spreadsheet that is used more as a nightly settlement and inventory tracking system, is inconsistent with format and product, and doesn't allow for easy trend tracking or data analysis.
- **Sales optimization:** Systems can be set-up that analyze sales trends to optimize menu selections, product placement and locations, and pricing strategies for higher profit margins.
- Guest feedback: Regularly survey patrons about their experience with the concessions services to improve future offerings.

Industry standards related to revenue stream management are tied directly to pricing, profit margins, and inventory controls. Special considerations include:

- **Dynamic pricing**: Options to tailor prices to event type premium pricing for high-demand shows, discounts for community events could be further considered if POS technology and staffing could support this level of dynamic pricing.
- **Ticket bundles**: Combine concessions sales with ticket purchase process, including reserved seating areas with pre-order items that could include picnic packages, movie night packages, and premium or VIP POS areas.
- **Profit margins and inventory control:** POS systems help to monitor pricing, profit and loss margins, and track inventory and sales trends to maximize profitability while maintaining guest satisfaction.

We compared the drop count (number of attendees who scanned through the entry) with the reported gross concessions sales from the 2024 ticketed events to determine the per capita sales (per cap) by attendee for 2024 at approximately \$9.17, with a high-end of sales reported at a \$12 per cap for the August 2024 Get the Led Out performance. While venue target per caps can typically range from \$8 to \$15 per attendee, factors like event type, audience demographics, quality of concessions program, and speed of service can Impact where a venue falls In this range. The Fraze average Is at the low, yet acceptable range, and with Improvements to staff pay structure (tips), Infrastructure, and systems we believe that a reasonable growth rate could reach the higher end of this range.



As the operator, it is also important to always keep health and safety at the forefront of space planning, staffing, training, and general program delivery, including:

- **Food safety compliance**: Staff continues to ensure all food service operations (including food trucks and vendors) meet local health and safety regulations, including food handling, hot and cold storage, and preparation guidelines.
- **Staff training**: Continuous training of concessions staff in hygiene, guest interaction, and food safety practices is important, especially with seasonal staff and volunteers.
- **Emergency plans**: Have clear protocols for dealing with incidents, intoxicated guests, or food safety concerns fully integrated in the venue's larger Emergency Response Plan (ERP).

Running a profitable, quality, and efficient concessions program requires the ability to recruit, train, and pay a competitive wage to the venue's frontline concessions staff. With the inability to pay tips as City of Kettering employees, which is causing a struggle in finding quality staff who are being recruited by other competitive venues that can offer a better pay, tips, and incentive packages, , the City may want to more fully assess if hiring a concessions operator to run the program on behalf of the Fraze may be an optimal path to improving satisfaction, efficiency, and profit from the program. In considering the opportunities for a concessions operator, further study can help to identify:

- **Potential operators**: Securing a proven operator with a track record of successfully working with local and venue staff in a program that align with the venue's needs, ensuring flexibility and reliability. Further study and an RFQ process can ensure that a selected operator has a reputation for delivering quality of services and guest service as well as operational efficiency and adaptability
- **Revenue-sharing models**: Determining the appropriate revenue-sharing or lease arrangements with the operator should be based on gross sales performance and other established KPI's.



# Competitive and program analysis





# Competitive and programming analysis

Our project team researched and analyzed the venues that are within direct competition with the Fraze. We looked at the 2024 season programming of the following amphitheaters.

- > The Rose Music Center Huber Heights, OH
- > PNC Pavilion Cincinnati, OH
- ➤ MegaCorp Pavilion Newport, KY
- > KEMBA Live Columbus, OH

The project team was focused on the following guiding questions during this exercise:

- In an increasingly competitive market, how can the Fraze stand apart via changes and improvements to its brand, programming, community access, and overall guest experience?
- How can the Fraze team create a balanced booking strategy that provides an optimal balance of free community events/festivals and commercial (revenue generating) ticketed programming?



The chart below outlines the owners and operators of the four closest competitors to the Fraze. These competitors include some of the largest promoters and venue operators in the world, such as Live Nation and AEG, along with Music and Entertainment Management Inc. (MEMI), the leading promoter and venue operator in southwest Ohio. All of these venues are located within a 70-mile radius of Kettering, OH, allowing them to implement radius clauses that can limit booking opportunities for the Fraze.

Radius clauses vary depending on the venue or promoter but are typically used to restrict an artist from performing at nearby venues within a certain time frame. It is common for radius clauses to cover a 90-mile range or more, particularly for amphitheater performances. Additionally, our research found that several music festivals, particularly Country music festivals, take place near Kettering. These festivals often enforce even larger radius clauses, which can exceed the 90-miles and further limit acts available for the Fraze.

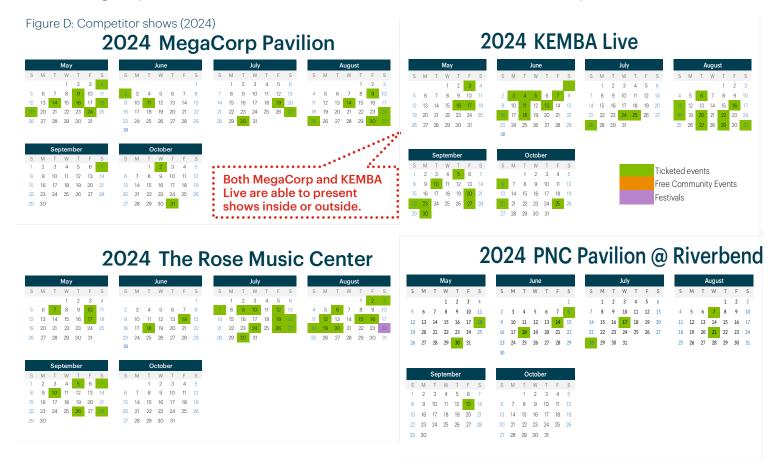
Figure C: Close competitor chart

			Current Season Events		Concessions			Ticketing	
Venue Name	Capacity	Covered	(May-October 2024)	<b>Booking Process</b>	Program	Venue Owner	Venue Operator	Company	VIP Program Details
				Variety Attractions	-				
Fraze Pavilion	4300	No	34	contractor	in-house	City of Kettering	City of Kettering	Etix	Founder Club program
					MEMI manages the program. The staff are City of Huber Heights				VIP Insider Program: Includes premium seating, VIP parking, and access to the
Rose Music Center	4200	Yes	30	MEMI	staff	City of Huber Heights	MEMI	Ticketmaster	
PNC Pavilion	4100	Yes	10	MEM/Live Nation	MEMI	MEMI/Live Nation	MEMI/LiveNation	Ticketmaster	VIP Program: Includes VIP Box Seats, access to VIP Club and restaurant,, private entrances, and VIP parking
MegaCorp Pavilion	4500 (can go up to 7000)	No	21	AEG	PromoWest Productions	PromoWest Productions/AEG	PromoWest Productions/AEG	AXS	VIP Program: Includes access to VIP areas, premium seating, private restrooms, and dedicated service
KEMBA Live!	4500	No	34	AEG	PromoWest Productions	PromoWest Productions/AEG	PromoWest Productions/AEG	AXS	VIP Program: Includes premium seating, VIP parking, and access to exclusive VIP areas

#### Competitive and programming analysis

In review of the shows presented in the 2024 season at the top four competitive venues to the Fraze there is no crossover in artists presented between any of the venues and the Fraze.

KEMBA Live and MegaCorp Pavilion, both owned and operated by PromoWest Productions/AEG, route with themselves most often, while the Rose Music Center and PNC Pavilion, both owned and operated by MEMI, have less crossover with artists. We expect this is due to the number of shows at Riverbend Amphitheater making events at PNC Pavilion not possible. Our team did not research the Andrew J Brady Music Center, also owned and operated by MEMI, however with its capacity of 4500 and noting they will do shows outside at Smale Park the venue is also a competitor of the Fraze.



Below is a list of the Artists that played more than one of the competitive venues in the 2024 season.

#### **Alkaline Trio:**

Kemba Live!: September 28

MegaCorp Pavilion: September 29

# Warren Haynes:

Kemba Live!: July 28

Rose Music Center: July 27

#### **Cole Swindell:**

Rose Music Center: September 5

PNC Pavilion: June 8

#### **Rumours Of Fleetwood Mac:**

PNC Pavilion: August 7

Rose Music Center: August 2

### **Switchfoot:**

Kemba Live!: August 18

MegaCorp Pavilion: August 14

## **The Avett Brothers:**

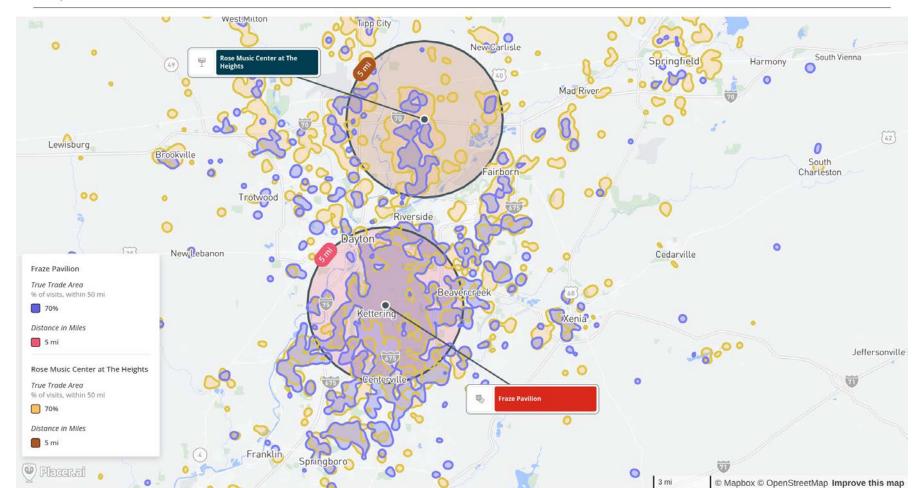
Kemba Live!: August 20

MegaCorp Pavilion: August 24

Figure E: Fraze Pavilion and Rose Music Center audience map

#### Fraze Pavilion

Overlap of visitors between the Fraze Pavilion and the Rose Music Center



Sep 1, 2023 - Aug 31, 2024
Data provided by Placer Labs Inc. (www.placer.ai)





We conducted a deeper analysis of

Pavilion and the Rose Music Center.

The data, as shown in the graphic, indicates that approximately 70% of visitors to both venues are drawn from largely the same geographic

regions. Given the proximity of the

two venues, this overlap is not

surprising, but the visual

representation here further underscores the competitive challenge in attracting distinct

audiences to each venue.

visitor overlap between Fraze

# **Visitor Metrics**

Sep 1, 2023 - Aug 31, 2024

Metric Name	Fraze Pavilion Lincoln Park Blvd, Kettering, OH	Rose Music Center at The Heights Executive Blvd, Dayton, OH	MegaCorp Pavilion W 4th St, Newport, KY	KEMBA Live Neil Ave, Columbus, OH
Visits	54.9K	109.4K	114.7K	79.8K
Visits / sq ft	2.25	2.04	1.11	4.29
Visitors	43.9K	82.2K	96.4K	67.9K
Visits YoY	-4.4%	+2.4%	+5.9%	-0.1%
Visits Yo2Y	-24.9%	0	+35.3%	+78.7%
Visits Yo3Y	+6.3%	+59.6%	+1.5K%	N/A

We further looked at a comparison of visitor metrics for the Fraze Pavilion with three of its competitors between September 1, 2023, and August 31, 2024. The data reveals that all three competitors have not only attracted a larger number of visitors during this period but have also seen year-over-year growth in their visitor counts. In contrast, Fraze Pavilion has experienced a decline in visitors over the last two years.

This is a concerning trend given the competitive nature of the regional market. While venues like the Rose Music Center and others are expanding their audience base, the Fraze Pavilion is not maintaining its attendance levels. This decrease in visitors indicates a need to reevaluate programming, marketing strategies, and the venue experience.

Given the increasingly competitive landscape, which is dominated by large promoters, it will become more challenging for the Fraze to secure high-profile shows. The four competitive venues we researched are partnered with companies like Live Nation and AEG, both of which possess extensive resources and influence across the region and the country. This allows them to monopolize many touring acts, making it difficult for smaller, independent venues like the Fraze to compete.

Competition from the Rose Music Center, which is operated by MEMI, poses a substantial challenge. MEMI also owns and operates the PNC Pavilion and the much larger Riverbend Music Center in partnership with Live Nation. With Live Nation's involvement, MEMI has access to a larger pool of tours, increasing their control of the local market. Additionally, MEMI plans to open a new 4,500-capacity, year-round indoor venue next to the Rose Music Center, further intensifying competition in the market. They also operate the 4500-capacity Andrew J Brady Music Center in Cincinnati, OH.

PromoWest Productions adds another layer of competition as the owner and operator of both MegaCorp Pavilion in Newport, KY, and KEMBA Live! in Columbus, OH. PromoWest is partnered with AEG, the second-largest live music company globally, which, like Live Nation, frequently buys entire tours and brings those shows to AEG-controlled venues. Both MegaCorp Pavilion and KEMBA Live! have the flexibility to operate year-round as they utilize both indoor and outdoor spaces, giving them a significant advantage over the Fraze in terms of the volume of shows they can present and the flexibility to accommodate larger or more frequent acts.

Because of these challenges, if the Fraze wants to be competitive in this market, it will need to make significant infrastructure and operational improvements, as outlined in the 2016 study by Sustaita Architects. As such, we suggest that the Fraze should consider developing different kinds of programming and maintaining a mixed booking strategy. While high-profile shows will continue to be more difficult to secure, Fraze can lean into community-driven events, festivals, and free programming that set it apart from larger competitors. Embracing local music showcases, free movie nights under the stars, low-ticket-price shows, and unique events like yoga sessions at the Fraze can create a more diverse and inclusive atmosphere. These offerings not only provide value to the community but also generate consistent foot traffic and build a loyal following that distinguishes the Fraze from other venues focused solely on large-scale productions. By positioning itself as a venue that caters to both large events and community-centered experiences, Fraze can attract a broader audience while maintaining its relevance in an increasingly competitive market.



In addition to diversifying its programming, the Fraze could explore hosting a variety of new festivals and events that would engage the community and maximize the venue's unique assets. Several ideas for potential events include:

- A Yoga Festival that leverages the spacious outdoor lawn for health and wellness activities.
- A Farmer's Market that showcases local produce and artisanal goods, encouraging weekly visits.
- A Holiday Village/Winter Festival to utilize the space during the off-season, attracting families and community groups.
- A larger Local Music and Art Festival that highlights regional talent and fosters a deeper connection with the local creative scene.
- Expanding upon the Food and Beverage Festivals (such as wine, beer, or cider festivals) that would attract a different demographic while utilizing existing concession infrastructure.

# Key recommendations include:

- Issuing an RFQ (Request for Qualifications) to attract festival promoters who could bring in new, diverse events, helping to expand Fraze's event offerings beyond traditional concerts.
- Exploring year-round programming options that capitalize on the venue's potential outside of the summer concert season, ensuring it remains active and relevant year-round.
- Leveraging Fraze's existing infrastructure—the stage, lawn, and other facilities—to create immersive, community-focused experiences that set the venue apart from competitors.

Fraze's current festival model, which works primarily through the local restaurant association, may not be fully utilizing the venue's potential. Bringing in new festival partners with fresh concepts could introduce exciting new events and help Fraze differentiate itself in the market.

Ultimately, the shift toward more creative, community-oriented programming will enable Fraze to capitalize on its strengths while driving increased attendance and engagement. This strategy, combined with some infrastructure improvements, could significantly enhance the venue's appeal and ensure its long-term success in an increasingly competitive landscape.



# Path 3 Pro Forma





# Path 3 Recommendation: Pro Forma Budget

To better understand the risk and opportunity with Phase 3, we've created lean, moderate, and aggressive (maximum) projections. These projections are further illustrated in detail on pages 57-59. We have included the below assumptions into the financial model:

**Lean:** This model is calculated based on the moderate model and assuming an 8% decrease in all expenses and revenue due to lack of momentum in ticket sales, marketing efforts, audience development, and ability to jump-start brand change. This is assumed as a "worst-case" model.

**Moderate**: This model is developed from the Fraze's 2023 expenses and assumes 8 large ticketed shows as part of the revenue projection, as well as associated changes to concessions and attendance projections.

**Maximum:** The maximum model is outlined as the fullest expression of events at the Fraze with a 5% increase from the moderate model.



Source: Theatre Projects



Small increase from current contributed revenue goals.

# **Pro Forma Budget**

This path provides the most viable way to reduce the City's subsidy while also providing free and low-cost community activities. In this model, most of the revenue continues to come from ticket sales, rentals, and concessions. The City subsidy reduces from an average of \$360,000 over the last 8 years\* to around \$132,000 annually.

Figure G: Fraze pro forma summary (path #3)

Fraze Pavillion Operational Pro F	orma - Path #3 (in	2024	dollars)				
REVENUE PROJECTIONS			Lean		Moderate		Maximum
Earned Income		\$	2,954,672	\$	3,211,600	\$	3,372,180
Contributed Revenue		\$	460,000	\$	500,000	\$	525,000
	INCOME TOTAL	\$	3,414,672	\$	3,711,600	\$	3,897,180
EXPENSE PROJECTIONS			Lean		Moderate		Maximum
Facility Expenses		\$	140,852	\$	153,100	\$	160,755
Concessions		\$	280,738	\$	305,150	\$	320,408
Show Costs		\$	2,249,400	\$	2,445,000	\$	2,567,250
Administrative Costs		\$	865,720	\$	941,000	\$	988,050
	EXPENSE TOTAL	\$	3,536,710	\$	3,844,250	\$	4,036,463
OUTCOME		\$	(122,038)	\$	(132,650)	\$	(139,283)
Less Capital Asset Contribution		TBD	( ,,,,,,,	TBD	( 1 , 1 1 1 )	TBD	( 3 3 , 2 2 2 )
Annual City of Kettering Subsidy		\$	(122,038)	\$	(132,650)	\$	(139,283)

<sup>\*</sup>average does not include 2020 subsidy numbers



# Revenue model

The revenue model for the Fraze Pavilion is based on a strategic mix of large-ticketed events, free community-focused events, low-cost shows, and festivals. The projections below outline the expected performance and attendance for each type of event, while the accompanying concession estimates consider necessary infrastructure improvements to support increased guest spending.

- •8 large-ticketed events: Anticipated to sell 3,000 tickets on average, with an estimated \$48 average ticket price.
- •13 free events: Estimated attendance of 1,500 guests per event.
- •10 low-cost ticket shows: Expected to sell 2,500 tickets per event.
  - 5 shows priced at \$10 per ticket
  - 5 shows priced at \$20 per ticket
- •3 rental events: Projected to sell an average of 3,000 tickets each.
- •5 festivals: Expected to draw approximately 3,000 attendees per festival.

Our calculations also factor in an adjusted \$13 per head for concessions, which is attainable with targeted investment in concession infrastructure enhancements.

Figure H: Revenue models

REVENUE PROJECTIONS	Lean	Moderate	Maximum
Earned Income	\$ 2,954,672	\$ 3,211,600	\$ 3,372,180
Ticket Sales	\$ 1,505,120	\$ 1,636,000	\$ 1,717,800
Box Office Fees	\$ 232,852	\$ 253,100	\$ 265,755
Facility Rental	\$ 110,400	\$ 120,000	\$ 126,000
Concessions Sales	\$ 1,106,300	\$ 1,202,500	\$ 1,262,625
Contributed Revenue	\$ 460,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 525,000
Government Support (non-City)	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Sponsorship	\$ 460,000	\$ 500,000	\$ 525,000
INCOME TOTAL	\$ 3,414,672	\$ 3,711,600	\$ 3,897,180

# **Expense model**

The financial model for the Fraze Pavilion relies on the 2023 expense data as a foundational basis for projecting future pro forma expenses. This includes incorporating a new line item for a much-needed point-of-sale (POS) system, to emphasizes its importance to the venue's future efficiency. Equipment rental costs and labor expenses for events are calculated based on an average per show, aiming for a practical reflection of actual expenditures.

Regarding artist fees, the model sets a baseline at an average of \$125,000 for larger events, factoring in the current market rates. For more moderate financial projections, the model accounts for fluctuations by setting expense variations. The "lean" scenario anticipates 8% lower expenses, while the "maximum" scenario assumes up to 5% higher expenses. This methodology helps balance the financial outlook based on different event volumes, ensuring flexibility in planning for more or fewer events at the Fraze.

This approach allows the Fraze team to plan for variable factors while remaining financially responsible and prepared for various outcomes.

Figure I: Expense models

EXPENSE PROJECTIONS	Lean	Moderate	Maximum
Facility Expenses	\$ 140,852	\$ 153,100	\$ 160,755
Utilities	\$ 28,520	\$ 31,000	\$ 32,550
Equipment Maintenance	\$ 15,640	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,850
Communications	\$ 1,840	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,100
Grounds & Building Maintenance	\$ 94,852	\$ 103,100	\$ 108,255
Concessions	\$ 280,738	\$ 305,150	\$ 320,408
Cost of Goods	\$ 276,000	\$ 300,000	\$ 315,000
Uniforms & Clothing	\$ 644	\$ 700	\$ 735
Printing, Publications & Memberships	\$ 230	\$ 250	\$ 263
POS System	TBD	TBD	TBD
Other Materials & Supplies	\$ 3,864	\$ 4,200	\$ 4,410
Show Costs	\$ 2,249,400	\$ 2,445,000	\$ 2,567,250
Equipment Rentals/Show Labor	\$ 561,200	\$ 610,000	\$ 640,500
Marketing & Publicity	\$ 230,000	\$ 250,000	\$ 262,500
Artist Fees	\$ 1,145,400	\$ 1,245,000	\$ 1,307,250
Contractual Services	\$ 312,800	\$ 340,000	\$ 357,000
Administrative Costs	\$ 865,720	\$ 941,000	\$ 988,050
Supplies, Tools and Materials	\$ 34,040	\$ 37,000	\$ 38,850
Salary, Wages, Benefits (FTE, PTE, hourly)	\$ 759,000	\$ 825,000	\$ 866,250
Uniforms & Clothing	\$ 4,600	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,250
Printing, Publications & Memberships	64,400	\$ 70,000	\$ 73,500
Training & Travel	\$ 3,680	\$ 4,000	\$ 4,200
EXPENSE TOTAL	\$ 3,536,710	\$ 3,844,250	\$ 4,036,463

# Opportunity & Path Ahead O



# Recommendations

In developing recommendations for the future of the Fraze Pavilion, we considered three potential paths forward, each with varying degrees of operational and financial impact.

Path 1, which would require an increased city subsidy, would shift Fraze away from booking large ticketed events and focus entirely on free or low-cost community programming. While this model would serve a strong community need, it is not aligned with the City's desire to reduce financial dependence on subsidies. Given the City's objective to lessen its fiscal contribution to the venue's operations, Path 1 was omitted from consideration, as it would increase the financial burden on the City rather than alleviate it.

Instead, we focused on Path 2 and Path 3, both of which offer more sustainable options for Fraze Pavilion. While Path 2 (the operator-at-risk model) is worth exploring, we have reservations about its viability due to the competitive marketplace and the potential lack of interest from experienced commercial operators. Nonetheless, we recommend that the City conduct further research into this path to better understand the feasibility of this option.

However, after careful analysis, we believe that Path 3, which involves rebranding and adjusting the programming model, presents the most viable and sustainable strategy. By striking a balance between community-focused events, low-cost ticketed shows, and a select number of larger ticketed concerts, Fraze Pavilion can re-establish itself as both a cultural asset and a financially sustainable venue. This mixed-use strategy, combined with enhanced concessions and sponsorship opportunities, will allow Fraze to reduce its reliance on City funding while continuing to serve the Kettering community.



Source: Theatre Projects

# Path 2 Recommendation: Exploring the Potential for an Operator-at-Risk Model

While this path may offer a way to reduce the Fraze's reliance on City subsidies, we recommend that the City of Kettering conduct more detailed research into this model and potential commercial operators to determine its viability. Given the competitive regional marketplace, there may be limited interest from commercial operators. The goal would be to explore whether a commercial operator can help the venue reduce its reliance on City subsidies while ensuring that the pavilion continues to serve the community, provide high-quality programming, and remain financially viable.

Should the City determine this path is worth pursuing, we recommend initiating a structured Request for Qualifications (RFQ) process. This process should aim to answer the following critical questions:

# > Is there a proven and successful venue operator interested in an operator-at-risk venue management model?

This would involve identifying operators with a demonstrated track record of successfully managing similar-sized venues under similar models. The process would seek to attract operators with experience in balancing commercial interests with public access and community events, which are vital to the Fraze's mission.

# > Would the operator-at-risk model allow the City to fully or only partially reduce funding?

The analysis would need to explore whether the proposed operator could assume full responsibility for both operational and capital costs or if the City would still need to provide a level of financial support and capital investment.

# > Does the potential operator meet key success metrics for the venue's operation?

The RFQ should outline key performance metrics the City expects any operator to meet, such as delivering a diverse range of programming, maintaining ticket affordability, enhancing the guest experience, and ensuring continued community access to the pavilion. The operator's ability and willingness to align with the Fraze's mission and the needs of the community will need to be evaluated.

# > Is the potential operator able to contribute to the capital raise for necessary venue improvements?

Given the infrastructure improvements potentially needed for the Fraze, the City should explore whether the operator can help raise or invest capital to fund these upgrades. This would not only reduce reliance on City funds but also ensure that the pavilion remains competitive in the marketplace through necessary physical improvements.



# Path 3 Recommendation: Rebranded Mixed Programming Strategy

Fraze Pavilion is in a prime position to redefine its role in the Kettering community by rebranding itself as more than just a summer concert venue. While the Fraze already operates under a mixed programming model, this approach can be fine-tuned and rebranded to further emphasize its value as a cultural and community hub. By balancing a limited number of high-profile, ticketed events with an expanded slate of community-focused, free, and low-cost programming, Fraze Pavilion can align itself with the needs and desires of its audience while reducing its reliance on City subsidies.

# **Key Elements of the Rebranding Strategy:**

- Focus on Community Engagement and Access The rebranding effort should position Fraze Pavilion as a venue that provides inclusive and accessible entertainment for everyone. Rather than focusing solely on large-ticketed concerts, the pavilion should highlight its role as a community gathering place, offering a variety of events—many of them free or low-cost. This will allow the pavilion to reach broader audiences and enhance its value to Kettering residents. Events like outdoor movie nights, local music showcases, or wellness festivals (such as yoga events) can encourage families and diverse groups to see Fraze as a year-round destination.
- Leverage Free and Low-Cost Events to Drive Concessions Revenue One of the key components of this rebranding is to amplify the frequency of free and low-cost events (e.g., \$10-\$15 ticketed shows). While these events may not generate significant revenue from ticket sales, they will foster a deeper connection to the community and increase foot traffic, which can be monetized through an enhanced concessions program. By improving concession offerings, reducing wait times, and expanding the variety of food and beverage choices, the venue can increase its revenue during these events.
- ➤ Continue Hosting 5-10 High-Profile, Ticketed Shows Per Season Although the focus of the rebrand is on community access, Fraze should continue hosting five to ten larger ticketed events each season. These events will remain important revenue drivers, attracting sponsorships and serving as key opportunities for marketing and promotions. However, these shows should be carefully selected and strategically programmed to ensure they align with Fraze's overall brand as a community-first venue.
- Explore New Festival Partnerships As part of this rebranding, Fraze Pavilion should broaden its festival offerings by putting out a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to attract local or national festival producers. Current festival partnerships with the Miami Valley Restaurant Association are valuable but may not be fully utilizing the venue's potential. By working with new festival promoters, Fraze could introduce a wider range of events, such as a farmers' market, holiday village/winter festival, local music and arts festival, or food and beverage festivals (like wine, beer, and cider events). Expanding the diversity of festival programming will help differentiate the pavilion and attract a broader range of sponsors and attendees.



# Path 3 Recommendation: Rebranded Mixed Programming Strategy

> Year-Round Programming for Increased Revenue and Community Engagement - To maintain relevance and activity beyond the traditional summer concert season, Fraze Pavilion should also explore year-round programming. Events like holiday markets, health and wellness events, and community festivals can take place in the off-season and offer opportunities to keep the venue in use while driving consistent revenue streams. This approach ensures that Fraze becomes a cornerstone of the community, offering varied experiences throughout the year.

With the increase in free and low-cost programming, Fraze Pavilion has a unique opportunity to overhaul and enhance its concessions program. By streamlining operations and introducing a wider array of high-quality, fast-moving concessions options, the venue can capitalize on higher foot traffic from community-oriented events. A well-functioning concessions program is key to ensuring financial sustainability, even when ticket prices are low or events are free.

By rebranding itself as a community-centered, year-round venue, Fraze Pavilion can continue to play an essential role in the cultural life of Kettering, while strategically setting itself apart from other amphitheaters in the area. A carefully curated combination of free, low-cost, and large-ticketed events, complemented by an enhanced concessions and sponsorship strategy, will not only attract a more diverse audience but also position Fraze as a vital community resource that provides entertainment and value for all residents. This rebranding effort is about redefining what Fraze Pavilion stands for—focusing on inclusivity, creativity, and community.

# **Next Steps**

To proceed with implementing and planning for Path 3, the following areas should be focused on in next steps planning. These next steps will position the Fraze to create a stronger community presence and help to ensure greater financial stability through improved programming and operations.

- > Concessions program:
  - > Infrastructure: Determine level of available capital investment available for an upgrade project, revisit previous concept design and update concept design, phasing, and project costing assumptions.
  - > Operator: Initiate RFP process to solicit potential concessions operators to verify if moving operations to an independent operator is a viable path
- > Festival and programming partners: Solicit interest from festival promoters and potential new partners to diversify events through an RFQ process.
- > Rebrand the Fraze: Look to change the perception for the Fraze through rebranding the pavilion as a community-driven venue that balances the large shows with a wider array of free and low-cost programs through out the year.
- > Review programming process: Implement a profit and loss evaluation process for all large ticketed events to ensure greater profitability.



# Appendix A: Community engagement





# **Community Engagement**

Based on the community engagement surveys and in-person interviews, several key themes emerged from the feedback provided by the community and the City team:

- > Strong Community Value and Sentiment: The overwhelming majority of respondents (90%) have attended an event at the Fraze Pavilion, with over half attending both ticketed and free events. This demonstrates that the Fraze holds significant value for the local community as a cultural hub. Many respondents expressed appreciation for its role in bringing the community together, providing entertainment, and being a social gathering space.
- Desire for More Diverse and High-Quality Programming: While the community appreciates the Fraze's offerings, there is notable dissatisfaction with the recurring use of tribute bands and the limited variety of big-name artists. There was strong feedback from community members suggesting a greater focus on free and community-oriented programming to stay aligned with its original mission. Additionally, many respondents called for more diverse and fresh lineups, citing that the Fraze is losing quality acts to other local venues like the Rose Music Center.
- > Operational Challenges and Needed Improvements: There are clear operational issues that need to be addressed, particularly concerning concessions, ADA accessibility, and overall customer service. Long wait times at concession stands, unfriendly staff experiences, and outdated infrastructure like seating were consistently mentioned as areas needing improvement.
- Financial and Structural Concerns: The need for more efficient management and financial sustainability was evident in the feedback. Community members and internal teams alike mentioned that the Fraze seems to be falling behind competitors and needs investment in infrastructure upgrades and new technology, including point-of-sale systems and better amenities for both patrons and performers. Additionally, many respondents highlighted the need for a clearer vision for the venue's future, with some expressing concerns over the Fraze's reliance on City subsidies.
- Positive Perception of Location and Atmosphere: One of the most consistent positives mentioned across all survey groups was the Fraze's beautiful, intimate setting within Lincoln Park. Respondents appreciate the natural environment and park integration, which adds to the overall concert and event experience.

The community clearly values the Fraze Pavilion but believes that significant improvements are necessary to enhance its programming, operational efficiency, and infrastructure to remain competitive and financially viable. Focusing on more diverse programming, improving customer service, and addressing physical improvements are key areas for the Fraze to focus on moving forward.

To engage fully with this varied group of stakeholders, we conducted individual interviews with the full-time Fraze team, key City leadership, as well as Fraze contractors and vendors.

# Study project team

- Matt Greeson, City Manager
- Steve Bergstresser, Assistant City Manager
- Maggie Pasqualone, Assistant Law Director
- Chris George Superintendent of Administration & Special Projects
- Rachel Sherwood Fraze Manager

# Contractors and vendors

- Todd Boltin Talent Buyer, Variety Attractions (vendor)
- Dan Schlegel Marketing Manager (independent contractor)
- John Rensel Production Manager, (vendor)

# City of Kettering and Fraze Pavilion

- Bryan Chodkowski Assistant City Manager
- Tara Barnhart Fraze Facility Coordinator (finance and personnel)
- Calvin Frazier Fraze Facility Coordinator (operations)
- Breck Jordan Fraze Ticket Office/Merchandise Manager
- Amanda Lasson Fraze Concessions Manager



Via City communication channels, we distributed three different digital surveys designed to collect feedback about the Fraze's operational strengths and weaknesses of the Fraze, and to further understand the perception of the Fraze among the stakeholders.

# The three surveys included:

# • Fraze and City team members

- o Goal: Operational strengths, weaknesses, and perception insights
- o Completed responses: 191 (76% response rate)

# Fraze current and past ticket buyers

- o Goal: Experience and programmatic insights, strengths, and weaknesses
- o Completed responses: 1880

# Local community survey

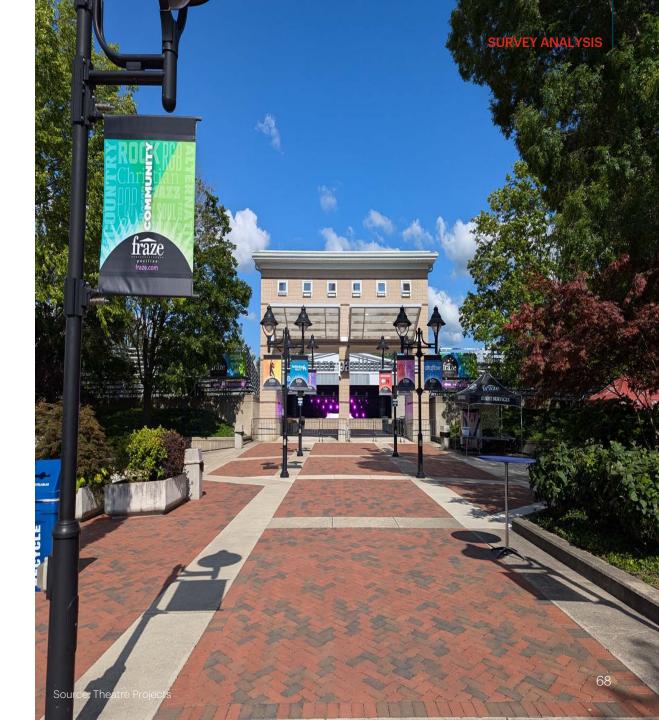
- o Goal: Overall perception insights
- o Completed responses: 2647



# **Community Survey**

A survey was made available to the residents of the City of Kettering as well as available to those within the region to determine the community perception of the Fraze Pavilion and Lincoln Park

The survey was available via public input and promoted via social media channels.

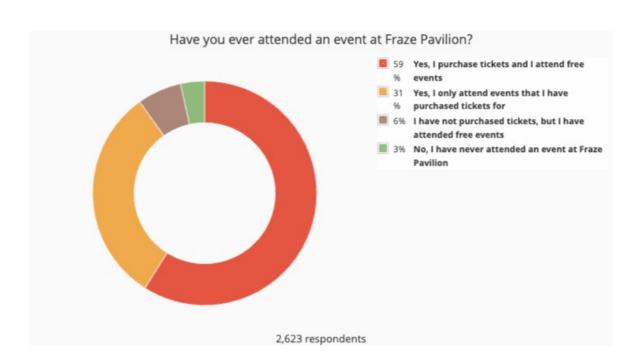


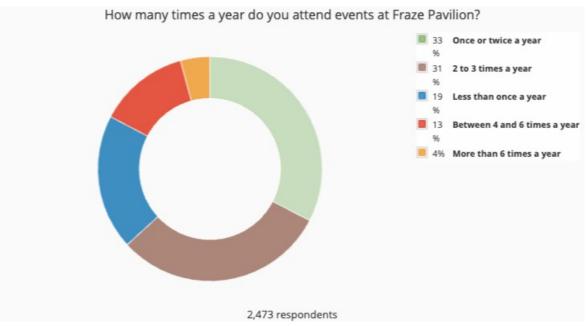


# Community survey data analysis

In total, 2646 community members responded to this survey.

Community members were asked if they have ever attended and event at the Fraze Pavilion. 90% of the respondents reported they attend events hosted by the Fraze Pavilion, with 59% responding that they attend both ticketed and free events. This question was followed by asking how many times per year respondents are attending events. 50% of the respondents reported they attend events at Fraze Pavilion 2 or more times per year.

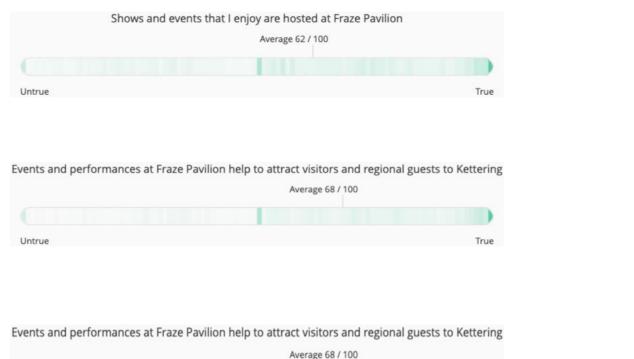


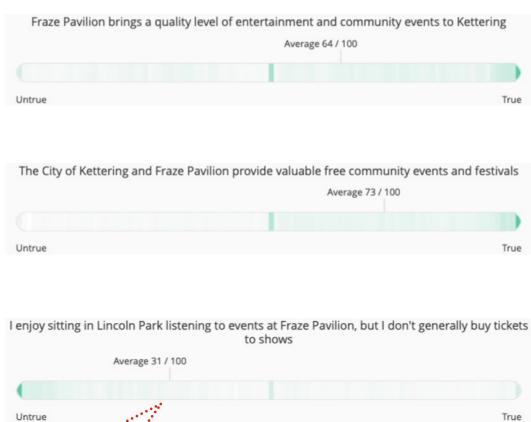


We asked the respondents to rate from extremely true to extremely untrue a series of statements to determine how they felt about the Fraze Pavilion and how they interacted with events and performances hosted at the Fraze. Overall, respondents felt positive about the events and performances at the Fraze and felt it was a valuable resource to the community.

A low percentage of

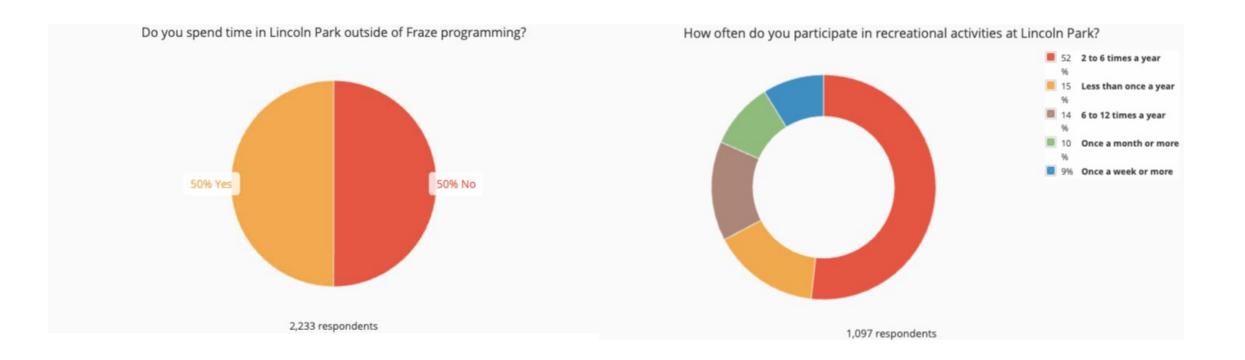
respondents reported they listen to events in the park without buying tickets.





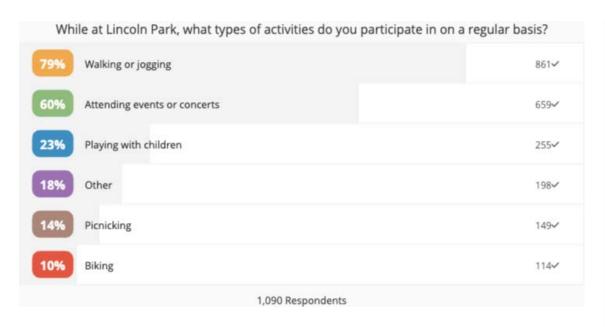
Untrue

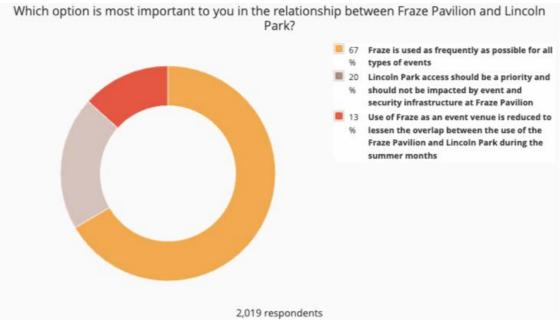
We asked how often respondents spent time in Lincoln Park outside of programming happening at the Fraze. The responses were split. We further ask how often respondents participated in recreational activities at Lincoln Park. 52% of respondents participate in activities 2 to 6 times per year in Lincoln Park, with only 9% reporting they participate once a week or more in activities in the Park.





We further asked what types of activities the respondents participated in while at Lincoln Park, 79% of respondents reported they are walking or jogging in the park with 60% reporting they attend events or concerts. We asked respondents what was most important to them in the relationship between the Fraze Pavilion and Lincoln Park and 67% of respondents report that the utilization of Fraze as frequently as possible for all types of events was most important.





We offered the opportunity for respondents to share anything else they wanted as an open-ended response question. We received 1325 comment, excerpts are below.

Would like to see more free concert and festival options offered. Ticketed concerts should be more popular artists.

A valuable City asset.

Save the Fraze. In recent years, booked events have been flaggering in

quality - most of the good acts going to Rose. I prefer Fraze's intimacy.

So disappointed in the Fraze for the past 5+ years. Every year seems like the same line up. Mostly tribute bands, and not many big names. Every year when I read the line up it feels like it was copied and pasted from the vear before and the one before that. Get some new acts there!

Add more concessions. Maybe bathrooms. Replace bleachers with real seats.

Bring in more events.

Make sure the staff is friendly. Some of the people who man the security at the entrance are unsmiling and grumpy.

A cover would be a nice addition

Staffing is incredibly rude and hostile.

More variety of musical artists. Theater, community musical performance.

Much better venue, needs more attention and investment. We love the integration of Fraze and Lincoln Park.

Get better performers.

Need more free events as promised when you asked us to vote for this in the beginning

I would attend the Fraze for concerts more if there was a roof on it. I don't go as often because if it rains there's no refunds.

I don't like to invest money into an event that may be rained out. Just a cover over the top would make it more enjoyable

Better ADA access/parking.

Keep it beautiful and accessible.

Let's maintain the integrity of this community. I would hate to see the fraze go and the beautiful Lincoln park for walking, strolling, playing with kids, enjoying the beautiful Christmas lights and so much more. I would ramp up your events at the fraze and Lincoln park. It's centrally located and plays a pivotal role in this community. It's important to not let that go

Keep having fun events and concerts.

Usher's are notoriously way too strict. I see a ton of live music during the summer and no other music venue in Ohio is as strict as Fraze Pavilion. It makes me not want to see shows there because I get hassled.

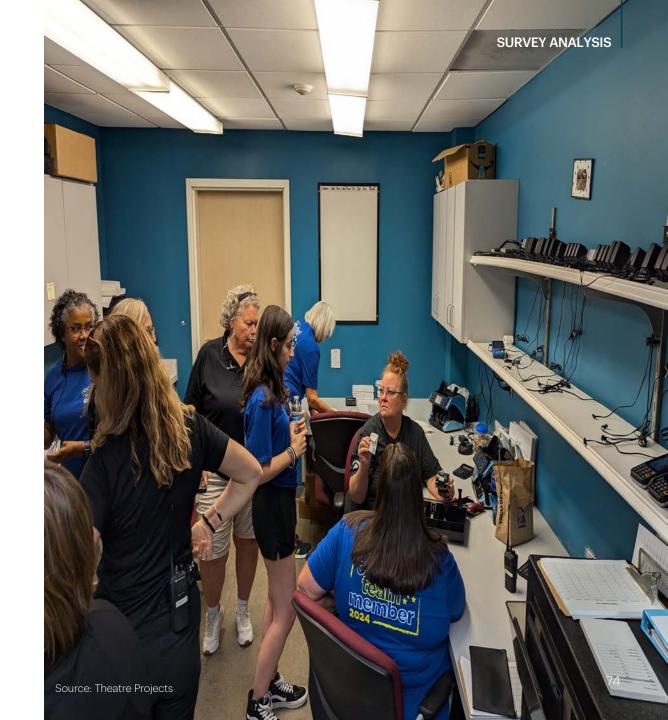
Fraze should look at Rose for how to work concessions. They have small lines versus endless wait at Fraze...

#### Team members survey

A survey was administered to City of Kettering staff to gain high-level feedback from team members at all levels. This survey was sent to about 250 team members, and we received 191 total responses. This survey was open for a total of 32 days.

The survey was broken down into responses from: Fraze team members, City leadership, and City team members who do not work at Fraze. For the purposes of this report and for ease of analysis, we will be reporting the responses as if these were three separate surveys.

Full response data can be found in Appendix D.





#### Fraze team member data analysis

In total, 116 Fraze team members responded to this survey. These team members have worked for Fraze for an average of 5.6 years, with the lowest response being zero years (likely employees who have worked for Fraze for less than year) and the highest being 28 years, with 5 team members reporting having worked at Fraze for 20 or more years.

Team members were asked what they believed the goal of the Fraze Pavilion is and if they believe the Fraze accomplishes this goal. Generally, team members reported that they do believe that the Fraze accomplishes the goals, with only a few team members reporting that the goals are not met. The team members who do not believe that the goals are being met cited band lineups and repeat shows as reasons that the goals would not be met. Excerpts from goal responses can be seen below. Full responses can be found in Appendix D.

Bringing the **community** together Provide an **inviting atmosphere** for guests Providing a **safe**, **family friendly** event venue **Entertainment** for the community Offer entertainment to the general public at a great price **Welcome** the greater Dayton communities to experience and enjoy the City of Kettering through entertaining and To provide a **safe**, **secure environment** Provide the community with **eniovable** educational activities in a beautiful park for concerts and events activities setting. Provide a fun environment, great music and Provide quality entertainment. Superior customer service. Community engagement. festivals Enhance the **cultural experience** of our community Connect quests to **positive experiences** Provide the **summer's best music** Provide a **high-standard summer** Give the public an **affordable venue** to see high quality music Give the **best live music experience** entertainment venue for the City of Kettering and the region.



The team was asked was they believed the public perception of the venue is and what the team perception of the venue is. Excerpts from the responses can be found below with the full list of responses located in Appendix D

#### **Public perception**

A place to go to see washed up artists, cover bands and attend food festivals Beautiful outdoor venue Fun, clean community entertainment venue Cozy music venue nestled in a unique neighborhood One of the most unique ways to bring people together Well run and well taken care of An asset to the community **Expensive** money pit It's a nice small **intimate venue**. Prices are low. Easy to get in and out of **Security** is the main complaint Need of bigger/better entertainment A little over-board on some of the rules Folks have an "ownership" in Fraze when they talk about it Complaints about the rain plan They want better well-known performers The Fraze can no longer compete for **top name entertainment** 

#### **Team perception**

**Shared team effort** to ensure guests have a memorable experience Family feeling we are a tight knit group that have to make guests happy A fun place of work, where team members can provide for the community Safe, clean, fun environment They like to think of it as a team/home. Fun place to work Affable, professional, and accommodating Great venues and value To provide a quality service to the general public iust need more shows and more variety they find [goals] difficult to execute with lack of infrastructure Most believe the **leadership** is poor. The excitement upgrades, technology limitations and city processes is gone. There is no one making it special.

The team was also asked to detail what they believe is the Fraze's greatest contribution to the community and to explain their answer. Excerpts are below with full responses included in Appendix D.

A **beautiful place to gather** for many different events

**Entertainment** 

Local entertainment at a **low cost** 

Location and friendly staff

A **safe environment** where people can gather for music and festivals

Our **versatility** - we are a park, we are a festival spot, we are a concert venue, we are a place for community events.

Bringing people together to enjoy **free**, **community activities** as well as ticketed events.

A well-organized, respectable institution that presents great events

A **social gathering place**, providing the community opportunities to see and hear local and national talent

we provide a space where one can **make memories with their families**, meet their favorite artists, and **participate in community events** centered on bringing everyone together

Providing quality events and concerts

That it's been a **long-standing contribution** to the community

Fun affordable summer entertainment venue

The **best sound** and experience

providing a **beautiful outdoor location** for community to come together and enjoy entertainment

The **festivals** because of the way they connect people and offer a communal hangout.

The contribution to the **community** 

a **safe and convenient** venue for people to come together

It brings in **music and money** in for the city

The **park** and a place to gather to meet and greet your neighbors

Providing arts at a reasonable price and a feeling of community

The next questions asked the team if they could change one thing about the way the Fraze operates, what would they change and why? This questions was followed by asking what area Fraze should prioritize for improvements. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### What would you change about the way the Fraze operates?

We are in desperate need of a **POS system** Better resolutions for when shows are canceled due to Better management skills in every position weather Book more popular acts More modern acts treating EVERYONE the way that they want to be treated **Concession stands** are not adequate More consistent work hours and better pay for summer/part time work The lack of a permanent or semi permanent perimeter Recruit sooner, train more thoroughly That the **concessions team is allowed to accept tips** upon sale The Fraze needs to advertise more Have Fraze managed by an entity other than the city Review the current **concessions** workflows Longer season What area should Fraze prioritize for improvements? **Access** for the handicapped **Increasing pay** and targeting younger workers Overall facilities updates A POS system that is up to date and functional Back stage accommodations for artist Recycle! To be a good steward of the environment Concession choices and lines Book better acts Have **another bathroom** for handicap individuals The existing structures could use updates **Ticket prices** Costumer service experience The Fraze lacks when it comes to **set Infrastructure**. Fraze is falling behind the times a clear direction from City officials More shows with seating, concessions and technology would help us gauge what to prioritize up and tear down, takes too long

Team members were asked to identify their greatest achievement at Fraze and their favorite Fraze memory. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### Greatest achievement



The last group of questions including hurdles at Fraze Pavilion. Team members were asked what they believed the are the biggest hurdles as a customer attending an event and what the hurdles as an employee are. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### **Hurdles for customers**

We are unable to provide the service expected to our ADA guests

Bag rules

Ticket prices

Weather

Fraudulent tickets

Concession lines

Understanding rules

Choices of shows

Handicap parking

Customers perceive the Fraze isn't customer friendly

Consistency in Fraze policies being reinforced

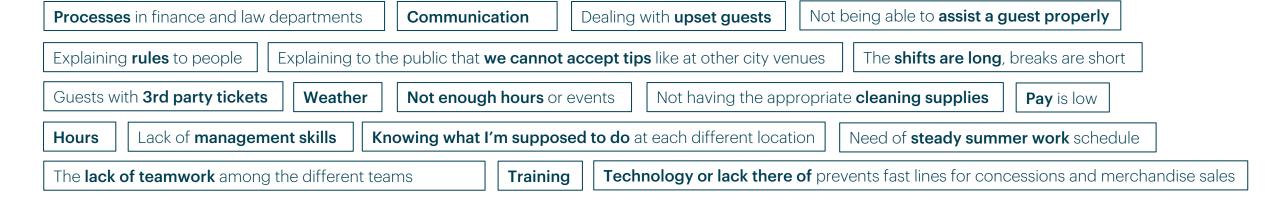
Parking

Limited seats

Security checkpoints

not announcing "cut-off" times for alcohol

#### Hurdles at a team member



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Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul> <li>Beautiful location</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Customer service</li> <li>Fun</li> <li>Team members</li> <li>Venue feels intimate</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Concession lines/ no POS system</li> <li>Pay</li> <li>Infrastructure</li> <li>Lack of shows/top names/low quality of artists</li> <li>No cover over audience</li> <li>Short-staffed</li> <li>Weather</li> </ul>
Opportunities	Threats

Finally, team members were asked if they would like to share anything else. Only 5 team members offered additional thoughts. These are included below.

- I feel that we need to be mindful of how we approach guests about policies. While it is frustrating to repeat yourself to numerous guests, we have to treat each guest the same. This means approaching a guest calmly and with a positive demeanor.
- I Love to attend the Fraze and I am proud to work there. I Love the Fraze!!!
- Lighten up! If guests want to bounce beach balls during a Beach Boy concert... let it go! If a guest can't show their ticket because they have beverages in both hands, relax. Trust your workers to do their jobs and if you want us to "make their day"... let us do that. Taking a backpack away from a 5-year-old is embarrassing. Many adjustments were made this year (no longer id at gate, backpack purses) that were great common sense changes. Let's keep adjusting so that our guests can view this venue as the go-to place for a great experience.
- The Fraze is a special part of the community. I hate that it is not thriving the way it did in its earlier years. I hope changes can be made to bring it back to life.
- The turnover rate in concessions.



#### City of Kettering team member – not at Fraze

We collected survey responses from City of Kettering team members who do not work at Fraze Pavilion. 46 City team members responded to this survey. These team members have worked for the City for an average of 13 years, with responses ranging from 2 years to 32 years, with 4 team members having worked for the City for 30 or more years.

Team members were asked what they believed the goal of the Fraze Pavilion is and if they believe the Fraze accomplishes this goal. Responses to if they believe the goals are being met were mixed. Most replied that they believe the goals are being met, but a handful landed on "somewhat" and "no." Most of the "no" and "somewhat" responses cited the lineups as being the reason the goals are not being met. Excerpts from goal responses can be seen below. Full responses can be found in Appendix D.

To be a public arts and entertainment venue Provide quality conditions and entrainment Provide a focal point for city events

Community entertainment Provide a good or increased quality of life for Kettering residents within their community

Provide a variety of entertainment and cultural activities to our community Breaking even on operational cost

Make a profit to help supplement other City (PRC) functions Bring the community together To provide local, family friendly entertainment

To create a sense of community and generate funds Public Entertainment opportunities in the heart of Kettering

City revenue To deliver entertainment To provide a safe environment for citizens to attend entertaining events



Understaffed, LOW paid

The team was asked was they believed the public perception of the venue is and what the team perception of the venue is. Excerpts from the responses can be found below with the full list of responses located in Appendix D.

#### **Public perception**

Aging outdoor music venue A venue that plays a lot of forgotten bands Money pit Not friendly to people of color It's nice but a little overpriced Nice for weeknight concerts rather than driving to Cincinnati, Huber Heights, etc. Could use additional activities, concerts, etc. It is a **fun place** to see a concert but is **unpredictable due to weather** and has not attracted large acts in recent years Not welcoming to all classes of people Off putting and unwelcoming Nice, but The Rose is better Concessions are very poorly managed An **asset** to the community Should have covered seating Ushers are somewhat vigilant and unkind it would be nice to have some bigger names perform Team perception **TSA** spinoff A struggling concert venue A nice venue but somewhat dated Venue is small and should have **covered seating Challenging** to work with Fraze leadership Close-knit group who works hard and likes to have fun That it is **not generating revenue** and is a lot of work **Beautiful** area. Good entertainment Does not generate enough **revenue** It is a **net financial loss** for the city but a **net positive for the community** 

Fraze team seems overconfident in customer satisfaction

An older venue with tired looking amenities

**High maintenance** and lots of work for the events. Needs better **parking** 

It doesn't raise any funds and needs to be subsidized every year

The City team was also asked to explain what they believe is the Fraze's greatest contribution to the community. Excerpts are below with full responses included in Appendix D.

A local venue that is hometown small with some really great events/concerts

A great **resource** for **residents** 

Brining **music** and **art** to the community

Makes the city a **more attractive place** to want to live

Central public **meeting spot**. Beautiful landscaping

Its role as a **cultural and social hub** 

A wonderful place to **bring people together** 

Local entertainment

Bringing **people into the community** that may not otherwise visit

Offering a **great community location** to bring people together

It's past its ability to contribute in the way that it used to

Providing a center to come together and **enjoy live music or events** 

The **free events** that bring Kettering residents together to socialize and interact

A **beautiful outdoor venue** that is unique to the region; supported by a city that is invested in giving a high quality of life to all of its residents

An **open air park setting** in the Lincoln Park design, the Fraze theatre as itself is not an attractive venue

A **close to home** entertainment venue

It attracts people to the City of Kettering and allows us to provide a service to a large number of people



Next, the City team was asked if they could change one thing about the way the Fraze operates, what would they change and why? This question was followed by asking what area Fraze should prioritize for improvements. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### What would you change about the way the Fraze operates?

An **entertainment management company** should take control of professional act contracting and venue management

TSA **security check, pricing**. Blocking off public sidewalks during events. Keeping bathrooms open outside of events.

**Better management** and cooperation with other departments

**Technology upgrade** with ticket sales

**Concessions/Beer lines** 

Hire more permanent staff

Fraze struggles with a lack of direction

**Better acts** 

Better paid staff and more shows

More collaboration between its operations and the rest of the city

More **friendly greeters**. They can be sort of rude.

**More events** for more kinds of people

Stop putting up the **temporary metal fence**. Concerts should be inviting, not discouraging.

Make it an open amphitheater for **community events** like outdoor theatre, **free summer concert series**, and available for **community groups** 

#### What area should Fraze prioritize for improvements?

**Aesthetics** 

More activities to bring City residents together

Bring in **better acts** and **more acts** 

Covered seating

City leadership needs to decide what the Fraze is going to be

**Concession** stand improvements

Get **better performers** or just stop doing live music

Facility **upgrades** 

Create a more welcoming environment

More diversity in the shows

Revenue

**Clearer mission** for its programming

Bring back the initial intention of open/free public arts or music use for the area and less on professional costly acts

Better **ADA seating** and accommodations

The City team was asked to provide their favorite Fraze memory. Since this team does not work at the Fraze, most memories are from attending specific shows. The team was also asked what they believed the biggest hurdles as a guest of the Fraze are. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### **Favorite Fraze memory**

Beautiful weather and a good live act

Steely Dan

Sitting near the front row at Gladys Knight

All of my Fraze concert/show experiences have been great

Going to the Fraze every Christmas with family for photos and walk the lights and music

Reuniting with high school friends to attend a 90's concert

Sitting out by the fountains while in high school and just listening to good music with my friends.

Taking my kids to see a concert of their favorite musician

The return of Journey 2003

Seeing a ton of people dancing and having a great time at the Juneteenth event

Randy Travis Concert at the Fraze in 2009

#### Biggest guest hurdles

A lot of rules to follow, which in turn takes a long to get through the gates at times

Better acts available at another venue

Finding something worth purchasing a ticket to see

The long concession lines and rain can be problematic/discouraging

Long lines at the concession stand

Parking and dealing with the greeters

Weather



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Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul> <li>Beauty</li> <li>Location</li> <li>Reputation</li> <li>Security/safety</li> <li>Parking</li> <li>Employees/staff/team members</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Competition</li> <li>Age of facility</li> <li>Concessions</li> <li>No covered seating</li> <li>Smaller/less well known/older acts</li> <li>Parking</li> <li>Understaffed</li> </ul>
Opportunities	Threats
<ul> <li>New/better/more well-known acts</li> <li>Roof</li> <li>Local acts &amp; events</li> <li>Redefine/reinvent the identify</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Competition</li><li>Contractual restrictions</li></ul>



Finally, City team members were asked if they would like to share anything else. Only 2 City team members offered additional thoughts. These are included below.

- I think the most important thing right now is securing direction for Fraze. Providing direction on what types of acts we want to attract, how focused should we be on community events, at what level should Fraze be subsidized and similar topics will go a long way towards determining what the staff at Fraze needs to do to be successful. Right now, they are forced to guess on how to be successful, and that's not fair.
- Covering the seated section, like the Rose. Better for bad weather.



#### City of Kettering Leadership

We also collected survey responses from City of Kettering Leadership. 28 members of the City of Kettering Leadership team responded to this survey. These team members have worked for the City for an average of 13.75 years, with responses ranging from 0 years (likely started this year) to 37 years.

Team members were asked what they believed the goal of the Fraze Pavilion is and if they believe the Fraze accomplishes this goal. Responses to if they believe the goals are being met were mixed. Most replied that they believe the goals are being met. Excerpts from goal responses can be seen below. Full responses can be found in Appendix D.

A gathering place for city events and a top-notch concert venue

To provide an **enjoyable experience** to those who visit the Fraze

To provide quality entertainment to Kettering residents and to be an entertainment destination for visitors outside of the City in an effort to positively affect the City's economy, highlight its beauty, and foster community engagement

Make money while spending very little

To provide a **great patron experience** through **affordable**, **quality** entertainment with exceptional customer service

**Provide entertainment** services to City's residents

to facilitate a sense of **community**, provide a city center place for community events

Bring community together and not be a loss leader for the city

To provide a valuable an **unique community amenity** that **does not burden the city's general revenue fund** 

To provide **community entertainment** and build **community pride** 

To **entertain** the community through shows and host public events

Try to bring a **diverse group of acts** to the Fraze to promote attraction and different entertainment to the City of Kettering

Provide a combination of **paid concerts** and **free community events** 



Members of the leadership team were asked was they believed the public perception of the venue is and what they believe the team perception of the venue is. Excerpts from the responses can be found below with the full list of responses located in Appendix D.

#### **Public perception**

A nice to have **amenity** 

Is " nice " but could always be better & also be utilized more

A symbol of community pride

sometimes the volunteers/staff aren't very friendly

Wonderful space. Outdoors risky with weather - would be nice to have a respected cancellation/refund policy

a place that brings in **washed up acts** but not willing to pay
the prices for higher quality acts

A **nice**, **clean**, **safe**, local outdoor venue to listen to live music or attend outdoor festivals/shows Wanna see a good concert, go to **Rose** or **Riverbend** 

Its a **quality venue** that overall does a great job for the scheduled events.

Fraze workings do not allow for community participation. Even at community festivals, it is very unwelcoming

**Negative**. There is a lot of comparison to the Rose, and the Fraze comes up short. They don't have the same level of acts, and the **customer service** -- while some improvement over the past few years -- has a terrible reputation from past eras.

We are charging for concerts folks can see for free in other communities

#### **Team perception**

Concerned the venue continues to lose money

A **strong team** that cares about each other

The leadership is **unfriendly** 

**Great attribute** to Kettering but **unwelcoming** 

The internal perception is very good

A **solid benefit** to the community

A point of **pride** 

With the loss of larger concerts, I am not sure the team knows what the facility is supposed to be moving forward



City Leadership was asked to explain what they believe is the Fraze's greatest contribution to the community. Excerpts are below with full responses included in Appendix D.

A **beautiful park** that hosts many great community building events

That the idea of **community gathering** space could me more than just a park.

An **amenity** that showcases the **beauty** of our city to folks who live outside our city. **A place for residents to gather** 

Providing a **unique experience** for many to enjoy outdoor summer entertainment

It shows that **we care about diversity** with the different acts that are brought in

**Good location** with excellent use of close parking lots

Free festivals and sense of community for people who live in Kettering

Kettering does not have a downtown, so the Fraze is a partial substitution

Decent, well-kept piece of property

Local - no drive, easy parking, pleasant setting

Bringing the community together through sponsored events and concerts

A gathering type place & benefits overall quality of life



Next, the City leadership was asked if they could change one thing about the way the Fraze operates, what would they change and why? This question was followed by asking what area Fraze should prioritize for improvements. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### What would you change about the way the Fraze operates?

Fix the **concessions** problem

Allow people to [sit] outside on the tree lawns

Its **lack of identity**. Is it a park or a concert venue?

Better, more popular performers

Reduce cost of operations

Have no barriers or security check for community events. It should be open and welcoming

Offer events that encourage the community to come together and celebrate

Internally, operations can be hindered by red tape

Change leadership

Strive for increased utilization, tag team with other cities venues for better quality acts

#### What area should Fraze prioritize for improvements?

A clear look at a long-term plan

Improvements to the fan experience

City leadership must communicate to Fraze its vision for the venue and actionable goals moving forward

**Accessibility** for patrons with mobility or other challenges to provide the best possible experience to all

Treat customers much more politely

**Infrastructure** - bathrooms, concessions, weather covering

Customer experience, real security, permanent fencing of the venue

Open the surrounding areas again. Allow for more openair, community involvement.

Find their **niche Concessions** 

Better, more current talent even if ticket prices need to go

City should investigate full time talent/booking manager for facility

**Cost containment** so that they're not eating so much of the city's revenues.

Take the revenue loss and start signing bands and performers that will sell out crowds

City Leadership was asked to describe their favorite Fraze memory. Excerpts can be found below with full responses included in Appendix D.

#### **Favorite memory**

A Legendary Night with AJ McLean and Joey Fatone

The I love the 90's concert a few years ago

**Boy George** 

**Disco Inferno** 

**Chillin on the lawn** with my spouse and friends enjoying the various artists we've seen over the years.

I enjoy the **community festivals** that happen at the Fraze and walking around the landscapes/fountains

**Tailgating** before the show and then seeing George Thorogood front row

I love **live music**, especially when I am singing and dancing with the crowd

I love taking my family to festivals and community events

John Denver, Gordon Lightfoot, Avett Brothers, For King and Country B-52s

James Taylor or Josh Groban

Seeing the Menus in concert

**Steve Martin and Martin Short** 

Taking friends and families who don't live in Kettering to see GOOD shows with **national talent**  **sitting in the park** outside the fraze with neighbors listening to the Willie Nelson show

City Leadership was then asked to indicate where they believe the Fraze should fall on the continuum between "more financial risk/more name recognition in acts." The average landed nearly in the middle, trending slightly towards "more financial risk/more name recognition in acts."

More financial risk/More name recognition in acts

Less financial risk/Less name recognition in acts

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Opportunities	Threats



Finally, the City leadership team was asked if they would like to share anything else. Only one member offered additional thoughts. This is included below.

• The Fraze is really missing an opportunity to create income by increasing concession sales by setting up small snack and drink kiosks throughout the venue.



#### Ticket buyer survey

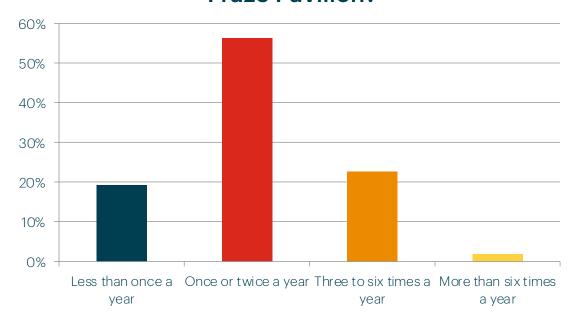
As a critical part of the engagement process, we conducted a survey that was sent widely to ticket buyers from Fraze Pavilion. This survey was included in the Spotlight newsletter, which is sent to ticket buyers after shows.

The survey was open for 39 days and received 1,880 responses.

#### About survey respondents

- Approximately 44% of respondents identify as male and 54% identify as female.
- 61% of respondents are over 60
- 39% reported a household income of over \$100,000
- 82% identify as White
- 17% are full-time Kettering residents and 58% live in a neighboring community. Dayton-area residents reported living in the area for an average of 44 years. 25% reported being visors to the area.

### How often do you attend events at Fraze Pavilion?



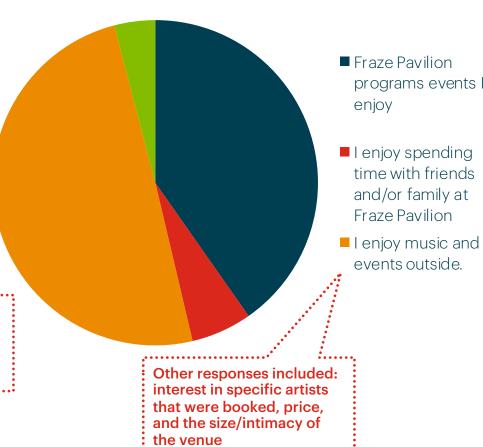


Ticket buyers were asked if they have purchased tickets in the past 2 years. 85% responded that they have, while 15% responded that they had not. This question was followed by asking the ticket buyers what factors into them either buying or not buying tickets at the Fraze.

# What is your primary reason for not purchasing tickets in the last 2 years?

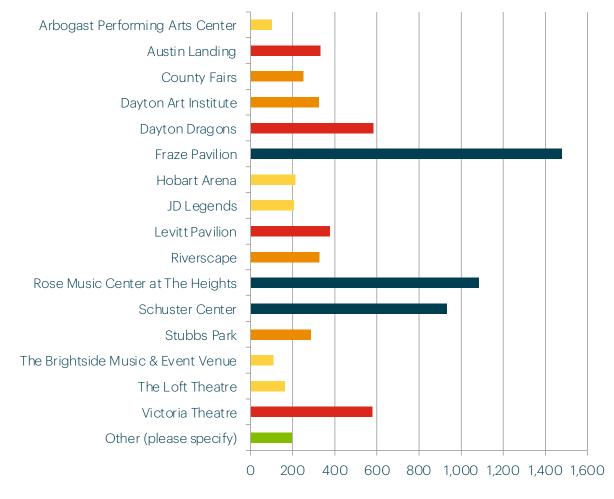


# What is your primary reason for purchasing tickets?

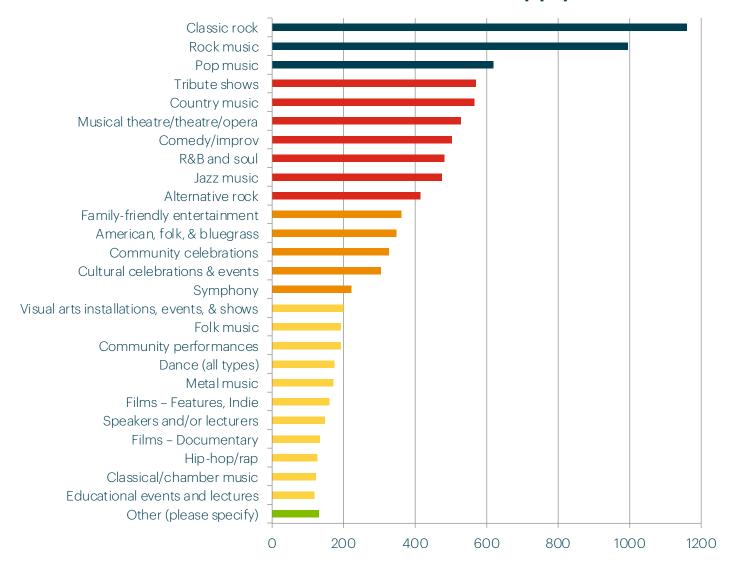


64% of ticket buyers indicated that they attend events in the Dayton area more than 3 times a year. When asked what venues they frequent, the highest response rate was for the Fraze, followed by The Rose and the Schuster Center. Other responses included; Beavercreek Theatre, Cayton Playhouse, Funny Bone, LaComedia, local bars, North Park, Nutter Center, Riverbend, The Greene, University of Dayton, and Yellow Cab. A full list can be found in Appendix D.

# Where do you attend events in the Dayton area? Please select all that apply.



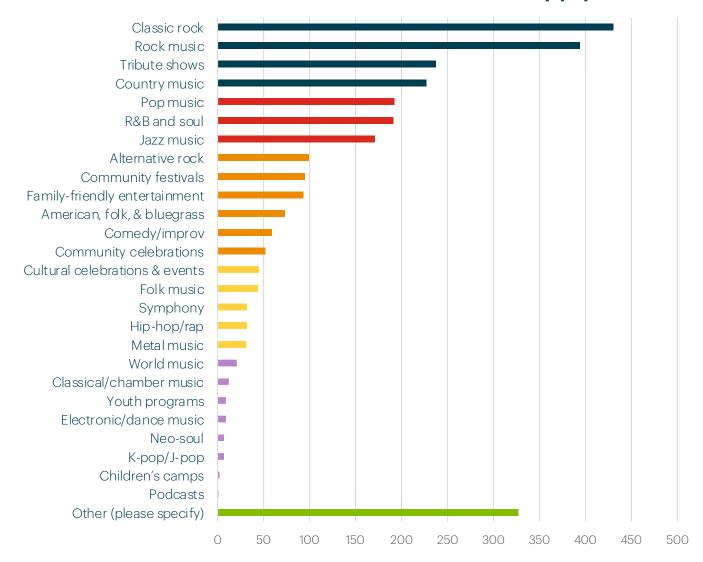
## What types of events do you typically attend in the area? Please select all that apply.



Ticket buyers were asked to indicate what type of events they typically attend in the Dayton area. The figure to the left indicates the response with 100 or more responses. A full list of responses can be found in Appendix D.

Other responses included: blues, Broadway, Christian music, oldies, reggae, and sporting events.

# What types of events do you expect to see at Fraze Pavilion? Please select all that apply.



Ticket buyers were then asked what type of events they expect to see at the Fraze Pavilion. These results mimic the results of the previous question, with classic rock and rock music floating to the top. Guests also expect to see tribute shows and country music.

Other responses included: 70's & 80's music, all of the above or "all types of music," blues, Christian music, and oldies.

Finally, ticket buyers were asked if there was anything else they would like to share with us as a part of this process. We received 755 responses to this question in total. Excerpts can be found below with a full list in Appendix D.

Additional restrooms would be great	for the larger events	One of my <b>favorite venues</b>	. Beautifully maintair	An updated <b>refund policy</b>	
It would be nice if it were <b>covered</b> Extremely strict security at the gate has stopped me from buying  Better acts! Poor selection last few years					
Be more accommodating and less rude to concert attendees Too many tribute bands Fraze is a wonderful Kettering and regional treasure!					
Concessions need to be reassessed Always enjoy the artists and the event atmosphere when we attend Consider more diverse music					
Prices way too high, too many rules Our favorite venue to see an outdoor concert locally I love attending events at the Fraze Parking is confusing					
Should not have to wait more than a week to receive tickets  Improve the restroom facilities  Fraze is too restrictive and often not customer friendly					
I have stopped attending shows at Fraze due to the <b>bad experiences</b> I have had there  The Fraze is <b>not our first choice</b> of venues to attend anymore					
It seems that the Fraze is losing larger acts to the Rose. The Fraze now seems to attract <b>mainly tribute bands</b> .  Most of the artists seem <b>outdated</b>					
Very <b>disappointed</b> in the 2024 schedule Additional <b>restrooms</b> would be great for the larger events <b>Rain policy</b> needs to be revised					
Parking is still problematic for people who can't walk long distances  Lawn tickets are high priced  I would like to see less tribute shows					
Employees need to have <b>better custor</b>	mer service Fantas	stic <b>sound quality</b> and a <b>bea</b>	utiful location \	ould attend more if <b>fees were not so h</b>	nigh



# Appendix B: Contractual services analysis



#### Contractual services analysis

The contract between the City of Kettering and Light Fantastic was executed in 2021. It is our understanding that this contract will remain in place until the conclusion of the 2025 season. As it currently stands, the City of Kettering is responsible for a total of \$37,000 paid each season, in an initial payment of \$8,000 followed by eight equal payments of \$3,625 each week until the balance is paid off. For this \$37,000 price tag, the City of Kettering receives:

- Technical Direction services to include:
  - o Operation, scheduling, technical specifications, repair, and maintenance of all production areas at the Fraze
  - o Organizing, scheduling, and assembling crew to handle production work, transportation, and backstage catering
  - Coordination of all technical needs
  - o Liaising between the Fraze and all arts groups, community groups, and production companies
- Rental, delivery, installation, and removal of a lighting package, agreed upon in advance of the season
- Access to additional rental equipment for a nominal fee



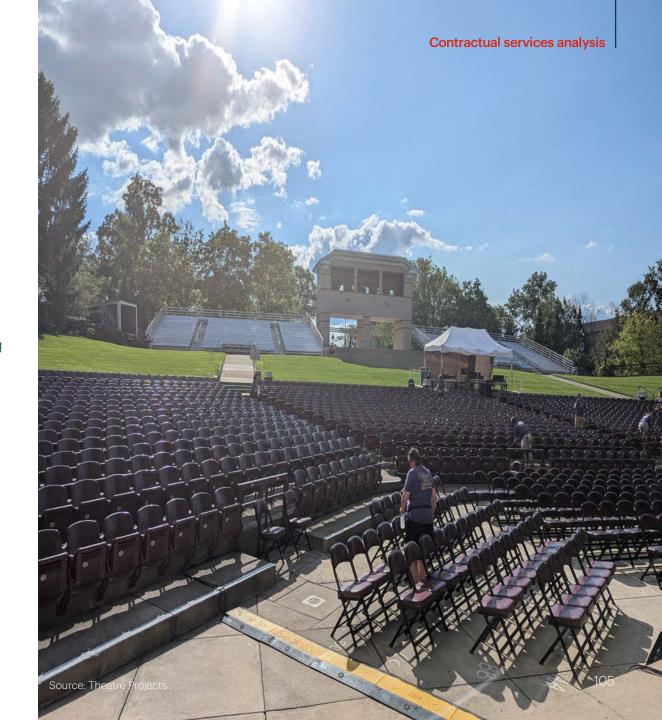
In reviewing this contract, it is our observation that \$37,000 for the above stated is well below market value. Fraze and the City of Kettering is paying a mere portion of what amphitheaters in similar markets would pay for similar services. Additionally, the grouping of rental gear, labor services, and technical direction services is fairly unique and adds additional, non-monetary, value to the contract.

If Fraze and the City of Kettering were to move on from this contract, it would be necessary to replace the services that are detailed in the contract. Fraze would most likely need to pursue a contract through two to three separate vendors in order to cover all the necessary services that are supplied. This would likely result in a much higher premium.

If the contract with Light Fantastic is terminated, Fraze and the City of Kettering would first need to determine if they are willing to take the Technical Director in-house, versus contracting this position out.

If Fraze was to bring the position in-house, the City of Kettering would be responsible for an additional full-time salary, likely in the range of \$80,000, commensurate with the salary of the full-time Ticket Office/Merchandise Manager.

Further research would need to be conducted to determine the final salary range of the position.





An additional contract would need to be entered into in order to secure production staff. If possible, the City of Kettering could choose to hold the collective bargaining agreement (CBA) with the local IASTE stagehand union. The City could also choose to enter into a contract with a labor company that could in turn, hold the IATSE CBA.

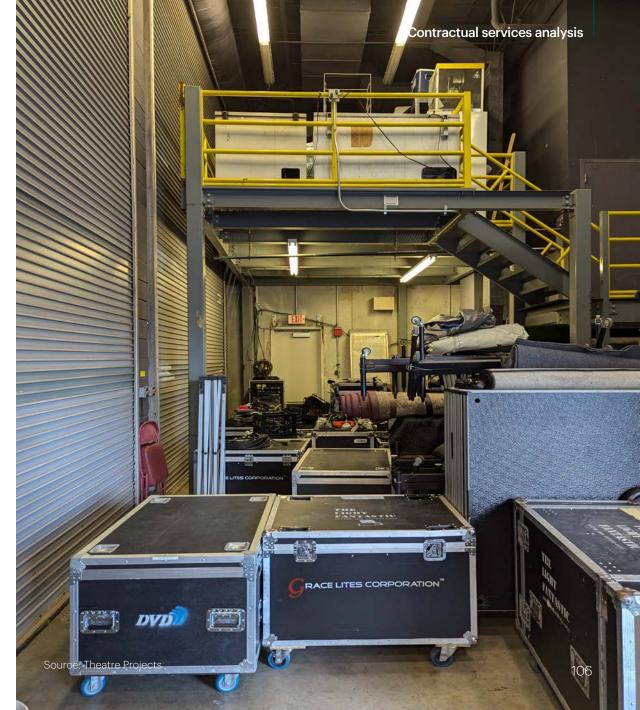
Finally, the City would need to find a preferred vendor to supply the necessary lighting equipment as well as supplying the needed additional equipment, used on a show-by-show basis.

Rental lighting equipment is available in the Dayton area. However, it is unknown if these companies would be willing to rent similar gear at a similar price to remain outdoors for the summer and if the rates would be comparable.

Most rental houses do not publish their rental rates and are not willing to supply their rates without a formal request. However, in our experience in working with rental companies, we can confidently report that the contracted amount is low for the supplied services. Further research would be required to determine the amount a similar contract would cost in the current market.

Similar to the Light Fantastic contract, the contract with Production Solution was entered into in 2021 and will remain in place until the conclusion of the 2025 season. Through the review of this contract, it appears that the City of Kettering spends approximately \$74,800 per season on the included audio gear. This is not inclusive of the labor to operate the equipment.

Since local production houses do not advertise or publish their rates, further research would need to be conducted to determine if there is a company within the Dayton area that would be able to supply the necessary audio gear below this rate.





#### **Talent Buyer - Variety Attractions**

The contract between Variety Attractions and the City is renewable on an annual basis by the City at its sole option. Through review of this contract, it is noted there is not an Artist fee budget nor is there a minimum number of shows agreed to in the contract. The negotiated fee of \$125,000 per season, plus a bonus structure for sell-out shows is within industry standards for the number of shows and types of Artist's the Fraze is currently aiming to present per season, including the ability to request of the Talent Buyer artist booking for other City-sponsored events.

It appears there is a clause in the contract whereas Variety Attractions is to make themselves available for consultation regarding the marketing of events. In our experience, it would help to have the Talent Buyer review all marketing plans to sign off on how much is being spent of the budget and where it is allocated. A Talent Buyer may often make suggestions or advise other allocations based on past sales history of an artist.

The ability to route with other events, fairs and festivals Variety Attractions are booking may give them an advantage over other contracted talent buyers that may not have as many events. In an increasingly competitive market, the more offers a Talent Buyer can give an agent for a single artist the better chance they have.



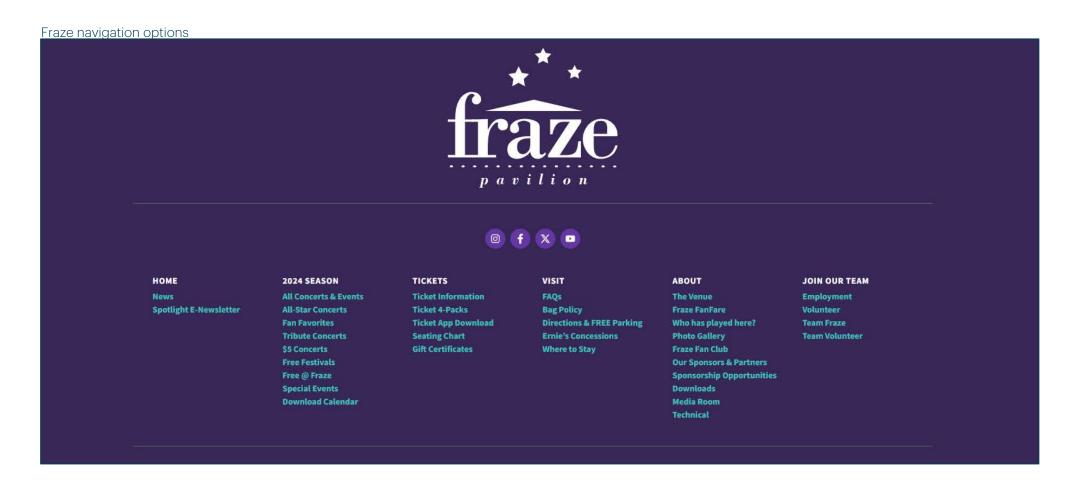
# Appendix C: online presence analysis





## Website review

Overall, the website is attractive and fairly simple to navigate. The website contains valuable information for guests that is easy to find. The following section contains a general analysis of the functionality of the website. At this time, we do not recommend any changes to the website.



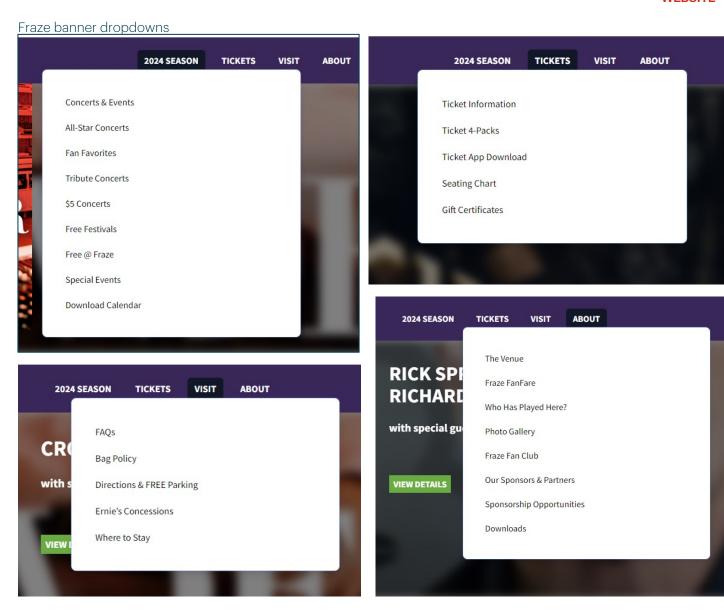


Fraze home page fraze **2024 SEASON TICKETS** VISIT **ABOUT RICK SPRINGFIELD & RICHARD MARX** with special guest Stranger **VIEW DETAILS** RICK RICHARD MARX View All Concerts & Events **COMING UP AT FRAZE PAVILION Rick Springfield &** Wilson Phillips & Debbie Gibson **Orchestra Experience** 

The homepage of the website gives good information to a guest that is visiting for an number of reasons. The top banner scrolls through upcoming concerts and there is a "Coming up at Fraze" section immediately below, which gives guests visiting the website multiple ways to see what is up and coming. The marketing photos chosen are attractive and interesting to someone who is looking to find an event to attend.



Along the top banner are four options: 2024 season, tickets, visit, and about. When you hover over each options it gives you several choices for each selection. The options are well labeled and navigate to the correctly corresponding pages.



The Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) page has a lot of good information for guests looking to visit the facility. The FAQs are comprehensive and easy to understand. At this time, we have not noticed any questions or answers missing from the FAQ page.

#### Excerpts from the FAQ page

#### WHERE CAN I PARK?

Free parking is available at select lots around the facility. Parking is not guaranteed. You may also park on surrounding side streets, where permitted. Please allow sufficient time to park, walk to venue and enter gates.

#### IF I USE A RIDESHARE SERVICE, WHERE CAN I BE PICKED UP AFTER A CONCERT OR EVENT?

If you are using Uber, Lyft, or another ride-sharing service, our Street Team will do their best to direct all pickups to either side of Commons Way. Pickup area may not be available at each event.

#### ADA ACCESSIBILITY AT THE FRAZE

Accessible seating is available in Plaza, Orchestra, Lawn and Terrace levels. We offer a drop-off area on Lincoln Park Boulevard, east and west of the Pavilion, with limited accessible parking. Space is available on a first-come, first-serve basis. Assistive-listening devices are also available at every performance. If anyone has any concern with an ADA seat, please contact a ticket office team member by calling 937-296-3300.

#### CAN I BRING MY LAWN CHAIR TO SIT ON THE LAWN?

Seat backs are available for rent for lawn seating. Lawn chairs, beach chairs and stadium seats are not permitted. Any chair with exposed metal, wood or plastic is not permitted. Back supports that do not elevate patrons off the ground, or contain exposed metal, wood or plastic may be brought into the facility. Blankets are recommended and encouraged!

#### WHAT DOES IT COST TO RENT A FRAZE SEAT BACK?

Pre-order online to reserve your seat back and save! Order online in advance of show date for \$15 each, or \$20 on day of show. Seat backs are available for rent or pick-up when the gates open. Back supports that do not contain exposed metal, wood, or plastic, or elevate patrons off the ground may be brought into the facility. Seating areas are not covered and lawn and terrace seating may be wet.



**PLEASE NOTE:** Limited number of seat backs are available for rental at each show. Ticket to performance not included.

#### WHAT DOES "GENERAL ADMISSION" MEAN?

Several concerts each summer are sold as General Admission, meaning all seating is unreserved and available on a "First Come, First Serve" basis. There are NO saving of seats, rows or blanket space associated with general admission seating. Your entire group must be in attendance to ensure sitting together or face forfeiture of any "saved" seats.



The bag policy is fairly standard and is outlined in multiple places on the website. A photo and a drawing exist to help convey the message to guests. We believe this is fairly straight forward, industry standard, and well detailed to not confuse guests. It should be noted that the photo to the right includes a sealed water bottle. There is some confusion among guests (per survey data) that many guests believe water bottles are not permitted. If water bottles are only permitted at some shows, we recommend removing the water bottle from the photo.



#### DOES FRAZE PAVILION HAVE A BAG SIZE POLICY?

YES. Bag/purse/tote size is limited to 12"x12"x6".

Any bag/purse/tote in excess of 12"x12"x6" must be returned to vehicle.

All Backpacks and Coolers of ANY size are NOT PERMITTED into the venue.

#### **PERMITTED**

Bags & Totes measuring 12" x 12" x 6" or smaller.

#### You may purchase a reusable clear tote measuring 12"x12"x6" at Fraze FanFare.

(Contents shown are not included.)

All carry-in items including appropriate sized bags/purses are subject to search. Be aware that added security measures may slow down entry, so please allow sufficient time prior to your arrival.

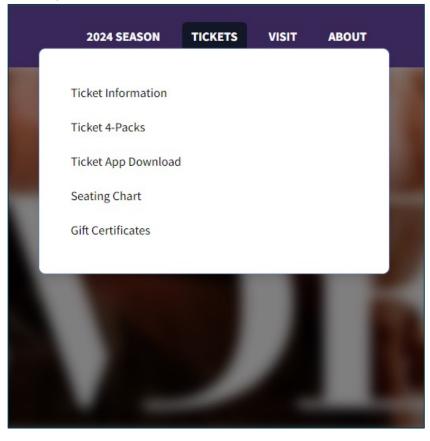




# Ticket purchasing

The ticket purchasing process is fairly straight forward on the website. The feature is simple to navigate and contains valuable information that is presented throughout the process. We are not recommending any changes to the ticket purchasing process. The following pages will detail the purchasing process from the lens of a guest.

#### Ticket options on Fraze.com





The website includes valuable information for the guest including where tickets can be purchased in person. The ticket information section also has information detailing the use of Etix versus other ticket sellers. This piece of information can be useful in protecting the venue in the case that a guest does purchase second-hand tickets.

As seen below, the frequently asked questions section also has important ticketing information that can be useful to guests.

#### Frequently asked questions

#### ALL TICKET SALES ARE FINAL.

Please note that there can be no ticket refunds or exchanges even in the event of inclement weather. All performances are subject to postponement, delay or cancellations due to rain or severe weather conditions. In the event of inclement weather, an announcement will be made on stage by a Fraze Pavilion staff member prior to, or during a performance.

#### DOES MY INFANT BABY NEED A TICKET?

Yes, children of all ages must have a ticket for Fraze events. For reserved seat shows, children under the age of 5 may not sit in Plaza or Orchestra seating and are welcome to sit in the Lawn or Terrace sections. Strollers are not allowed in Fraze Pavilion for any ticketed event.

#### LOST, STOLEN OR TICKET PROBLEMS

If your tickets have been lost or stolen or your tickets were never received in the mail, please contact the original point of purchase for assistance.

#### Ticket information

### **Ticket Information**

For your convenience, you can purchase tickets to all events at the **Fraze Pavilion Ticket Office** (on show dates), **Fraze FanFare Store** located in Town & Country Shopping Center, **www.fraze.com**, **www.etix.com** or **Charge-by-Phone** at 1-800-514-3849. Additional information about these ordering options is found below.

#### IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING PURCHASING TICKETS

We want our guests to have a great experience when purchasing tickets, therefore Fraze Pavilion strongly encourages you to ONLY purchase tickets through our authorized ticket outlets.

Make online purchases at fraze.com (through our exclusive ticketing partner ETIX). You may also purchase in person at Fraze Fanfare located in Town & Country Shopping Center, or over the phone with ETIX at 1-800-514-3849.

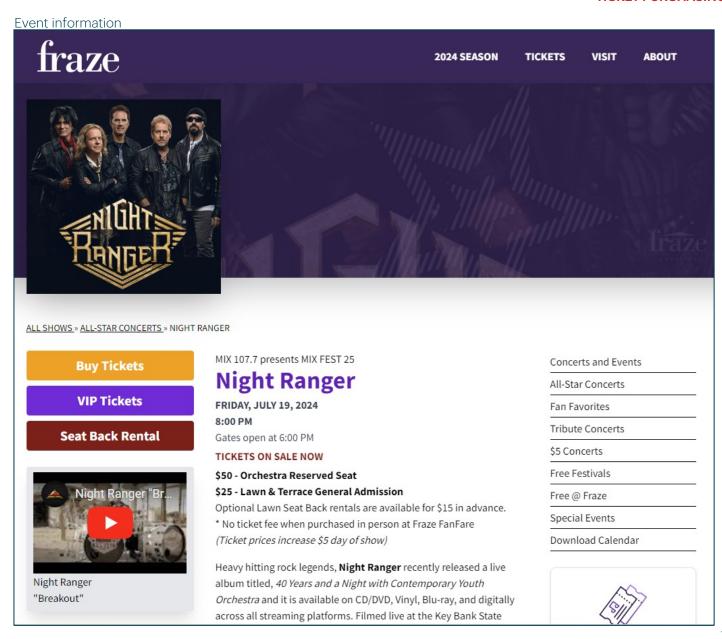
Ticket purchases from all other secondary parties are not guaranteed to be authentic and subsequently do not guarantee entry (please note that tickets are sometimes available via official artist webpages for pre-sales, fan club VIP packages, etc.)

Fraze Pavilion has no relationship with any other ticket vendor. We will not be able to verify your account information with any secondary party vendor. Again, we want you to have a great experience – so to purchase tickets electronically, please only use official links provided from Fraze Pavilion at www.fraze.com, download the Fraze APP, or via our social media platforms.



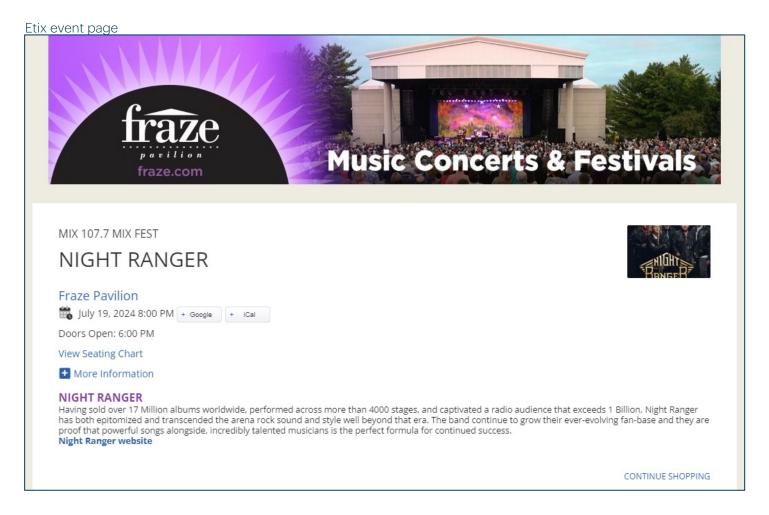
When a guest selects a show, either from the main landing page or from the event calendar, they are redirected to an event page for the specific event. The event page contains helpful information about the event at the Fraze and about the artist including a description of the artist, the date and time of the show, and how to purchase tickets and VIP tickets. Additionally, each event allows for the rental of seat backs if the guest wants to add that to their order.

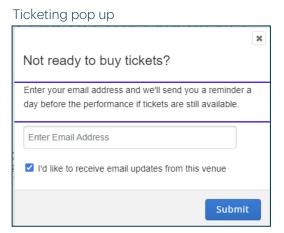
The information included for the events appears comprehensive and detailed. The page is simple to navigate and understand as a guest looking to purchase a ticket and we do not have any recommendations to changes these event pages.





When a guest selects "buy tickets" from the event page, they are redirected to an Etix website for the event they have selected. This process tracks within industry standards. The Etix webpage has the same information as the Fraze website. The addition of the calendar options are a nice way to encourage guests to add the show to their personal calendars. As seen below, if you wait too long on the page, a popup appears asking if you would like to be added to a list that will remind you before the event happens. This is an interesting way to continue capturing audiences and should continue.

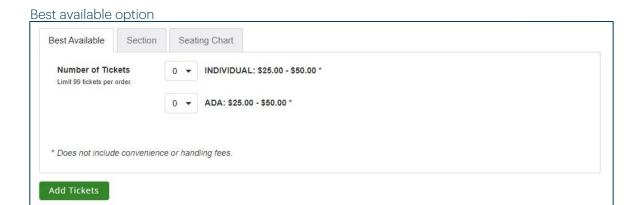






As the guest scrolls down the event page, they are presented with multiple ways to choose their seats. A guest can choose their seats by selecting best available, section, or by seating chart. When the guest chooses best available or section, they are only able to add a number of tickets to their seating cart without choosing specific seats. When the guest chooses seating chart, they are able to choose specific seats by clicking on a section. The details of the seating section can be seen on the following page.

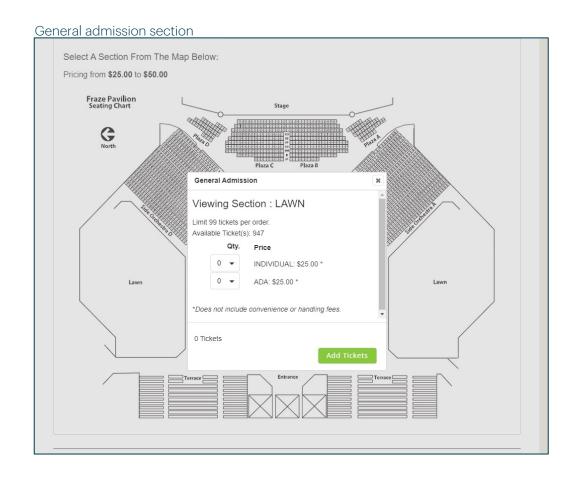
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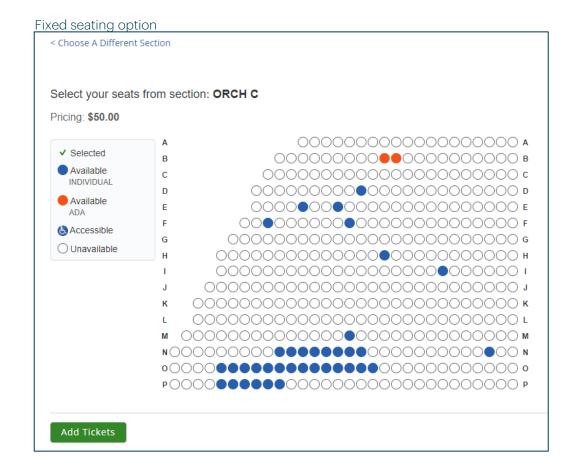


Section	LAWN ▼
Note: Tickets may not be available in all price levels and sections.	
Ticket Type Limit 99 tickets per order.	0 <b>v</b> INDIVIDUAL: \$25.00 - \$50.00 °
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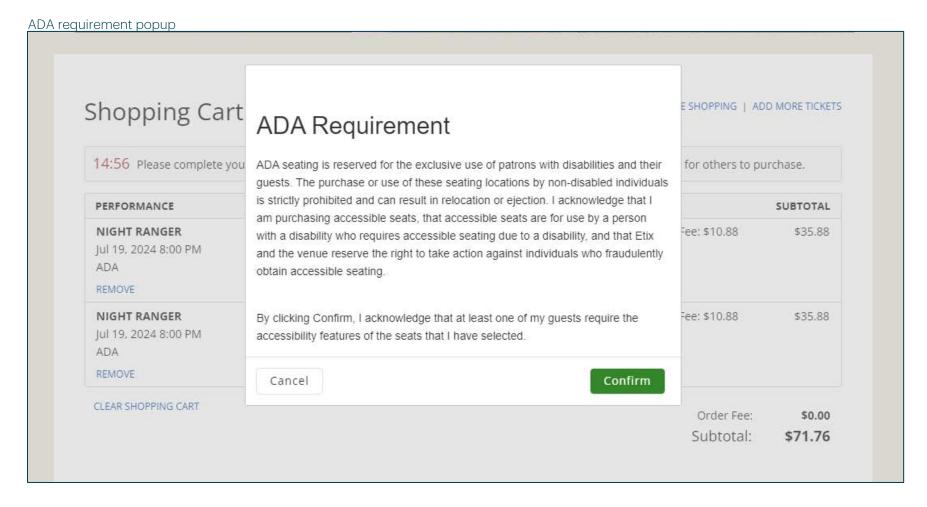
If a guest chooses a general admission section, the website brings up the option to add individual or ADA tickets from the chosen section. If the guest chooses a section with fixed seating, the seating chart is brought up. The seating chart is simple to navigate, and it is simple to choose which seat(s) the guest would prefer to sit in.







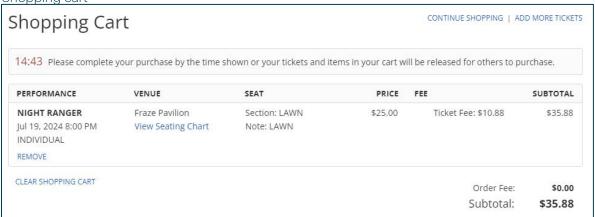
If a guest tries to purchase an ADA seat, the below ADA requirement acknowledgment pop up comes up. The guest can either confirm or cancel. If the guest chooses to cancel, the cart clears the tickets to allow for another guest to purchase them. It appears that when seats are released from carts, they are immediately available to the next guest.



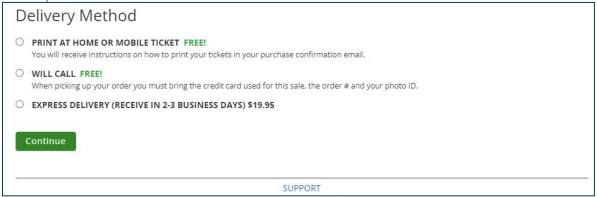


The shopping cart keeps tickets for 15 minutes. After the allotted 15 minutes (which is denoted with a countdown clock) the shopping cart expires and the tickets are released back to the public. When a guest goes to check out that have to choose a delivery method and they are given the option of adding ticket protection. These are all well-within industry standard practice.

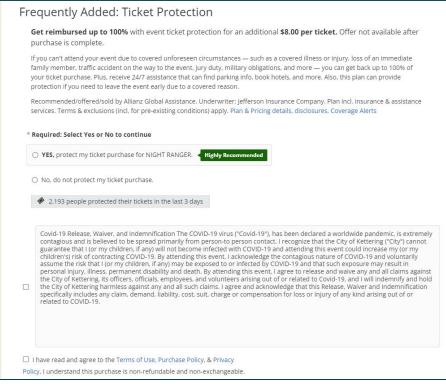
#### Shopping cart



#### Delivery method

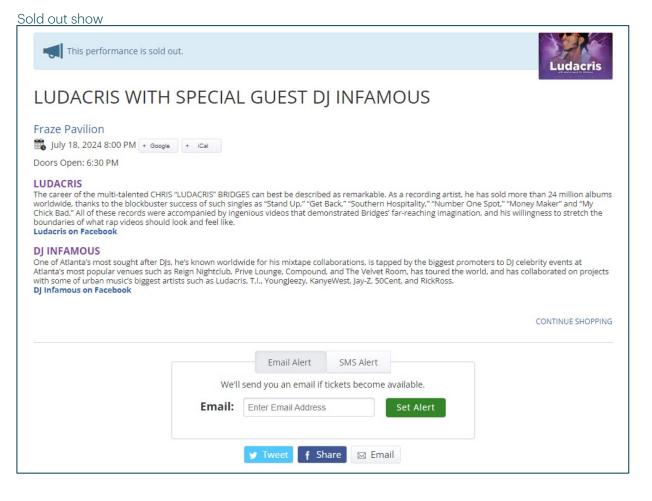


#### Optional ticket protection





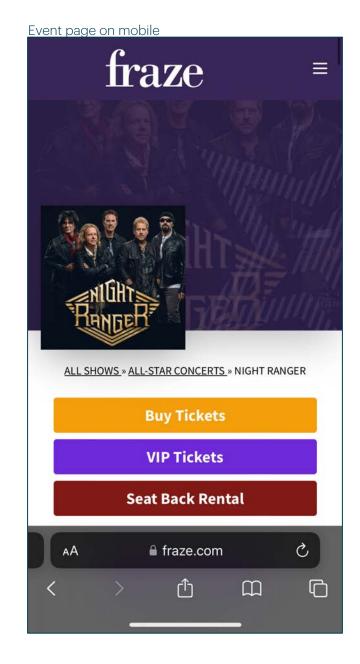
If a show is sold out and the guest chooses "buy tickets" from the event page, they are brought to an event page that look similar to the pages of shows with available tickets. The event page for a sold-out show gives the guest the option of adding their email address to a mailing list that will alert the guest if tickets become available. This is a great way to gather guest data and to continue to drive engagement to the event. A guest that is interested in a show may be more likely to purchase tickets if they are alerted to tickets becoming available than they would be if they had to frequent the website themselves, constantly checking to see if more tickets had been released.



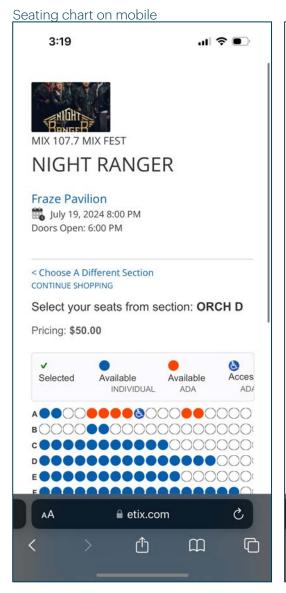


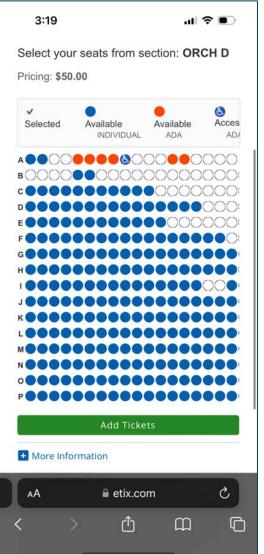
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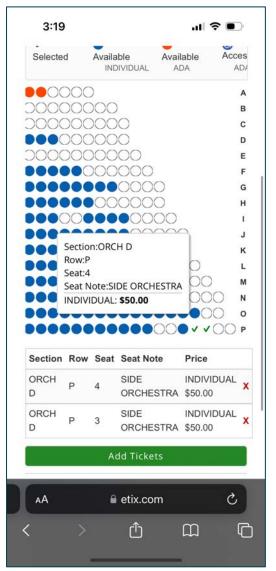
The website on mobile functions well and it attractive. It is easy to navigate and functions almost exactly like the website dies on a computer. When a guest selects a show from the landing page or the event calendar, they are sent to an event page that is very similar to the event page on the desktop version. Guest are prompted to choose "buy ticket," "VIP tickets," or "seat back rentals," just like the desktop version of the website.



When a guest selects "buy tickets" from the event page, they are redirected to a very similar Etix page to the desktop version. The guest is given the same options (best available, section, seating chart) to choose from. Just like the desktop version, if the quest chooses "best available" or "section" they are promopted to choose a number of seats. If the guest choose "section" they are able to choose a seating section and are able to choose their own seats. If the case of the mobilke version, the seating chart is scrollable (as seen in the three screen shots to the right). This keeps the seating chart large enough for a guest to see the available seats and to choose their preferred seat(s). Chosen seats are indicated with a green check mark.





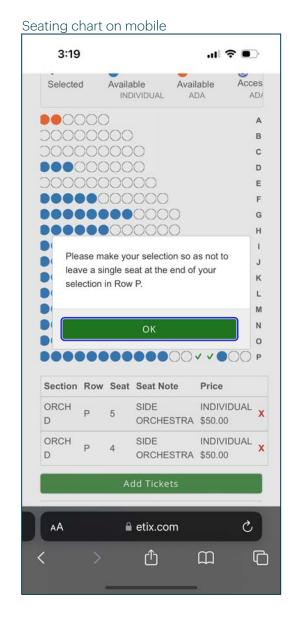


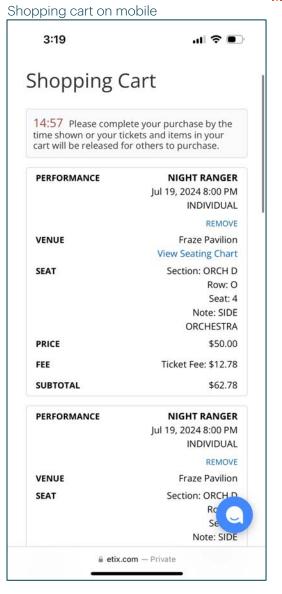


**MOBILE** 

One thing that was noticed in the mobile review was that when an "orphaned" seat was left, a popup appeared promoting the guest to not leave a single seat the end of the row. This is not unique to the mobile app, it was simply noticed during the mobile review process. While this makes sense, in the case of the seats being chose (as seen in the screen shots to the right), there were 3 seats left at this specific location. If a guest wanted to purchase two tickets, they would only be allowed to do so by choosing

The shopping cart functions the same on mobile as it does on the desktop version. The 15-minute timer counts down at the top of the page and releases the tickets back to the public once it expires. Guests are given the same options of choosing their delivery method and ticket protection as well.



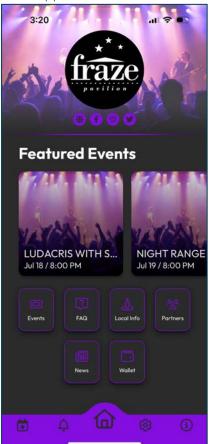


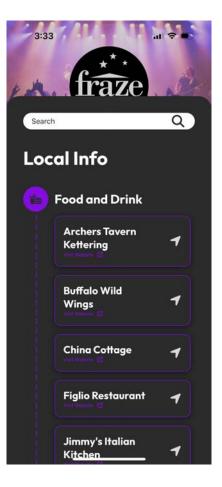
another location.

## Fraze App

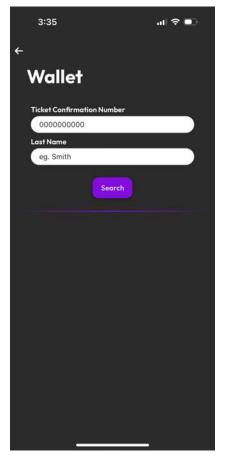
The Fraze app is attractive and easy to navigate. Is has many of the same features as the desktop and mobile version of the website, including events, featured events, and FAQs. Other options available from the app's homepage include local info, partners, news, and wallet. Local info gives the guest an opportunity to digitally explore the area. Partners appears to navigate to a sponsor page, which which the guest can then use to navigate to the sponsor websites, and wallet gives the guest the ability to search for tickets the guest may have purchased.

Fraze app screen shots





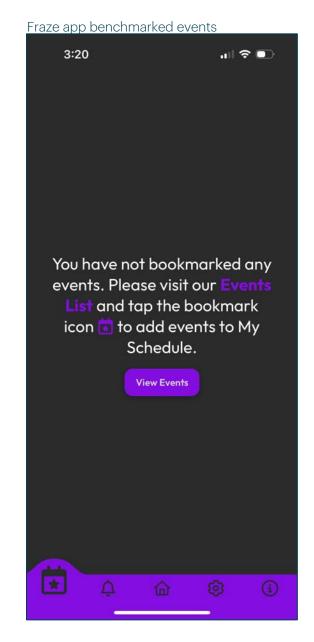


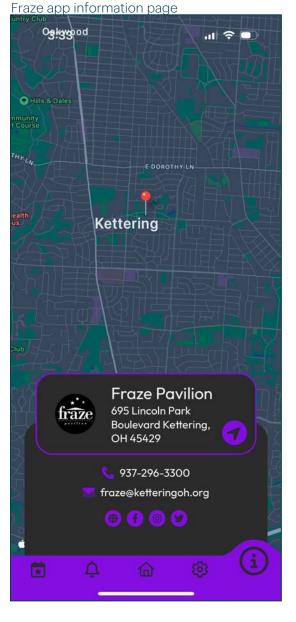




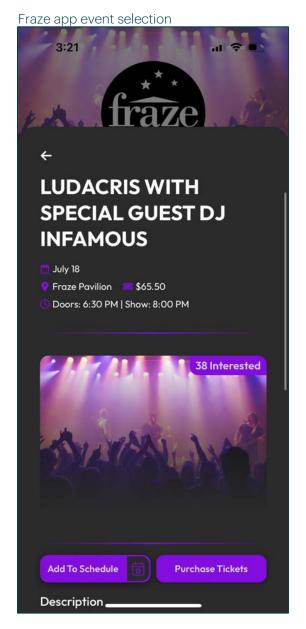
The app gives guests the option of bookmarking events. This allows a guest to revisit shows they may find interesting. This is a clever way for the app to drive engagement and remind guests of events they've found interesting on the calendar.

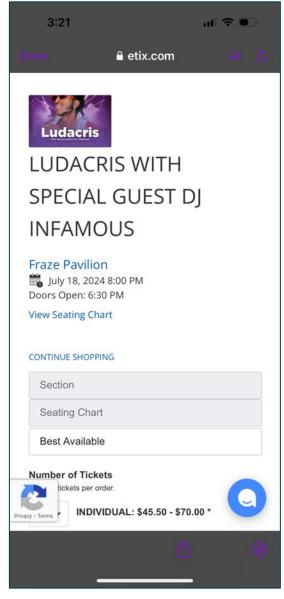
The info icon along the bottom of the app brings guests to a navigate page that allows the guest to easily navigate to the venue. It also gives the guest the option of making a phone call to the venue, emailing the venue, or navigating to the Fraze website or social media (Facebook, Instagram, and X [formerly knowns as Twitter]). This is a useful and comprehensive information tab.





When a guest chooses a specific event on the app, the ticket purchasing functions the same as when a guest chooses an event from the website. The guest is navigated to an Etix event page that functions the same in the app as it does on the mobile version of the website. Just like the mobile version of the website, this page is easy to navigate from a phone.





## Social media review

#### **Facebook**

Fraze Pavilion has a decent Facebook presence with good engagement. As of the writing of this report, the Fraze Pavilion Facebook page has 59,000 likes and 63,000 followers.

The Fraze Pavilion keeps guests engaged on the Facebook page year-round, with the Fraze posting 26 times in the month of January and 43 times in the month of February. These posts, even with the Fraze Pavilion is not in-season, have decent engagement from guests. June, a month the Fraze is in-season, had a total of 44 posts. Most posts, regardless of the time of year, have reactions, comments, and shares; the comments on most posts are very positive, with friends tagging others and guest showing excitement for the upcoming shows.

Posts that ask for engagement, such as the post to the right, receive the most traction among guests. Fraze Pavilion has quite a few posts asking guest questions, such as favorite song. These posts are positively received. Posts announcing shows and posts the include photos from shows are also positively received by guests. Many of the posts announcing shows have comments from guests tagging their friends, asking if they would like to attend the show. This is a great way to drive further traffic to the Facebook page, assuming guests are tagging friends who do not follow Fraze Pavilion. Guests, artists, and local organizations mention Fraze Pavilion and share Fraze Pavilion posts across the platform. This is another way to drive traffic to the Fraze Facebook page.





Name your favorite song by Rick Springfield. You can sing along on July 20th at Fraze Pavilion in Kettering Ohio. Tickets for MIX 107.7's MIX FEST with Rick Springfield & Richard Marx are on sale now. https://fraze.com/rick-springfield-richard-marx-2024/

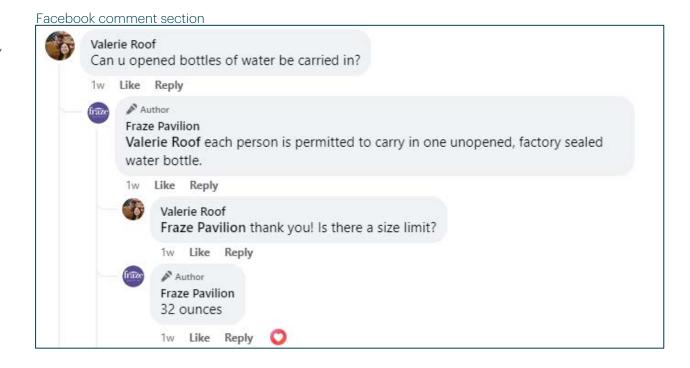


#### Facebook continued.

Fraze Pavilion utilizes events for both ticketed and non-ticketed events. These events have decent engagement, with guests sharing, reacting to, and commenting on the event pages. Creating events on Facebook also allows guest to add the event to their personal calendar. Overall, it appears that guests react positively to the events, marking that they are going or interested.

Fraze Pavilion also interacts with some of the guests, occasionally commenting on events. Some of the comments are comments on the post with more detailed information, such as warnings to guests to not purchase second-hand tickets. Some of the comments answer questions asked to the page. These engagements are helpful to both the guest that asked the question and guests that may have the same question for the venue. Question answering on the page also reminds guests that there are people that run the Facebook page. This helps continue to drive engagement, as the page appears very active, both in crating content and engaging with guests.

Overall, the Facebook page is well curated, driving engagement to the page and to the events. At this time, we have no recommendations on changing the Facebook page and suggest that the Fraze continue engaging the public in the way they have been up to this point.





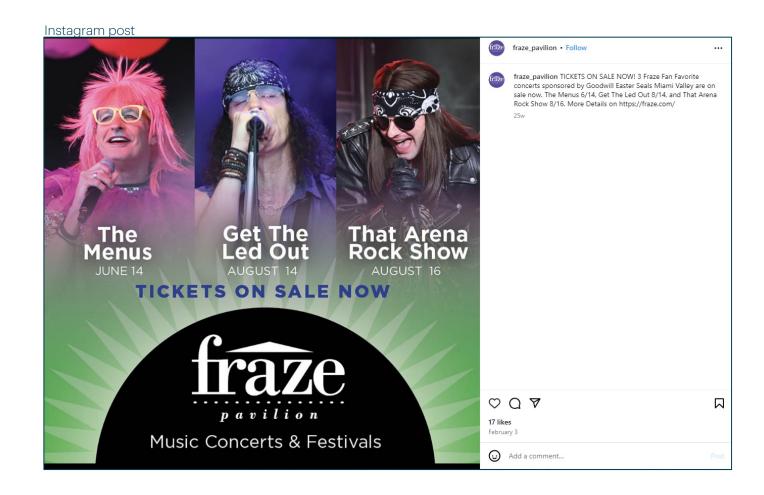
#### Instagram

Fraze Pavilion has 4,189 followers on Instagram. The difference in followers between Facebook and Instagram may be a reflection of the age demographics of the guests at Fraze.

Posts on Instagram are frequent, with 34 posts in February, for instance, and 34 posts in June. Posts get a fair amount of traction, but do not rise to the engagement levels of Facebook. Most Instagram posts appear to receive 20 or less reactions and 1 or no comments.

Engagement can be driven to the site by using a few different tactics:

- Use stories and reels
  - At the writing of this report, Fraze did not have a story active. Reels are used and receive some traction (typically between 200 and 600 views with exceptions).
- Utilize hashtags
- Run contests or giveaways
- Cost-promote on other platforms



SOCIAL MEDIA

#### X post

#### X (formerly known as Twitter)

Fraze Pavilion has 3,351 followers on X. Engagement on X is less than on Instagram, with most tweets having a low-level of views, typically less than 200. Fraze had 34 tweets in February and 31 tweets in June. Many of these tweets resemble the content on Facebook and Instagram. In order to drive engagement on X, Fraze could:

- Share (retweet) guest content
- Run polls
- Retweet and like content from artists
- Utilize hashtags
- Cross-promote across other social media platforms





#### YouTube

Fraze Pavilion only has 13 subscribers on their YouTube page. There are a total of 20 videos than span from February 14 to July 23, 2024. It appears that the YouTube channel is new this year and has the opportunity to become more popular in the coming years.

Some ways that Fraze can drive engagement on the YouTube channel are:

- Creating unique behind-the-scenes content only available on the YouTube channel
- Hosting live streams of events
- Collaborating with artists
- Embedding YouTube videos on the Fraze website
- Including links to YouTube videos in newsletters

YouTube video options



Pepper Fest 2024 - FREE Festival & Live Music

12 views • 7 days ago



Bacon Fest 2024 - FREE Festival & Live Music

26 views • 7 days ago



Brantley Gilbert with Sadie Bass - August 30, 2024

15 views • 12 days ago



Wilson Phillips & Debbie Gibson - July 21, 2024

69 views • 2 weeks ago



Rick Springfield & Richard Marx - July 20, 2024

63 views • 2 weeks ago



Night Ranger - July 19, 2024

32 views • 2 weeks ago

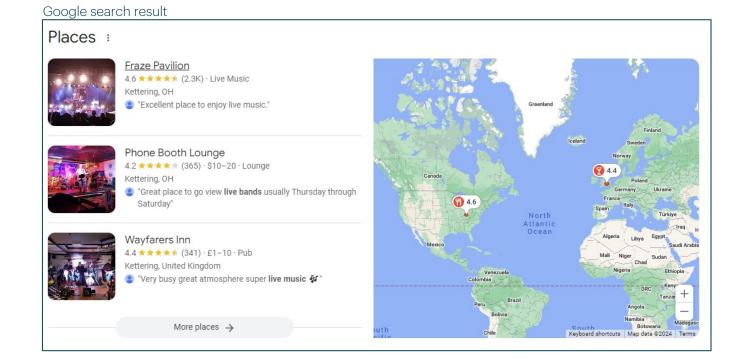


## Online search results

Fraze Pavilion is relatively easy to find using online search. For instance, a Google search of "things to do in Kettering" yields Fraze Pavilion as the 2<sup>nd</sup> option under "Top sights in Kettering." It is also listed as the 6<sup>th</sup> "Top attractions in Kettering" on Trip Advisor, an article that was also returned by the "things to do in Kettering" Google search. On Trip.com, Fraze Pavilion is listed first under "what to do in Kettering." A Google search of "live music Kettering" returned Fraze Pavilion as the first suggestion.

When searching Yelp for "things to do" in Kettering, OH, Fraze was not listed in the top 100 suggestions. A search of "music" and "live music" on Yelp also did not yield Fraze Pavilion. Fraze Pavilion is currently unclaimed on Yelp. This could lead to the venue not being turned back as a suggestion on searches. We recommend claiming the business and completing the business profile. This would allow Fraze to increase its visibility through Yelp events and Yelp offers.

Fraze is also unclaimed on TripAdvisor.com. It is currently listed as 1 of 1 "theater & concerts in Kettering." Therefore, when you search for a concert venue in or near Kettering, it shows on the list. Claiming this business on TripADvisor could allow Fraze to better advertise through the site.





A Google search of "live music Dayton" yields Fraze Pavilion as the 16<sup>th</sup> result. This is a pretty high result, given that Fraze is technically outside of the Dayton city limits. Fraze is still on the first page of search results in this instance.

DaytonLocal.com also lists events at Fraze Pavilion. This is an excellent partnership and should continue. When searching "live music Dayton" on Google, the first result was an article titled "Concerts & Live Music in Dayton Ohio" with events at Fraze being listed. This is a great way to bring in tourists and Dayton locals.

It is not surprising that a Google search for "things to do in Dayton, Ohio" did not turn back the Fraze as an option, since the list for "things" is very broad in nature.

The Dayton Convention & Visitors Bureau lists Fraze Pavilion third on it's "Concerts & Live Music" page above Levitt Pavilion and Rose Music Center. The page appears up-to-date and directs users to the Fraze.com website for more information.

#### Dayton CVB website

#### **Concerts & Live Music**

Welcome to the vibrant world of live music in Dayton, Ohio! Whether you're a local resident or planning a visit, Dayton's music scene offers a diverse range of concerts and live performances that are sure to satisfy any music lover's cravings.

From iconic music venues to intimate clubs, Dayton & Montgomery County has it all. You can catch your favorite chart-topping artists, discover up-and-coming talents, or enjoy the sounds of local musicians who are making waves in the industry. No matter what genre you're into—rock, pop, jazz, country, hip-hop, classical, or everything in between—Dayton's stages are alive with incredible performances waiting to be experienced.



Dayton Opera



Dayton Philharmonic Orchestra



Fraze Pavilion



## Online reviews

#### **Trip Advisor**

Fraze has a total of 166 reviews on Trip Advisor and a 4-star rating. The ratings are mixed, with most reviews giving 5 stars (106 5-star reviews versus 16 one-star reviews. Some of the popular mentions include: lawn, seats, parking, tickets, sound, and restrooms. These are common mentions in both positive and negative reviews.

Most common positive reviews included comments about the seating (i.e "not a bad seat in the house"). Other positive reviews included the ease of parking, the venue's sound, and just a general feeling of positivity towards the venue and the bands performing. Some comments were left by repeats guests while other specified that it was their first time, but they would be returning.

Negative reviews on Trip Advisor pertain to the staff's treatment of the guests. Many of the reviews reference specific personal stories of their treatment from the staff or their witnessing of treatment to another guest.

#### Reviews on TripAdvisor.com



The venue was perfect for an outdoor concert!! The staff was helpful and kind!!! Make sure you check the website for bag size before going. They also sell clear ones for 5 bucks.

Written June 5, 2023

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#### Won't go back! Rude and unprofessional staff!

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This was my first time visiting the Fraze. Drove an hour to get there to see TLC and Shaggy. Nice intimate venue and the concert was great, BUT, the RUDEST, most unprofessional staff I've ever seen! Thanks to one of their ushers named ERIK, I will never return! I hear that they're known for treating their customers like this! Unfortunate! I complained to one of the workers there and she said that they treat their employees like crap too and that she wouldn't be returning either!

Written August 20, 2022

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#### Yelp

Fraze has a total of 47 reviews on Yelp and a 3.4-star rating. The reviews on Yelp are less mixed than the reviews on Trip Advisor, with Yelp having 17 5-start reviews and eight 1-star reviews. There have only been 1 review left on Yelp in 2024. This review was 5-stars. In 2023 there were 4 reviews left, two 5-star reviews, one 1-star review, and one 2-star review.

Positive reviews on Yelp mirror the positive reviews on Trip Advisor, with guests commenting on the seating, views to the stage, the availability of parking, and acoustics.

Negative reviews also mimic the Trip Advisor negative reviews, with guests citing the bag policy and the treatment of guest by staff as the biaaest concerns.

#### Reviews on Yelp.com



Carolyn B. Elite 24

\* \* \* Aug 12, 2023

2 photos

Really pretty outdoor venue with nice landscaping and a water feature. Everything was clean. There were no lines for the restrooms. The size of the Pavilion is a lovely smaller size so that you could see the performers very well. After reading about parking, I arrived a little bit early and there were lots of free parking which was a very, very short walk away from the entrance so it all felt very safe and pleasant. All of the volunteers were friendly and helpful The concert had booked half a dozen oldie groups. Gosh, that brought back so many memories.









Bill M. Mansfield, TX 回27 1 6

🖈 🖈 🖈 🖈 Jul 24, 2023

Attended the Boney James concert on 7/23/23. Beautiful venue & great parking, Compared to the Rose Music Center in Huber Heights however, Fraze is seriously lacking in patron satisfaction issues. For a 7:30pm show we arrived at 7:10pm and stood in a long winding line with hundreds of patrons for 25 minutes. We were still waiting to enter when the the first band started. There were no Fraze volunteers around to explain why the long line existed, as many patrons wondered about the delay. When we finally arrived at the security gate, the delay was due to only two gates available (for 4,500 patrons), checking all the purses and bags, validating ID cards to ascertain age and then issuing wrist bands to enable the purchase of alcohol. I told the rude, inconsiderate, Fraze security officer that I did not intend to purchase alcoholic beverage and he insisted I needed a different color wristband anyway. This "entry process" is slow, inefficient and wasteful! The show was good, but compared to other venues, Fraze needs to reengineer it's entry and concessions process to eliminate wasting the time of its patrons.



#### Google

There are a total of 2,271 Google reviews for Fraze with 4.6 overall stars. Reviews tend to mention parking, festivals, concessions, purses, and festivals. These "often mentioned" results are from both positive and negative reviews. Guests seem more active on Google than on other platforms, with multiple reviews posted in the last few weeks.

Positive reviews on Google mention the atmosphere of the venue. Many guests comment that there's not a bad seat in the house, the grounds are clean, the park is beautiful, and the acoustics are great.

Negative reviews on Google pertain mostly to the staff treatment of guests and to confusion surrounding the bag policy. Since the bag policy is regularly mentioned in reviews, we would suggest creating more detailed signage around the venue.

#### Reviews on Google



120 reviews · 11 photos

★★★★★ a week ago NEW

This venue has a fantastic vibe. Safe, well-lit, excellent concessions, and to be able to see Night Ranger for \$62/seat is a true bargain. Highly recommend.





#### Wrecked Johnson

Local Guide · 212 reviews · 36 photos

★★★★★ a year ago

The people who manage the concessions, specifically the cut off time for alcohol are about as pleasant as an ashtray. The venue is nice enough but the staff would prefer it if you didn't have fun. There are people combing the outlying areas to ensure no one is having fun and no one gets to enjoy walking by the Fraze during events. The level of concern in keeping wandering/walking people away, beverage rules and behavior around the water features is way overboard and makes the experience unenjoyable. Lighten up and allow people some room to be responsible for themselves. I won't be coming back until the atmosphere changes. For now I will just sit on my porch and listen to the events as I am close enough to enjoy it from home.





# Appendix D: community survey data

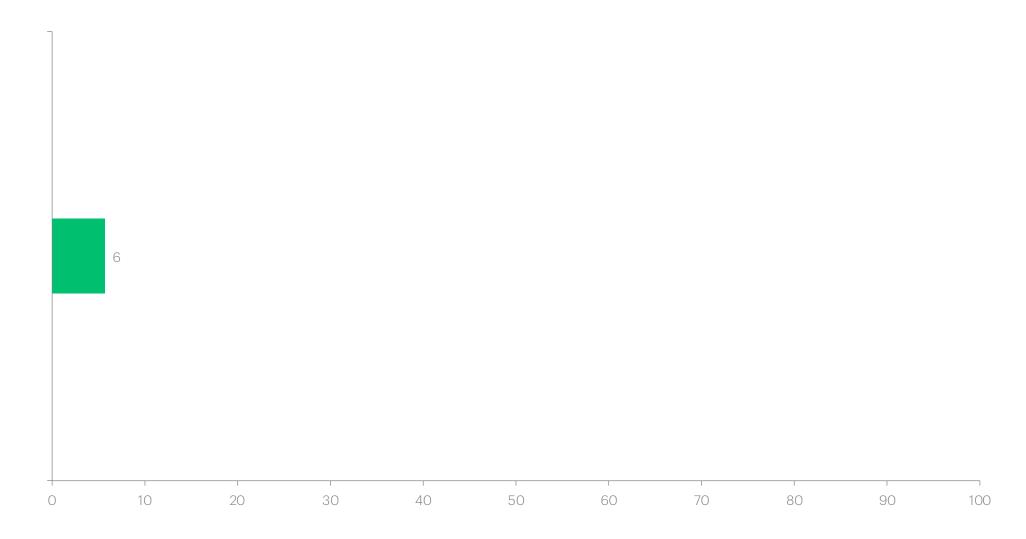




# Fraze Team member survey results



# Q1: How long have you worked for the City of Kettering?



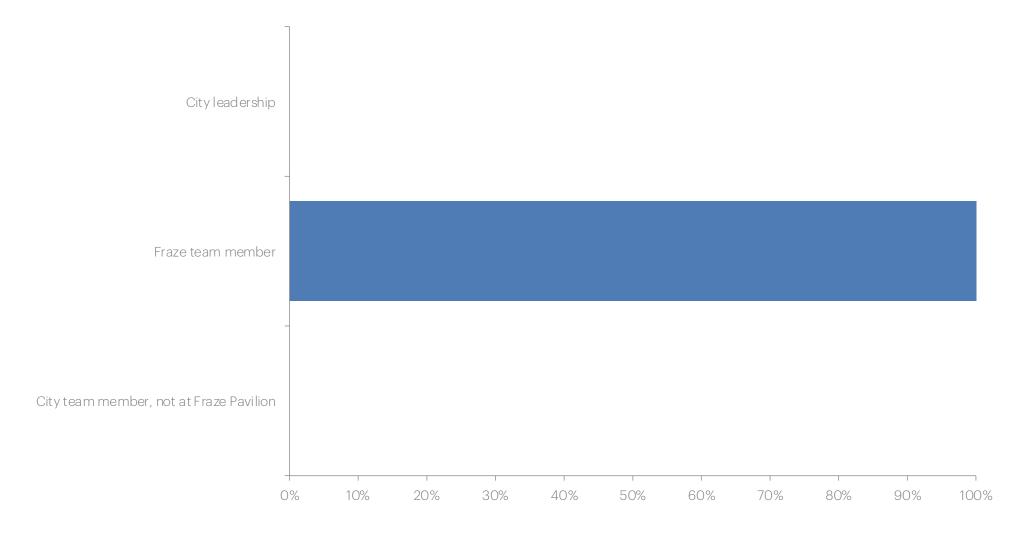


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# Q2: What is your role within the City of Kettering?





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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City leadership	0.00%	0
Fraze team member	100.00%	116
City team member, not at Fraze Pavilion	0.00%	0
TOTAL		116



#### Q3: What do you believe is the goal of Fraze Pavilion?

- Bring guests together to enjoy great music and enjoy the surrounding area.
- Bringing the community together
- Community engagement.
- Customer service, quality, and efficiency.
- Entertainment
- Entertainment for the community
- For community building
- Freeze pavilion provides an experience for musicians and fans to enjoy music To bring the community together and have a fun time. that's not possible with recordings.
- great concerts for reasonable prices
- great times safe experience
- I believe the goal is to entertain the local community with various musical acts.
- I believe the goal of Fraze Pavilion is to provide a safe, secure environment for To give the best live music experience and bring the community together concerts and events.
- making the people happy and having a good experience
- Music entertainment. Community building.
- Neighbor hood entertainment geared towards many different ages and aenres
- Offer affordable, quality entertainment to area residents while providing awesome experiences for every guest.
- Provide a fun environment, great music and festivals
- Provide entertainment in nice environment, in the front of the house and good technical quality and hospitality in the back of the house.
- Provide entertainment to all guests while also providing an excellent experience to view this entertainment across the board when they visit the facility.

- Provide quality entertainment for the community & beyond at an affordable price.
- Providing a safe, family friendly event venue
- The goal is to have good entertainment in a relaxed atmosphere and family friendly.
- To allow people to have fun, enjoy themselves, and experience a good time out
- To connect guests to positive experiences via concerts/festivals.
- To create a fun and safe environment.
- To create a sense of community for the community through entertainment
- To enhance the cultural experience of our community by bringing music groups and artists to perform.
- To give the public an affordable venue to see high quality music and other shows.
- To have fun and enjoy the show!
- To have fun and give the community an opportunity to enjoy music and the citv.
- To offer a safe and fun venue for kettering city residents as well as other community residents
- To offer entertainment to the general public at a great price
- To produce a variety of quality entertainment/events while providing outstanding service for the guests, artists and team members in a safe environment.



#### Q3: What do you believe is the goal of Fraze Pavilion?

- To provide a friendly and safe environment to enjoy music and community
- To provide a fun and safe experience
- To provide a high-standard summer entertainment venue for the City of Kettering and the region.
- To provide a positive experience for quest.
- To provide a safe and fun environment for people to enough different events •
- To provide a safe and positive experience for all guests at a variety of events.
- To provide a variety of live music, festivals, and events to the public, in a safe, To provide quality music and entertainment for the Kettering/Dayton area clean and fun atmosphere.
- To provide an enjoyable experience at an outdoor music venue in a family type of atmosphere. Providing customer service that is above the rest.
- To provide an inviting atmosphere for guests to enjoy music, festivals, and community.
- To provide community entertainment at a reasonable cost
- To provide entertainment to everyone in a positive and professional manner. To provide the community with enjoyable activities
- To provide entertainment to the community.
- To provide entertainment to the community.
- To provide entertainment, festivals for family gatherings and educational events
- as well as to the people living in outlying communities.

- To provide fun, quality affordable and enjoyable summer entertainment to the community
- To provide guests with a fun, safe venue to enjoy music and festivals at a reasonable price.
- To provide outdoor music entertainment to the community.
- To provide quality entertainment. Superior customer service. Community engagement.
- (affordable is also a plus) within a safe environment.
- To provide quality service and entertainment to the community.
- To provide the citizenship of Kettering and surrounding communities a place to enjoy music and entertainment in a park setting.
- To provide the community and surrounding areas with a safe space for quality entertainment and events.
- To provide the summer's best music
- To provided a fun and entertaining space for guest and a nice place to spend time outside of a show.
- To provider quality entertainment to the community at affordable prices
- "To provide fun and affordable concerts/entertainment to Kettering residents Welcome the greater Dayton communities to experience and enjoy the City of Kettering through entertaining and educational activities in a beautiful park setting.



## Q4: Do you believe Fraze accomplishes that goal? Please explain your answer.

- 100%
- 9/10 most guest I see leave always had a good time. You have the occasional guest who say we could improve.
- Depends on who you ask. Many locals feel that the Fraze doesn't bring any good/current acts and they have to go elsewhere to seek entertainment. Many comparisons made to the Rose.
- Fraze is successful as many guests keep returning and love to share their positive feedback.
- From my position in the back of the house yes.
- Generally. This year 2024 seems very light
- I believe that the goal above is accomplished by Fraze through their serviceminded approach with guests and relationships throughout the city.
- I believe that we try our best with what is in our control. There are some aspects of safety I think we should explore. I also think what we define as a positive experience will vary by guest. Some may say our parking limitations (especially accessible parking) may negatively impact their experience.
- I believe we do the very best we can with the facility and tools we are given by the city.
- I do believe that we have been successful in meeting this goal. I received many comments from our guest about how beautiful the park is and that they enjoy the outdoor music and festivals.
- I DO believe the Fraze meets the goal the majority of the time. We go above and beyond to meet any need a guest has.
- i think we try to do our best.

- Mostly true. A very few have not learned the knack of smiling and helping guests feel truly welcome.
- No. For several years we have had mediocre acts and the seasons have been short. I count on the Fraze for money during the summer. It is disappointing to have such sparse seasons.
- Not always. We seem to get the same acts every year... cover bands and old bands.
- Not really. We need more shows that start around Memorial Day and go into The middle of September. Tribute shows are nice when the sell out, but not 700 tickets and they don't need me to work. Headliners would be great. Not has beens. We used to have 3 or 4 shows a week.
- Sometimes
- Sometimes, we need better shows and to be spread out through the summer
- Somewhat. I think affordability has become an issue of late and I am not seeing the same quality of acts that I have seen in the venues past.
- The Fraze does a fair job of obtaining entertainers to perform at the Fraze during the summer months.
- The team does an amazing job at providing awesome guest experiences. The quality has suffered in recent years.
- To the best of our ability, yes. We must work within constraints that include infrastructure capacities, electric capacities, dated equipment that is outside our control. We control our attitudes and we strive to give each guest the best of ourselves at each event.



## Q4: Do you believe Fraze accomplishes that goal? Please explain your answer.

- Yes.
- · Yes.
- · Yes.
- Yes. Fraze has been programming the amphitheatre and Lincoln Park Commons successfully for many years now.
- Yes. I think that the events and concerts at the Fraze are very community friendly. I also think that many of the people on the Fraze team are very driven to improve the experience for the community.
- Yes. Most performances are available for under \$100 a ticket, which, by comparison, is quite reasonable compared to other venues.
- Yes. People are always saying what a great venue it is
- Yes. Community members attending seem to appreciate and enjoy events, venue is clean and well managed
- Yes. Each year the team continues to bring in and build relationships with music groups to continue that commitment.
- Yes. I just started but I feel like so far it has done that.
- Yes. It's in a great area and the layout is more personal than larger venues
- Yes. The crowds of people at the events show the love that people have for the Fraze.
- Yes. The variety of events ensures there is something for everyone
- yes. there are always something for everyone to come see
- Yes... leadership is wonderful. They listen and are understanding of one's needs



#### Q5: Please explain what you believe is the community perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- "A beautiful outdoor venue... they believe it's much prettier than the rose. I've Great venue and value heard that the audio at the rose is distorted because of the ceiling and the closure.
- The fraze is a beautiful place and the staff is so nice."
- A community gathering event whereupon individuals attend to enjoy the festivities and forget their troubles for a time.
- A cozy music venue nestled in a unique neighborhood.
- A place to go to see washed up artists, cover bands and attend food festivals.
- A vast majority of people love it. I have a lot of complaints about recreational "smoking" in the venue.
- A very few feel there are too many rules. Others feel the Fraze can no longer compete for top name entertainment.
- An expensive, money pit that provides music.
- Based on the many positive comments I hear, I think most people see it as an asset to the community.
- Bringing people together from different cultures and backgrounds.
- Concert venue that sells fair priced tickets and is beautifully maintained.
- From the attendees who have shared their experiences I would say positive. Only complaint I have heard is they want better well known performers. They do pike the 5 dollar shows
- Fun
- Fun place to visit for concerts
- Fun, clean community entertainment venue
- Good times for a Great price. A commmunity asset!
- Great look from community, smiling faces

- I believe it is mainly positive but there are complaints about the rain plan and bad check rules
- I believe people enjoy it.
- I believe residents of Kettering appreciate the Fraze and the way it draws others to our community. They see the Fraze as a family friendly venue.
- I believe that people see the fraze as a place to go to concerts when it is much more than that
- I believe the community enjoys and is proud of the Fraze
- I believe the community enjoys many activities at Fraze. Many enjoy the music as well.
- I believe the community perception is that the Fraze is one of the most unique ways to bring people together through music and entertainment.
- I believe the community perception of Fraze is one where we do events fairly well, but could have a better facility that would allow for bigger acts, better amenities, and the ability to compete amongst the numerous regional event venues.
- I believe the community perception of Fraze is that it is well run and well taken care of. It always appears clean and well kept.
- I believe the community sees Fraze as their venue. Folks have an "ownership" in Fraze when they talk about it.
- I believe the community sees the Fraze as an asset to the City of Kettering.

### Q5: Please explain what you believe is the community perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- I believe the majority of the community has a positive perception of Fraze, though the "community" goes way beyond the immediate Kettering Community. Though there are those, on a smaller scale, that refer to staff as "Fraze nazi's", generally because staff enforce rules for the safety of the guests.
- I feel like community excitement about the Fraze is fading a little.
- I feel most people think it's a great venue, but a little over-board on some of the rules.
- I have witnessed it.
- I think for the most part the community has a positive perception of the Fraze.
  However, I have heard staff be spoken to and spoken about quite negatively. I do think some folks do not like the rules and some have expressed opinions
  about ticket costs and event variety.
- I think it is mostly positive. I think most are thinking it is more a community music space rather than something that brings in top acts.
- I think people like coming to concerts.
- I think the community is appreciative of what the Fraze Pavilion provides, and I witness many return customers year after year and show after show.
- I think the community likes that Fraze is there but wishes there were bigger/more popular acts performing
- I think the community really likes the Fraze.
- I think the community sees Fraze as their venue for top-notch summer entertainment and are very proud of it.
- · I think they enjoy it when we have more of a full calendar
- In general, I think the perception is overall good.

- It is a safe, welcoming, fun and friendly environment.
- It is an asset, an integral part of the City.
- It is an intimate venue where music and other events can be attended.
- It's a nice small intimate venue. Prices are low. Easy to get in and out of.
- its a nice place to see shows.
- Many in Kettering consider Fraze part of the foundation just like any other park. They enjoy the beauty and ease of the venue.
- Most people that I have spoke with, that live around The Fraze compliment on the cleanliness of the park.
- Need of bigger/better entertainment. Cover bands are cheaper to hire but I don't believe that is what people want.
- Not bringing in as many big acts, but still enjoyable events.
- Old people and old bands. Some love it, some don't. Depends on if you have a good mix of talent at the shows.
- Overall I believe the community is supportive, I see people using the park all of the time.even when we have shows, there are community members walking around and or sitting up in the park listening to the music
- Same as #4. The community also perceives that the Fraze isn't as fun as other venues since they think we have more rules. Not issuing wrist bands and check ID's may be a good first step
- That is it a place for everyone and is highly regarded
- That the location is convenient, and the price is fair
- The community looks to Fraze as a place to go to have a good time in the fellowship of each other.



## Q5: Please explain what you believe is the community perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- The people love it, although they would like more shows
- they like local shows but wish for more true entertainers and not cover bands
- This is two sided. We have dedicated guests who love our facility and our staff. We also have many who feel we are a dated facility in comparison to other venues of the same size and that we struggle to book entertainment that the public wishes to see.
- We have a positive fan base for the most part. People that are negative, have had past bad experiences for reasons identified in social media or on internet sites; most beyond our control.
- "Welcoming
- Proud neighbors "
- What I hear from the community is that the Fraze is snooty. Security is the main complaint. People come to a concert to drink, see their favorite band, and have a good time. There is, obviously, a limit. But security needs to relax a bit.



#### Q6: Please explain what is the team perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- A beautiful venue, and a shared team effort to ensure guests have a memorable experience at Frame pavilion.
- A fun place of work, where team members can provide for the community.
- Affable, professional, and accommodating.
- All for one and one for all.
- As a team member, I enjoy the people I work with at Fraze. I think most other's do as well.
- As a team, we all believe whole-heartedly in the Fraze.
- Everyone seems proud to be part of the team.
- family feeling, we take care of each other
- Friendly, hard working and positive people who are willing to go the extra mile to promote our philosophy, and do our best to make sure our guests are happy.
- From my perspective, the team is very proud to be a part of the Fraze operations.
- Fun
- Fun and hard work.
- Fun and Saftey
- Fun clean community entertainment venue, great place to work
- Fun place to work.
- Fun time enjoyable work
- Great venues and value just need more shows and more variety
- Great, beautiful facility that may need some upgrading
- I believe that the team buys into the goals of Fraze; however, they find it difficult to execute with lack of infastructure upgrades, technology limitations and city processes.

- I believe that the team perception is one that highlights the focus on guest service, security, and safety, while trying to engage all guests and members of the community that choose to spend time at Fraze.
- I believe the Team is proud to work at Fraze. There are many team members that return year after year to work at the facility. The leaders make it feel like a family!
- I believe the teams love it because most people have been coming back for years.
- I feel it is positive. People enjoy working at the Fraze
- I feel most team members enjoy working at Fraze and appreciate the recent rule changes, especially at the gates.
- I think most of the staff feel that Fraze is their "fun job", and that we are a family. Though there are times, that upper management, who say they have an "open door" policy to bring anything to them, will cause dissention in the ranks when they show a lack of respect for the staff when something is brought to them by sharing the information with others.
- I think our team has a good perception of the Fraze. It seems like the folks I work with enjoy working at the Fraze.
- I think people like to work there. Enjoying the music is a perk since the pay is not very much.
- I think the team enjoys working at the Fraze. Many people return for multiple seasons.
- I think the team I work with sees Fraze as their "fun job".
- I think the team perception of the fraze is that we are a tight knit group that have to make guest happy.



#### Q6: Please explain what is the team perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- I'm not sure what others think but speaking for myself I think it's a fun place
- It is a fun place to work.
- It is a great place to work, the team works together as a family, looking out for each other and having fun. On the down side, we are not getting the bigger acts that we have in the past, which has dampen enthusiasm for guests and staff.
- It is a safe, welcoming, fun and friendly environment
- It is enjoyable to work there.
- It's the greatest place to be at. And they're right.
- It's a fun place to work.
- Many begin to take ownership over how things are done and perception of Fraze. They like to think of it as a team/home.
- Most believe the leadership is poor. There used to be someone dedicated to the success of the Fraze. Currently the leadership is going through the motions. The excitement is gone. There is no one making it special.
- Most seem to really like and support it
- My team has a positive attitude about the Fraze. Some concepts are a little dated when it comes to handling different types of crowds.
- My team is worried about the lack of shows. Understanding that the competition is big, feel that some creativity and maybe more seeking out of

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- My team seems to love it and be very supportive the Fraze
- Nice place to work
- Nice place to work
- Positive, the training helps as well as the brief and debrief at each event.
- Safe, clean, fun environment
- Same as community. In addition, great teamwork.
- Something to do during school breaks/retirement to make extra money and occasionally catch a decent concert.
- Staff is professional and team oriented
- Team Leaders don't really "lead." There isn't enough effective management of the teams.
- That it is a great place to work and build relationships
- The pavilion is a place that provides activities and events for the community
- The team believes Fraze offers entertainment for a good price. Our #1 goal is to ensure our guests have a good time. We provide excellent customer service.
- The team I work with is a great bunch of people doing the best they can with what they have been given.



#### Q6: Please explain what is the team perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- The team I work with is very pro Fraze. We love working at the Fraze and want our guests to have positive experiences while at the Fraze. Our goal is to provide a positive experience for those who visit the Fraze, whether they are local and out of state guests.
- The team perception is that we all work together to commit to the goal of bringing entertainment and building community for the city of Kettering and it's visitors.
- The team's perception of Fraze Pavilion is a way to make other people's day in terms of customer service.
- To provide a quality service to the general public that embraces fun and leisure activities for all
- We LOVE our jobs! Those us of us that have been here a long time are somewhat sad to see the standards of Fraze slipping. We feel the City turns a blind eye to the needs of the facility and staff. The pay is not good for staff and honestly leads to less than quality hires. Repeat maintenance issues and dated equipment. Making it as hard as it can possibly be to purchase items needed due to "City finance rules" can leave you without items and no one caring because they don't do the job themselves. We wish the City leaders loved Fraze as much as we do.



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- A beautiful place to gather for many different events
- "A place where the community can come together and enjoy all types of genre of music and entertainment of
- new (tribute bands) and classic bands"
- A safe environment where people can gather for music and festivals.
- A very cozy venue that is easily accessible to the community.
- A well-organized, respectable institution that presents great events.
- · Adding something worthwhile while into the lives of everyone involved.
- Being a place the community can come together. The festivals are great.
- Bringing community together.
- Bringing everyone together to let loose, enjoy some good food and entertainment.
- Bringing people together
- Bringing people together to enjoy free, community activities as well as ticketed events.
- brings different groups from the community together
- · Creating community events.
- Entertainment
- Entertainment and a local facility to bring good music tot the area
- Family-friendly entertainment and festivals.
- Fraze Fan Fare for ticket buying options, and offering the venue space to
  include events that meet the needs and interests of everyone- people come
  from many places to attend the shows and hear the types of music that they
  love!

- Fun affordable summer entertainment venue because it is convenient, safe, accessible to community
- Great music and good times.
- Great place to hold outdoor venues and festivals.
- I believe Fraze biggest contribution is that it offers a safe location where adults can relax, have a drink and enjoy a date night of great music without leaving their local community.
- I believe Fraze's greatest contribution to the community is that we provide a space where one can make memories with their families, meet their favorite artists, and participate in community events centered on bringing everyone together. We offer a space where groups can come in and we can make it work for them in terms of what their ideal event is.
- I believe it's greatest contribution is providing a beautiful outdoor location for community to come together and enjoy entertainment.
- I believe our greatest contribution to the community lies in the fact that we try
  to provide something for every guest and give outstanding service in the
  process.
- I believe that by having an outdoor music venue in a neighborhood setting is a unique experience. The fact that there is a diversity of music makes it even more special.
- I think the biggest contribution the fraze gives to the community is giving them an outlet to come together and share experiences.
- It allows people to have fun close to where they live and brings others in from other areas



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- It brings in music and money in for the city.
- It enhances the opportunity to experience entertainment via various genres and various age groups in a nice environment.
- It gives the community a chance to come together and have a good time with all different types of people.
- It is a social gathering place, providing the community opportunities to see and hear local and national talent. The park also provides the community a place to walk sit and reflect, relax in a natural setting.
- It's a well kept, fun, centrally located venue where folks can go for a reasonable price.
- It's adaptability. One night is a concert venue with a national act the next a festival the next it's back to being a city park.
- local entertainment at a low cost.
- Local events for families and members of the community, ensuring people quality entertainment
- Location and friendly staff
- N/a
- Offering a place for people to gather and hear music inexpensively.
- Our versatility we are a park, we are a festival spot, we are a concert venue, we are a place for community events.
- Provides major music stars to come to our community.
- Providing a space for entertainment.
- Providing a unique way to build community through performing arts.
- Providing Arts at a reasonable price and a feeling of community

- Providing entertainment and community awareness. Activities like Spass Nacht, put on by the sister cities organization, allow people to see what is happening in their community. The Blick Party provides the same by having informational booths for city organizations.
- Providing entertainment locally.
- Providing fun and family events.
- Providing quality events and concerts. It is a lovely place to come and enjoy a day or evening with family and friends.
- Providing quality events in a unique venue. For some folks, you couldn't get a better seat at our ticket cost.
- Providing the best summer entertainment options (primarily live music) to the citizens of the City of Kettering while the region also benefits.
- Space to bring people together for food, music & fun
- That it's been a long-standing contribution to the community. People like what's familiar and reliable.
- The beauty of our facility, bringing entertainment to the community in a park setting is a massive plus to choosing to live or visit here. Having staff, many of whom return year after year here, to smile, treat you like Fraze family is a warm and inviting feeling.



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- The best sound and experience
- The fact that most shows are reasonably priced. And the safety of having the presence of the police and EMT on site.
- The festivals are probably the greatest contribution because of the way they connect people and offer a communal hangout.
- The Fraze's contribution is that it provides a safe and convenient venue for people to come together for a fun night out with friends or family.
- The free events that brings in vendors, local artists, love of community in allowing anyone and everyone to attend.
- "The greatest contribution of Fraze to the community is to provide a venue of entertainment to its guests and to build community.
- •
- The park and a place to gather to meet and greet your neighbors
- They participate in many community events. Their contribution to the community is immense. There is almost too much community and not enough paid events.



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- As far as operations, I would love to see things come into a more automated operation. For example, at concessions we are still counting bottle caps and all items to get a sales count. I would love to see a POS system come into place which I think would help things run a bit smoother and help staff expedite customers a bit better.
- Better management skills in every position. Not sure if the different roles go through Management training, but it is sorely lacking.
- Better organization
- Better resolutions for when shows are canceled due to weather. Possibly trying to reschedule the event if refunds are not possible.
- Book more popular acts, because some people seem to think the good days of the Fraze are behind us
- · Can't think of anything
- Concession stands are not adequate, especially for sold-out shows. Guests wait in line way too long.
- Extend the time for concerts by 1 hour
- From an improvement stand point after experiencing the Fraze for many
  years it would be great to see there be a leadership position where the team
  can be as creative if not more so to bring more diverse talent and create more
  opportunities for local acts to perform as well. If this position was created
  perhaps the team could find grants and build more programs for local artists
  and continue to bring in big acts as well.
- Have a better rain/refund plan
- I believe in treating EVERYONE the way that they want to be treated, not just certain people.
- I believe the Fraze needs to advertise more. There are so many people I tell

- about upcoming acts that have not heard about the Fraze schedule.
- I believe we are doing all we can with what we have. We have a very creative team willing to make changes, but lack the resources to do so.
- I don't really know enough about operation to suggest change. I wonder why not more festivals and concerts and why attendance at some events not higher.
- I recognize that there's a lot that goes into that I don't know about, but if we could get more modern acts, we might be able to sell out more shows.
- I think bringing in bigger more current music would be great.
- I think Fraze operates very well. There are no changes I would recommend, operationally.
- I think that we should sell water at the gates. Some guest have had a few drinks before arriving and tend to get dehydrated before entering the gates.
- I think they should have registers with all the products for better tracking versus counting everything daily.
- I think we need to make updates that would allow us to fully function as an event/concert venue. This includes backstage functions, set-up for merch sales, etc. We are in desperate need of a POS system to track sales in a variety of capacities.
- I would have a shorter, more packed season, rather than having it all spread out over 5 months because it makes the actual workload feel extremely light.
- I would have the Fanfare ticket office open longer during the day to allow those in our community who work during the week to have access to the ticket office when they leave work. Currently, we close at 3:00 which is not convenient for most employed people. Perhaps staying open until 6:00 pm would be helpful.



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- I would like to see
- · I would not change anything.
- If I could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, I would change the amount of time and effort spent to setting up and tearing down the venue.
   The lack of a permanent or semi permanent perimeter means that one must be set up for each and every event. Tents, tables, chairs also must be set up daily, requiring hours of working hours.
- If we are to continue to book national acts, we would benefit from upgrades to concessions, user friendly POS credit card machines, ticket scanners, posters noting third party ticket buying disclaimers.
- Its operation seems to be pretty spot on. I wish live nation didn't freeze us out of the bigger shows that we used to have but it seems to plug along.
- just started out so not sure of changes currently
- Longer season.
- More big name artists.
- More consistent work hours and better pay for summer/part time work
- more seating for shows
- More shows
- More top shows
- N/a
- Na

- NA
- Nothing
- Nothing comes to mind at this time, if anything it might be our ability to get sponsors/ donations that could be used to bring in larger talent or upgrade facilities.
- Nothing right at this moment
- Nothing, it's great!
- One thing I would change is to have Fraze managed by an entity other than the city. I think, being a city owned venue, though very successful for many years, today, does not allow the venue to be competitive with like venues. The budget does not allow for it.
- Our infrastructure has been woefully ignored. We have done the best we can
  with what we have for as many years as possible. We are officially at an
  impasse will money be invested to continue/grow the operation or will we
  need to stop competing in the market.
- Pay is low.
- Pay is too low.
- "Perhaps entertainment prior to the beginning of the event-balloons, balls, bubbles and/or staff walking around the sitted guests pumping them up/ music playing.



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- In addition, more local advertisement"
- Recruit sooner, train more thoroughly. Guests may see mor friendly smiles, and receive more consistent answers about rules and policies.
- Review the current concessions workflows. The long lines are huge dissatisfiers to the community.
- Salary, too low.
- That the concessions team is allowed to accept tips upon sale. As a "business", patrons want to show their support and love to the workers and most are shocked when not allowed to give in those regards.
- The city's ownership of the Fraze. The rules the city has can be a big contributer to the environment and experience we have. Both as employees and patrons.
- The size of the venue, the more the merrier.
- The ticket office at the venue is quite chaotic.
- Times of starting and gates opening are a little off.
- We NEED more space for concessions and storage. We are busting at the seams.
- When multiple people have an issue with a certain team member, the issue never seems to be addressed. That's frustrating.



## Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- Access for the handicapped. As our guests age the will need more ADA parking spots, access to restrooms and concessions
- Again I think advertising is something the Fraze should increase. Whether it's paper publications, radio ads, social media ads or billboards an increase in ads could increase ticket sales.
- As stated in #9, and other overall facilities updates. If we are losing money, then we need to review our operating procedures. What does our community expect us to be?
- back stage accommodations for artist. make bigger might bring more acts in •
- Backstage could use an update
- "Better accessibility to increase access.
- Recycle! To be a good steward of the environment. "
- Book better acts... I think the "why" is obvious.
- Bringing in more current musicians would bring more revenue.
- Can't think of anything
- Concession choices and lines. More variety of shows
- Concessions registers are needed to move people along. This isn't a peewee
   ball game where parents are running the concession stand. This is legit food and beverage service. The craft beer tent should not be using money belts
   making change for the customer.
- Concessions and storage. Without improved concessions(electric) we have long lines and upset guests.
- Concessions because it's the one thing that stays busy the whole night.
- Costumer service experience. The concert attendees should feel so happy when they leave that they cannot wait to return to the next event.

- Education about 3rd party vendors. Too many people have been taken by them and paid extremely high prices
- Facilities updates (including concessions) and using a POS system that is up to date and functional.
- Find a way to get more staff so events aren't short staffed, more specifically for concessions. People complain a lot about how long the lines are for concessions.
- Food lines because, of missing the music.
- Handicap seating in lawn and terrace are an issue, to go along with that terrace first eight rows can see if the lawn is standing, especially on a sold out show. Pillars on stage causing a limited view, redesign so they don't obscure the view. Getting shade over the house without putting up a stationary roof
- Have another bathroom for handicap individuals, a ramp in addition the stairs to gain access to the lower seats, beer carts in the pavilion, a water station and fans on hot days like Riverbend provides.
- I do not know that one.
- I think that the fraze lacks when it comes to set up and tear down, takes too long.
- I would like to see more current musicians, especially in the rock/pop genre.
- In my mind, improvements to the venue itself would be the place to start. Our facility is at least 30 years old and the existing structures could use updates.
- Infastructure will always remain at the top of the list; however, a clear direction from City officials would help us gauge what to prioritize.



#### Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- Infrastructure. Fraze is falling behind the times with seating, concessions and Possibly the concessions area, tends to a very small working area and limits technology.
- INFRASTRUCTURE. To be able to run event the smallest of events here at Fraze more smoothly, there needs to be infrastructure that allows for the team to better serve the guests. This includes backstage, dressing rooms, updated kitchen area for catering, ADA seating, and the concessions area.
- Making sure all of the team members are treated equally.
- Maybe more festivals and attracting artists that pull in larger crowds
- More access for handicapped guest.
- More shows
- More top artists, better handicaps parking
- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- Not sure
- Not sure
- Not sure
- Not sure.
- Pay attention when multiple people raise same issue. Improve quality and quantity of artists appearing.
- Plaza seating is much too cramped. Not enough room between rows to assist guests in finding seats, correcting issues, or resolving seating concerns. Larger-sized guests are very uncomfortable. The plaza should be treated like first class on an airplane.... comfortable with leg room. They pay the extra price for the seats and should reap a greater benefit.

- available food items.
- refer to 8
- Remodel
- Retention. Increasing pay and targeting younger workers could help rejuvenate sales and staff.
- Same as #8
- Seating!!
- Securing quality acts/artists, people can see shows at so many places now. Fraze is close to the community and seeing a top notch performer is something people are willing to do-especially if it's in their community
- The Plaza and Orchestra should have a hand stamp. Showing ticket each time they leave their sit causes guest to be very upset as they usually have their hands full upon returning, a lot of congestion.
- The Plaza seating is atrocious. Chairs are too close together and you can't even walk through a row easily. Those folks pay the most money and deserve a better experience.
- The Venue should be considered for major updates. The patrons are aging and having to sit on a lawn for any length of time is beginning to effect patron interest. Weather is also a concern for many. The facility's seating areas (fixed, portable or lawn) are not weather-protected. This puts the venue at a huge disadvantage with other regional entertainment options when depending on advance ticket sales.
- "There is more than one area I think needs to be improved.



## Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- 1. Concessions There are constant complaints about long lines
- 2. Merchandise It would be nice to have a stationary place instead of one on wheels.
- 3. More restrooms Though the restrooms are good size, when there is a sold-out show, there doesn't seem to be enough.
- 4. Update the credit card system.
- 5. Put in a stationary ATM As it is, the ATM has to be taken in and out every time there is an event.

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- Ticket office at venue needs to be larger and have better acces to speak to guests.
- Ticket prices.
- Update the look a little. Power wash the concrete areas and planters, light casings, etc. they look dirty and old.
- Update the physical venue. What worked in 1991 doesn't work well in 2024. Artists deserve a better dressing area, lines are long at concessions due to insufficient space, pulling items in and out each night creates wear & tear.
- We need massive infrastructure changes our backstage is inadequate for a multitude of reasons, our concessions building is the same, ADA seating is shameful, and so on and so on.....



#### Q10: What has been your greatest achievement at Fraze Pavilion?

- Being a team player so that our guests have a great experience.
- Being able to work each season with such a dedicated and caring staff, helping guests have a fun experience
- Bringing together a great setup team that I truly believe can successfully deliver this season.
- Chit chatting with guests- meeting new friends
- Collaborating with the team
- Creating systems for which none existed. Cost and profit margin grids, inventory grids, kitchen protocols. Creating moral building events for staff.
- Doing my best on show days to help our clients and customers with their issues.
- Getting through a sold out show!
- Getting to know fun people that adore serving their community.
- having a great experience with the people.
- helping guest find the perfect show or seating for their shows requested
- I enjoy helping people have a good night. I like smiling and engaging with the crowd. Letting them know the Fraze staff cares.
- I enjoy working in a fun team-oriented environment with caring and knowledgable managers.
- I have been privileged to work with a great team and have been trusted with more responsibilities this season.
- I have built relationships with touring managers, companies, and artists
  through their hospitality experience which keeps them coming back to
  perform at the Fraze. The artists and companies continually say how special it

is to be in Kettering to perform and would pick our venue over others to return to no matter how small or big the fan base/fame is of the artist. I personally feel we have also maintained the backstage area as best as we can because our staff cares about the facility and its longevity.

- I just started, so I'm not sure yet.
- I would say that one of my greatest achievements was building a team committed to the success of Fraze in an everchanging and unpredictable entertainment business. We do this all within the confines of city government which can be difficult at times.
- I've only done 2 shows. I think just making it through a busy night honestly.
- Just the opportunity to work with guests to make their day. To hear happy patrons as they exit the facility.
- · Learning all I can about the venue, by working with multiple teams.
- Learning to coexist with many personalities
- Making a guest's day and the opportunity to learn and work with some of the friendliest, talented, and hard working people! The longevity of many of the staff speaks to the type of environment we work in.
- Making life long friends
- Making new friends.
- Making sure folks with mobility issues were placed so that they could see the performance. Finding a knife while bag checking.
- Meeting more people in the community.
- Meeting new people
- my achievements would give away my identity



#### Q10: What has been your greatest achievement at Fraze Pavilion?

- My first night working, man was upset cause he could not find his glasses. I found them with my trusty flashlight. He was so happy and was going to tell team lead about me.
- My greatest achievement at Fraze Pavilion has been helping to implement greater security measures in terms of wanding and walk through metal detectors. Over the years, guests have mentioned how
- My greatest achievement has been providing the best customer service and finding the best ways to do that. It has also been creating so many lasting relationships through the years.
- My greatest achievement is being able to make a difference to the community.
- N/A
- New experience, new people, great and friendly team
- No sure
- Not sure
- Pride in my work.
- Providing a friendly face and helpful attitude to our guests.
- Rising in the ranks from a Fraze Aid to a Group Leader. It means a lot for the management team to trust that I can get the job done & done correctly.

- Saying hello to guests & making new friends w/ other staff
- Seeing that our guest, artist and staff have a great experience at the Fraze
- Seeing the artist first hand before a show.
- Selling out shows
- Surviving my first couple of days
- Thanking me for being courteous, polite and helpful.
- The friends I've made along the way.
- The relationships and team that I feel I have helped to build.
- This is my first year in my role and I think I have learned a lot in a short amount of time.
- Timing food prep according to the needs of various schedules and needs of various personalities.
- Tour managers and artists being thankful for everything saying they had a great day.
- Working
- Working along side great team members
- Working with a team of like minded individuals to provide excellent service to our musicians



#### Q11: Please describe your favorite Fraze Pavilion memory.

- A young girl with a boot on one foot for healing, up dancing.
- As a guest my favorite band in 2006. As a Team Member watching my fellow Team members make someone's day.
- attending a Joe Coker and Maxwell concert, two of my favourite artists.
- Attending the Earth Wind and Fire concert.
- Attending the Josh Groban concert as well as Harry Connick.
- Big named bands
- Cooking omlettes for the many Breakfast with the Beatles fans on Sunday mornings and getting to know the community. Chatting about the event schedule for the summer and what they should come out to see or what memories they had made that summer already. Seeing the many community members come out and experience our beautiful park and listen to some tunes.
- Creating memories with other team members. Our team in the box office is close and socialize outside of the regular season.
- Developing friendships throughout the years between myself and my coworkers.
- "Diana Ross and family
- Great show!"
- "Disco Inferno, we need to bring them back
- The Menus are great"
- Donna Osmond show and Downs Syndrome young girl who was so excited about him and got her picture taken with him
- Donny Osmond put on an amazing show. Everyone worked together to make it awesome for everyone.

- Donny Osmond wearing an Ohio State shirt, hanging around and talking to guests, signing autographs, and just being a super nice guy. Selling merch with Cowboy Troy- nice person too!
- Donny Osmond. So personable and connected with audiences during and after show
- Dressing up for shows.
- During the A1A show, the guests were so polite and fun. They formed a conga line while the band was playing and more and more people joined in as it went around the house.
- Feeling apart of a group and comfortable so fast
- I am new to Fraze but I had a patron couple compliment staff as being much more friendly than at any other event venues they had visited. Made me feel good about the job we were doing
- I do not have one yet.
- I don't have a favorite memory but I have favorite people. I've just enjoyed my time at the Fraze and the people I've met.
- I had the opportunity to work on the operational side for one season before the City decided to contract the position to an outside vendor. I really enjoyed working with the small...but "mighty" operations staff and I'll always think fondly of that experience.
- I have enjoyed going to the events and seeing a lot of people from school. It's like a reunion since I grew up in Kettering
- I have only started working, but just having customers respond to me being positive is so meaningful. I had a young girl tell me I "had the moves" at a concert. That made me laugh!



#### Q11: Please describe your favorite Fraze Pavilion memory.

- I have really enjoyed meeting customers from all over the area and many from out of state.
- I was able to work inside the venue for a few concerts and I really enjoyed helping direct guests to their seats and seeing their reactions to the show.
- I was at a Guess Who concert and I met a Gentleman there. Later, We started speaking on computer and then dating. He took me on a trip to Sedona Az. and ask me to marry him. We have been married 9 years.
- In general the buzz of happy people in the catering room. I never name names...there have many of those occasions.
- Johnny Depp
- · Just having fun with the team and the community while enjoying music
- Make their day.
- My favorite concerts are when they clear the plaza of seats and guests can dance. So much fun!
- My favorite memory at Fraze Pavilion was when at the end of the COVID season, after a successful half season of concerts, the seasonal team surprised me and another management member with a handwritten card and an Amazon gift card. I for sure cried and felt the love.
- My favorite memory would give away my identity
- My favorite memory, now that she is safe and healthy, was when the lady fell into the fountain and another team member and I jumped in to get her! Thankfully everyone was okay, but it still makes me laugh thinking back.
- My first season at the venue I was told by a team leader on a sold out night: "Look at all of the folks who wanted to come to our house tonight." That has

stuck with me for 16 years and I try to think of that when I'm feeling down about the current state of the venue.

- Na
- N/A
- Nelly show... even though it was raining hard and the guest were getting mad and threatening staff. we all came together quickly and controlled the sitcom could have ended bad.
- One year we did a flash mob dance for a member that was retiring. It was the most fun and made him feel loved.
- Same as #10
- Singing along to songs with coworkers
- Some of my favorite memories are when I'm with a team member and we stop for a minute in the craziness to talk about what we get to do and the days we get to make for people along the way.
- Taking pics for people at the Joey Fatone concert
- The clients and associates.



#### Q11: Please describe your favorite Fraze Pavilion memory.

- The first night I worked and the guitar started playing, hearing that was amazing and it was so exciting. It's like that every show for me.
- The first season I worked.
- The Moody Blues in 2004. They played into 1:20 am
- The way the more experienced employees helped me to understand what to do.
- There are many, probably the most consistent is when the artist are interacting with the guest, coming off stage and playing to everyone top to bottom, weird Al pushing a guest into the pond. Even when ticket office does an upgrade for someone, the energy that comes from those guests is special and the goodwill advertising doesn't hurt in the long term.
- There is way too many to mention honestly. I have been there a while and have had many favorite memories.
- When I was able to talk to guest at the gate.
- Working with so many super nice people
- Working with the team I'm part of. They are amazing!



## Q12: What do you believe are the biggest hurdles for a customer attending an event Fraze Pavilion?

- "1. I believe one of our greatest hurdles is for our ADA guests. We are unable to provide the service expected due to limitations with the layout of the seating area.
- 2. Long lines and lack of technology in concessions"
- Accessibility for some is difficult
- Bag rules
- Concession lines
- Concession lines,
- Concession lines, bathrooms. Everyone has trouble finding them and they can be quite a walk for handicapped or older guests.
- Concession lines. Rain. Also a lack of attention or knowledge that they can obtain from OUR website, APP, and social media posts about Etix, FAQs, venue info, policies, etc.
- Cost
- Fraudulent tickets, long lines for food/drink, non-refundable/reschedule for canceled shows due to weather
- · Getting food and drinks at the concession stands and tents.
- "Handicap parking
- · Choices of shows"
- Handicap parking.
- Having to re-show tickets when returning from seats. Inconvenient with their
   phones or food/drink in their hands. Difficult to find seats in the plaza
   because seat numbers are on the back of the chairs and not all chairs are
   numbered.
- Honoring the bag policy--the Fraze isn't the only venue that has one, but

customers perceive the Fraze isn't customer friendly

- I believe that the biggest hurdles for a guest attending an event at Fraze Pavilion would be ADA seating in terms of buying tickets and getting to the seating area. ADA parking is also an issue and can prevent a smooth entry into the event.
- I don't know of the hurdles since I am in the back of the house.
- I feel that sometimes the fro t of house people are a little too unfriendly
- I think the biggest hurdle is consistency in Fraze policies being reinforced.
- I think the biggest hurdles are in perception, not in actual tasks. Guests perceive the security as a big hurdle but they take for granted what it gives them and fail to realize other venues are the same if not more.
- "If you require ADA seats chances are you will be let down (unable to see) and that breaks my heart.
- If you are thirsty or hungry chances are you may have a wait if it is a busy show.
- '
- Limited seats
- Lines at concession, lines at restroom at intermission, having to show their tickets to go into orchestra and plaza and shade
- Locating the restrooms.
- Long concession lines, lack of proper ADA accommodations.
- Long concession lines.
- Long lines



## Q12: What do you believe are the biggest hurdles for a customer attending an event Fraze Pavilion?

- N/A
- NA
- Not many really! Everything is pretty spelled out. Maybe knowing which gate to enter.
- Not sure
- Not too many hurdles. Easy access for all.
- Parking
- Parking
- Parking can be a challenge at times since it is in various places including neighborhood streets. Concession lines tend to get long but probably not longer than most similar places. Lawn and bleacher (terrace) seating need to go away...whenever that is possible. Plaza seating is too confined and closetogether. I would never buy a plaza seat for a show because the seats are too small. Orchestra seating is the best.
- Parking is spread far, the heat is difficult sometimes (maybe utilize misters), those with disabilities have limited access, the chair policy is restrictive
- Plaza is too tight of seating and showing ticket each time the guest return to their seats.
- possibly limited handicap parking.
- Running out of ADA seating for popular shows
- Same as #13
- Seating and need more popular shows
- seating shaded areas. lines to long for food and beverage
- Security
- Security checkpoints
- Since I don't see a lot of front of house operations I cannot speak to this

- question, however I feel each year the team has done an excellent job enhancing the customer experience when the team recognizes hurdles.
- Sitting in the rain, maneuvering through the venue to get to the restrooms and waiting in long lines at concessions. Where to go when the venue is evacuated during inclement weather. Guests are not allowed to shelter in the restrooms.
- Standing in long lines, sometimes the weather
- The biggest hurdle is not announcing "cut-off" times for alcohol during concerts. Many customers get angry about small details
- The weather cooperating
- Ticket prices
- Tickets being resold and not working, and if a concert is cancelled due to inclement weather, the ability to notify concert goers is lacking if they are sent back to their vehicles
- Understanding our bag policy (and restricted items), finding parking, and waiting in lines for concessions. For some, they run into issues buying tickets from third party vendors.
- understanding rules
- Understanding the bag policy. Long walks and lack of seating for folks dropped at handicapped seating while they wait for person parking. Extremely limited handicapped parking.
- · Wait times.
- Weather
- Weather
- Weather with no cover. Cost at times.
- Weather.



## Q13: What are the biggest hurdles as a Fraze Pavilion team member?

- "1. trying to troubleshoot ADA seating issues with no solutions.
- 2. Managing backstage dressing room, production office and catering spaces due to limitations on space and budget for improvements.
- 3. Processes in finance and law departments can be difficult to get things done efficiently.
- 4. Lack of understanding from other departments about what it is that we do and how quickly we need things done as sometimes it is last minute with artist needs.
- 5. Temporary set up of concessions and lack of technology while managing long lines
- 6. Difficulty in hiring due to low wages.
- 7. Oversaturation of the market in both concerts, free events and festivals
- 8. Competition in booking and artist offers
- Being blamed for prices, repeat artists, people standing and dancing in front of other people.
- Can't think of anything
- Communication
- Could use a pay raise
- Dealing with upset guests
- explaining rules to people
- Explaining to the public that we cannot accept tips like at other city venues (the rose in Huber hts).
- For many of us, this isn't our full time job. It is really frustrating to hear stories where guests are rude over things no one can control (ex. weather) or policies that haven't changed (bag policy). I really think guests realize that the jobs

aren't easy at the Fraze. The shifts are long, breaks are short, and there is a lot to learn.

- For me getting to work on time since I work a full time job.
- Guests with 3rd party tickets and guests that drink too much
- Hours
- I dislike cleaning bird poop off the seats with a small towel and no proper cleaning solution or way to clean the towel. After a while I feel like I'm spreading bird poop around. Gloves should be provided along with presoaked (with disinfectant) towels that can be exchanged once they are dirty. We shouldn't shouldn't be cleaning all the seats with the same dirty washcloth.
- "I don't think there are major hurdles.
- Not that this is much of a hurdle but guest following rules- personal water bottles, size of purses...."
- I have enjoyed this job, but it would be helpful to know which front of house position I'm scheduled to be in before I arrive.
- Keeping people Happy and Safe.
- Knowing what I'm supposed to do at each different location.
- Lack of management skills--some folks in leadership roles should not be in them.
- Lack of work. Complacent leadership. The city's ownership gets in the way of running the Fraze like any other venue.
- Larger pay increase. Need of steady summer work schedule. This year has to be the most unfilled schedule since I began.



## Q13: What are the biggest hurdles as a Fraze Pavilion team member?

- Making sure one is well rested....and dealing with weather.
- More shows
- My two biggest hurdles are dealing with disgruntled guests who don't think the rules apply to them and certain co-workers who only talk to certain people.
- N/A
- No real hurdles as far as I'm concerned.
- None
- None noted.
- None really
- Not being able to assist guest properly.
- Not being able to snap a picture on a break!
- Not enough hours or events
- Not having updated equipment necessary at times. Pulling out and putting away a heavy cart that contains Fraze merchandise each show night. Not having a consistently working ATM. This ATM also needs to be pulled out and put away each evening.
- Not sure
- Pay is low, not many opportunities for full time positions (throughout the year)•
- Pay, number of shows worked
- people buying 3rd party tickets and getting mad when we can not honor them.
- Sometimes, the black shirted folks aren't on the same page. When working in a more remote area, it's difficult to get a break without getting on a radio.
- Team members get treated well. Everyone helps anyone who ask for it.

- The amount of paperwork.
- The biggest hurdle is probably the time between shows, if that is even a hurdle.
- The biggest hurdles are, in times of extreme lines and business, it is every man for himself. It would be nice to have runners for food at every station
- The biggest hurdles as a Fraze team member is pay, most other venues are competitive with wages and we fail to meet most venues. Facilities and infrastructure make it difficult to serve our guests in the most effective ways. Technology or lack there of prevents fast lines for concessions and merchandise sales, which cannot upset the guests.
- The heat.
- The inconsistency of the schedule of events and shows has been a challenge but it is not something that our team cannot work through. We plan and as an outdoor venue we have to plan for many outcomes such as weather. I consider our team and venue's hurdles to be minimal.
- The lack of teamwork among the different teams
- The public's frustration
- "To remain calm and polite in the presence of a rude or unruly guest.
- And teaching people how to navigate to valid online ticket sites."
- "Training. The manuals are great, the trainers are great..but hands on training is easiest for me. A tour of the venue and more knowledge of working parts
- Would help. "



## Q13: What are the biggest hurdles as a Fraze Pavilion team member?

- Trying to do our jobs the best we can with what we have to work with in the facility.
- Trying to keep up with crowd at the steps while they are juggling drinks and digging for their ticket
- Trying to please guests and upper management all of the time.
- We haven't been able to staff an event fully in years due to lack of interest because of pay and tips.
- Weather
- Weather.
- When technology or equipment isn't working properly, enforcing rules, how to deal with issues when it rains



#### Q14: STRENGTHS: A strength is an internal advantage or capability unique to the Fraze Pavilion (what is going well) In short, one-tothree-word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's strengths.

- Ability to adapt
- Backstage catering
- "Beautiful location and atmosphere.
- Great support from Managers and cooperation from team members. Variety Customer interactions of music and festival options. Returning favs."
- "Beautiful park setting
- Free parking for the events
- Friendly and helpful staff and leadership"
- Beautiful venue, kind and helpful staff with a hometown feel
- "Beautiful
- Friendly
- Entertainment "
- Beautiful, fun
- Best sound, best venue, best people
- Calvin
- Commitment to collaborating with artists to provide great performances for customers.
- Community and location
- · Community minded
- Community orientated, wants the team to enjoy working.
- Convenient, easy to meet people, can be a good time.

- "Cost-can buy tickets at store or venue without convenience fees
- Concession offerings
- Parklike setting"
- "Customer Service
- Unique experience
- Diverse music"
- Customer Service.
- "Customer service.
- Safety (quest, artist and team)"
- "Customer-service based
- Organized
- Well-managed
- Treat employees well
- Diverse programming
- Easy access
- Employees all pulling together to ensure guests enjoy the concert experience.
- Enthusiasm
- Friendly service, very clean aesthetically pleasing environment



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- "Friendly staff
- Nice venue
- Everyone tries to work well together"
- fun safe clean
- Fun, easy to attended
- "guest service
- team building and morale
- listening to team members"
- Impressive musical acts.
- In the back of the house, taking care of the guests needs. It must be hard being on the road. They like to feel a bit at home. Good food usually does the trick
- Inclusivity, Staff attitudes, the park atmosphere.
- It's team members
- Location within the community, wide variety of shows, great team of employees, beautiful facility
- "making people happy.
- having a great show."
- · Making people's night.
- More intimate venue
- "Neighborhood access

- Concerts for Easter Seals"
- Providing a variety of events
- Respect hard working
- "Service
- Variety
- Safety"
- Small venue, good acts, no cost parking, variety of events, committed staff, fairly priced concessions, etc.
- Small, intimate venue.
- Smaller venue, communicating with guests
- "Strong leadership
- Great team atmosphere "
- Supportive environment
- Team members, knowledgeable management. Beautiful setting
- team work FRIENDLYNESS
- "Teamwork is great
- Concerts have great atmosphere "
- The staff!
- Their team members
- They are clean. Safe atmosphere. Good people



#### Q15: WEAKNESSES: A weakness is an internal flaw or spot where you or the Fraze Pavilion operations may face challenges (what isn't going well). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's weaknesses.

- Concessions functions, no POS system, parking, varied seating (frustrated guests when folks won't sit down), conflicting priorities (I have been rushed in • "Infrastructure and modernization, Booking entertainment, adequate staffing my role because other areas are working on a different timeline), varied expectations, responsibility for guest behavior, etc.
- "ADA
- Infrastructure
- Pay of team members"
- Advertising on social media and marketing strategies.
- "Concession lines.
- Rain. The Taste.
- Third party ticket vendors. Fraze.com doesn't appear 1st in a search for our tickets."
- · Counting takes awhile. Long lines.
- Crowed concessions.
- "Difficulty scheduling popular acts or big name acts
- Food Lines
- Handicapped guest having easy access to concessions and restrooms.
- "Hiring, pay is too low.
- Inconsistency
- "Infastructure
- Process

- Lack of direction"
- and pay/tips.
- Infrastructure.
- Lack of shows
- Lack of shows and short season
- "Lack of shows
- 3rd party vendors
- Lack of top artist
- Lack or more popular artists
- Long concession & restroom lines.
- Long lines
- "Lower quality acts/performances, competition with other venues,
- "Management skills
- Plaza seating
- Better concessions"
- "More advertising
- Get the word out who's calling coming "
- N/A
- None noted.



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- "Not addressing valid concerns
- Quality of concert offerings"
- Not booking popular acts
- Not covered, no big names. Too many cover bands and festivals. Pay scale.
- not enough space
- Not enough storage, no designated area for our Founder/Fan Club members, Ticket master long wait times at concessions
- Not following standards
- Not having some type of cover for rain
- open complete outdoors
- Organization
- Patron relations
- "Plaving favorites
- Limited budget
- Outdated venue"
- · Reacting to weather
- Seating is awful and shows are not bringing in the people
- Short-staffed at times, communicating with merchandise reps of musical

- "Small operational staff
- Sometimes it feels like one needs more hands. But It works out. It's all in the timing...
- Team members who don't want to work
- Ticket office hours of operation.
- "too many people not enough room.
- Unclear restrictions
- Understanding the "why"
- Weather
- Weather



# Q16: OPPORTUNITIES: An opportunity is a new possibility of change or external factor that may contribute to the future success of Fraze Pavilion (what could change). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- Bigger name acts
- A small more private venue.
- Actively seek more sponsors and/ or grants
- Better lighting around the area, improved back-stage set-up, adopting POS system, themed concessions for events and themed merch items, etc.
- "Better Plaza seating
- New radios for staff"
- bring in different shows.
- Change
- Change/Growth/Construction
- Cover the venue.
- · Create luxury seating in the plaza.
- "Current Bands
- Rock snd Pop Acts"
- Figure out a way to get new hires to stay for multiple seasons.
- Finding ways to pay for bigger/more popular performers
- Growth
- i do not know

- "Infrastructure
- community partnerships"
- Label the containers of alcohol in order to improve efficiency and facilitate service.
- Listening to feedback and changing because of it in many ways
- Local artists, festivals, and networking opportunities with artists who don't want to tour live nation tours.
- Longer fan fare hours.
- Love of the Community
- Maybe a roof over the venue but I like it the way it is...
- More big name artists.
- more community festivals
- More fall festivals
- "More seating by handicapped gate
- More handicapped parking
- Improve concert quality"
- N/A



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- "Open up to more private groups to rent the stage?
- Money making shows and events...
- Updates/renovations"
- Positive attitude
- Some type of choice for rain
- "Support from the city, including the willingness of the city to invest money into updating the venue.
- Targeting younger audience
- The city should sell the Fraze to someone who actually wants to fill it with patrons.
- Through increased advertising and continuation of strong leadership, Fraze can continue to grow and bring in larger names.
- Update physical areas. Update backstage, concessions & ticket office.
- Updated register system.
- "Upgrades to facility
- Ability to compete for artist bookings
- Additional sponsorship/partnerships"
- "Venue for Performers needs to be promoted to attract new shows. More family friendly shows and shows to attract younger demographics

- Venue updates
- "We have the opportunity to be known for customer service if we can choose who we hire and not hire out of desperation.
- We have the opportunity to provide better experiences to our guests if we can listen to what guests would like to see and make those changes, (concessions, bathrooms, the venue inside)
- We have the opportunity to a place more people want to come if we can book better entertainment. "
- "Weather cover
- Updated venue structure
- Bring facility current"
- Wireless register systems.



## Q17: THREATS: A threat is an external factor that may pose challenges to Fraze Pavilion (this may be outside of your control)In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- As with any venue with a large amount of people, the biggest threat is violence. Only allowing small bags, the checking of bags and blankets and metal detectors helps prevent this potential issue.
- Competing with a promoter with deep pockets for quality acts
- Competition and weather
- Competition for entertainment
- "Competition in artist offers
- Market saturation
- Sponsorship commitments elsewhere"
- Competition with other venues for acts
- Competition/Failing & insufficient infrastructure
- Dangerous person or items
- "Extreme heat/weather
- Rose Music Center
- Decreased disposable income"
- "Increasing competition
- Lack of budget"
- Lack of variety
- Law enforcement presence is an efficacious deterrent.
- Less cover bands, more current artists.

- Live Nation is a threat to all small venues....
- local and regional event spaces
- Loss of money
- "Loss of revenue and inability to continue business as usual.
- Closing of the Fan Fare store :(
- Rain and nightmare nights like Nelly."
- Maybe try to work out ahead of time with artists what to do in the event that weather causes a show to stop (refund or reschedule). Book bigger acts.
- N/a
- N/A
- "No current bands/acts
- More ""fun"" atmosphere"
- no security or police presence when going to cars after a show especially when walking to the school.
- None
- None noted.
- Other close venues
- "Other Venues in the area
- No coverage from rain or sun"



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- Rain
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- Rose being able to offer more shows and better music
- Safety
- Safety. I believe some people certainly are not qualified to be on security detail.
- "The music business.
- City budget."
- The Rose Music Center
- Third party vendor tickets, competing venues in the area, technology struggles (no POS system, updates to software without notice, etc.)
- Those that make decisions in the City for Fraze without having to actually do
  the jobs/have any understanding are the biggest threat to Fraze. They like to
  come and enjoy shows without any real idea on hard they make our jobs or
  what is needed for staff, guests and the facility. Often our communications
  fall on deaf ears. I feel like they expect us to pull rabbits out of hat to solve
  issues.
- Threat of competition from other local venues
- "Threats—outdated facilities

• "Weather

## Q18: What else would you like to share with us as a part of this process?

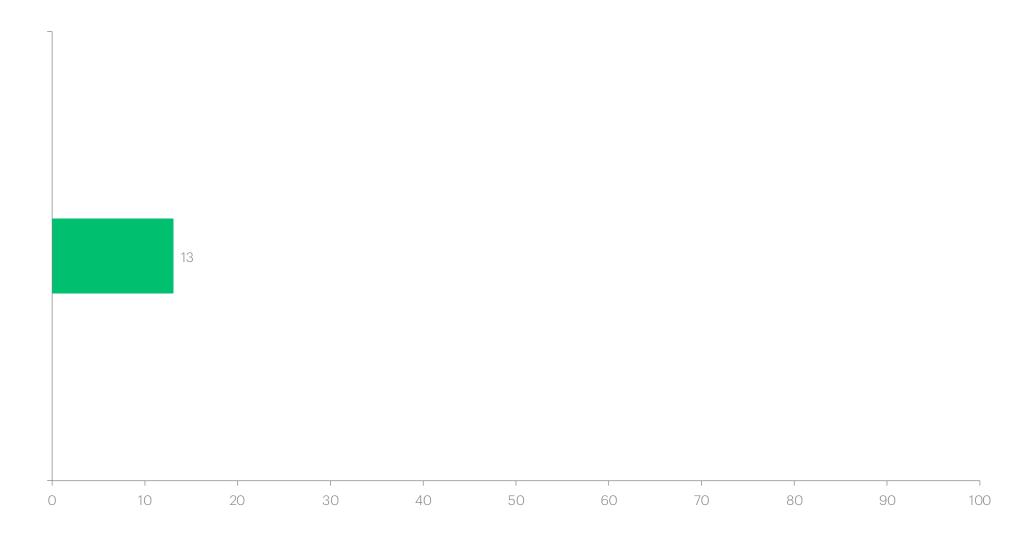
- I feel that we need to be mindful of how we approach guests about policies. While it is frustrating to repeat yourself to numerous guests, we have to treat each guest the same. This means approaching a guest calmly and with a positive demeanor.
- I Love to attend the Fraze and I am proud to work there. I Love the Fraze!!!
- Lighten up! If guests want to bounce beach balls during a Beach Boy concert... let it go! If a guest can't show their ticket because they have beverages in both hands, relax. Trust your workers to do their jobs and if you want us to "make their day"... let us do that. Taking a backpack away from a 5-year-old is embarrassing. Many adjustments were made this year (no longer id at gate, backpack purses) that were great common sense changes. Let's keep adjusting so that our guests can view this venue as the go-to place for a great experience.
- The Fraze is a special part of the community. I hate that it is not thriving the way it did in its earlier years. I hope changes can be made to bring it back to life.
- The turnover rate in concessions.



### City team member (not at Fraze) survey results



### Q1: How long have you worked for the City of Kettering?



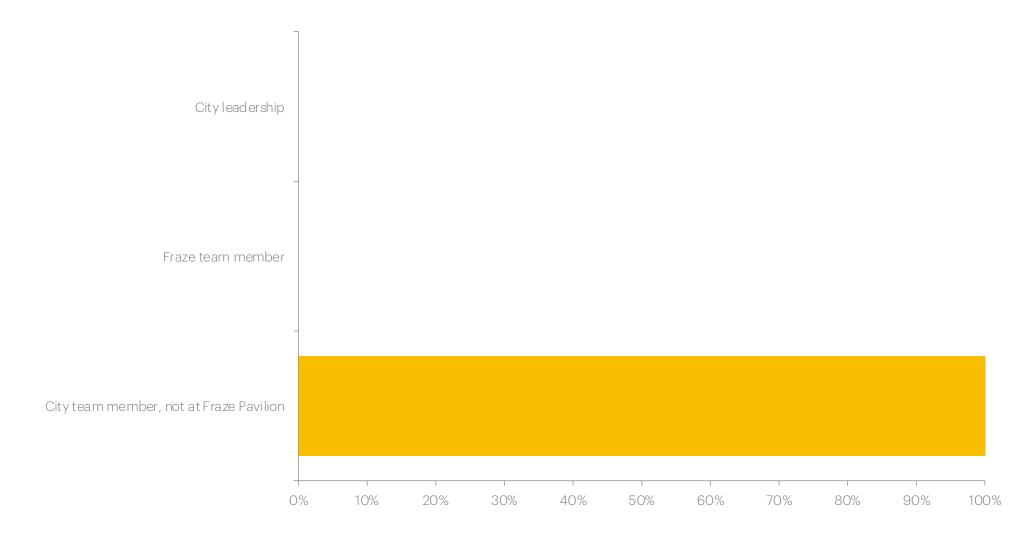


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ANSWER CHOICES		AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES	
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City leadership	0.00%	0
Fraze team member	0.00%	0
City team member, not at Fraze Pavilion	100.00%	46
TOTAL		46



#### Q3: What do you believe is the goal of Fraze Pavilion?

- Breaking even on operational cost
- Bring the community together to hear live music
   and for festivals/special events
- City revenue
- Community entertainment
- community events and entertainment
- Community involvement and enjoyment
- Great entertainment at a fair price.
- provide a community gathering place centered around live entertainment
- Provide a focal point for city events
- Provide a good or increased quality of life for Kettering residents within their community.
- Provide a great venue for the community to enjoy events together
- Provide a variety of entertainment and cultural activities to our community
- Provide an outdoor music and arts performance venue.
- Provide entertainment opportunities for Kettering residents and those in surrounding area.
- Provide Kettering with a concert venue

- Provide quality conditions and entrainment
- Public Entertainment opportunities in the heart of Kettering
- To add to the amenities the City offers and encourage businesses/individuals to want to be part of the City.
- To be a public Arts and entertainment venue
- To create a sense of community and generate funds
- To deliver entertainment.
- To entertain people with great music and events
- To have original national acts with appropriate sized following for performances at Fraze.
- To improve the quality of life for the surrounding community
- To provide a local venue for area residents to come and enjoy concerts and festivals, while attempting to turn a profit.
- To provide a safe environment for citizens to attend entertaining events.
- To provide an entertainment venue that is in a great community

- To provide community entertainment/gathering opportunities
- To provide engaging community events and performances that enhance the quality of life in Kettering.
- To provide events for citizens and to the public.
   Also, make a profit to help supplement other City (PRC) functions.
- To provide local, family friendly entertainment.
- To provide the community a venue for different avenues of entertainment.



## Q4: Do you believe Fraze accomplishes that goal? Please explain your answer.

- Absolutely. This is a great venue to have locally.
   Provides a wide variety of entertainment.
- I believe that Fraze draws crowds but not sure that it spurs business/residential growth.
- I do not believe we are bringing in enough popular acts to accomplish popularity or generation of funds
- I do, but feel that it has struggled with rising costs and securing the more popular entertainment
- It brings in concerts but I don't care for the performers they bring in
- I've read articles in DDN that indicates they operate in the red, but I don't know.
- No It is no longer a public venue but a business operation impacting the surrounding neighborhoods
- No. I have been told that the Fraze brings money •
  in, but does not make a profit.
- No. Some original national acts. Several tribute acts. Very few local acts.
- Not really, outdated acts
- Partly, to my knowledge it does not make a profit.
- Somewhat. I feel the days of the Fraze bringing in national acts that compete with other venues is gone which is ok. I think there needs to be more of a focus on how the facility can promote and

- offer more community wide events, more than just music.
- Somewhat. Scope and scheduling is there, but pricing and regulations limit it.
- Sort of. Ever since the Rose was built the level of talent has declined. The same "cover bands" every year is no fun.
- Sure
- They did, but the dwindling ability to get live entertainment outside of the ticketmaster/live nation monopoly has made accomplishing this goal harder and harder
- To an extent. There could be more family friendly shows. There are a lot of shows that are for the older population
- Yes
- Yes
- Yes the musical performances and festivals are enjoyed by many
- "Yes and no. I think the space could be use more extensively as a space for friends to gather.
   Roaming musicians, chess/checkers boards, farmers market, adult swings, etc.
- Yes I believe so. It is a good place to see a show or attend a festival
- yes it provides a beautiful space for residents to

- come and walk, come to events or concerts.
- Yes, Fraze clearly focuses on a well-rounded lineup of shows and events that serve a variety of interests
- Yes, I usually hear positive things and it provides a place to come together
- yes, the various events brings the citizens together
- Yes, thousands of people move through the Fraze each year at their events.
- Yes. Fraze is a great venue to attend a concert or event. Hometown feel with great amenities.
  - Yes. I believe they do for the most part, as it is a nice venue. However other area venues that are newer, with better options, have made the Fraze a lower choice for national acts, than they used to be.
- Yes. I have gone to many shows and it has always been well done in many ways.
- "Yes. They provide Kettering with various concerts and events.
- No. With the ever-changing demographics of Kettering, I feel that the performers are more for the older generations. "
- Yes; they run a summer season with many different concerts and special events



### Q5: Please explain what you believe is the community perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- A nice venue but somewhat dated.
- A venue that plays a lot of forgotten bands that were popular at least 20 decades ago
- Aging outdoor music venue
- An nice venue for concerts and events with limited parking and now becoming outdated as other venues are constructed.
- An older venue with some decent mostly bland acts. Not friendly to people of color (from what I've heard)
- concert venue
- Great venue, great concerts. However, several community members have approached me and said the staff is not friendly. No one has ever been unfriendly to me.
- I believe many people throughout the Kettering and surrounding community don't realize that the facility and staff are city employees and that they are first and foremost there to offer a service rather than simply being an entertainment venue.
- I believe the community finds Fraze to be a concert venue that is convenient and easy to/from. Makes it nice for weeknight concerts rather than driving to Cincinnati, Huber Heights, etc.

- I believe the Fraze has a positive perception in the community.
- I have heard from residents around the Fraze that
   they do not care for the music that is brought in
- I seem to think the majority of the community loves the Fraze Pavilion.
- I think it is seen primarily as a music venue
- In general, I think the community feels its great to have locally. It probably could use additional activities, concerts, etc.
- It is a fun place to see a concert but is unpredictable due to weather and has not attracted large acts in recent years.
- It's nice but a little over priced for most Kettering residents
- Lucky to have an entertainment venue so close to home
- Money pit.
- nice, but the rose is better
- No idea
- outdated and needs better acts coming in and more free events- Rose Center has taken from the Fraze
- Perception is an overpriced venue that is not welcoming to all classes of people
- Poor. Ushers are somewhat vigilant and unkind.

Concessions are very poorly managed. Lines way too long and way too slow. Ruins the experience. Positive

- That it cannot keep up with the Rose
- That it would be nice to have some bigger names perform
- The community sees it as an asset to the community. It is a neat venue to have esp its specific location
- The perception of the Fraze is a regimented venue, with silly rules, off putting and unwelcoming. You've seen the social media post I'm sure.
- Those who attend events in the community are glad we have a local place to do so.
- Venue is small and should have covered seating. Ticket prices are high.
- Viewing it as a "B" or "C" act level for music groups. No longer is it offering multiple free events or activities
- well-regulated fun.



#### Q6: Please explain what is the team perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- A nice venue but somewhat dated.
- A nice venue generally for the older population as other venues are beginning to surpass in size and entertainment opportunities.
- A struggling concert venue
- Challenging to work with Fraze leadship. They
  have high expectations, but fail to provide time
  and information to allow for success
- Close-knit group who works hard and likes to have fun
- Concert venue
- Does not generate enough revenue.
- Draws people to the City
- Everybody I've talked to enjoys the Fraze.
- Fraze is a community amphitheater and provides a space for community events and entertainment. Unsure if the updating needed would be worth the cost. And is the Fraze cost effective as is.
- Fraze team seems over confident in customer satisfaction. City team is too far removed and is accustomed to losing millions in taxes to the Fraze annually.
- I believe that the team feels that Fraze is operating a bit outside of its available capacity (i.e. trying to hold shows that are a stretch for our infrastructure/resources).
- I believe the Fraze staff views themselves as an

- essential service, but that the facility is lacking and I would say they feel as though they are an afterthought based on past designs and commitments made by the city to make improvements.
- I think the team perception of Fraze is of an ancillary city offering that is not one of the key operations of the city
- idk
- It doesn't raise any funds and needs to be subsidized every year. It may bring some money to local businesses but at what cost?
- It is a net financial loss for the city but a net positive for the community.
- Lots of pressure on the Fraze to make money, but offerings are not aligned with heavy revenue generators (like cover bands, special events, etc.)
- My perception is the Fraze is simply a service the City offers to the citizens and nothing more.

  Breaking even would be considered a good year and it could be much more! I'm not saying it could be Red Rocks, but there is nothing like this venue in our area.
- N/A
- Overall positive, however some micromanaging

   has been taking place. For instance Fraze
   leadership telling people from other departments
   where to stand, sit, don't go in the theatre, etc.

- Some of it seems counterproductive from a professional level, given the tasks of the other city departments (Fire and Police). Fire and police probably know better where to effectively do their jobs, and not to watch a "free" show.
- People have issues with what they can and cannot bring into the venue. They take it personally instead of seeing it as a security issue for all.
- "Positive perception: Beautiful area. Good entertainment.
- Negative perception: High maintenance and lots of work for the events. Needs better parking."
- Same as community
- Similar an older venue with tired looking amenities
- That it is not generating revenue and is a lot of work
- that the fraze staff does as well as they can with the contractual challenges in place
- TSA spinoff
- Understaffed, LOW paid
- Venue is small and should have covered seating.
   Ticket prices are high.
- We enjoy working there for the community interaction



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- A beautiful outdoor venue that is unique to the region; supported by a city that is invested in giving a high quality of life to all of its residents
- A close to home entertainment venue. Residents can stay close by and not have to travel for the events.
- A hometown amphitheater is a great resource for residents, I personally love showing up and seeing neighbors and listening to music on a beautiful night.
- A local venue that is hometown small with some really great events/concerts.
- A nice place to relax and enjoy festivals and small concerts. Makes the city a more attractive place to want to live.
- An open air park setting in the Lincoln Park design, the Fraze theatre as itself is not an attractive venue
- Brining music and art to the community
- Central public meeting spot. Beautiful landscaping
- Entertainment.
- Fraze is a great meeting place and, again, easy to

- get to, easy parking, etc. I truly believe that people enjoy attending concerts here.
- Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community is its role as a cultural and social hub. By hosting a diverse array of concerts, festivals, and events, the pavilion brings people together, fostering a sense of community and providing residents with opportunities for entertainment and enrichment. Its presence enhances the local quality of life.
  - I believe the Fraze could be a prime combination of Levitt Pavilion and the Rose. Have original national acts, some proven tribute acts and bring in more proven local acts and state-wide original acts in addition to the festivals. There are large followings for some local bands. There are bands better than The Menus and Stranger. Get out in the community and see what's out there on any given weekend. Unfortunately, Austin Landing seems to has taken over festivals.
- I think any place that can bring people together is a wonderful opportunity
  - It attracts people to the City of Kettering and

- allows us to provide a service to a large number of people
- It is a wonderful place to bring people together and for the most part it does that. The type of events and programs it uses to bring people together for could use a change.
- It is the only music venue in Kettering, therefore bringing people into the community that may not otherwise visit
- It provides a space for events and concerts- a space for gathering. People love walking through the Fraze even when events are not occurringthe fountains and greenery provide some tranquility
- Its a beautiful space with fun opportunities for community to gather
- it's past its ability to contribute in the way that it used to. it needs to transform
- Local entertainment
- Local place to gather with friends and family for emtertainment.
- Many other municipalities do not have an amphitheater of this size so it does draw people.



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- Offering a great community location to bring people together and one that is in a very convenient location with great scenery.
- Paints the City in a good light.
- Provides events for citizens and to the public.
- Providing a center to come together and enjoy live music or events
- Providing a space for community to gather and enjoy
- providing entertainment for people who might not always want sports
- The entertainment usually has been really good, with a few high end artists each year. That has gone down a little the last few years, but they still have lots of good shows. And, I think the community very much enjoys the environment in and around the Fraze.
- The Fraze has so much potential. With the nearby venues like the Rose and Riverbend offering "better" more "relevant" artist, there is a market for resurging artist, new artist, or artist maybe past the days of chart topping hits. A different price point is a great option especially if the experience is positive.

- The free events that bring Kettering residents together to socialize and interact
- Wing fest



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- An entertainment management company should take control of professional act contracting and venue management
- Better acts
- better acts. team up with live nation/ticketmaster
- Better management and cooperation with other departments
- better paid staff and more shows
- Bring in better acts
- Bring in bigger names to attract sell out crowds.
- Consessions/Beer lines. The way it's done now RUINS the evening. And they workers really don't seem to care.
- hire more permanent staff in order to reduce pressure from existing staff
- I don't feel I'm familiar enough to answer this question, but it seems like they have certain leniency with rules that other departments don't have in regards to hiring and seasonal help
- I don't have enough information how it operates.
- I don't have enough knowledge to make any recommendations. The Fraze team seems really

- solid, passionate, and respectful of each other
  I think Fraze struggles with a lack of direction it
  seems that there has been much hesitancy in
  actually determining what the City thinks Fraze
  should be, and what is necessary to move in that
  direction (facility upgrades, changes to subsidy
  level, etc...) Hopefully this study helps provide
  that direction!
- I would make it an open amphitheater for community events like outdoor theatre, free summer concert series, and available for community groups.
- I'm not really sure. It is a very well rounded venue and the accommodations have always been top notch.
- It needs to be more competitive in bringing in performers from many genre of music not just cover bands.
- More beer and concession lines. The lines are always too long. Especially for alcohol.
- More collaboration between its operations and the rest of the city. It has operated very

- independently from the rest of the city for a very long time.
- more comedians, Christian music, speakers, open at lunch for food trucks, games like Central Park
- More events for more kinds of people
- More friendly greeters. They can be sort of rude.
- Parking. Creates traffic issues. There is no large designated parking areas.
- Provide employee's discounted ticket rather than have empty seats.
- See #6. Overall positive, however some micromanaging has been taking place. For instance Fraze leadership telling people from other departments where to stand, sit, don't go in the theatre, etc. Some of it seems counterproductive from a professional level, given the tasks of the other city departments (Fire and Police). Fire and police probably know better where to effectively do their jobs, and not to watch a "free" show. Let fire and police decide where to do their jobs while at the Fraze.



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- Stop putting up the temporary metal fence.
  Barricades automatically affect the experiences concert go-er's in a negative way and no one has even got into the venue yet. It forces people to walk in the road and creates a "keep out" feeling. Watch the Woodstock '99 documentary. Sell those things. Allow passer-bys to congregate and socialize. No one is gate crashing a \$5 Jimmy Buffet tribute concert thing. Concerts should be inviting, not discouraging. Besides, if some Parrot Heads did sneak in, they'll quadrable the ticket price in beer. \$\$\$
- Technology upgrade with ticket sales, entrance into the park with updated metal detectors
- The Fraze team works in a very stressful environment because they are continually having to fit a square peg in a round hole. This often spills into other departments that support them. See next answer for further elaboration on this.
- TSA security check, pricing. Blocking off public sidewalks during events. Keeping bathrooms open outside of events.



## Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- Aesthetics. While Fraze may not be the biggest venue, making it the nicest, should be the goal, in my opinion.
- "Answer to number 8 can also pertain to this one as well.
- It would be nice to have a covered area, but then it is also nice after the sun goes down to be able to have the open feel. "
- Better ADA seating and accommodations. The seats are horrible and not with the ticket prices
- Bigger acts, to include comedy acts
- Bring back the initial intention of open/free publice arts or music use for the area and less on professional costly acts.
- Bring in better acts and more acts. The season is way too short for the amount of people hired.
- City leadership needs to decide what the Fraze is going to be. If it is going to be a local gathering place (like Stubbs Park in Centerville, Levitt Pavilion in Dayton, etc.), then we need to work on changing its identity to that. If we are going to try to provide a concert venue for larger shows, there need to be significant infrastructure improvements/modernizations made.

- Clearer mission for its programming I think it's confusing to talk about the Fraze right now because of the high profile competition from the Rose and the Levitt. I think there is an opportunity to stand out from these other venues by better defining the type of programming that is offered.
- concession stand improvements
- Concessions/Beer lines...see above. More meaningful community involvement and use. I.e. local bands. More original acts.
  - Covered seating.
  - Create a more welcoming environment. Metal wands are acceptable, but remove all the booths. Be excited for the folks attending the show (at least pretend). It feels like the line for boot camp. I never have this experience anywhere else. Remove the temporary barricades. Open the beer garden area to something like DORA experience. Allowing people to come grab a beer, hangout, then possibly grab a ticket to sit in the lawn would elevate ticket sales and revenue. Having a fun attitude cost nothing.
- Different price packages for events. There should

- be a \$5 option that allows you to set up a lawnchair and enjoy a beer.
- Facility upgrades, as its an aging facility that could use some attention to maintain its status as an attractive music venue for guests and artists. get better performers or just stop doing live music. maybe become an outdoor theatre venue I feel the improvements need to be made at what direction the program offerings need to be focused on. More so in that area than the actual site or surrounding buildings.
- I think they need to build relationships with bookers that can get better performances in. People will come a long way for a good performer. It would be nice to have Kettering seen as a good source for Entertainment.
- I would love to see Fraze get a roof or cover over the seats so all concerts could be enjoyed if it rained.

## Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- If it wants to compete with other venues it needs covered.
- It is too small. The dressing rooms, the storage, seating. In order to draw newer entertainment to increase sales and revenue, provide a more upto-date venue with more seating. A place to sell merchandise.
- It's difficult to do but maybe more events that are non-music related. That's really the only events I can think of that are hosted. Could be an opportunity to expand and diversify.
- More activities to bring City residents together.
- more employees
- Need a sign with upcoming events
- Not sure of any.
- Performer/band access to the facility. It feels cumbersome walking through the office entrance to access the dressing and green rooms
- Physical updates including concessions and also getting some more diversity in the shows
- Revenue
- Roof structure because of the weather and

- parking areas.
- See above answer.
- Update the facility to accommodate crowds outside the music venue



### Q10: Please describe your favorite Fraze Pavilion memory.

- \$5 Fridays \$2 Tuesdays. So many friends all in the same place for local music on a large stage. Everyone loved it!!
- All of my Fraze concert/show experiences have been great.
- Beautiful weather and a good live act
- Enjoying music with friends and family
- Going to the Fraze every Christmas with family for photos and walk the lights and music.
- I attended a Randy Travis Concert at the Fraze in •
   2009.
- I don't have just one. Almost every time I go it is
   a great memory. However, Clint Black was a greattime.
- I've never been there but I enjoy working with the people who do work there
- John Denver was there. I'll never forget it.
- Long lines for food/beverages
- Many country artists that have been there, and the shows have all been great!
- My favorite memories are usually the moments
   that should be irritating. Being told to not sit on
   the wall, being told the concert ends in an hour

so no more beer sales, being told no dancing because people can't see, watching my mom discuss with security guy that her purse is only 1" bigger and have to walk across half of Kettering to take it back to the car, going to put a wrist band on my 8 year old to show he's under 21. All great stories, but all affecting the reputation of the Fraze

- N/A
- N/A
- N/A
- na
- Nothing outstanding
- Reuniting with high school friends to attend a 90's concert.
- Saw Bob James with my father. Had two beers before they stopped serving
- Seeing a ton of people dancing and having a great time at the Juneteenth event, even though it was a million degrees outside
- Sitting near the front row at Gladys Knight and her singing and winking at me and my husband
- Sitting out by the fountains while in high school

- and just listening to good music with my friends.
- Steely Dan concert with my husband sound and show was perfect.
- taking my kids to see a concert of their favorite musician
- Taking my wife to Hunter Hayes
- The many concerts and festivals held there over the years.
- The return of Journey 2003



## Q11: What do you believe are the biggest hurdles for a customer attending an event Fraze Pavilion?

- A lot of rules to follow, which in turn takes a long
  to get through the gates at times
- Better acts available at another venue
- bringing in outside items with a strict list of what you can't bring despite being common items you'd want.
- Competition and choosing between the Rose, Levitt Pavilion, Riverscape concerts, etc.
- Dealing with rain.
- finding something worth purchasing a ticket to
   see. the performers are a joke
- Fraze FanFare hours are insanely limited and when they do get bigger shows, the cost is very high
- I don't have enough information how it operates.
- It seems that customers do not enjoy the long concession lines and rain can be problematic/discouraging.
- Just enjoy the show and the great environment.
- Long food and beer/drink lines.
- long lines at the concession stand
- Long lines for food and beverages. Costs of food and beverages.

- Parking
- Parking and dealing with the greeters
- Parking and the entrance gates if they have to stand in line waiting to get in. The location of bathrooms are an issue for older adults
- Parking can be tough, extremely strict security comes with its downsides
- Parking, long lines at concessions.
- Price
- See above
  - There can be many hurdles to the Fraze, but all are part of the personality of the venue if the staff and experiences are positive. Parking is weird, but getting there early can be fun. No roof is unique, but that creates the uniqueness! The location is packed into the middle of a neighborhood, but thats the greatest characteristic of it. Real grass to sit on with a blanket is so much cooler than Riverbend. I'm sure the artist that play the venue for the first time are intrigued by the venue having a small park and walking trails. Build on that!
  - To see the stage from the beer line for 10-15

minutes.

- weather, safety protocols
- Weather.



## Q12: STRENGTHS: A strength is an internal advantage or capability unique to the Fraze Pavilion (what is going well) In short, one-to-three-word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's strengths.

- A safe area.
- Accessible, convenient, good value for money
- Attractive venue, landscaping.
- "Beautiful setting
- secluded but centrally located"
- Brings People together
- City financing its operations
- Cleanliness. Grounds keeping.
- "Close to home events.
- Beautiful area. "
- Easy to park and get to the venue
- "Employees who love working the events
- Great mix of entertainment
- '
- "Experienced staff
- Unique facility
- Event flexibility
- Reputation

- City-financed stability"
- focus on the customer
- Great place to see a show
- "-History
- -Staff"
- It's beautiful, located in center of Kettering, diverse offerings
- It's leadership and their enthusiasm
- location and reputation
- Location in a beautiful park, safety measures for guests, special events
- Location of the venue
- location, community pride in the venue, well run operation
- Location, Cost, Scenery, Schedule
- Low cost fun
- Open access, parking
- Patron satisfaction

- The uniqueness of the location
- "unique
- location in county and city"
- venue is beautiful
- Well-oiled machine. Same parking, same location, same entry. Every worker knows well what is going on



## Q13: WEAKNESSES: A weakness is an internal flaw or spot where you or the Fraze Pavilion operations may face challenges (what isn't going well). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's weaknesses.

- A prison feel
- acts are not popular
- age and competition
- Audio and Video being able to have graphics or •
   TV screens on the sides of the stage •
- can't get big acts,
- City budget impacts and reliance on neighborhood parking/congestion
- "-Competition for personnel
- Ability to pay competitive wage"
- "Concession lines too long making it hard to move in the park
- '
- -Facility is outdated and undersized for what they try to compete with.
- "Facility limitations
- FT Staff uncertainty
- Bureaucracy
- Incoherent mission"
- Finances

- Friendliness. Customer experience. Concessions.
- "hard to get to
- "
- Inadequate infrastructure
- "lackluster performers past their prime or lame cover bands
- no standing pit space/dancing"
- "landlock can not expand
- how acts are booked"
- Limited Seating
- Loss of interest
- Lots of competition in the area like Rose Pavilion, Hobart Arena
- "Need to find better (more) top rated events/singers.
- Cover the audience area
- Provide new individual/better seats"
- No covered seating.
- Non entertainment "city" personnel trying to market acts and operations

- Not clear on the mission; not clear on how programming is chosen.
- Other entertainment venues popping up close to home in the near future West Carrollton and Middletown
- outdated acts, high price
- Parking
- Parking, micro managing of the acts and other departments
- poor pay for staff
- Public access. When an event goes on, the whole area is really unwelcoming to anyone else. Don't use the pond, don't walk the sidewalks/paths. Don't drive these streets.
- Show Competition
- Stale in improvements.
- Supervision
- The turnover of seasonal staff each year
- understaffed



# Q14: OPPORTUNITIES: An opportunity is a new possibility of change or external factor that may contribute to the future success of Fraze Pavilion (what could change). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- Advancement. Revamp the facility. New acts.
- An external professional Arts/Media management team to compete within local market contractual constraints
- An opportunity to have several key words that describe the Fraze and make it different than other competitive venues nearby could help guide how I talk about it in comparison.
- Bike parking. Make it a DORA and sell beer to the people. Have tiered ticket sales. I should be able to hear the music regardless if I can see the stage.
- Bringing in bigger names
- Build on the socialness of the area. Open it up to •
   DORA
- Comedy acts

- Cover pavilion
- "Cover the Fraze with a roof
- More comfortable seating"
- Covered seating would attract more ticket sales. •
- Farmers market atmosphere, central park feel, Adult swings, games,
- "Have a larger sponsorship for the Fraze.
- Make the pavilion nicer/upgrades.
- . "
- less restrictions on acts.
- Local acts involvement. More original national acts.
- Local events
- marketing,
- More main stream acts
- new staff, new ideas,

- Non-music events/performers?
- partner with someone who can bring in better acts, extend the season
- partner with ticketmaster
- People love live music
- Programs within the Fraze
- Redefine the Fraze's identity
- Reinvent what they offer community
- Wider Event Venue
- "Year round events
- Less reliance on ticketed shows
- Partnership with other public/independent venues"



## Q15: THREATS: A threat is an external factor that may pose challenges to Fraze Pavilion (this may be outside of your control)In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- Bigger and nicer venues (ie. Rose Music) may come into the Miami valley area. Local arenas may start providing different entertainment venues.
- Closed minded and already satisfied Fraze leadership team.
- competition for more popular acts
- competition from other venues
- contractual restrictions, lack of desire
- I imagine if revenue is important, the other competition nearby is causing a threat to Fraze.
- Inflation, Competitors
- local music venues getting the bigger names instead of then coming to the Fraze
- Neighborhoods around the Fraze
- Nothing threatening about Fraze
- Other local concert venues pulling business from Fraze
- Other music venues
- other venues

- Other venues
- Rose in Huber, size of venue
- The Rose and the like.
- The Rose Music Center getting better acts, better parking, less restrictions.
- ticketmaster live nation
- Unhappy patrons if show canceled due to rain.
- "Unsustainable level of competition
- Music industry uncertainty
- Unreasonable contractual obligations
- Very dumb question. If you're threatened by the public openess of the space, you're paranoid at the grocery store and at church. It should be more lax



## Q16: What else would you like to share with us as a part of this process?

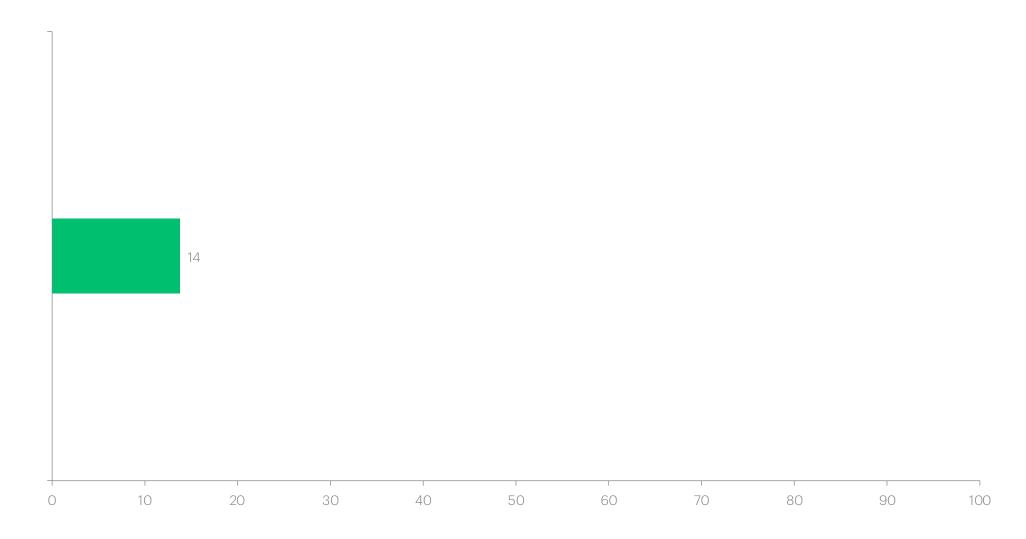
- I think the most important thing right now is securing direction for Fraze. Providing direction on what types of acts we want to attract, how focused should we be on community events, at what level should Fraze be subsidized and similar topics will go a long way towards determining what the staff at Fraze needs to do to be successful. Right now, they are forced to guess on how to be successful, and that's not fair.
- Covering the seated section, like the Rose. Better for bad weather.



### City Leadership survey results



### Q1: How long have you worked for the City of Kettering?





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ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
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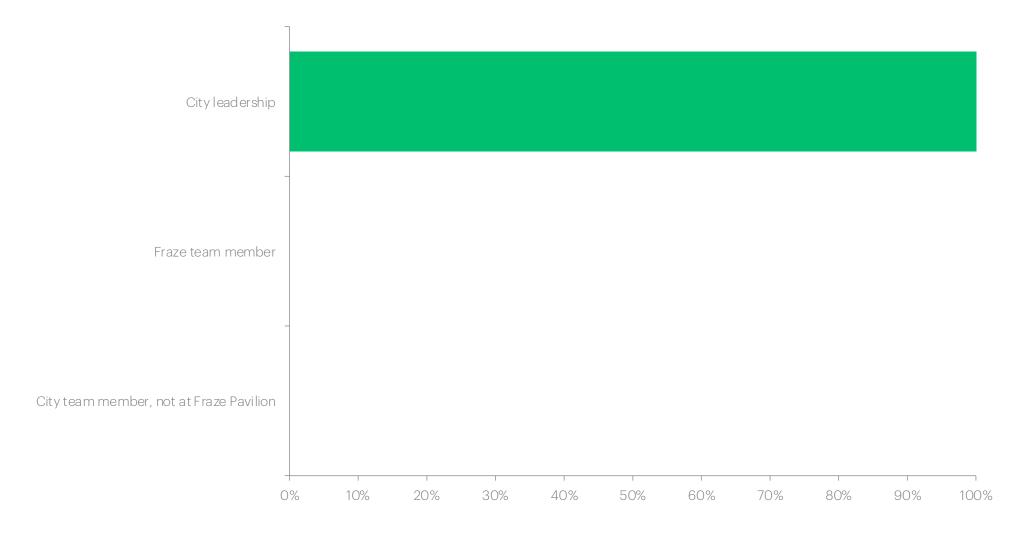
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### Q2: What is your role within the City of Kettering?





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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
City leadership	100.00%	28
Fraze team member	0.00%	0
City team member, not at Fraze Pavilion	0.00%	0
TOTAL		28



#### Q3: What do you believe is the goal of Fraze Pavilion?

- A gathering place for city events and a top notch concert venue.
- Bring community together and not be a loss leader for the city.
- Entertainment for Miami Valley residents
- Make money while spending very little
- provide a combination of paid concerts and free community events
- Provide entertainment services to City's residents. This line has been unclear based on budget balancing in previous years and less profit success compared to several years ago before COVID and before another large local • venue opened.
- Provide entertainment venue to bring citizens to the city of Kettering.
- PROVIDE QUALITY OF LIFE & ENTERTAINMENT FOR KETTERING CITIZENS & OTHERES IN AREA
- Quality entertainment venue for the local community
- The size of the facility lends itself to local shows and events, not the large concerts that are available elsewhere.
- To bring entertainment to the City and to the greater region
- To entertain the community through shows and host public events.
- to facilitate a sense of community, provide a city center place for community events.
- To provide a great patron experience through affordable, quality entertainment with exceptional customer service.
- To provide a similar concert experience as other outdoor venues in the area.

- To provide a valuable an unique community amenity that does not burden the city's general revenue fund.
- To provide an enjoyable experience to those who visit the Fraze.
- To provide community entertainment and build community pride
- To provide entertainment to the Kettering community and those beyond. To have a wonderful city asset that brings the community together in space and reputation.
- To provide outdoor entertainment for the enjoyment of our residents and people in the surrounding area
- To provide quality entertainment to Kettering residents and to be an entertainment destination for visitors outside of the City in an effort to positively affect the City's economy, highlight its beauty, and foster community engagement.
- Try to bring a diverse group of acts to the Fraze to promote attraction and different entertainment to the City of Kettering.



## Q4: Do you believe Fraze accomplishes that goal? Please explain your answer.

- For the most part. However, the quality of performers has greatly declined since the opening of The Rose.
- Free festivals like Spass Nacht, H@H and Wing Fest accomplish the goal, but not higher and even mid-level priced concerts. The Fraze was a great idea when it was built 30 years ago. But now there are MANY options for music and the market is saturated.
- Generally
- I do believe Fraze accomplishes these goals. It's the only venue I've been to that's situated in such a beautiful and intimate setting. The staff is friendly and efficient. It's a community gem.
- I feel it partially accomplishes this. I feel it could bring more entertainment to
   the center.
- It does during festivals, but.... Lots of chatter about relevancy of concerts.
- It does.
- It has obviously had challenges with brining in big names for concerts.
- Mostly, I would say yes. It seems based on our venue size some larger acts would not consider our facility. I would like to some bigger name acts though.
- No. The concessions are completely disorganized. Having to standing line for an hour to get concessions at sold out shows is unacceptable.
- Not consistently. The experience is more than just quality entertainment. It includes quality service, amenities, and hospitality.
- Partially. The entertainment is regionally focused. Residents are proud of the

Fraze but the Fraze does not make residents feel welcome.

- Quality of acts have diminished in the last couple years. Fraze leadership are known for heavy handed rules without any leeway. I've heard this more times than I can count. People compare Fraze leadership in a negative light as compared to The Rose. IE: women's bags are inspected prior to entering, but if the empty bag is too large, the person is sent to walk all the way back to their car to put their bag full of nothing, back in their car.
- The Fraze has begun narrowing performances to a less costly and more entertaining acts the past few years. With this adjustment we will need to survey residents/attendees if this strategic move was a good choice or not. The Fraze is in transition to reinvent itself as something new.
- YES
- Yes
- Yes I do within an increase to the highly competetive market
- Yes, Fraze has managed to consistently achieve this purpose even as things have changed in the realm of area outdoor entertainment including increased competition as other venues have been established
- yes, I think they do it very well
- Yes, though I realize it is hard to bring in bigger names.
- Yes. I have always had good experiences at the Fraze Pavilion itself and the team there. The prices are affordable and the variety of entertainment is adequate.



### Q5: Please explain what you believe is the community perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- "a nice to have amenity", that sometimes the volunteers/staff aren't very friendly.
- a place that brings in washed up acts but not willing to pay the prices for higher quality acts
- A place where "has beens" go to play. Wanna see a good concert, go to Rose or Riverbend
- Going down hill. Rose is taking away business. Very few amenities any more. •
- I believe community perception is that generally Fraze is a nice, clean, safe, local outdoor venue to listen to live music or attend outdoor festivals/shows.
- I believe it is good especially the festivals
- I feel the community values the Fraze as symbol of community pride.
- I feel there are better choices for the community not at the Fraze and if given a choice they would opt to go to a different location.
- I firmly believe the perception of the Fraze is very good. Its a quality venue that overall does a great job for the scheduled events.
- I think the community is moving their perception of the Fraze to more of a community local music events/festivals since the Rose Music Center is now scheduling the more bigger well known music acts that the Fraze could not handle the volume of attendees to cover the higher cost artists.
- I think the general community perception is a love of Fraze steeped in nostalgia. Everyone seems to have a great memory from the Fraze.
- I'm not sure. But my perception is that the problem I mentioned above has been consistent for 5+ years and nothing has changed.

- · IS " NICE " BUT COULD ALWAYS BE BETTER & ALSO BE UTILIZED MORE
- It provides good entertainment but the Fraze workings do not allow for community participation. Even at community festivals, it is very unwelcoming
- Its viewed as a unique amenity, offering a wide variety of acts, festivals, etctruly a home for summer entertainment
- Negative. There is a lot of comparison to the Rose, and the Fraze comes up short. They don't have the same level of acts, and the customer service -- while some improvement over the past few years -- has a terrible reputation from past eras.
- That it was once the prime venue for music in the region but that it has since been taken over by The Rose.
- The community views the facility as a huge asset, but its future is slowly changing to be more local.
- They don't have great acts anymore. No current acts... cover bands are only sometimes good. Size of the venue is nice with good seats.
- To be a concert venue that competes with Rose Music Center.
- We are charging for concerts folks can see for free in other communities (i.e. tribute bands). Choices of acts are limited since Rose entered picture
- Wonderful space. Outdoors risky with weather would be nice to have a respected cancellation/refund policy. Most shows are from artists not in prime time.



#### Q6: Please explain what is the team perception of Fraze Pavilion?

- "Team"=council?? Concerned the venue continues to lose money.
- a strong team that cares about each other
- "Bill is superb. He is a genuinely friendly worker. Otherwise, the leadership is unfriendly. In their desperation to get out of the red financially, they appear to permit over serving as noted by vomiting customers at the end of the night. People cannot enjoy their experience having walked by people vomiting in front the the beer line or inside the venue. They go back and THAT'S the experience they'll tell their friends about. Safety is critical...
  drunks don't give that image.
- •
- Great attribute to Kettering but unwelcoming
- I believe it is mostly viewed as a location to host festivals and events.
- I believe the internal perception is also very good. Some improvements could be made to enhance attendee experience.
- I do not understand the question.
- I don't know how to answer this.
- I think the City staff sees Fraze as a point of pride and something that we mention to folks when trying to describe where we work. "You know Fraze Pavilion? We work in the buildings next door." It's the one thing most people know and associate quickly with Kettering.
- IS A SOLID BENEFIT TO COMMUNITY
- My work team, or the Fraze work team? The Fraze Team seems good.
- No opinion

- Same as community with the added fact that the success of the Fraze season is the result of make people within the city organization working together as a team to achieve this success
- Somewhat independent of the rest of the city
- The Fraze has a lot of loyal team members that return year after year; therefore, I can only assume their perception is good. The year-round staff is very tenured, so I would assume they also have a good perception.
- The team is disappointed that bigger well known performances are scheduled outside of the Fraze, but are fully aware the limited capabilities the City can handle. We need to follow the original roots to a more comfortable local and family friendly feel to the events.
- Unknown
- Unsure what this question is asking.
- With the loss of larger concerts, I am not sure the team knows what the facility is suppose to be moving forward.



## Q7: What do you believe is Fraze Pavilion's greatest contribution to the community and why?

- A beautiful park that hosts many great community building events.
- A GATHERING TYPE PLACE & BENEFITS OVERALL QUALITY OF LIFE
- An amenity that showcases the beauty of our city to folks who live outside
   our city. A place for residents to gather.
- Bringing the community together through sponsored events and concerts
- Close proximity to the citizens of Kettering in a pleasant environment.
- Community gathering in a really cool place. Kettering does not have a downtown, so the Fraze is a partial substitution .
- Decent, well-kept piece of property.
- Fraze is a way to experience concerts in an intimate, outdoor setting. You rarely get the opportunity to sit in the grass, a few yards from a performer under the stars with your friends and the rest of your community. Nowadays, to see a concert, you spend hundreds to be in the nosebleeds with thousands of people. Fraze makes a way for people to enjoy concerts more affordably and to connect with the artist and the audience more personally.
- Free festivals and sense of community for people who live in Kettering.
   Memories for kids growing up here.
- Good location with excellent use of close parking lots. It's about as centralized as we can get given how our city is laid out.
- Great entertainment
- it is a really great place for music
- It shows that we care about diversity with the different acts that are brought

- in. It also brings people outside our community in to see what our city has to offer.
- Its a wonderful facility with a lot of entertainment potential for the community and surrounding areas.
- Local no drive, easy parking, pleasant setting.
- Many cities shy away from such technological theaters such as the Fraze. The community is/should be involved with every aspect of the strategic operational plan of the Fraze to continue the respect/support for such City services.
- "Nice nights put listening to music. Providing a venue for community gathering, culture etc. But, have to book events that break even.
- •
- Providing a unique experience for many to enjoy outdoor summer entertainment
- That the idea of community gathering space could me more than just a park.
- The Fraze Pavilion is now the City of Kettering's singular entertainment attraction in the City. If not for the Fraze, no "destination" in the City would exist to attract anyone for entertainment or leisure.
- The venue itself. Fraze offers a beautiful, safe, clean venue that is family friendly.
- They bring great performers in.



## Q8: If you could change one thing about the way Fraze operates, what would it be and why?

- Alcohol sales are a big complaint as the lines are too long and most people cannot be served
- Allow people to outside on the tree lawns. I understand the potential revenue loss, but at least it attracts people to come to the City. And as far as the residents are concerned, the Fraze is the one and only entertainment option that Kettering offers.
- Better acts. I'm willing to pay for it.
- Better, more popular performers.
- "Change leadership.
- Ease restrictions on items permitted inside.... still search, but relax...
   customers need to feel like the Fraze outshines The Rose....currently it does
   not. I've been to both venues.
- Also push smoking area further back and away from then food lines."
- Consider pre-show VIP meals.
- Discontinue the annual general fund subsidy to Fraze and make it stand on its own as a community space without all the staff and over-the-top rules, security, marketing budget, etc. Reduce staff and instead have free or inexpensive concerts. I don't understand why the Fraze has so many staff at simple events and shows. I attended the Taste (big bust) and there were 15 people working for a few hundred ticket-holders. That should be better managed.
- Fences to control ticketed events but not for festivals.
- Fix the concessions problem.
- Have no barriers or security check for community events. It should be open and welcoming

- I think it would be nice if the Fraze could offer events that encouraged the community to come together and celebrate. Maybe tailgate parties prior to football games or something similar to that.
- Internally, operations can be hindered by red tape. With a government entity owning the Fraze, the Fraze cannot move at the speed of business all the time. Additionally, there are state, local and federal regulations that prevent the Fraze from operating like private venues can, which slows down decision making, affects contract negotiation, and other factors.
- It's lack of identity. Is it a park or a concert venue? It can't be both, but it is. Clarity would better shape public perception.
- Look into partnering with an organization that brings in bigger bands.
- Not so much on an operational side of things. It appears everyone tries very hard to make memorable entertainment experience.
- Reduce cost of operations.
- STRIVE FOR INCREASED UTILIZATION, TAG TEAM WITH OTHER CITIES VENUES FOR BETTER QUALITY ACTS
- The way we secure the facility for shows. It's a troubling experience for first time and infrequent visitors.
- Tribute bands have very good success with attendance and high energy entertainment. I recommend continuing searching for such tribute band options.
- We either need to reign in our expectations and operate within the regulations and structure of a muncipal subdivision or contract this operation out to a management company in the private sector if the desire is to expand and invest significantly in the capital needs of the Fraze



## Q9: What area should Fraze prioritize for improvement efforts and why?

- A clear look at a long-term plan, including any infrastructure maintenance and replacements, is necessary to phase in transition time and acceptance by the residents of the City of Kettering.
- Accessibility for patrons with mobility or other challenges to provide the best possible experience to all.
- Better, more current talent even if ticket prices need to go up. Take a lesson from Chick Filet workers and treat customers much more politely.
- City leadership must communicate to Fraze its vision for the venue and actionable goals moving forward. In doing so, address any infrastructure needs like dressing room space and updates, ADA needs, etc. to meet those goals. Address any additional need for more staff, marketing, etc. to meet those goals.
- Clean-up trees and concrete.
- Concessions
- Cost containment so that they're not eating so much of the city's revenues.
- Customer experience, real security, permanent fencing of the venue,
- Find their market and not try to compete with some of the other venues, find their niche. The festivals are a big hit within the community
- HAD TO COMPETE WITH ROSE......CITY SHOULD INVESTIGATE FULL TIME TALENT / BOOKING MANAGER FOR FACILITY
- Improvements to the fan experience concessions, etc.
- infrastructure bathrooms, concessions, weather covering
- Install a Canopy or a roof of some kind
- Large screens on each side of the stage would help improve visibility for attendees toward the rear of the facility. Weather can also be an issue.

- Need to find right niche with music. We need to bring in different talent than Rose/Riverbend. We are guess at what that is...
- Open the surrounding areas again. Allow for more open-air, community involvement.
- Providing cover from the rain.
- Return to being an open community focused venue and less closed off.
- See #8
- Take the revenue loss and start signing bands and performers that will sell
  out crowds. It will at least provide a reason for people to come to Kettering
  and may provide a much needed spark for other local businesses.
- The customer experience from concessions, to service, to hospitality.
- The staff has made great strides at being more friendly but the restrictive environment takes away those efforts.



#### Q10: Please describe your favorite Fraze Pavilion memory.

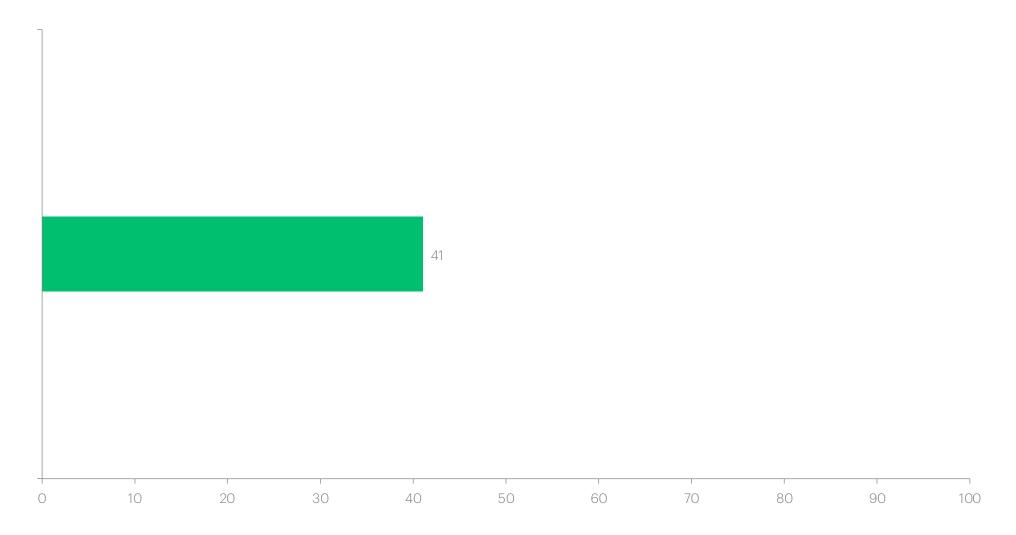
- 1ST TIME I SAW CONCERT
- A Legendary Night with AJ McLean and Joey Fatone
- Always love when my husband gets front row seats. The concerts I attend I •
  get the most out of them. Unfortunately my number of desires continues to •
  decline.
- B-52s. They are just a fun band and makes any event a good time.
- Boy George. I was so surprised at how entertaining the concert was.
- Chillin on the lawn with my spouse and friends enjoying the various artists we've seen over the years.
- Disco Inferno was the most upbeat band I've ever seen at The Fraze. Absolutely everyone was on their feet.... many people talked about them cing back.....I've never seen them again!
- I enjoy the community festivals that happen at the Fraze and walking around the landscapes/fountains for a comfortable local event feeling.
- I love live music, especially when I am singing a dancing with the crowd.
- I love taking my family to festivals and community events. My favorite memory is seeing Steve Martin and Martin Short.
- James Taylor or Josh Groban
- John Denver, Gordon Lightfoot, Avett Brothers, For King and Country.
- No favorites the very first event with Marvin Hamlisch was highly memorable but there have been many other memorable performances over the years as well
- Seeing the Menus in concert. It was an enjoyable evening out with friends and family at a location close to home.
- sitting in the park outside the fraze with neighbors listening to the Willie

Nelson show, all of us in the park who couldn't afford tickets enjoying the park and the music together.

- Tailgating before the show and then seeing George Thorogood front row. Taking friends and families who don't live in Kettering to see GOOD shows with national talent, which doesn't happen much anymore. I had friends/family who came to see Alabama and Martina McBride. I don't have friends reaching out for tickets to Rick Springfield or Joe Bonamasso.
- The I love the 90's concert s few years ago.
- The Menus concerts and Joe Bonamasso
- Too many events to indicate only one. I have probably attended more than 30 events throughout the years.
- Years ago, my entire family and those we call family went to see Rubix Kube, an 80's tribute band. It was a beautiful night. Everyone dressed the part, sang and danced the entire show! The band stayed after and took pictures with the crowd. My kids still talk about that night and wish Rubix Kube would return.



### Q21: Please choose a spot on the indicator bar below to signal where you would like the Fraze Pavilion to sit on this continuum.





### Q11: Please choose a spot on the indicator bar below to signal where you would like the Fraze Pavilion to sit on this continuum.

\*\*note: 0 indicates high financial risk/high name recognition and 100 indicates low financial risk/low name recognition

ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
	41	902	22

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- 10
- 24
- 26
- 29
- 33

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- 59
- 60
- 71
- 73
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- 87
- 95



# Q12: STRENGTHS: A strength is an internal advantage or capability unique to the Fraze Pavilion (what is going well) In short, one-to-three-word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's strengths.

- Affordable, clean, convenient, easy parking
- Beautiful environment
- beautiful setting in the park, accessible, fun to see a show from the venue. •
- Beauty, gathering grounds, location
- Central location in city, wide variety of seat prices (makes it affordable to most0
- Close to home.
- community festivals.
- Great facility and grounds
- "incredible staff
- community vibe"
- "local
- ease of access
- beautiful facility"
- LOCATION / REPUTATION
- "Notoriety
- Surrounding built environment "

- Physical structure. Buildings.
- Service during events, access, parking
- Staff really cares. City Residents high approval of Fraze services. Local community feel of the Fraze.
- Strong community intigration
- "Teamwork
- Unique, special venue
- Adaptability in a changing environment
- •
- The festivals
- Unique, beautiful location; friendly, well trained, dedicated staff; affordable and personal entertainment
- Venue, acts
- Wonderful environment



# Q13: WEAKNESSES: A weakness is an internal flaw or spot where you or the Fraze Pavilion operations may face challenges (what isn't going well). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's weaknesses.

- Alcohol sales and crowd flow
- Boring, has-been talents (Rick Springfield)
- Don't enjoy that
- entrance to the venue, the lines, the rules, the untrained staff and metal detectors. long queues for concessions.
- government red tape hinders/causes slow decision making; tax payer funded equals financial limitations; need clear vision and goals from City leaders communicated to staff regularly and funded appropriately
- Heavy handed rules regarding patrons.
- Inexperienced upper leadership in terms of leading a major venue
- "Lack of use identity
- Customer service experience
- Undersized concessions"
- "limited events
- long lines
- •
- Long lines at concessions
- Long lines at concessions

- Mostly small acts
- "Need more efficiencies (ie concessions)
- Government regulation
- Funding"
- No cover from inclement weather.
- PARKING / DIFFICULITY IN BOOKING HIGHER LEVEL ACTS / OVERALL PROFITABILITY
- Risk of poor weather.
- Size of facilities to cover artist costs. Competition of larger local venue within 20 minutes. Lake of facility expansion opportunity.
- Sometimes residents get "nazi" rules at the gates. Increasing security and rules. As my husband commented the other day, no umbrella, no purse, no food, no x, no y, no people
- Unwelcoming
- Visibility, bigger name offerings.
- "whiny public
- Nelly
- bad weather"



# Q14: OPPORTUNITIES: An opportunity is a new possibility of change or external factor that may contribute to the future success of Fraze Pavilion (what could change). In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- "Ability to expand/modify footprint
- Improvement focused management "
- Better alcohol sales and overall customer service
- better concession set up, better entry,
- Changes in Fraze business model, or Fraze to be its own City department, and/or rebrand or brand refresh; add infrastructure; combine efforts with other local/state/national public-owned venues in a managed consortium
- Community oriented
- Economic magnet
- Food trucks
- GET A PROFESSIONAL TALENT MANAGER / UTILIZE VENUE FOR ADDITIONAL (DURING THE WEEK TYPE EVENTS)
- Go for more of the young, rising talent, or regional acts. Look at the Menus. They sell out most years and its an inexpensive show that is known regionally.
- Large monitors installed, bigger names and greater attendance.
- Location
- New leadership.

- New types of events
- No opinion
- "Outside contracting
- Live within our means rather than trying to compete with larger venues "
- "Pair up food vendor with shows for VIP experience.
- Show-off high school bands, etc."
- Pleasant environment.
- "reinvent fit in market
- •
- Safe/secure family friendly venue. Add different categories such as Theatrical Musicals.
- Think we can recapture market on acts; festivals seem to be the bread and butter now; cost control
- "weather shelter
- shorter lines
- better bands"



# Q15: THREATS: A threat is an external factor that may pose challenges to Fraze Pavilion (this may be outside of your control)In short, one-to-three word phrases, describe what you believe to be Fraze Pavilion's opportunities.

- Bad weather events
- Competing venues, weather
- Competition
- competition from an additional outdoor venue, stubbs park, the rose.
   currently we rank between them for size of show talent and amenities in the venue.
- Financial performance expectations
- "free concerts elsewhere
- venue in Huber"
- "Funding prioritization
- Capital needs identified by studies, surveys, etc are not affordable "
- "funding sources
- competition for larger acts"
- Highly competetive market
- Local competitors
- More local competition, state of U.S. economy, music industry challenges, marketing and ad challenges, generational changes in ticket buyers
- Other close, larger venues.

- Residents' disapproval of paying for these services. Budget constraints.
   Infrastructure maintenance/Replacement costs.
- Rose
- Rose/Riverbend,
- The Rose
- THE ROSE & PERCEPTION THAT THE FRAZE IS OLDER / 2ND RATE
- The ROSE, Buckeye Country Fest, Country Concert in Fort Loramie, Voice of America Park, Leavitt, etc.
- "The Rose. Levitt.
- People not recognizing importance of the Fraze to the Kettering community and therefore not seeing a need to subsidize."
- Troubled financial future of the city. We dont need another park or more low-income housing.
- Weather, active shooter



### Q16: What else would you like to share with us as a part of this process?

• The Fraze is really missing an opportunity to create income by increasing concession sales by setting up small snack and drink kiosks throughout the venue.

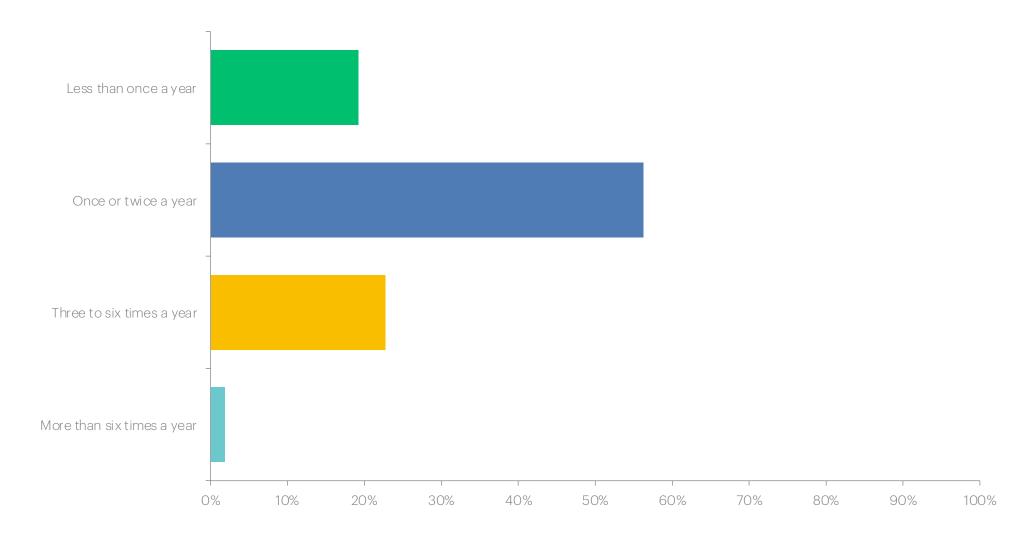


#### **Ticket Buyer Survey**

■ 1880 total responses



#### Q1: How often do you attend events at Fraze Pavilion?



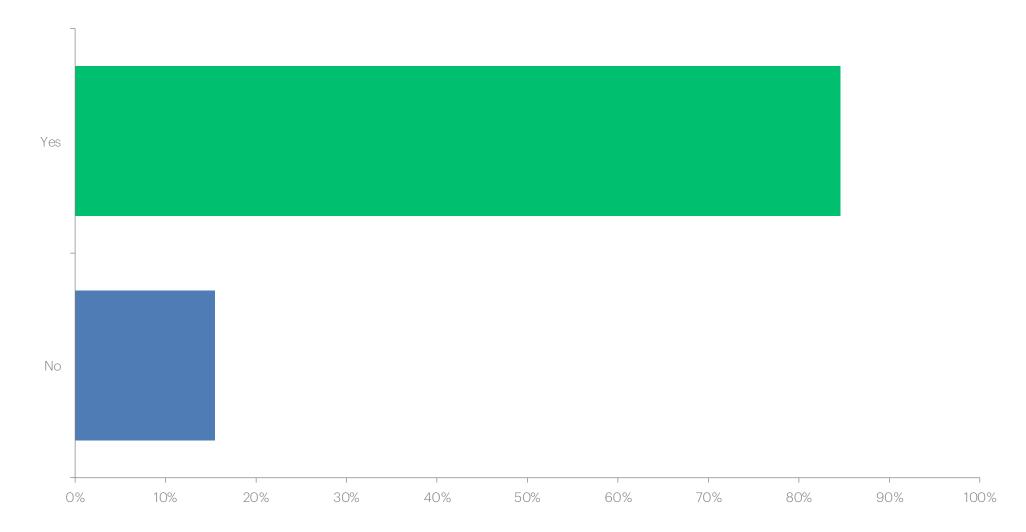


#### Q1: How often do you attend events at Fraze Pavilion?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than once a year	19.22%	361
Once or twice a year	56.23%	1056
Three to six times a year	22.68%	426
More than six times a year	1.86%	35
TOTAL		1878



### Q2: Have you purchased tickets to the Fraze Pavilion in the past 2 years?



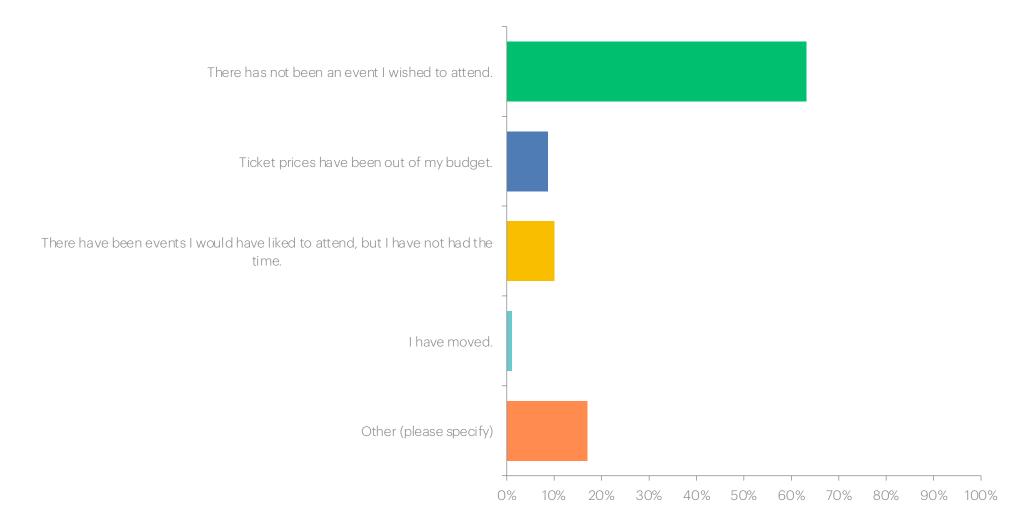


### Q2: Have you purchased tickets to the Fraze Pavilion in the past 2 years?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	84.56%	1583
No	15.44%	289
TOTAL		1872



### Q3: What is your primary reason for not purchasing tickets in the last 2 years?





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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
There has not been an event I wished to attend.	63.19%	182
Ticket prices have been out of my budget.	8.68%	25
There have been events I would have liked to attend, but I have not had the time.	10.07%	29
I have moved.	1.04%	3
Other (please specify)	17.01%	49
TOTAL		288



#### Q3: What is your primary reason for not purchasing tickets in the last 2 years?

- 1) parking is not adequate; too hard to find a nearby place for senior citizens & too far to walk. 2) Fraze is not a covered venue like the Rose (its better for all weather conditions) 3) your lineup of acts is not as good as it used to be. 4) the Rose is closer to my home & parking is much easier & controlled. 2)
- ADA seats are horrible and staff are horribly rude
- Affordable seats( lawn) are too expensive for sitting on the ground!
- AWB/Brian Culbertson concert! No partial refund/compensation offered due I work out of state. to weather and Brian Culbertson's performance cancelled.
- Concert stopped due to weather only 3 songs into the headliner act and we were not given a refund. They had been checking the weather and they had the opening act play, but the concert was cancelled 3 songs into the main act.
- Covid pandemic
- Covid played a lot in it. I just lost interest in going to concerts, movie theaters, etc. That has extended to this day as well.
- distance vs acts
- Family health problems but we to come back
- Family needed us
- Had bad experience with rain (Brian Culbertson and AWB).
- Health reasons
- I had back surgery last year and have been unable to attend.
- I have purchased tickets and we love the Fraze but attend concerts less frequently in the past few years as there are not many major artists performing at the Fraze now. We used to attend more concerts there when

the concerts were for actual artists and not those doing tributes of famous artists.

- Liust moved to the area.
- I live close and listen to the concerts from my home.
- I stopped going to concerts during COVID and have been slow to start back
- I work there
- I work there
- I would actually choose all 3 of above answers
- I've been to nonrefundable rained out concerts...
- Just moved back to town
- Just moved in September 2023, but already have two sets of tickets for this year

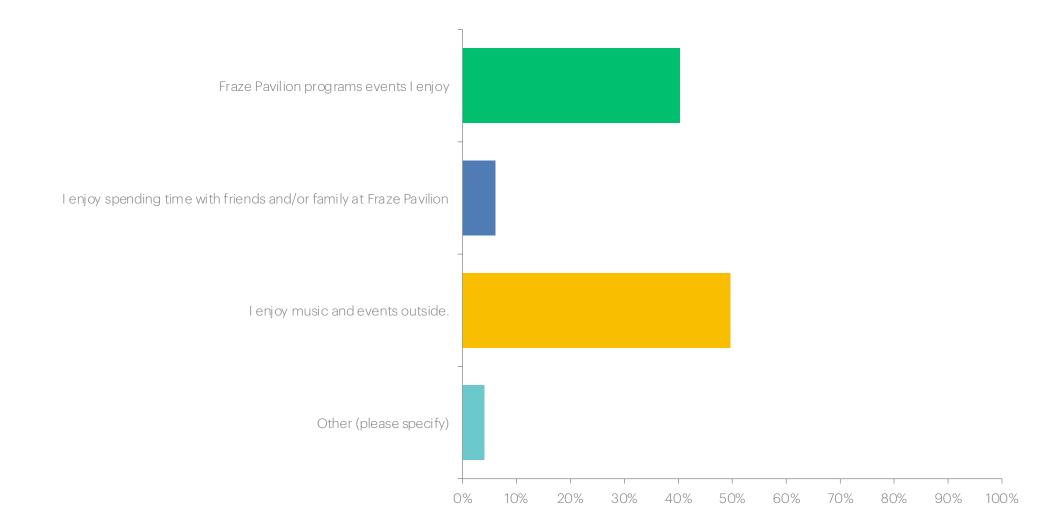


### Q3: What is your primary reason for not purchasing tickets in the last 2 years?

- Moved to florida
- My sister purchased the tickets for me
- New to the venue
- No events that interest me
- normally don't think of Fraze Daughter bought tickets for us as gifts
- Not aware of Fraze Pavilion, don"t usually attend concerts
- Not enough national acts, to many cover bands and lawn prices are high. The rose music center offers seating and lower prices than the Fraze.
- Not enough R&B and Jazz like previous years
- Not too many events I'm interested in/ticket price/don't like the overbearing ushers
- Previous bad experience
- Received free tickets
- Same old groups
- Same old tired acts. Get with it please!
- Schedule conflicts
- Scheduling conflict and working.
- Seats are sold in blocks and all the Good ones are gone by the Time I log onre gone

- Security's excessive rules making attendance not fun
- The last event I went to was delayed after briefly starting due to rain. We
  waited it out in our cars. The concert was subsequently cancelled, and there
  is a no refunds policy. I was so upset. I wanted my money back and vowed
  not to see concerts there again. There are more fair venues to see artists.
- the management and their bad decisions in the past regarding weather interruptions
- The treatment received during a thunderstorm has kept me from returning.
   We were not allowed to stay in the bathroom and had to leave when the concert was cut short during lighting.
- There have been no smooth jazz artists we want to see and prices are going up. Seems like the Fraze was sold and everything changed with it. Not interested in supporting the Fraze anymore.
- Ticketmaster's approach to selling tickets
- Venue is not good for younger crowds
- Waited to be sure weather would be OK then lost track of time until date of show & didn't want to pay the \$5 penalty.







ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Fraze Pavilion programs events I enjoy	40.28%	634
I enjoy spending time with friends and/or family at Fraze Pavilion	6.04%	95
I enjoy music and events outside.	49.62%	781
Other (please specify)	4.07%	64
TOTAL		1574



- A band/artist that I want to see
- · A great Venue, with some acts we enjoy seeing
- All of the above
- All of the above!
- All of the above!
- All the above
- All the above
- All the above
- All the above
- All the above! I love shows at the Fraze and buying tickets at the FanFare store in Town and Country shopping center. I love how The Fraze is community oriented.
- Always problems with purchasing tickets, something wrong with computers, always have to do transaction twice. Charged for a ticket, unable to locate transaction.
- Artist I am interested in
- Artist I wanted to see
- Artists the are booked
- Bands I wanted to see were appearing there

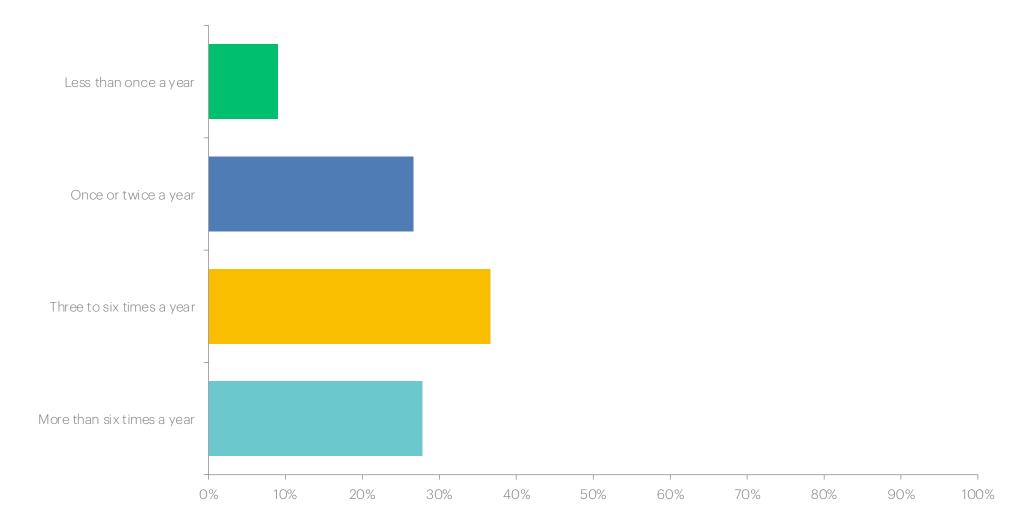
- Both 1 + 3. Program events and music outside
- Certain concert performances
- Convenience of top acts in a local venue
- Donny Osmond
- Donny Osmond concert
- Enjoy concerts
- Every now and then they have artists I'd like to see
- First three choices
- Fraze had top names in the past and we attended many concerts. loved the venue
- Fraze is close to home, great acoustics, easy parking
- Friends
- Gifts
- Good artist in a nice venue
- Great facility for concerts, travel from Charleston, WV to attend
- Great national acts in a small, outside venue
- great price



- I enjoy a smaller venue such as Fraze. It's beautiful, easy parking
- I enjoy the setting of the Fraze.
- I go if there is a band I like
- I like 50s and 60s music only. Nothing else.
- It's a great, small outdoor venue, with assigned seating that is in a beautiful, safe area that's easy to get to and parking is free.
- music artist/ comedian etc i wish to see is performing
- Music events
- Offering a show I want to see
- Only if the artist interests me.
- Outdoor music concerts and enjoy the Fraze venue specifically
- Reasonable prices compared to Ticketmaster and we don't have to travel.
- Received a gift card
- Rock and roll original acts.
- small outside venue
- Specific acts
- Specific artist and date
- Specific artists
- Specific big-name performer/concert
- Specific musicians
- The Artist
- The artist/band

- · the performers offered
- the specific acts
- The two events I purchased tickets for this year are important to me
- To see a specific artist
- To see specific artists
- When you have artists we are interested in...which unfortunately is seldom. We love coming there.
- wonderful venue!

### Q5: How many times a year do you attend arts, entertainment, and/or community events in the Dayton area?

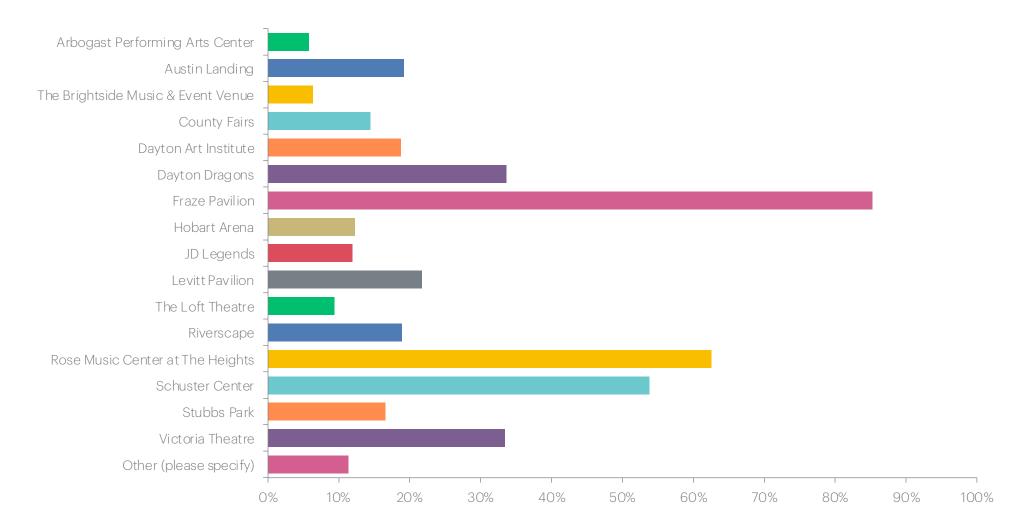




### Q5: How many times a year do you attend arts, entertainment, and/or community events in the Dayton area?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than once a year	8.99%	157
Once or twice a year	26.63%	465
Three to six times a year	36.60%	639
More than six times a year	27.78%	485
TOTAL		1746







ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Arbogast Performing Arts Center	5.77%	100
Austin Landing	19.16%	332
The Brightside Music & Event Venue	6.29%	109
County Fairs	14.43%	250
Dayton Art Institute	18.70%	324
Dayton Dragons	33.58%	582
Fraze Pavilion	85.23%	1477
Hobart Arena	12.23%	212
JD Legends	11.89%	206
Levitt Pavilion	21.70%	376
The Loft Theatre	9.35%	162
Riverscape	18.87%	327
Rose Music Center at The Heights	62.49%	1083
Schuster Center	53.78%	932
Stubbs Park	16.56%	287
Victoria Theatre	33.41%	579
Other (please specify)	11.31%	196
TOTAL		7534



- Also events in Ciccinnati
- Alter High School theater
- Andrew J Brady Center / Riverbend / US Bank Area / Reds Stadium
- Bars with live music
- Beavercreek Community Theatre
- Beavercreek Theatre
- · Boonshoft Museum, Neon
- CAC
- Carillon Park
- Celtic Festival
- Centerville Parks and Springboro Parks
- Christian churches
- Cincinnati music hall
- City of West Carrollton
- Comedy
- Comedy clubs
- Cox Arboretum
- Dave Chappelle's place
- Dayton History / Carillon Park
- · Dayton Masonic Auditorium, various clubs and venues in the Cincy area
- Dayton Masonic Temple
- Dayton Playhouse
- Dayton Playhouse
- Dayton Playhouse, Sinclair, Yellow Cab, UD, Oregon Dist. clubs
- Dayton Theater Guild Yellow Cab

- Dayton Theatre Guild, Dayton Playhouse
- Dayton Theatre Guild; Dayton Playhouse; Wright State University; University of Dayton
- downtown
- Downtown Troy
- Drive to Cincinnati
- Eichelberger Park Huber Heights
- Five River Metroparks
- Foundry Theater, Antioch College. Neon Cinema.
- Front Street and you should add this one and to Dayton playhouse
- Funny Bone
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- Gillys
- Ginkgo
- Glass Theatre at UD
- Greene County Parks and Trails
- Hidden Gem, Blind Bob's, Yellow Cab, Bargo's
- historic areas near Dayton
- Hobart Arena. North Park in Springboro
- Hollywood Gaming Casino



- I do not.
- I have listed my options.
- I havent done anything like this I quite a while.
- I live in Columbus so attend venues within 2-3 hours distance
- Indip
- Industrial Strength Bluegrass @ Roberts Convention Center
- Isotopes Stadium & Sandia Casino
- Just the fraze
- KETTERING FAIRMONT HIGH SCHOOL
- Kettering Rec/Lathrem Center
- La Comedia
- La comedia Springboro parks
- LaComedia
- LaComedia, Sorq
- LaComedia; comedy shows
- Linda's Roadhouse
- live music at bars etc
- Live near Findlay 2 hours from Dayton
- Local bands at different locations
- local bars
- Local bars
- Local bars, Alter Fest, other community festivals
- Local breweries and bars
- Local concert series, such as North Park in Springboro
- local live music

- local music Springboro, Miamisburg, Centerville, Lebanon
- Local parks
- Local venues (bars/clubs etc)!for live local and tribute bands
- Locomedia
- Lofino park
- Lofino Park (Beavercreek)
- Lori's Roadhouse
- LUDLOW GARAGE N CINNCINNAT
- MetroParks, the Greek Orthodox Church
- Miamisburg river Front park
- Miamisburg Riverfront and Hidden Gem
- Movie theaters
- Murphy Theater Wilmington
- Music
- Mvcca
- Na
- Neon Movies
- None
- None in the past several years
- North Bend park in Springboro and Veterans Amphitheatre in Springfield.

- north park
- North Park Gem
- North park in Springboro
- North Park in Springboro
- North Park in Springboro
- North park Springboro and Miamisburg pavilion
- North park springboro, veterans park springfield
- North Park Springborro- Wright Station Springborro
- North park, hidden valley, Miamisburg riverfront, Masonic temple
- North Park, Springboro
- North park, Springboro
- North Park, Springboro
- NTPRD Chiller Rink, Springfield
- Nutter
- Nutter Center

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- Nutter Center & Wright State Arts Theater
- Ohio State Fair
- Only Fraze, I do not make the trip for others
- Other local parks and events
- Other theaters
- other venues like churches
- Riverbend
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- Riverbend
- Riverbend Ludlow Garage
- Riverbend Music Center
- Riverbend, Neon
- Riverscape, St Anne's Hill, Greek Orthodox Church, italian Festival
- RiversEdge-Hamilton
- Rumbleseat, Jaynes, HVO, Msbg Park
- Several others in Cincinnati
- Sinclair community college
- Smith Gardens, Oakwood; Neon Movies, Dayton
- Sorg Opera House, The Neon movie theater
- Spfld sum& jazz



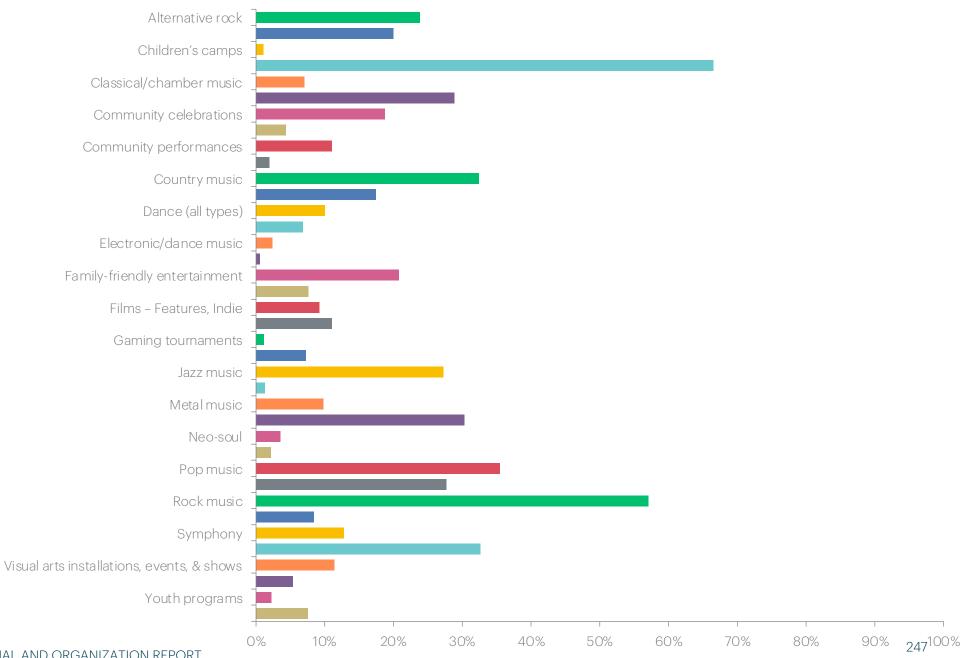
- Springboro community theater
- Springboro North Park
- SPRINGBORO NORTH PARK
- Springboro Park
- Springboro,
- Springboro, Centerville, and Miamisgurg parks
- Springboro--Springfield--Troy- Tipp city
- Springfield Kuss performing Arts Center; Springfield Summer Arts Festival
- Springfield Arts Summer @ Veterans Park
- Springfield Chiller Ice Rink
- Springfield Kuss Theater
- Springfield summer arts and Kuss
- Springfield Summer Arts Festivals
- Springfield Veterans park
- Springfield veterans park
- St. Leo
- Star City Riverfront Park Miamisburg OH
- Taft Theater
- Taft Theater Cincinnati
- The Eichelberger Amphitheater at the Heights
- The Firehouse, Yellow Springs
- The garage in Cincinnati
- The Greene
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- The Greene
- The Greene
- The Greene, North Park, Miamisburg
- The Hidden Gem
- The Ludlow Garage
- The Murphy Theater, Sorg Opera House
- The Nutter Center
- The Rose
- Troy square, Coc Arborteum, libraries
- troy's treasure island or pouty square
- UD Arena
- University of Dayton
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- University of Dayton, Clark State Performing Arts Center
- Various venues in the Oregon District or in the Dayton area that have live music or dancing
- Venues in Lexington, Ky. And Louisville, Ky.
- Veterans Park Springfield, State Theater Springfield
- We also attend events in Columbus and Cincinnati.
- We want to attend more venues just have not been able.
- west carrollton, springboro, and miamisburg concert series



- whatever venue is hosting the artist i wish to see
- WPAFB
- Wright Patterson AFB
- WSU Nutter Center
- Xenia and Springfield
- Yellow cab
- Yellow cab
- Yellow Cab Company, The Greene, Dayton Racing Casino







ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Alternative rock	23.80%	415
American, folk, & bluegrass	19.95%	348
Children's camps	1.09%	19
Classic rock	66.46%	1159
Classical/chamber music	7.00%	122
Comedy/improv	28.84%	503
Community celebrations	18.75%	327
Community meetings & events	4.30%	75
Community performances	11.01%	192
Corporate meetings & events	1.89%	33
Country music	32.40%	565
Cultural celebrations & events	17.43%	304
Dance (all types)	9.98%	174
Educational events and lectures	6.77%	118
Electronic/dance music	2.35%	41
E-sports tournaments	O.57%	10
Family-friendly entertainment	20.76%	362
Films - Documentary	7.63%	133
Films - Features, Indie	9.17%	160
Folk music	11.01%	192
Gaming tournaments	1.15%	20
Hip-hop/rap	7.22%	126

Jazz music	27.24%	475
К-рор/Ј-рор	1.26%	22
Metal music	9.81%	171
Musical theatre/theatre/opera	30.28%	528
Neo-soul	3.50%	61
Podcasts	2.18%	38
Pop music	35.44%	618
R&B and soul	27.64%	482
Rock music	57.00%	994
Speakers and/or lecturers	8.43%	147
Symphony	12.73%	222
Tribute shows	32.63%	569
Visual arts installations, events, & shows	11.41%	199
World music	5.33%	93
Youth programs	2.24%	39
Other (please specify)	7.51%	131
TOTAL		10187



- 50 & 60 music and select plays
- 60-70 rock
- 60's and 70's rock n roll
- 70's and 80's music
- 80's & 90'd
- 80's music
- All Genre of music
- All types of art and nature programming available
- Americana
- Anything
- Ballet
- Band competitions
- Baseball
- Bicycling events
- Big band music
- Blues

- Blues
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- Blues
- Blues music
- Blues music
- Blues music
- · Breakfast with the Beatles
- Broadway series at Schuster
- Broadway shows
- Broadway shows
- Broadway touring shows
- Cars and Coffee
- Celtic
- Celtic music, festivals



- Christian concert
- Christian concerts
- Christian concerts
- Christian contemporary music
- Christian contemporary rock bands
- Christian groups
- CHRISTIAN MISIC
- Christian music
- Christian music (e.g., Casting Crowns)
- Christian Music Concerts
- Christian Music Shows
- Christian music.
- Christian Rock
- Christian Rock

- Christian/Gospel Artists
- Christian/Worship concerts
- Classic Album was good
- · Community plays.
- Community Theatre
- Contemporary Christian
- Contemporary Christian
- Contemporary Christian CCM
- Contemporary Christian music and talent shows
- Contemporary Christian!
- Contemporary Jazz
- Contemporary jazz
- Craft shows
- David Osmond, Donny Osmond, Marie Osmond, Nathan Osmond
- Dayton Dragons baseball
- Dayton Dragon's events
- Dragon games
- Festivals
- Festivals
- Funk
- · Good old rock and roll
- Gospel



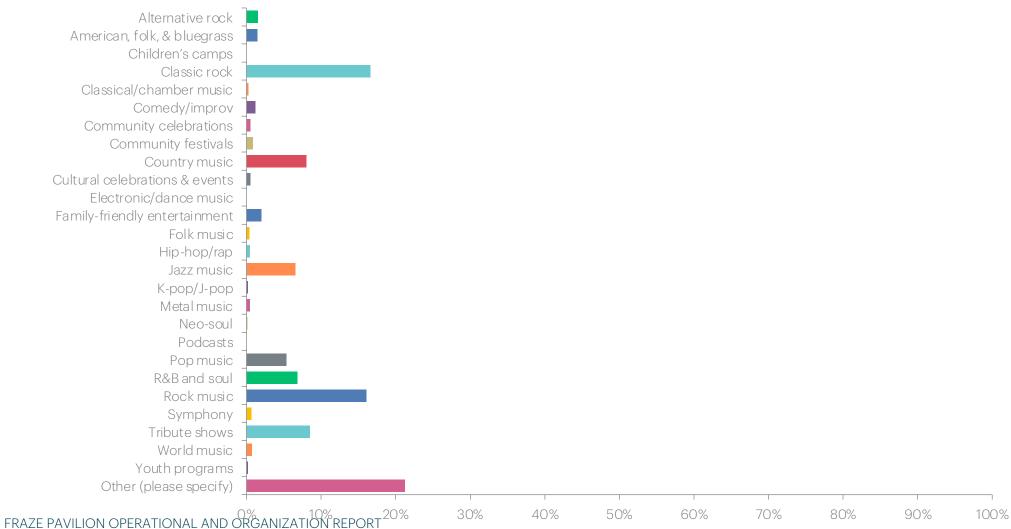
- GospelFest
- Historic Tours
- Historical Housing Tours
- I came to see a particular performer.
- Idon't.
- · I want to check out so many. Especially things I havent enjoyed
- Indie music. Try to get Andrew Bird to play at the Fraze
- Irish music events
- Jam bands
- JAMBANDS
- Live 2 hours from Dayton
- Local bands
- Love 80s bands
- Love the blues
- Misc. Festivals
- Motown, Oldies
- museum
- Musicals, 60s music
- None
- Nonprofit fundraisers
- Older artists and groups
- Oldies 50 and 60's
- Oldies music

- Oldies music
- oldies50,60,70 mainly
- Open Mic
- plays and worship music events
- Poetry readings
- Reggae
- Reggae and blues
- Reggae, Retro Swing (Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Post-Modern Jukebox, etc)
- Sheryl Crow
- Smooth Jazz Concerts
- Southern Rock
- Southern Rock & Blues
- Sporting events
- Sporting events
- Sports
- Sports
- Sports
- Sports
- Weird Al
- wing fest, festivals, car shows, food trucks
- You only had boney james which ive seen him many times at the fraze, ,,, need more smooth jazz artist. Ive been to fraze over ten times nice venue.



#### Q8: What types of events do you expect to see at Fraze Pavilion? Please select all that apply.

\*\*note: these are answered provided prior to the 7/3 question change





ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Alternative rock	1.52%	22
American, folk, & bluegrass	1.45%	21
Children's camps	0.00%	0
Classic rock	16.61%	240
Classical/chamber music	0.21%	3
Comedy/improv	1.18%	17
Community celebrations	0.48%	7
Community festivals	0.83%	12
Country music	8.03%	116
Cultural celebrations & events	0.48%	7
Electronic/dance music	0.00%	0
Family-friendly entertainment	2.01%	29
Folk music	0.35%	5
Hip-hop/rap	0.42%	6
Jazz music	6.51%	94
К-рор/Ј-рор	0.14%	2
Metal music	0.42%	6

Neo-soul	0.07%	1
Podcasts	0.00%	0
Pop music	5.33%	77
R&B and soul	6.78%	98
Rock music	16.06%	232
Symphony	0.62%	9
Tribute shows	8.51%	123
World music	0.69%	10
Youth programs	0.14%	2
Other (please specify)	21.18%	306
TOTAL		1445



- #7 Won't let you check all that apply
- (It's allowing me only one section) Generally, the same types I noted in the previous question's response.) I'm in the minority, but not to interested in mainstream Country, or "smooth jazz".
- 60s music
- 70's and 80's music
- 70's 80's pop music
- 80's bands
- 80s rock
- A good mix
- A mix. The buttons for this question don't work.
- A number of these, but you can only select one!
- A variety of music, festivals, events
- ALL
- All
- All
- All
- All events mentioned. Survey wouldn't let me check more than one.
- All genres
- All genres of music
- All kinds of music
- All kinds of music
- All kinds of music would not let me select more than 1 option

- all kinds...survey only allows one selection
- All listed
- All listed as the as many as you want doesnt work
- All music
- All music types and comedy.
- All of the above
- All of the above because this only allows one choice
- All that apply not working
- All the above
- All the above and Pat Benatar!! I love the 90s
- All types of music and community events
- All types of music and festivals
- All types would be good
- Americana
- Any and all. Would not let me choose more than one.
- Anything good, bigger names please
- basically, all of the above could not select multiple



- Blues
- Blues Music
- Blues music
- Blues, Rock, Classic Rock, country
- Breakfast with the Beatles
- Can only select one, not multiple. But music concerts and festivals
- Can't select all glitch in system
- Can't select more than one
- Cannot select All that apply. Fraze is a great place for Jazz concerts
- Cannot select more than one
- Can't select more than 1 option here
- CCM Christian
- Christian / Gospel Music
- Christian concerts
- Christian music
- Christian music
- Christian music

- Christian music
- Christian music
- Christian music
- Christian music (e.g., Casting Crowns)
- Christian musicians
- Christian Rock
- Christian Rock
- Christian rock bands
- Christian/Gospel music
- Classic rock & tribute. It wouldn't let me ck them
- Classic rock, community festivals, jazz, r&b, pop, tribute bands the above would not let me select more than one
- Classic Rock, Country, Bluegrass (it wouldn't let me select more than one category)
- classic rock, pop, jazz,country
- classic, rock and tribute shows (it wouldn't let me pick all that apply it only would let me do one
- Comedians
- Comedy, Jazz, soul, neosoul, R&B, reggae would be nice
- Concerts
- Concerts and themed events. I couldn't choose as many as I wanted so I answered here.



- Contemporary Christian
- Contemporary Christian Oldies Bands
- Could not select more than one
- could only mark one
- Could only pick 1 thing, we typically would go to concerts of many different genres
- Country music, R & B, rock music
- Country, rock, classic rock, metal rnb, tribute bands
- Country,rock and tribute music
- Current, relevant performers—I can't check more than one
- Dance
- Did not allow me to select more than one
- Different genres of touring musicians
- Does not allow more than 1 choice
- Does not allow multiple selection. Rock or Alternative
- Doesn't let you select more than one
- Doesn't matter. Won't come back to Fraze bc no refund/reduced price for another event was not offered after Culbertson concert. He played 1 song and we were told that was at least half the show.
- Festivals
- folk, rock, classic rock, soul music
- Forgot to use checkboxes
- Fyi, this question does not allow multiple choices.

- Had you set up your survey correctly, then I would have been able to pick more than one choice.
- Headliner Names instead of tribute bands
- I could only select one
- I don't expect much anymore! There are genres I would like to see, all represented above, but I have no expectations of the Fraze at this point.
- I expect for the Fraze to provide a wide selection of events catered to a wide audience of attendees based on the surrounding communities.
- I selected the same items from question 7, but this only allowed one answer
- I traveled from Indiana to see one performer.
- I tried selecting more than one and it wouldn't let me. I like classic rock, country, jazz, pop
- I was not able to select multiple items.
- I was only able to select one as the program would not accept more than one.
- I wasn't able to select more than one option. I would look forward to folk musicians and brass bands.
- Instructions say "select all that apply", but it only allows one choice.
- It only allows me to select 1 radio button, same answers as previous question
- It only allows one selection.



- It only allows to select 1 so since I used to come to shows all the time at the Fraze with my dad, we've seen some of the most amazing artists and concerts and have created some amazing memories. Mark Knopfler, Greg Allman, Steve Winwood, Umphrey's McGee, blues fest with Robert Randolph, Yes with the symphonic orchestra, bluegrass like Mountain Heart, so many good shows I would hope to still expect since me and my wife moved back to Kettering and have been raving about how much fun I used to have to only find a lackluster lineup.
- It says to check all that apply and it will only let me check off one item
- It will not allow me to select more than 1 option
- it will not let me pick more than one genre?
- It will only allow me to pick one not all that apply
- It will only allow me to pick one so same as last question.
- It will only let me pick one
- It will only let me select one
- It won't let me select all that apply
- it won't let me make multiple choices, so screw it
- It won't let me select more than one...but lots of music concerts, all different genres.
- It would allow one selction so I chose Other. Tribute, Rock, Pop, Comedy, Festivals Must be an error.
- It would let me pick one.
- It would not allow me to check more than one

- It would not allow me to pick more than 1, but anything listed that I normally attend. More modern. Less coverbands.
- It would not let me select what I wanted. I enjoy rock, classic rock, pop, community celebrations, tribute bands, cultural festivals
- It would only allow me to choose one from this list, Country
- It would only allow me to select one
- It would only allow one selection, now "select all that apply" as stated
- It would only let me check one thing. Tribute bands, rock, country and jazz music
- It would only let me choose one options but my choices are the same as the previous question.
- It would only let me select one
- It would only let me select one answer, and I expect much more than one type of music at Fraze.
- It wouldn't allow me to check more than one; classic rock is our favorite
- It wouldn't let me check all that apply
- It wouldn't let me select multiple, but my answers would be Pop, Country, Hiphop/r&b, alternative rock, andtribute shows
- It's only letting me select one. I would love to see more rock acts like you had in 2021.
- Jazz music as well as Christian music.
- Jazz, r&b, soul, comedy events



- Lame events
- Live music of ALL genres and performances for community and cultural festivals
- live rock music, tribute bands, comedy, Christian rock, contemporary Christian
- Many of the above. Button does not work
- Many of these but this questiony only allows one
- More variety. Not the same acts every year
- Multiple options; not selectable on this question
- Multiple selections not accepted in this question so top three are concerts, community festivals and cultural events
- Music all types, arts, community and cultural events and celebrations Will not

   allow selection of mutiple
- Music from different genres, tribute shows, festivals, art shows.
- music of any variety
- music pop country jazz
- Na
- No expectation
- None
- None. Never going to the Fraze again after I wasted money on 2 shows that were canceled less than 30 minutes in
- Not a select all that apply option.
- Not allowing me to check all

- Not letting you choose more than one
- Numerous it won't let me select more than one though
- Old school
- Older artists who will draw crowds like Frankie Valli did at the Rose.
- Oldies
- Oldies
- oldies
- Oldies. 50s-60s
- Only 2 choice was permitted, I expect to see any and every option available at the Frazethe Fraze
- Only allowed 1 choice.
- Only allowed to select 1 item so listing all here: classic rock, cultural & art festivals, rock music, country music
- Only allowing me to select one option in this question. I would pick multiple
- Only allows me to Select one?
- Only let me choose one, so I want everything that I checked on the last question



- Only lets me check one (??)
- Only lets me select one. But I'd expect to see pretty much all of the options
- Only one choice allowed. Would expect: classic rock, folk/bluegrass, pop, jazz, alt rock, etc.
- Only one of these can be selected
- Point 7 would only allow me to select 1 type
- pop/rock/country/classic rock it would only let me choose 1 answer
- Question 7 above only allowed for 1 selection. I am interested in comedy, classic rock, pop, and country performances.
- Question 7 does not permit multiple selections. Alt. Rock, Classic Rock,
   Community Festivals, Country Music, R&B & Soul, Rock Music, Fok Music, Pop •
   Music, Tribute Shows, Family-friendly entertainment. Open to K-pop/J-pop,
   American, folk, bluegrass, hip-hop/rap, cultural celebrations & events,
   •
- Question is broken and won't allow multiple choices
- Question would only let me select one choice
- R&B soul.. Jazz .. Blues..
- Real bands instead of tribute bands,
- Response format is not correct, can only select one option for this question
- Rock and country
- Rock Hard Rock Country
- Rock, Alt Rock, Folk/Blue Grass
- rock, metal, jazz, r&b. would only let me select one
- · Same as last year

- Several reasons but it won't let me pick more than 1
- Site would only let me select one choice
- Smooth Jazz Concerts
- Southern Rock
- Southern Rock & Blues
- Survey did not allow me to select more than 1.
- Survey does not let you select all that applies
- Survey only allowed me to select one.
- Survey only allowed one box checked
- Survey only allows for selecting one option
- SURVEY PROBLEM, CAN ONLY SELECT ONE NOT ALL THAT APPLY, WE LIKE ROCK, POP, CLASSIC ROCK, FOLK, JAZZ
- Survey will only allow 1 selection. More FESTIVALS!
- Survey won't allow me to select multiple items
- Survey would only allow 1 choice
- Survey would only let me choose one....not all...ROCK
- survey would only let me select one answer. I like classic rock, jazz, pop, family, world music, some folk
- Survey would only let me select one of the above. There are several that I would attend.
- The answer to this question wouldn't let me pick all that apply



- The instructions state to select all that apply, but it would only allow one choice to be clicked!
- The same ones I chose above
- The survey would only let me click one
- There seems to be a problem with question 7. Instructions are to check all that apply but I could only check one item
- This is a radio button (one choice) not check box (check all that apply)
- This is not letting me select more than one.
- This is not working correctly as it would only let me mark one option.
- This is prohibitive as it would only allow me to choose one
- This one won't allow me to select all that apply.
- This only allowed one choice
- This only allows me to select 1.
- this only lets me pick one option
- This question only allowing one response
- This question did not allow me to select all that apply.
- This guestion did not allow more than one response.
- This guestion is not allowing me to select more than one option, but all types this guestion would only let me select one. We like alternative, folk, country, of live music performances and community festivals
- This question is not allowing more than one selection. Error in coding on survey end.
- This question is not working right
- This question is only allowing a single response, NOT "all that apply".

- This question is Select One, not Multiple
- This question isn't working properly
- This question limits me to only one answer
- This question only accepted one answer, but I would like to see country, classic rock, pop, tribute shows, and American folk and bluegrass.
- This question only allowed me to select one answer
- This question only allows one selection and I have several
- This guestion suggested checking all that apply but would only allow selection of one choice.
- This question was not available as multi-select. Would have chosen primarily music (of multiple types)
- This question was programmed incorrectly and only allows 1 answer. My answer would have been alt rock and rock music
- This question will allow only once choice even though it says to select all. I would choose rock, classic rock, alternative rock, soul, jazz, country music.
- This question would not allow for multiple selections. Andswer: all genres of musical concerts
- rock, and oldies (performed by the ACTUAL artists, not tributes)
- this question would only let you select one option even though it stated to choose all that apply.
- This question wouldn't allow me tock all of the boxes
- This section did not allow multiple responses



- this section is not allowing me to select more than one
- This section will not allow me to select all that apply. I would also choose pop,
   rock, r&b, and tribute shows.
- This survey only allows one choice despite what it says.
- This survey question only allows one response so your data will be off.
- This Will only allow one selection classic rock, pop, r&b, community festivals and celebrations
- This would only let me select one
- Tom Petty tribute was good
- Tribute bands.
- TRIED TO CLICK MORE BUT WOULD UNCLICK PREVIOUS AS I WENT ALONG •
- Tried to select different music events as well as community celebrations
- Trying to select all ones that I like from this list and it won't allow me to do it.
- Type of events only allows one selection?
- Unable to check all that apply. But I suppose almost all of these are an option. •
- Variety
- was only allowed one selection to this question
- Was unable to select multiple
- Wide open to many. Can not select one
- Will not allow me to choose more than one.
- Will not allow me to select multiple answers
- will not allow more than 1 selection, rock, county, comedy, R&B & Soul
- Will not allow more than one but we attend festivals and concerts at Fraze

- will not allow select multiple but lets say most of these
- will only let me check one, but all of these are great for the Fraze
- Will only let me choose one...so, community
- Will only let me pick one
- Won't let me select all thataply
- Won't let you be pick multiple. Stop wall the cover bands. Attendance's numbers say they are not popular. Get some up and coming popular artists.
- Won't allow me to select more than 1
- Won't allow more than one pick
- Would let choose only 1
- Would not allow me to select more than one
- Would not allow to select more than one, but many of the music genres, comedy, and community festivals
- would not let me click more then 1, Jazz, R&B, Festivals, Rock, Pop
- Would not let me select more than 1 type. I wanted to select about 6 types of music
- Would not let me select more than one.
- Would only allow me to select one. I need to select multiple choices
- Would only allow single check mark. Classic, country, rock
- Would only let me choose one option, I would expect any dufferent genres of music

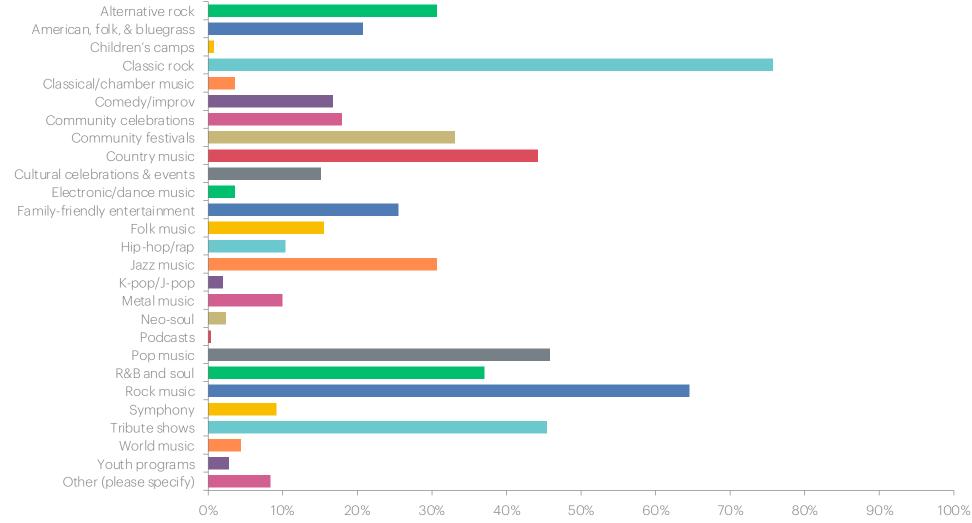


- Would only let me select one. I especially like classic rock and country
- Wouldn't let me choose more the one
- Wouldn't let me choose only one. Community festivals, pop music, jazz, etc. Your survey won't let me select more than one option for this question
- Wouldn't let me select more than one.
- You can only choose one response in this question!
- You can only click one.
- You can only select one above, but all of these
- You can't select more than 1
- You deleted my answers
- you responses only allowed for one, country, pop, community festivals, tribute shows
- Your "select as many that applies is not working. We like all types of music at Fraze with the exception of tribute bands
- Your dumbass form did not allow me to "select all that apply"
- Your question is broken on this one, it says pick all the things but you can only choose one
- Your survey is allowing only one selection. We like classic rock and jazz/blues.
- Your survey is not working properly. It only allows 1 selection. So I would say: Jazz, Country, Folk, Rock, R&B and Soul
- Your survey is only allowing for 1 response to the question
- Your survey isn't working properly so that I can select more than one option here

- Your survey was only allowing me to select one. I like pop, classic rock, tribute shows, country, comedy, festivals.



\*\*note: these are answered after the 7/3 question change





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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Alternative rock	30.68%	77
American, folk, & bluegrass	20.72%	52
Children's camps	0.80%	2
Classic rock	75.70%	190
Classical/chamber music	3.59%	9
Comedy/improv	16.73%	42
Community celebrations	17.93%	45
Community festivals	33.07%	83
Country music	44.22%	111
Cultural celebrations & events	15.14%	38
Electronic/dance music	3.59%	9
Family-friendly entertainment	25.50%	64
Folk music	15.54%	39
Hip-hop/rap	10.36%	26
Jazz music	30.68%	77
K-pop/J-pop	1.99%	5
Metal music	9.96%	25

Neo-soul	2.39%	6
Podcasts	0.40%	1
Pop music	45.82%	115
R&B and soul	37.05%	93
Rock music	64.54%	162
Symphony	9.16%	23
Tribute shows	45.42%	114
World music	4.38%	11
Youth programs	2.79%	7
Other (please specify)	8.37%	21
TOTAL		1447



\*\*note: these are answered after the 7/3 question change

- 80s music mix fest
- A mix of events is great, lots of choices
- All Jondro music
- Blues
- Blues
- Blues music
- Christian artists
- Contemporary Christian music
- Contemporary Christian!
- Food!
- Fraze has had horrible choices of artists come to there venues. They final had something for people in there 30 and 40 and people of color.
- Generally okay with all types of music and events.
- Gospel Christian
- GospelFest
- I guess something for all genres of music.
- Motown, Oldies
- Osmond Chapman Orchestra, Nathan Osmond, Marie Osmond, Donny Osmond
- Over the last few years there hasn't been many shows I was interested in
- Sips and suds
- The Fraze should have a variety of acts that appeal to different kinds of people.
- Why no QUEEN this yr?



- •
- Question 7 would not allow selecting more than one event"
- #7 question is not working as expected. Only let me select one item.
- #7 says pick all that apply but will only allow me to chose one
- 1) The Rose Music Center seems to be a detriment to Fraze Pavilion, although I have never been to a concert there. My perception is that they can 'score' performers with a bigger draw. 2) Seems to me that the Fraze line-up for the past several years is entertainers (many past their prime) appealing to older people. While I am 73, there's no way I'd pay to see what's left of the Beach Boys. My last concert there was to see Tony Bennett, a performance for which I was given free tickets. You get the picture. 3) The open-air environment is a two-edged sword: lovely on a favorable summer evening, questionable when it rains. That said, I would not advocate for changing.
- 3 years ago you had a great season the last two has been not that good
- A roof over the seating would be nice because of rain
- A second set of bathrooms located on the other side would be nice.
- Additional restrooms would be great for the larger events.
- Always a great experience the best venue of several outdoor concert events we've attended.
- Always enjoy the artists and the event atmosphere when we attend.
- Always enjoyed the free concerts provided by Kettering Hospital with local praise teams and one headliner
- Always have a very good experience when we attend!
- Always loved the Fraze
- Always loved the Fraze since it opened, but the quality of your shows has

- steadily declined. Way too many tribute shows. Offerings at other venues have been much more interesting.
- Annually, I have always looked forward to the Fraze concerts and attended at least 1-3 each summer season. I was extremely disappointed with the 2024 season and have not bought any tickets this year.
- As mentioned earlier, in the last couple years, shows that interest us (husband/wife) have somehow seemed to be scheduled at times we have prior commitments.
- As much as I enjoy attending music performances at the Fraze, it would be nice if it were covered (like the Rose).
- At least get the system correct to answer these questions
- At my age plus ticket prices, gas etc, I really don't have any desire to go anymore.
- At times the extremely strict security at the gate has stopped me from buying. Rules are necessary but common sense must be applied.
- Be more accommodating and less rude to concert attendees. Ushers are referred to by a lot of people as the Fraze nazis.
- Be sure people are allowed to stand up and dance. No one wants to listen to dancing music if they can't dance. If you have to make one side of the lawn for people who want to stand and one side for people who want to sit!!
- Beach Boys sadly were very terrible. People will pay for good acts because the Fraze is beautiful. More jazz!
- Beer prices are way to high for the size of the beverage
- Better (not nostalgic) musical acts.



- Better acts! Poor selection last few years we go to The rose for quality acts
- Better artist next year.
- Better beer and food lines!!!!!!! More beer stands and food stands with prompt service. Pre pour beers. No reason to wait for a beer when there is four choices.
- Better blues festivals. Shaun Murphy, Brothers Comotose, A J Lee, Beth Hart
   are a few I would like to see. You have the same acts every year. You need to
   up your game if you want to compete with other venues.
- Better bookings
- Better classic music acts that are still doing shows.
- Better communication between staff and guests. It's always horrible and
  unfriendly. An updated refund policy, probably on Fraze to sign better
  contracts that protect their guests money opposed to the artist playing for 10 •
  minutes and getting full fee for a concert.
- Better customer service and being aware of blocked views. Few years ago
   bought Weird Al tickets, view was blocked, didn't know what to do. Mentioned
   it after and was basically told too bad.
- Better groups, even local groups for \$5 Fridays
- Better known artists
- Better music acts.
- Better musical groups. More craft beer selections. Food truck rally's.
- better online ticketing i've tried to buy tickets online from your site and it never works. very frustrating. since I don't live nearby, I can't visit the box office to buy tickets so this really needs to be fixed
- better shows, this years line up was not well represented... (2024) --- The staff

- at the Fraze go way too far with constant security checks and such... The Fraze "Nazi" phrase I hear a lot and has caused us to attend The Rose more often...
- BETTER TICKET ON SALES. NOT GETTING GOOD TICKETS. TOOOOO SLOW TICKETING FOR ON SALES AT 10AM.
- Blues blues blues
- Book artists like The Rose does. Bring back Mcguffey Lane, Kim Richie, Blackberry Smoke, Allman-Betts Band, MORE BLUES ARTISTS
- book up and coming artist. Trevor Hall. caamp, Josiah and the bonnievilles, mt joy, band of horses, zach bryan to name a few
- Breakfast with the Beatles (add post broadcast concert) with Beatle cover band
- Bring Back \$2 Tuesdays !!!!! I understand you have to Raise the Price !!!!
- Bring back Allison Krous
- Bring back Disco Inferno
- Bring back festival of the vine
- Bring back Festival of the Vine (wine tasting event.)
- Bring back more jazz artists
- Bring back real artists. Stop wall the cover bands.
- Bring back The Beach Boys...they were excellent. The Menus are great; enjoy Happy Together; looking forward to ELO, ETC
- Bring back the free Christian concert/festival
- Bring down ticket prices and concession prices.
- Bring in actual bands/acts. Enough with the tribute bands too many!



- bring in Bananarama & Colbie Callait & Walk off the Earth & Brian Setzer & 70s various artists & different oldies show than Happy Together tour
- Bring in more artists!! Your lineup this year is the poorest ever. The Fraze is a gem...are you marketing it enough?
- Bring Molly Hatchet to the Fraze
- Bring more jazz artist.....PLEASE!
- Bring more music from the 70"s and 80's. BeeGees, James Taylor, Eagles, Jackson Brown, Logging and Messina
- Bring the avett brothers back
- Bring the Dayton philharmonic. Paul Anka, Frankie Avalon. Buble. DOOWOP GROUPS.
- Build a cover for the venue
- Build a partial cover for rain/inclement weather like riverbend has, you'll be able to charge higher prices and avoid cancellation of the concert. We avoid due to non-covered venue and have lost a lot of money due to same prior to insurance coverage option.
- Build an overhead closure or protection from the elements similar to the Rose
- Cannot begin to tell you how disappointed we have been with the selection choices at the Fraze ... two years in a row we have not attended one show so
- Category 7 above lets you select only one type of music/event
- Celebrity singers and performer groups just like the recent Beach Boys and upcoming Happy Together tour,
- Cheaper tickets and better seating for the handicapped
- Cincinnati's concert venues have changed hands a few times and formerly

- excellent sites like the Southgate House Revival and Woodward Theater don't host the same artists they used to. I would love to see the Fraze attract indie rock and 80s alternative performers to fill that gap in the region.
- Classic Rock seems to have slipped this year, and there were many acts
  touring together such as Lynyrd Skynyrd & ZZ Top. Poor weather made me
  have to miss Skynyrd last year at the Fraze due to health conditions. I had
  insurance on the tickets, but the insuring company failed to return my
  money. While I understand that Youth today seems to prefer Rap, HipHop,
  etc., the majority of your money is going to come in from Adults. Most Adults
  seem to prefer Classic Rock or Country, and I personally would think that acts
  like these would bring in more money, and less problems.
- Closer restrooms to the venue
- Comedy, community festivals, Christian music, country, Jimmy Buffet style
- Concessions need to be reassessed. Lines are crazy long and intertwined...it gets confusing.
- Consider more diverse music, including more R&B, jazz, and community festivals
- Consideration of a roof for the seating section would be a good future idea
- Contemporary Jazz
- Continue to try to keep the price down.
- Cost of tickets is very high compared to other venues and we would rather support the Fraze
- Country and rock music. You do a good job booking top acts at a small theater. Keep up the good work.



- Cover the venue. Last night was a cluster...and no, I did not enjoy the ELO
   tribute as it was cancelled after more than 2 hours of going in and being sent
   back to cars. Hopefully it will actually be rescheduled as your email stated.
   See you atotge Baconfest!
- Covered area would be nice. I would also like it if all the events were released for ticket sales at the same time. Prefer name acts more than tribute bands
- Curious who recruits the musical talent. You need to up your game to compete with the Rose. It's such a lovely venue too. U know there are more bands out there. Thanks for listening.
- "Current music or at least 2000 to 2024
- The 70s 80s and 90s are oldies
- I'm 67 and tired of tribute bands and oldies Get with it Us seniors aren't Fraze's future "
- Danielle Nlicole.. CHRISTON (KINGFISH) INGRAM..
- David Crowder, Zach Williams: Christian music
- Decrease service fees
- Decrease the add on fees
- Disappointed every year on artists brought it, very few of interest, lineup not nearly as good as they used to be, could use new aggressive promoter to bring in better bands
- Disappointed in the events booked in the last 1-2 years. The Fraze has really fallen off as a venue. Heard that management has not been up to par and prefers copy bands and 2nd/3rd rate performers. Very disappointing!
- Disappointed in the show selection this year. I've been going to more shows at The Rose. However, I'm not thrilled with their schedule this season either

- Disappointed with lack of Jazz, R&B acts
- Disappointed with season 2024 not your best year to offer great music and musicians first time have never purchased a ticket
- Do anything other than music unless it's classical
- drink lines way to long
- Each year there are fewer performers I'm interested in seeing. Too many tribute bands. The Rose seems to have more current performers. Fraze used to be like that but this year only Ringo Starr fits that description, at least for me.
- Easy access for Seniors(non-disabled)
- Etix is awful should not have to wait more than a week to receive tickets. Getting a few days prior to show allows zero room for error
- Every summer I am dumbfounded by how terrible the list of performers are at the Fraze. They used to get a few decent acts but now it's just terrible.

  Almost all have been has-been bands or cover bands.
- Find a way that the lines aren't so long at food/beverage services. The Rose doesn't really have these issues but it was designed with that in mind. The Fraze should be able to figure out a better way.
- Find someone new to do your surveys. Obvious possible answers weren't included as an option.
- Fraze fan fare hours are too restricted. Hard for those who don't live nearby and work to get there during prescribed times
- Fraze has become a cover band venue. Very few true artists that we're interested in. Rose has very comfortable seating throughout their venue vs bleachers and grass



- Fraze has lost big name shows to The Rose at the Heights. Not much to choose from anymore
- Fraze is a beautiful place and I enjoy the Concerts---which seem up close and personal. The price is good and the seating also and the parking.
- Fraze is a wonderful Kettering and regional treasure!
- Fraze îs a wonderful venue for concerts. It's one of our most favorite venues to see a music concert
- Fraze is a wonderful venue in a convenient location. An excellent variety of events at a very good value. Keep up the great work.
- "Fraze is too restrictive and often not customer friendly.
- Thanks for asking."
- Fraze needs to have better line up of music and a more relaxed atmosphere when attending shows.
- Fraze pavilion is a very nice outdoor venue. I hope you can bring Donny Osmond back sometime soon.
- Fraze prices way too high. Fraze has way too many rules..
- Fraze rules are penny-anti and annoying. They damage the experience. Last night I brought Life Saver to help keep an allergy cough under control. The Life Savers were confiscated. You have to be kidding!!!
- Fraze should have more multiple events packages or multiple ticket prices
- Fraze would be my preferred summer venue, except for the show selection in recent years. My musical taste is eclectic, but just not loving the same repeat acts that have been at the Fraze multiple times over the past 10 years or so.
   Plenty of great shows touring that either haven't been to the Fraze or not in a

while (e.g., The Fixx, Donnie Iris and the Cruisers, Pink Martini, Pat Metheny, Pretenders, Big Bad Voodoo Daddy, Nick Lowe and Los Straitjackets, Post-Modern Jukebox, Pablo Cruise, Black Keys, Spoon, The Mavericks, UB40, Christopher Cross, Ray LaMontagne, Rufus Wainwright, Leonid & Friends, James Hunter, Orville Peck, Pentatonix.....just as a few examples).

- Get a cover so weather doesn't ruin events
- Get better acts
- Get more big acts!
- Get rid of etix
- Get rid of the smoking area. IT SHOULD NOT BE IN THE MIDDLE OF THE VENUES ENTRANCE WHERE EVERYONE HAS TO WALK THEY IT!! Limit the alcohol sales don't need to be hit by admirer newer can thrown by drunk white trash. Fix the bathroom problems not enough.!! Put a roof over the audience and then you can call it a PAVILION
- Get some bigger names with more frequency. Bump up the ticket prices if you have to.
- Get someone new to create your survey forms.
- Get the quality of artists that you used to! We used to go to the Fraze multiple times in the summer.
- Give refunds when concerts are rained out!!
- Great place to see shows love the outdoors.
- "Great place to visit.
- Great restrooms!



- Great venue
- Great venue that I value very much. Great having something like this in our city!
- Great venue!!!!!
- Great venue.
- Great venue. Well managed. Lots of positive memories.
- Have a better military discount
- Have a Smooth Jazz Festuval so we don't have to travel so far. I also really loved Dave Kos and Friends.
- Have more black artists.
- Haven't paid too much attention to the Fraze because of all the tribute acts being booked the last few years.
- Horrible line up this year, more acts next year
- I actually wish that when I purchase terrance seats that perhaps the staff would keep people from standing at the wall blocking the view from people behind rhem
- I also love jazz music
- I always enjoy concerts at the Pavilion
- I always enjoy visiting the Fraze Pavilion!
- I always have a good time at the Fraze! I like that there are all kinds of events held there.
- I am a big fan of the Fraze. The employees are always friendly and helpful. I feel fortunate to have a music and event venue like the Fraze so close to my home.
- I am from the Detroit, Michigan area. It would have to be e super concert for

- me to attend. My wife's health is not good. Enjoyed many concerts at the Fraze.
- I am unhappy that I can't download tickets at the time of purchase.
- i attend 25-40 concerts/live music events per year. i support local as well as national acts. The Swamp & Blues shows were great events.
- I attended the AJ McLean and Joey Fatone concert last month. I live in Indianapolis and the Fraze Pavilion was the closest location to me. I was so surprised about how nice the Fraze is. I loved how clean and nicely landscaped it is and how the food and drinks were nicely priced. I loved that the pavilion was not huge as it made for a more intimate and interacting experience with the artists. My favorite concert venue I have ever been too!
- I can attend Tribute Band events at no charge at multiple venues almost every week
- I couldn.t reply. It wouldn't let me.
- I didn't attend any Fraze events in 2024. Your schedule was pitiful ... not very diverse. I also miss the wine fest.
- I do not like country, and many of your concerts seem to feature country acts. Therefore, I choose not to attend.
- "I do not like tribute band
- 7. Only allowed 1 choice"
- I don't find the seating chart/ticket purchase process user friendly
- I don't usually care for tribute bands or rap/hip hop
- I don't like smelling weed when going to the concession area.



- I don't like the fact that I can't print my tickets when I buy them. I have to wait until the week of the show, which I think is terrible. I paid and I deserve the right to print the tickets!!!
- I don't understand why the Fraze doesn't have the on both ideas of the stage ..didn't they get extra money to improve the experience their? Also seats are too close together in the front sections ..Take out some to make it a better experience..willing to pay more
- I enjoy comm g to the Fraze very much. Thank you
- I enjoy the Fraze more than anywhere (LACK of roof promotes better sounding music, grass to lay on without feeling over-crowded), but the Rose in all honesty does have a better lineup for us classic-rock fans than the Fraze. The lineup at the Fraze was far superior for us before the Rose existed.
- I enjoy the Fraze Pavilion, nice little venue
- I enjoyed myself
- I expect things to be screwed up with Fraze and this survey is an example.
- I expect to see tribute bands..I hope to see alternative, or up and coming groups.
- I feel as though the quality of acts has declined at the Fraze over the past several years. It seems limited to unknown artists or those possibly past their prime. I enjoy the discounted cover/tribute bands but the "headliners" have been a miss for me lately.
- I hate paying the fees to buy tickets online. They are ridiculously high! And if you go in person the seat choice is not what's online.
- I have been disappointed in the Fraze concerts in recent yrs com, pared to

- previous yrs. I am attending more at the Rose. Also this yr I believe u only hv 3 \$5 Fridays vs 4 in previous yrs. \$5 Friday's used hv better talent like Orleans etc.
- I have not attended any events this year at the Fraze. line-up was not good
- I have not been pleased with the lineup of concerts so I haven't been in quite a while. I would pay a little more for a better event
- I have started shying away from attending concerts at the Fraze as the staff
  are typically not super friendly and really put a damper on my evenings. The
  group I was with were once told to not stand and dance during a concert. We
  were in the lawn. There are too many other places to go that are more
  enjoyable.
- I have stopped attending shows at Fraze due to the bad experiences I have had there. People vape, smoke and vape marijuana, and do other drugs right in their seats. There is no enforcement of the venue's rules. Why would I pay to sit next to that?
- I have to REALLY want to see an act. I hate that you have no covering (been repeatly rained on there), your concessions are a backed up mess and parking is awful. Also isn't enough slope for us short people, I can never see amything, especially if people stand up. Waste of money.
- I haven't been to the Fraze because other than Joe Bonamassa, which has been there several times there just was not anyone I wanted to see. I love this venue, but be better. ALSO, question 7 will not allow me to make more than ONE selection, so?



- I hesitate to purchase tickets until the week of the shows because I worry about the weather causing the shows to be cancelled. I appreciate that the Rose has a cover to protect the audience from rain. I wish that the Fraze had one.
- I know Live Nation has a hold on a lot of acts, but bigger know artist would be nice. Like the Fraze use to be about 5-6 years ago.
- I like it that there is the ticket office at town and country center. The idea we can purchase tickets there at face price and not the extremely large surcharge tickettron and others charge on line is fantastic. I had an issue for the menues concert where our tickets were lost, the ticket office worked with us and looked up our tickets with our contact info and was able to replace our tickets at no charge. This is what I call great service that you provided and well thanked. You won't have that happen with the online ticket services, so please offer the ticket office at town and country. Thank you!!
- I like the venue but lately there have not been a lot of bands I'm familiar with. Also sometimes the sound is hitting 100 db even from the back, that's ridiculous and makes it difficult to enjoy the music.
- I live a half block from the Fraze and walk my dog there numerous times during the day. When it is all roped off it is very difficult to walk.
- I live extremely close to Fraze and have attended countless concerts but they need to change up front seating to not be so crammed in and it's too bad they can't somehow extend roofing incase of rain. I love to sit very close to stage but can't take sitting in my neighbor's lap anymore!
- I live in Lexington Ky and come when there is a group or performer I like. Lovely venue

- I live nearly three hours away, so come down specifically for one show every year. If something else is going on near that date, I will at least consider attending.
- I live north of town and I HATE that I have to actually come to the Fraze to buy tickets because the extra online fees are exorbitant.
- I love attending events at the Fraze. The atmosphere is awesome and the crowd is laid back. I would like to see more Jazz artist at the Fraze like in the past. Also the fees for the tickets online is another reason I will not be attending events at the Fraze in the future.
- I love the community festivals/celebrations. I miss bigger name performers such as Sheryl Crow, Lyle Lovett, Ben Folds, Allison Kraus that I saw at Fraze in the past. Personally I'm tired of tribute bands.
- I love the Fraze
- I love the fraze, best venue in the tri state.
- I love the Fraze. I love being outdoors and listening good music, my favorite are classic rock and 90s music. Thoroughly enjoyed the multi band shows like Happy Together Tour, Ringo Starr and His All Star Band, groups of bands playing their big hits. Music festival vibe in a small venue. Would like to have mixed drinks available. The Frazes bathrooms are the best in the world! They are numerous clean stalls on the ladies side and they are air conditioned!
- I love the FRAZE. Thank You. Your Concession Stand items, are over priced. We also eat before we come. I'm waiting for Jill Scott, she is one of my favorite artist.
- i love the older groups that come to the Fraze, but you should consider getting some more current groups there.



- Llove the oldies, 60s and 70s music.
- I miss performers like Diana Krall, Tony Bennett, etc. I really don't care for all these tribute bands. I'm driving up from Cincinnati. I love Fraze, but you need to make it worth my while to drive up...
- I MISS THE SWAMP ROMP!!!! Swamp Romp was such an amazing all-day blues/zydeco festival with at least 3 bands playing all day long in the park and in the concert venue in the evening. Lots of food and drink vendors, loads of great places to sit in the park. There even were annual t-shirts that changed designs every year. PLEASE SERIOUSLY CONSIDER BRINGING SWAMP ROMP BACK TO THE FRAZE AND THE PARK! It was one of the most enjoyable things to do every summer.
- I prefer the lawn seating and arrive a couple hours before the gates open to get my preferred spot and the staff now scans about 50 people into a holding area and opens the ropes to all at the same time. We're not allowed to run, which is totally understandable but it seems so unfair for all those that came an hour or two after me to rush by me. I know it's easier for the staff I guess to get people scanned, but they'd still be doing the same amount of people either way. I'd just prefer to be ushered in in order. One of the staff even says slow down we don't want a nose dive, then for safety reasons stop making it a race from the gate. Please consider this even from a safety issue. Thank you
- I prefer The Rose's covered venue so if it rains I'm out my money.their seating is better too. Bench seats and grass is not comfortable at my age (60) and your seat ticket prices are way overpriced. Their environment with staff is more relaxed and welcoming, The bands/music The Rose brings in is far better. I'm not going to pay to see a tribute band, or the lousy bands that play

there anymore. Bad Company was the last great band that I paid to see there.

- I realize that this is super specific, however its inclusion does address and issue that presented itself several years ago as the rose was built. Previous to this opening you regularly had Huey Lewis and the News holding concerts at the Fraze. Immediately the group began presenting at the Rose. This was disappointing to me and as I am not apart of your organization I can only assume that this was due to a larger venue and larger ticket sales and merchandise sales, which in turn means more money for the performers. Which is a shame as your customer base that actually spends money is directly within the age group that enjoys this genre and age of music. Perhaps a more centered approach towards merchandise sales and a large big of the venue seating may bring back these musicians.
- I really enjoy coming there.
- I really enjoyed the events at the Fraze Pavilion
- I really like the Fraze venue, but I'm not much of a concert goer anymore. The seating at the last concert I attended (Ringo Starr and His All Starr Band) was way too tight. I sat in the third row from the stage, and I could barely move during the concert.
- I really really don't like the baggage policy. Why I couldn't bring in unopened plastic bottle water in my drawstring backpack is a ridiculous policy. Draw the line with the backpack sure! But a drawstring bag, come on!!
- I recently attended a concert at the FRAZE venue and the musicians were rushed because of the time constraints and the late start time of the concert.
- I saw George Thorogood last year, but there aren't any good acts performing at Fraze this year. Would like to see Nelly or Ludacris if they came back.



- I stopped purchasing tickets at Fraze this year because of the poor selection of Entertainers. I also stopped because the ticket purchasing process is terrible and hate the fact that 3rd party companies take 50% of the best seats before I have the opportunity to purchase.
- I struggle to find programming I want to see at the Fraze. I go for the sake of having something to do that is nearby, but I do not feel excited or inspired by the lineup.
- I think it would be helpful to giving parking instructions before you arrive. This was first visit and we had no idea where to park
- I think that the Fraze should at least offer 50 percent back for rain cancellation of concerts etc. Each concert I have been to has thankfully been good weather but I do think their policy could be updated a bit
- I think the biggest issue with the Fraze is the competition from the "Rose" and other indoor venues. If you purchase tickets for an event at the Fraze and the weather goes bad you cannot get a refund.
- I think the Fraze already does a great job at bringing in a variety of ticketed musical events...maybe add a comedian into the mix?
- I think u guys do great
- I used to attend 3-5 shows or festivals at the Fraze per year. Now the festivals I attended are gone and the line-up is smooth jazz and tribute bands as well as the dinosaur acts like Happy Together and Ringo's All Star (that are still alive )tours. The last years offerings have been formumatic--- take the same acts and book them again and again and again--- How many times has Boney James played there?

- I used to attend events at the Fraze several tines a year; the last few years, it seems like the programming has changed lately. I love the venue...I hope programming improves.
- I used to go to more shows at the Fraze. It seems the Rose and PNC Pavilion have taken most of the acts that I like. Fraze is struggling in attracting good current talent.
- I used to go to multiple shows per year but now go to 1 or fewer. Initially, it was the venue management (Karen), employees, and policies that drove me away. Now it's the lackluster schedule of events. The Rose has a far superior schedule season over season.
- I used to go to the Fraze more often, but the last time, it took an hour just to get in. The line for drinks took 40 mins! And no water stations. And then you've got the over enthusiastic workers keeping you off the grass.
  - I used to see 3-5 shows a season. I haven't been to Fraze in 2 years. I have no interest in cover bands. I am also perplexed how the concession lines can be so long. 15-20 minutes to get a beer. Simplify the food. And amp up beer and wine outlets. At the rose, I never wait in line for concessions or bathrooms
- I usually attend several shows every year but will only be attending one show. American ELO. Not a good selection of shows for me this year.



- I usually love the shows and experience at Fraze. However, the last (2) shows I attended were disrupted by disrespectful fans and their extended blockage of view by cell phones and in the last instance a full-sized iPad. I asked the patrons politely to stop and they ignored me. I also consulted 3+ Fraze staff/employees that told me there was nothing they can do. Fraze needs to introduce EVERY concert with a notice indicating that any pictures or video (the bigger problem as people are recording entire songs or the entire show) must be taken with the equipment at or below head level, and staff should have the discretion and direction to discourage bad behavior when it is blocking views. No point in paying a premium for seats in the front by the stage if you cannot even see the performer through rude attendees in front of you.
- I want to see more name acts. Not local performers or artists that nobody hears ever heard of! Big name acts!!
- I was going to attend the Joe Bonamassa concert this year but the ticket prices are ridiculous!!!
- I wasnt pleased the Boney James only was on stage for 1 hour and his other performers were on for 2. I feel cheated. Description of the show should have been more clear. I may not come to any more performances if this is the norm•
- I will never attend another show at the Fraze regardless if you book my all time favorite artist or someone who I'd only get to see once in my lifetime.
   You screwed me out of hundreds of dollars by canceling 2 shows right after they started because of a temporary rain storm. No voucher for another show, no apology, nothing. There are so many better venues in Dayton, Columbus, and Cincinnati that won't cancel a show because of a little rain that I'm not

wasting my time with you schmucks anymore

- I will no longer attend concerts that are not free if they are not indoors or covered from weather. Thanks for nothing Fraze!
- I wish it was covered like Rose. I'd like to see screens for those in the bleachers to see better.
- I wish there were more rock, classic rock and alternative rock shows. I would come to more.
- I wish they would put seating in the grass area very hard to set there
- I wish we could bring in two unopened bottles of water.
- I would attend more, but the smoking policy has driven me from the Fraze.

  Allowing smokers in such a small venue (even an outdoor venue) has push me to pursue my entertainment elsewhere that cares about the health and safety of the customer.
- I would like an opportunity to make future act suggestions
- I would like to see less tribute bands, and less "nostalgia" bands and more indie/folk/americana/blues/jazz music. There are some incredible touring musicians out there, and I remember when I used to see at least 4-5 shows at the Fraze in a season. Now I'm lucky if there is one band that I want to see.
- I would like to see less tribute shows.
- I would like to see more big name acts and Christian musicians
- I would like to see more diversity in the selection of entertainment.
- I would like to see the same caliber of bands that the Rose and Riverbend, have. The Fraze needs a liquor license.
- I would like to see you get the Cajin fest back.



- I would love to see Danielle Ponder and I was very disappointed in the lack of R&B groups this year. I would have only attended the Boney James concert but had a schedule conflict. This is the first time in years I won't be attending a Fraze concert.
- I would really like to see it covered due to weather. I have lost quit a bit of money due to shows be rained out or canceled. I no longer like to buy tickets to far in advance due to the risk of weather.
- I would really love to see high school groups have an opportunity to perform for the community, like Eleventh Hour and Fusion from Fairmont, as well as other high school performers in the area. These could be as opening acts for bigger names, or as stand alone features of the local schools.
- I would suggest considering the construction of a roof for the seating in the floor area. This would allow concerts to go on without the fear of bad weather. This would also be better competition for the Rose Music Center.
- "I would suggest doing a better job marketing and presenting shows at the Fraze. For example I attended the Australian Pink Floyd show in 2022. Top Pink Flyod act. A
- It should have been a near sell out. Weather was perfect. Instead it appeared 25% of seats were filled. Were local classic rock stations utilized to promote the show? Were tv ads of their promotional concert footage put on to promote the show? Apparantly not. There is a true following of this music in Dayton. I would advise looking at what the Rose Pavalion is doing to promote one of their acts this year, Brit Floyd, and see how they fill their venue. Special effects are a big part of this act. Light show, inflated characters, lasers, all part

of a Pink Floyd Show. The show was in daylight for 3/4 of the act. The show should have been from 8:30-10:30. It started at 7:30 and was over before 9:30. It would be like someone scheduling the city fireworks at 7:30. Again no promotion or proper planning to put on the best show for the fans. I'm sure this show was a money loser for the city, and I'm a working taxpayer living in Kettering who subsidizes The Fraze. Karen, the previous manager knew how to bring in acts, take care of them and put on good shows. Since The Rose has opened that's all changed. They are eating The Fraze's lunch. I hope the city can turn this around. "

- · I'd go more often if the acts appealed to me. Love the venue!
- I'm haven't attend in a year or so because schedule was not appealing
- I'm mid-GenX. We aren't all into 1980s one hit wonders and cover bands. Also,
  I understand what hiring is like these days, but the geriatric ushers could use
  some training in courtesy. It's been this way since I started going to Fraze
  shows when I moved here in 2006.
- I've seen tlc, Backstreet Boys, Micky dolenz, vanilla ice, all at the Fraze. They were all enjoyable. The bag policy is dumb, as I buy merchandise and can't put in my purse anymore. Also, the sun shines directly in the artists face as it's going down, not a great design.
- I'd like to see the price of tickets to be cheaper.
- If Fraze would book Leonid and Friends, I would definitely be there. I think they would be a great draw in an outdoor venue.
- If unable to get transaction correct.. should be able to refund.



- I'm going to rose 6 times this year and every ticket I paid 25 bucks for and they have free grill outs before shows, I live a block away from fraze and hardly go there for shows, in my opinion you all should fire the person in charge of booking shows and get someone that is going to book good acts and have good shows not just bunch of tribute bands and stupid events like bacon fest.
- Improve the restroom facilities. Improve the food beverage facilities shortening the lines
- improved offerings. the rose is beating fraze by a lot
- In #7 above it says click all that apply but it only allows one selection.
- In my opinion, the quality of shows at Fraze has really declined over the past few years. We used to attend shows there up to 10 times a year, but this year we're only going to 2. Rose is getting much better performers.
- In the past, my wife and I attended 1 or 2 concerts a year at the Fraze, but the
   selection of events has not been to our liking since prior to COVID-19.
- In the recent past I was wanted to purchase tickets but they were absolutely too expensive
- In years past, my husband and I have attended no less than three summer events at the Fraze. Typically we have attended the various festivals, ie., bacon fest, wings fest, etc. and then one or two paid events. Unfortunately, since the re-opening of the Fraze post COVID, there have been fewer and fewer paid events catering to a diverse audience. So, we have been attending fewer and fewer events at the Fraze. This summer, we are not likely to attend any events, based on the lack of diverse summer concerts.
- Irish's music
- It appears that the Rose Music Center has drawn some performers that used

- to perform at Fraze. That was a point of pride for Kettering. How do you plan to differentiate the Fraze from the Rose AND Leavitt (which has free shows and I've been meaning to get down there) while booking performances and events that people want to come out to see?
- It is a nice venue. My only concern is buying tickets ahead of time and then worry if it rains on the day of the event.
- It is disappointing how many acts that use to perform at the fraze now only perform in Cincinnati. We use to attend several a year at the fraze. Now it is one if we are lucky. The fraze is our favorite go to.
- It is not in the Consumer's best interest to delaying the delivery of tickets until a few days before the event. Some of our schedules are too busy to sit and wait. I even forget we have tickets until you decide to alert me. I prefer them in hand when my account is hit with payment.
- It needs a covering for inclement weather!!!!!
- It seems like Rose is stealing the higher billed acts that used to come to Fraze.
   Fraze's strength now appears to be tribute acts and the various festivals. It would be nice to get some of the bigger name acts back, but upgrade(s) would likely be necessary.
- It seems that the Fraze is losing larger acts to the Rose. The Fraze now seems to attract mainly tribute bands.
- It would be nice if Fraze hired and supported local acts/bands for the festivals (Bacon fest etc), the same way that these locals support Fraze by attending the concerts and festivals there. You all seem to book lots of unknown and Cincinnati etc acts when there are obvious acts that have been playing for decades all over Kettering and nearby.



- It would be nice to bring back the shows people really like! Like Killer Queen, Tusk. Instead this year the only good concert is Get The Led Out. Very very disappointed in the Fraze this year!
- It would be nice to see smaller but more current artists at the Fraze from a wider range of genres. For those that don't like country or classic rock, there aren't always a lot of concert options.
- It would not me choose more 1 events I'd like to see at Fraze.
- It wouldn't let me choose more than one type of music. I also enjoy rap:hip hop, rock. I love the Fraze. It's a nice clean venue and the employees have been friendly. I live in Chillicothe and the drive isn't too bad for a concert. I haven't been able to attend any events this year due to schedule conflicts.
- it wouldn't let me pick more than 1 on #7 r&b, neosoul. All music would be nice. I really enjoy the venue and the people!! Please do better getting a variety of acts
- Item #7 said select all that apply, but would only let me select ONE CHOICE.
- Item 7 only allows one response.
- It's a great venue please keep up the good work and the prices down so that I can continue to attend
- It's a great venue. We've had a great time every time we've been
- it's a shame that the fraze is run the way it is. I used to like to attend shows there but now I would rather just park and walk around listening instead of giving you my money
- It's a very attractive venue, although I wish it had more actual seats and less grassy area. Also, the bleachers in the back are pretty far from the stage.

- It's too hot No cover for heat or rain
- Jazz Fusion Groups
- "Jazz, Jazz and more Jazz
- Rhythm and Blues"
- Just keep doing what you're doing
- Just love the Fraze
- Keep doing what you are doing. ETIX is also very easy to work with.
- keep it as wonderful as it is already!
- Keep the Fanfare ticket office open!
- keep the tickets reasonable and expand the menu of foods available. More concerts with known performers
- Kenny G performance- Dave Koz performance- Eric Darius performance- any good saxophone performances
- Kool & The gang, Earth wind & Fire absolutely love Happy Together Tour b please bring back "Disco Inferno" band you had few years in row
- Lack of new acts limited jazz
- Large amount of population with \$ to spend are 65 and older we miss the
  entertainment we dint need to be blasted out of our seats bring in
  something we can sing with, clap with, laugh with,
- Last question would not allow me to mark more than 1 box



- Last year and most defiantly this year were very disappointing in the lack of diverse inclussion with music artist invited to attend the Fraze. Whomever responsible for bringing in music artist should be ashamed, as the diverse music genrus and African American music artist certainly didn't not make it on the invite list year and last. You might want to hire someone who has all music interest at heart. Not happy with 2024 line-up at all. Sad summer music days in Dayton
- Last year's lineup was terrible
- Less tribute bands more classic rock, R&B country and pop shows
- Less tribute bands -- more Contemporary Christian bands, more well known artists. This year's lineup was disappointing. We have not ordered tickets. Definitely keep Art on the Commons.
- Less tribute, more 60's, 70's aged stars lol
- Like the art festivals
- "Look into Big Screens on the front sides of stage!
- The Rose has these and it makes for a better show"
- Looking forward to the upgrades that I read are coming!
- Loosen your bag policy; allow people to bring food into the venue; bring better/more relevant acts to the venue. You're now competing with the Rose • Love the venue! and they are doing things leaps and bounds better.
- Love Fraze and all events. Really miss The Festival of the Vines and jazz concert afterwards
- Love the ease of the no wrist bands this year for alcohol sales and ushers aren't so stringent on checking your ticket each time you leave your seat.
- Love the festivals! This year's concert choices weren't t my favorite

- compared to last year. I would like to see a roof built over the seating area like at the Rose
- Love the Fraze but as a retiree the ticket prices are out of my comfort zone. I mainly go to the free events (baconfest, labor day, etc.) and really enjoy the open air events with lots of vendors and food trucks (although the prices with them are also getting way too unaffordable for a lot of us). Also, I hate country music and I don't like tribute bands, I prefer original hard rock, jazz, and blues musicians and used to attend a lot of those concerts. All in all, I really appreciate and value the Fraze as an entertainment, community venue and resource.
- Love the Fraze, would also love to see more 80's icons return like Boy George and Morrissey. Perhaps more artists from that era, and the 90's as well.
- Love the Fraze. But, the acts you are booking are far below the level I'd go see. Seems Rose is booking the acts you should be. Get better acts and we'll definitely be back.
- Love the Fraze. Far better than going to The Rose. Staff is friendly. Area is well maintained
- Love the tribute bands
- Lower prices on lawn tickets and better acts.
- "Lower the ticket fees
- Lower ticket costs.
- Lower your online fees!
- Make the ramp to the bathroom less steep. It's hard for someone pushing a wheelchair to do down.



- Make ticket purchases easier to do thru the Fraze verses Ticketmaster
- Make tickets available sooner once purchased. It's unnerving to buy tickets and not be able to see the actual ticket waiting for me. It would also be nice to have an App where I can purchase tickets, and again see my tickets for what I have coming up with notifications so the event is not forgotten.
- many events at the fraze feel out of date, more current performers seem hard
   to come by. last time I was there was to see Lake Street Dive.
- Many other venues around the state pay between 250,000 and 400,000 dollars to have a booking company get big name acts, the last couple of seasons have been very disappointing
- Many people are still upset about about last year's Nelly concert, including myself. I purchased four tickets for my mother's birthday. I'm a social worker who works for Clark County, getting paid pennies on the dollar. While I live in the area, I know multiple of my coworkers who went to this concert as well and everyone feels shafted. This has left us reconsidering, whether or not we would return to Fraze pavilion. If there were acts that I were interested in seeing, I would return. Fits in the tantrums as well as Ben Rector would be good to see. Earth, Wind & Fire as well.
- Mellow the intense security and figure out a way to shorten restroom lines. Look at the rose for suggestions on both
- Minimize overpriced ticket processing charges
- Miss the annual wine and jazz festival!
- Mix it up....
- More \$5 concerts with local bands. Would love to see the Scotty Bratcher Band and Mick Blankenship perform there.

- "more 50's and 60's rock and roll music
- more 60"s 70"s and 80"s groups
- More alt and indie rock. Less cover bands. Less country.
- More boy bands!
- More Brantley Gilbert
- More Christian concerts please.
- More classic rock bands and lower ticket prices.
- More concessions. Lines are too long currently.
- More country and bluegrass concerts including up and coming acts. Perhaps a day long Bluegrass festival
- More country concerts!
- More country concerts! And please keep tickets through eTix and NOT Ticketmaster!
- More country music artists!
- More current and up and coming artists would be appreciated. More dance type music (always leave pit area open for dancing!)
- More daytime concerts
- More events targeted toward the mature Jazz crowd. The Boney James concert was outstanding.
- More events, maybe a winterfest with ice skating and hot chocolate, wine tastings, or beer tastings, local musicians for open mic nights.
- More frequent shows and festivals
- More handicap parking during events. More benches and sitting areas around the fountains



- More Jazz
- More jazz & r&b acts.
- More local groups
- More modern music and events in touch with today's music and trends! Hip hop, bluegrass, alternative rock, Kate Bush, Post Malone, rap, trap, reggae, workdmusic, good vibes. Poetry open mic in summer and maybe small farmers market. Better food trucks. Healthier food trucks. Better artisanal food options. Source local farms and vendors.
- More modern rock/alternative acts (Halestorm, Plush, Daughtry, Rival Sons, Shinedown, Pop Evil, etc)
- More national acts
- More original acts less tribute bands
- More places to get tickets besides online
- More R and B performances.
- More rock shows
- More shows
- More smooth jazz concerts
- More smooth jazz options, less hip hop or rap music, more upscale events in regards to musicians etc
- More tribute bands
- More tribute bands and concessions at a reasonable price. The Fraze is getting pricey.
- More VIP options like Blossom in Cleveland. We enjoy the Huntington Club and Green Room there. We commute from Columbus so those are nice perks• after a long drive.

- More world music. Fewer tribute bands.
- More youth performances at the Fraze.
- Most of the artists seem outdated. Try to get more bands/groups from the 90's and 2000's
- My favorite places for any type of show!
- My favorite venue. I attend lots of concerts at venues around the country.
  Frazes artist selections in the last 3 years has limited my interest in attending
  concerts there. Too many tribute bands or not interesting enough acts to
  draw me. Better acts and my friends and I would love to come back.
- My last experience at the Fraze was so bad that unless there is a change I will
  not go back. I am 5' and being 80 years old. I cannot stand for a long time and
  I cannot see over people who are standing. I ended up not seeing much of
  the show. I suggested an area with no standing but never heard back.
- My Personal Only Negative to Fraze Pavilion Is That Almost All of the Events
  That I Would Love to Attend Are During the Week and Not on the Weekends.
  Since I Live Over 3 Hours Away and Still Work Most Are Not Realistic to
  Attend. If More Events Were Held During on Weekends with Other Events in
  the Area and Even in the Cincinnati Area, As Well, Then the Long Distance Is
  More Than Justified. THANK YOU
- Na
- Nah
- Need better artists past several years Tribute Bands etc are all Fraze seems to get and or country.
  - Need better events.



- need more R&B concerts at the Fraze
- Need more room between seats. Unable to enjoy the entertainment when you're unable to move.
- Need to be more organized. Lines are outrageous for drinks and entry
- Need to book some new acts. It appears to me that the same acts keep getting booked year after year.
- Need to pick a couple of music types and become great at that.
- Need to switch to electronic ticketing!
- Needs to be more R &B groups
- No
- No
- No
- no
- INO
- No

- No
- No
- no
- No
- No
- No
- NO
- No
- No cover for rain is a hindrance; better crowd control
- No more cover bands
- · No thanks.
- No tickets purchased this year after our experience last year during the Clint Black concert. Tired of sitting around drunk patrons!
- NO tribute acts. I can see those for FREE @ Stubbs park, North Park in Springboro etc
- No, I think you do a wonderful job with the selections.
- No,great place
- No.
- None
- Not at this time
- Not at this time. We love The Fraze!
- Not so many cover bands. Thou I have attended them in the past, they are empty calories. And ultimately, I questioned the purchase.
- · Nothing else.

- Offering free lawn tickets for children under 2 with adult tickets like other venues do. Allowing diaper bags with baby snacks. Allowing strollers in for ease of arrival to be collapsed during show. All other venues have allowed this.
- One of my favorite venues. Beautifully maintained.
- "Online ticket fees are too high especially for a \$5 show.
- Suggest allowing mobile ticketing for no fees. "
- Only one show appealed to me and my husband this whole season: Ringo's All Starr Band. Very disappointed in the 2024 schedule.
- Our favorite venue to see an outdoor concert locally.
- Outdoor concerts on Fridays and Saturdays are great. Years ago you had stranger and then after they concluded, you had mix 1077 Dan with dance music, The most fun I've ever had at the fraze, Maybe one of the most fun nights I've had. My friends and I still talk about it. You should do that again.
- Over the past few years, the shows seem to be the same at The Fraze year after year. Only a couple of shows are different each year.
- "P
- Love the venue. "
- Parking is confusing. And I love that this is not a Ticketmaster/live nation venue.
- Parking is great and close to venue. Easy to get in and out. People are very nice there.
- Parking is great and so is your venue! I love the Fraze
- Parking is still problematic for people who can't walk long distances

- Parking stinks. That's why I don't come more often.
- Pat Benatar, Billy Idol, more MixFest.! Get rid of the Rail in the Front Row!!
- People abusing the ADA section, and that WORTHLESS E-Tix service you guys use, it is TERRIBLE to deal with !!!!!!!
- Perhaps more bands from the 90s.
- plan more 80s soul and smooth jazz lines are horrible
- Play music throughout the venue while waiting on acts to come on stage. Big screens too
- Please, PLEASE, PLEASE consider using the white concrete sides of the stage
  for displaying the performance. Short people like me would appreciate it
  more than you know! There is not really a bad seat in the house but I've
  experienced too many concerts looking at someone's back or backside. It
  really ruins the whole experience. I noticed you show ads after the concert, so
  I'm thinking it could be done.
- Please add screens to the side of the stage to show the band members or whomever is on stage close up. I can only afford lawn and bleacher seating and that would be sooooo nice.
- Please book better bands. You line up this year sucked. I'll spend my money at the Rose and drive farther for the better line up of talent and acts.
- Please Book Earth Wind and Fire again. Better food and more concession lines.
- Please Book The Reese Dailey Band.
- "Please bring back GospelFest!



- Please figure out a better seating for handicap in the back. When I go and seat, folks stand up in the lawn area and I can't see over them. I've complained several times to workers but get told there isn't anything they can do.
- More restrooms for the ladies would be nice."
- please bring bigger rock acts here. Shinedown was the last gird current rich act you brought, and that was a few years ago.
- Please bring in Shaun Cassidy! He would sell the place out!
- Please bring in shows that have not previously appeared.
- Please bring Marc Martel to the Fraze.
- Please bring more jazz, r&b, gospel and old school music.
- Please don't blend styles, i.e., Angie Stone with Boney James.
- Please get better food and drinks!
- Please get better, well-known music acts as well as help cultivate the local music scene by hosting local musicians. Think about having a local music and arts festival.
- Please get more current bands. Less tribute bands. I don't go as often as I like because there aren't events I like often. I have a wide variety of taste.
- Please have more wine choices at events
- Please have screens on each side of the stage so the concerts can be seen
- Please keep a fee-free way to buy tickets! I love being able to buy tickets in person.
- Please keep up your GREAT work! The Fraze is absolutely one of the best places to attend a show; intimate setting, wonderful acoustics, easy accessibility! Great town to visit, too! We'll come to the Fraze whenever we

- can, it's worth the drive from Columbus!
- Please lower the cost of fees
- Please make the Kickin chicken wing a two day ticketed event to help with crown control.
- PLEASE offer more jazz events.
- Please see above comment as it seems to summarize my feelings of having such great memories and excitement to have lived back to Kettering.
- Please update the performances- more current performers. It was a venue for many up and coming as well as established performers. In the past, shows like James Taylor, Indigo Girls, Sheryl Crow, Avett Brothers- all were current and not tribute bands. It is a great venue but it needs to step into the current trends. Thanks for asking for input.
- Please use a different booking company. Same shows seem to play over a 2 or 3 year cycle. Check the Rose events.
- plez give another look at the tic policy for cancelled shows weather related. i'm ok no refund, but at least one should be able to exchange for another show. that's wasted consumer money at a time when most can't afford to,lose money. think of your customers
- Post Covid, the number of jazz concerts are less. Considering, Jazz attracts a
  mature/older crowd, wonder if there's a way to identify on tickets need for
  handicapped parking. I was unable to find handicapped parking at recent
  Boney James. I'm thinking with today's technology, there may be a way to add
  this to the cart and printed on tickets/noted on electronic ticket.



- Previous question only allowed 1 selection
- Previous question won't allow more than one selection.
- price is a bit to high
- Prices are too high! I would attend more and purchase tickets for family and friends if the prices were lower.
- Programming currently seems geared specifically towards older white audiences. Smooth jazz and country. I would love to see more up and coming artists of a variety of genres. The Rose Music Center at the heights has better variety in their acts and has replaced the Fraze as my local destination, even though the fraze is walking distance from my home.
- Programming has been TERRIBLE the past few years
- Programming was better when done by gm, prior to promoter involvement. Hope for more jazz, more popular artists, more music events.
- Provide a covering like The Rose Music Center. I do not attend concerts at The Fraze if any chance of rain.
- Provide better parking options for handicapped people, and install some railings near the stairs.
- Provide more spacious seating arrangements since the current chairs are way too close together, often uncomfortably so, this is exacerbated on hotter days•
- Put a roof on the Fraze. Nice to know when you purchase a concert ticket you
   won't ruin it with rain
- Put a roof on!
- Q7 said check all that apply but I was only able to select one item. Other choices would be most of the music options it's a good venue for concerts

- of all types.
- Qu7 did not let user select multiple options. Would like to see plays and more jazz and r&b options
- Question # 7 would only allow me to select one choice when it says to select all that apply
- Question #7 allowed me to pick only 1 response. But I enjoy rock, pop, and jazz concerts, as well as Americana.
- Question #7 will not all multiples choices. I typically expect Fraze to present jazz, R&B, pop, rock, country, and hip-hop acts.
- Question #7 will not let you choose more than one option...something wrong.
- Question #7 would only allow me to select one answer even though it says to "select all that apply"
- question #7 would only allow one sel
- Question #7 would only let me pick one even though it said check all that apply.
- Question 7 above is broken. Can only select one item. We like all kinds of music but would like to see more Christian Rock, maybe a series or subscription available
- Question 7 above this one; only let's you choose one. Not all that apply.
- Question 7 above would only allow one selection.
- "Question 7 allows only 1 selection even tho it says to select multiple.
- Fraze used to have better music and I would attend summer concerts much more frequently. Last few years seem to focus on tribute bands—not interested."



- Question 7 did not allow me to select more than one option even though it was instructed
- Question 7 did not allow more than one choice
- Question 7 didn't let me select more than one option. I expect Fraze to have a wide variety. I won't like everything but there is something for everyone.
- "Question 7 is not a select all that apply, only allows one.
- Being so close to Dayton and Cincinnati id appreciate a way to save on fees by being able to purchase tickets locally other than online. "
- Question 7 only allowed 1 answer I would like to continue seeing rock and country concerts
- Question 7 only allowed for one answer.
- Question 7 only allowed me to select one option...
- Question 7 only allowed one choice.
- Question 7 only allows one choice, not multiple.
- Question 7 only allows one reply. See Question 6 for 7 replies. I would like to see Jill Scott, India Arie, and top jazz and R&B. Not so much tribute bands.
- Question 7 only let me check one circle!
- Question 7 only let me pick one choice.
- Question 7 would not let me select more than one box when it says "select all Redo the entire bathroom. that apply "
- Question 7 would only allow me to select 1 answer.
- Question 7 would only allow one selection.
- Question 7 would only let me pick 1 item instead of all those that apply. Seat selection needs to be similar to ticketmaster when ordering tickets so you can

- see where you are sitting instead of guessing.
- "Question#7 on the survey does not allow you to check all that applies. Only one choice allowed
- Also, I would like the Fraze to bring back the swing series. Also add a summer series movie nights like the Victoria used to have. More tribute bands of other types that have not been there before. For example: this year you have a Jimmy Buffet tribute band.
- "Quit making so many stupid rules that run people off---Keep the Breakfast with the Beatles
- Quit the tribute shows. Every local community has them for free.
- qustion 7 would only let me pick 1 answer. I expect the Fraze to continue to offer what they have for the last 25 years.
- Rain policy needs to be revised Nelly concert and no refund was very frustrating. Need to increase beer/wine tents to move people through more quickly - the lines are ridiculous and make coming to the Fraze frustrating
- Really don't care to go to concerts anymore. Can't see unless u stand and people are rude.
- Recommend bringing Disco Inferno back! Also suggest Colbie Caillat and Kip Moore. Love country performers!
- Refunds on tickets when a storm comes up
- Rest room and consesion issues
- Restrooms are too far. By the time you go and get back you missed 2 or 3 songs.



- Rick Springfield has played there enough already please make it stop
- Robert plant and allison krause
- Rose is attracting more people with their venue. I would like to see a much better venue at the Fraze
- Rose is kicking your ass. You need updated stage lighting, better food and offer liquor drinks.
- Same shows different yr.Boaring!
- Saw my favorite band there but apparently there was a pyrotechnic ban. Pyro is their 5th member. I just go to other venues on the tour and avoid Fraze
- Seating is horrible. Check in is horrible. The Rose is perfection in comparison on getting in and out for nearly the same capacity.
- Seating prices are a little too expensive for the level of performers we get and being outside in the heat. Lawn seat prices are ridiculous for sitting in the grass
- Seats are too close up front on the floor.
- Second restroom would be nice
- "Selections chosen for the Fraze have become awful over the past few years.
- No folk music, singer/songwriter types are invited to appear, whereas there
  used to be many more 'NPR' types of musical acts. The lineups have really
  really disappointed us and all our friends lately."
- Shutting the music down early is reason to spend money for tickets elsewhere. Poor value
- Since the pandemic, the number of Jazz concerts presented has been rather limited. While I do live in Lexington KY, I do try to attend a jazz concert or two •

- at the Fraze as well as the Ludlow Garage.
- Since the shows are rain or shine, but canceled if lightening, with no refund, it would be nice if there was someplace folks could take shelter until the lightening passes so the show can go on. In 2019 I drove from Cincinnati to see Brian Culbertson, and only got to hear 2 songs before the lightening came and it was over. While I didn't expect a full refund since we did see the warm up act, I thought perhaps they would have at least given us a discount on a future ticket purchase, but that didn't happen. That experience has disuaded me from buying any more tickets to Phrase events. The only way I would plan to go there now would be if there were good seats available the day of a show I want to see, with rain nowhere in sight. A couple years ago I attended an outdoor Jazz festival here in Cincinnati, the venue was on top of a parking garage where we were able to take shelter until the lightening stopped, then the show went on in the rain.
- Smooth Jazz Artist
- Some cover bands are fine but not too many. More upcoming music acts not just country
- Some new artists, not just the same ones every year. gets boring after a while and then we don't come back as much.
- Somehow to eliminate such long lines to get beverages.
- Something needs to be done with the restroom and concession / alcohol lines for some reason, it takes forever to get a drink and / or use the facilities.
- staff is no fun
- Standards



- Stay away from Ticketmaster please.
- Stop bringing in cover/tribute bands. No one wants to see nothing but covers. The Fraze was always one of our favorite venues but for the past 5 years there has been nothing but washed up bands and tribute cover acts. Bring in new/up and coming groups: bands like the 502s, Oliver Hazard, Joseph have huge college followings and you would be guaranteed a new fan base and sell out shows
- Stop charging extra for purchasing tickets on the performance date.
- Support the arts
- Surcharges & ticket fees are far too high. I attend fewer events
- Survey Only lets me check one box about expectations for events. I would judge this section as important. Thus I think the survey is not good at all if you don't know what people want!!!
- survey would not let me pick more than one option
- Tell audiences to sit during performances. I had a 6 foot tall man with his child on his shoulders standing in front of 5"3 me for a lot of the evening. I paid the same amount for my tickets and therefore have equal sight and enjoyment. Please ask attendees to sit during performances. Standing at the end of each song or sections is okay. Otherwise it's rude, selfish, and unconsonablle
- Thank you for the free parking to give us a break from all the price gouging.
- Thank you!
- Thanks
- The 2024 lineup at The Fraze is disappointing.

- The ability for the concerts to go past 10pm. Refunds given for extreme
   raining without letting up within 1 hour
- The above Question only allowed one answer
- The best concerts I've seen there are: Pat Metheny Group, Steely Dan, E,W,and Fire, Taj Mahal and Keb Mo
- The booking at Fraze is failing. We used to attend frequently. Now the acts are all old news. And even I'd one strikes us the tix are way too expensive.
- The choices this year are not up to par. I will not attend one event there this year.
- The city of Kettering should consider contracting the management of Fraze to a company that specializes in securing acts and operating venues such as this.
- The ease of parking, helpfulness of attendants and friendliness of staff in general is much appreciated!
- The entertainment needs to be updated. It feels like things have stagnated and repeated too often. More variety current would be appreciated
- The flow on the concourse is ridiculous. You can't get anywhere with all the people in the way from the long lines at the concessions. Its the main complaint about the venues.
- "The folding floor seats are way too close together!! Very uncomfortable esp in hot weather.
- Its annoying and frustrating when people in the front rows stand the entire duration of the performance. This keeps us from attending MANY of the Fraze performances/events and choosing shows at other venues instead."

- The Fraze has always been a great venue for outdoor concerts. The price has gone up significantly in the last few years. So unless it's a band like Chicago, Steele Dan, or Doobie brothers, I will probably not attend
- The Fraze has not brought in any relevant acts in the past few years and with the competition at the Rose, there's been no interest in attending here. Prices are better, staff is friendlier, choices are good and the venue is just better.
- The Fraze has not had a very good concert line up in the last two years as far as I'm concerned.
- The Fraze has the same musical events year. Try bringing new options to attract a more diverse audience.
- The Fraze in the pass had a line-up that was of interest. The last couple of years there has only been one show that I have attended and that was recently Boney James.
- The Fraze is a gem in the community and outside the community. I want to see it get back to where it was and I guarantee I will support it
- The Fraze is a wonderful venue for music. Easy to park and prices are reasonable for food and drink
- The Fraze is an amazing venue and we love it. Unfortunately, the Rose Music Center in Huber Heights has had a negative impact on the lineup coming to The Fraze each year due to increased competition.
- The Fraze is getting its butt kicked by the Rose. It seems as though they don't even try to get good acts anymore. Sad....
- The Fraze is great but it needs a LOT MORE national acts. You must be losing those to bigger covered venues.
- The Fraze is my all time favorite music venue in the area. There is not a bad

seat anywhere----excellent musician choices.

- The Fraze is not far from where I live. I have attended many concerts over the years. I feel that it is a valuable asset to the community. I have met people at the Fraze that have traveled from other communities that have said what a lovely place to experience a musical event. I am a single older woman and feel very comfortable there.
- The Fraze is now offering mainly tribute bands & I miss the great performers they used to offer. It is a noticeable change.
- The Fraze is our favorite venue. We travel over an hour to get to events at the Fraze. However, since the Rose has opened the quality of programming at the Fraze has been greatly diminished. Very disappointing. It is the group, band, soloist, entity playing at the Fraze that determines whether or not I attend. I sincerely hope that the programming improves. Good luck!
- The fraze needs to improve artist selections for fraze concerts. Too much of
  the same tribute bands year after year, maybe twice but not every year. There
  are thousands if upcoming bands in all genres that should booked. Maybe a
  top band or two. More festivals, start earlier and go into late fall. Then
  christmas events with maybe ice skating etc. get creative on pulling people i
  to the lincoln park area and not austin or the rose.
- The Fraze security is rude. It doesn't leave a very good feeling after spending money on tickets.
- The Fraze staff is excelllent.
- the Fraze use to bring in some awesome classic acts, but it seems like since Covid there is not much of that anymore, which is a shame. Shows are not what they use to be.



- The Fraze used to be able to attract bands of interest to me but in the last several years the number of interesting acts has dwindled to maybe one per year. The Fraze definitely needs to up its game in my opinion.
- The Fraze used to be community friendly, especially during concerts. Once
  The Fraze policy changed to banning people from bringing chairs to sit
  around the venue and started patrolling the sidewalks like military guarding
  nuclear codes, it became a turn-off. Also, without a roof and with The Fraze
  rain/storm refund policy being in the favor of the performer is also a strong
  reason to no buy tickets to concerts at The Fraze (I.e. Sheryl Crow concert,
  where opening act performance times counted as the majority of the 40
  minute, performance. So no refunds to customers.)
- The last couple of years, the frame has become known for shows nobody wants to see, Old music from the 60's, no real famous acts...other music venues in the area are doing a much better job at getting acts...the Fraze is becoming less enticing to go to.
- The last question #7 would only let me pick one answer
- The last show I attended was Donny Osmond. After that show, I decided to
  never attend a Fraze show again. Security staff was terrible. There was an
  apparent medical situation in folding chairs area and staff handled it poorly. It
  was a major distraction during the show. Also, I was in the 4th row of
  permanent seats, and the stage was just too low. With everyone in folded
  seats standing, it blocked most of the stage.
- The location of sound system speakers are poorly placed. If i purchase forward side seats I leave with ringing ears.
- The musical events that are scheduled at the Fraze appeared to be focused

- on the younger generation. I would like to see more mixed entertainment.
- The offerings at Fraze have gone downhill in the past several years. Too many tribute bands, very few current groups. We used to go 2-4 times per year and now struggle to even find a single show that interests us. Needs more acts like those at the Rose/Riverbend
- The online ticketing has been problematic. This is especially true for Get the Led Out where I was on early to get good tickets and it wouldn't let me complete the transaction thus losing those tickets.
- The phrase in the past has had excellent music, performers and comedians, but since the rose was built and established a variety of acts, it seems like the phrase has gone to second tier entertainment.
- The place needs a total overhaul. The rose is much more user friendly.
- The problem with the Fraze is you lose your money if the weather is bad and the show is cancelled. Also, people who are out of control drunk or loudly talking are never dealt with.
- The programming for the Fraze declined a number of years ago and has never improved enough for us to be regular attendees.
- The quality of shows has decreased over the past few years in my opinion.
   Also the lawn section gets way too crowded maybe due to overbooking or not enforcing seating area size.
- The quality of shows has greatly diminished over the last several years. I would like to see good bands and artists as I have in the past since I live so close but the line up continues to disappoint. I don't want to see has-been rappers and country signers. Where are the up and coming artists and rock bands?



- The quality of the shows has really decreased in the past few years. We used to go to a lot more concerts at the Fraze than we do now. Top rated artists are going to the Rose. Get them to come to the Fraze!
- The reason I don't attend more is the cost of seats. Beer and food after you get in outrageous. 9\$ for a beer! It is a beautiful facility. Very well keep. Employees and volunteers are very polite and there are plenty of them. It would have been nice if seats had been dried off after the rain.
- The Rose is a horrible place to see a show, but all the good acts are going there. Why?????
- The seating right in front of the stage is too close together. It's hard to get in and out.
- The selection has not been interesting to us, the Rose has increased more
- The selection of artists is terrible. I used to love the Fraze.
- The site used to purchase tickets is not user-friendly.
- The staff is always so nice and helpful. The venue is always clean.
- The staff is always very friendly and helpful.
- The staff is very unfriendly and a really no fun to deal with. The venue is the best, but the quality of shows is pathetic. The Rose kicks your butt every year.
- The staff there are referred to as Gestapo by the patrons. They are generally unfriendly and god forbid if you're in the lawn and accidentally get a toenail on the cement and they pounce on you and yell at you. If you pause as you enter, to survey your surrounding, someone immediately rushes up to you and says "you can't stand there!" They generally make you feel unwelcome.
- The staff working the events are not allowed to tips for their services.

- understand that they are city employees, but please change this policy! They work hard & are always friendly. I've never had a bad experience with any worker & I love the Fraze.
- The survey only allowed me to select one (1) type event I'd prefer to attend. would also include community festivals and Jazz and Classic rock music.
- The three Tenors
- The ticket buying website is not always reliable. I kept getting discrepancies with the address and the address on my credit card. I've had to come to the box office to buy tickets to avoid this issue.
- The tickets for Plaza seating need to indicate entrance is at a different entry point so we aren't wasting time waiting in a line at the rear entrance. Also, there needs to be a covering installed in case of rain.
- The venue needs to be covered, but remain open-air. More big name performers, not all the tribute bands. More Smooth/ Contemporary Jazz and Blues. Seating size needs increased (to cramped).
- The website to purchase seats for events doesn't allow for selecting seats from the map (or maybe it was just for the one event I was interested in), but I prefer this option. It is easier to see what seats I am getting and there proximity to the stage.
- TheFraze is a community gem!Great views &acoustics in an outdoor setting.Especially enjoyed Beach Boys and Happy Together Tour concerts annually!
- There are a lot of jazz enthusiasts in the area but the Fraze has booked few and fewer jazz acts over the past 4 years



- There are not enough free, themed festivals on a smaller scale, offer more weekend morning events. Like celebrate a national donut/pancake/cookie day for example. Use that lovely fountain patio for some simple celebrations involving EASY food (like a donut/pancake/cookie) that people could purchase for a reasonable price. Or, a 'breakfast at the fountain' 1x/month spring/summer/fall. You could do easy breakfast sammies (nothing fancy like a fried egg with/without cheese/meat. And feature a local coffee roaster! Partner with some local farms and maybe feature something of theirs each time. Nothing builds community more than gathering around food!
- There are way too many tribute cover bands at the fraze.
- There hasn't been any comedy shows last year or this year
- "There needs to be a ticket purchasing location north of Dayton. The Fraze is only open for tickets the day of show. The hours are limited at the only other location which is south of Dayton. This isn't convenient for those of us up north. To purchase tickets on line doubles the cost for \$5 Fridays.
- How about senior discounts, no fees for seniors, a ticket location north of Dayton, or all of the above? Since you asked.....Thank you.
- There should be cup holders and more leg room in the Plaza area. It's not worth the ticket price. When concerts get cancelled [Brian Culbertson for example] ticket holders should at least receive a small discount towards another show with the ticket stub. [\$5 or something]
- There used to be more festivals such as swamp rock, festival of the vine and probably more. What happened. Why was the electronic message sign

- removed? It provided enhanced exposure for Fraze events.
- They used to be a lot more higher and shows with more popular artists in the past. I've been disappointed the past couple of years
- They're ate too many cover or tenure bands, and the musical acts are for older people...boring lunette year after year. The Fraze used to have varied concerts for a younger alternative crowd and I went frequently
- This is the first time I bought tickets for a concert at the Fraze. I got them at Town and County, the ladies were so helpful, and nice. Their customer service was amazing and I was definitely pleased with the seats she got me. Will definitely go back there to get tickets for another show
- This page does not work. Can only select one!



- This survey is very very poorly written. The questions are too broad and the feedback you are going to get will be very skewed. In the introduction, it was stated that you are surveying people who attend or have attended events or shows at the Fraze. I think you should be asking when have you attended and • if you are attending more or less and why. That would be very telling. We used. to be season ticket holders and attend a dozen or so events and ticketed shows each season. The scheduled shows have significantly decreased in quality. The price of tickets are way too high for the quality of shows offered. Every single year it's the same festivals and the same tribute bands, an 80s act or two, a band or group that was popular years ago (and on their last leg) and the Menus. There might be one or two good shows there and they are usually the ones sponsored by the local radio station (FM station's birthday bash??) People are tired of the same old thing. The Taste of Kettering used to • be a great event, then people got greedy. We would see people bringing in bags and plastic containers and grabbing up as much food as possible and going back to the same vendor multiple times and pushing and cutting in line. We guit going because we felt we didn't get to try many of the foods. It's a very nice venue, well run, clean, nice people; but there hasn't been any good bands there in recent years. Our friend group used to look forward to the seasons show line up announcements we could plan what shows we would see that summer, but we have been very underwhelmed in recent years. We used to go to a show every couple weeks but now we might see one show all season and last year I think we went to zero.
- This will be my first event at Fraze. We are seeing a Christian Concert on Aug. 12th.

- This year not seeing many interesting bands to me at the rose and fraze. Too many tribute bands at those 2 when you can see tribute bands in Troy, centerville, tipp city and other city places for free.
- This years lineup was weak. Haven't bought tickets to anything.
- "This year's selections were disappointing. I will not be attending any of them. Interested in motown,
- 80's bands."
- Though I understand certain stage and performance enhancing materials such as pyrotechnics and propane burners are likely limited due to proximity of homes and other regulations, permitting some acts to use these performance tools might improve some shows. I personally wanted to work in the booking office to help bring in some quality and diverse acts.
- Ticket fees could be lower!
- Ticket prices are getting too expensive!
- Ticket sales need to be easier. Most websites allow you to pick your seats from a map. The Fraze just pulls up available sections but you have to scroll over every single seat to see if available or not. Available and unavailable are both the same color red instead of green for available. Just could be streamlined and easier for consumers to use.

- Ticketing for floor seats. The last show we went to, we had folding chairs that were locked together. The family to our left was on the larger side and he spilled over into my seat which forced us to move to the left. Then an usher wanted US to move because we weren't "in our seat". We tried to explain politely what was going on but the usher still wanted us to move from the seats we paid for, which were \$\$. So maybe seats with arms or don't lock the seats together or have the ushers be able to unlock the seats and give more room to the patron that requires more room.
- Tickets were discounted after the last two times that I purchased tickets for the Fraze. They refused to give me a refund. Said it was just too bad. I will never buy tickets again!
- To expensive, limited music selection and poor restrooms & customer service.
- "To many tribute bands
- Why can't we draw top talent like Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus and Akron
- Too many of the features artists, I never heard of
- Too many repeat acts and not enough low dollar concerts.
- Train staff to be less authoritarianism and police like
- Treat your customers better. I have been to the fraze 5 times and all horrible experiences will never go back
- Tribute bands (like Get The LED Out) are a complete waste of time and money.
- Tribute/cover bands are huge. I think an all day music festival of Hair Metal bands would be awesome. I also love classic rock. Some of those bands are

- still touring. I would love to see Clint Black back at the Fraze, we saw him last year. Along with maybe Trace Adkins, Tracy Lawrence, etc.
- Try exploring not taking advantage of people for ticketing fees. What you're doing there is nearly criminal.
- Try not to leave your loyal customers high and dry like you did with the Nelly concert. That left a very bitter taste in a lot of people's mouthes.
- Try to get more current names to perform
- Try to get more name brand bands, and keep up the lower priced special nights. Keep up the local food type festivals
- Two things: 1. You need to invest in some type of covering to protect concert goers from weather like the Rose; 2. You need to be more competitive on music acts like the Rose.
- Typically a Christian concert is held once a summer. I would like to see more concerts. I love seeing them in this venue.
- Unfortunately The Fraze has destroyed their customer base Your new process
  of purchasing tickets benefits the scalpers and not your music lovers The
  management decisions has made the Fraze sadly an afterthought in choosing
  a concert venue And Your lineup of concerts is a debacle



- Unhappy with most of the staff. They come off as being very rude. The security check needs to be more through. When it is very hot allowing more water per person to be brought in. Riverbend and rose music center allow 4 per person and soft coolers. They need to check tickets better. People are sitting in plaza when they have other section tickets. When your there and a bad storm comes they throw you out in the streets to fend for your self. Twice • at the rose music center very bad storms started they encouraged every one to shelter in place until the storms were letting up. The fan fare ticket office is in the town and country mall. Last year the rules changed. For about 15 years we would be allowed to set in the mall for days and at night leave are chairs and go back in the morning and sit all day. This past season they won't allow us to leave our chairs over night. The fraze says their nothing they can do because it's the mall saying that. I don't understand that because doesn't the city of kettering pay rent. They should have a right to say something. The management of the fraze doesn't like us sitting there. There is several of us that have done it for alot of years. Now all of a sudden it's a big deal.
- Update and increase number of restroom, concessions and put a roof over the venue
- Used to come to Fraze regularly. Brought 2 other couples who had never been to Fraze for concert mentioned above. Terrible customer service response after main event played 1 song and then show canceled due to storm. Won't come back until that changes. Understand bad weather completely but Fraze should consider trying to keep fans coming back by offering partial refund and/or reduced price on upcoming event.

- Very clean and well taken care of property. Staff friendly.
- Very disappointed with Fraze focus on nostalgic tribute acts compared to past years' performers; I despise Rose. Please bring back top-tier performers, I'm willing to pay more!
- Very nice place to attend
- Very nice venue, Love the set up. It would not let me select multiple on what types of events I expect to see, but I would have checked a lot. I know you have to book all kinds of acts to fulfill different peoples tastes in the area, not just mine. When you do have something I enjoy, I always look forward to it. Great venue, nice staff, cool place to see a show. Paul Rodgers was probably my favorite there. Thank you for all you do!
- Video screens on each side would enhance the viewing of those that can't do the "Ticketmaster game" of either overpaying early or having to wait until days before a show to see reasonably priced good seats.
- Volunteers are amazing!
- Was disappointed you don't accept American Express for payment.
- We always enjoy our visits to Fraze it's a beautiful venue, well maintained and
  the staff is pleasant and profession. We enjoy a small venue the size of Fraze
  which is accessible with good parking options vs a larger venue. Crowd is
  nice which makes for an enjoyable evening. We drive 70 miles to Fraze
- We attended the AJ and Joey show a couple weeks ago and we had a great time. All the workers were very polite and eager to help when needed.
   Especially a gentleman named Steve. He helped my sister and I to have a awesome experience! We had the best time!



- We came to see Morrissey and Kristin Chenoweth and a few others...no one this year was interesting...
- We don't visit The Fraze nearly as often as we used to. The Rose in Huber has hosted more musical act that we prefer.
- We drive from Central Ohio to see classic rock shows at the Fraze. Central
   Ohio does not have a venue like the Fraze. The venue is amazing and Dayton
   is lucky to have this facility.
- We enjoy the ease of getting in and out of the Fraze. The staff is very helpful. •
- We had a bad experience at Fraze. The ticket buying experience was stressful
  and we were told there were no obstructions with the seats we were forced to
  take. We were unable to see anything going on in the back of the stage
  because of a column and the sound equipment with a canopy. NOT HAPPY
  AT ALL.
- We had attended more events in the past, buy shows for the last 3-5 just haven't interested us. Lots of repeat shows. We love the Fraze venue! But the performers at The Rose are better. (Unfortunately, the sound is terrible there and they don't have different seating options like Feaze.
- We have "seat license" and haven't been thrilled with our choices the past few years.
- We have been going to the Rose Music Center since it is covered if it rains. We rarely go to the Fraze anymore since they don't allow umbrellas in rainy weather.
- We have been there several times to see Joe Bonamasa. Your venue is wonderful, but there has been no other concerts we are interested in. We travel from Stark County, Ohio, and love the trip. Please add Motown, Tribute

shows, etc.

- We have come to the Fraze for the past 20 years or more. The past couple of years we haven't attended because the line up hasn't been as good for our liking. Seems the Rose has taken some of the groups that used to be at the Fraze. We don't care for the Rose so please keep trying!! :)
- We have enjoyed events at the Fraze in the past. However in recent years the tribute bands have been so prevalent, we haven't been interested.
- We have loved the Fraze. However, since the opening of the Rose, the quality of Fraze concerts has tanked. Tribute bands and impersonators are not the quality of show we prefer. It's a wonderful venue that unfortunately has little quality entertainment and a staff that treats the patrons very poorly.
- We have not been attending hardly any events in the past couple of years due to significantly less desirable performances than in the past.
- "We have not been to the Fraze for many years because you are not favoring an older audience with their kind of music. Provide it and they will come. Stop bringing back the same shows that have been there multiple times over the years. Lower your prices some and be more competitive with the Rose. They are doing a whole lot better than the Fraze entertainment wise and financially. Maybe the Fraze needs to find someone new to book their shows.
  - Too many Fraze shows are geared toward a younger audience! It's time to focus on some older folks a couple of times and get us back to thr Fraze!"



- we have not did any of the concerts at the fraze this year we have a handicap daughter and some of the ticket prices we pay we would like to see the concert but with all the ppl standing she is just looking at butts so we have decided just to do the free concerts in the cities and we also go to the Murphy• in Wilmington Ohio that have tribute bands there and everyone is kind and stay seated so all us can see :)
- We love the \$5 events, this allows us to take our Autistic client to enjoy events
- We love the Fraze and feel fortunate to have it our community.
- We love the Fraze but attend concerts less frequently in the past few years as there are not many major artists performing at the Fraze now. We used to attend more concerts there when the concerts were for actual artists and not • We travel from out of state to attend 1-2 events per year, based on the show those doing tributes of famous artists. We would love to attend more frequently but the artist selection is just not there anymore when we review the lineup online and receive Fraze notices of upcoming events (we love the notices of upcoming concert sales).
- We love the Fraze!
- We love the Fraze!
- We love The Fraze! It is one of the best venues in the greater Dayton area!
- We love the Fraze. Please don't make any major changes. Bring Baranley Gilbert back more often.
- We love this venue and have enjoyed every show we attended there.
- We might be in our 70's but we still live those 60's bands.
- We need better acts to come to The Fraze to compete with the Rose!

- We need good old fashioned Rock & Roll acts!
- We noticed the last 2 years there are VERY FEW jazz or r&b shows...we wonder why...then we surmise an answer. Hmmmm
- We often attend events on the spur of the moment, but do not do this for a show at Fraze because they charge an extra fee for buying tickets on the day of a performance
- We really enjoy coming to the Fraze,
- We really enjoyed the sips and suds event 2 years ago. We were planning to attend it again this year, but it wasn't offered. Very disappointing.
- We really like contemporary Christian music. More acts like that would be great. We really like coming down to the Fraze
- selections. We enjoy The Fraze for ease of travel as well as the size of the venue!
- We truly enjoy our visits to Fraze. Wonderful venue. Easy access. Terrific customer service. Nice variety of acts.
- We used to attend shows all summer but the choices in the last few years are limited. Parking is terrible
- We used to attend the Fraze at least 4-6 times a season with a group of 12-20 friends, now we're lucky if we can find one show we want to see. In the past, Karen the former manager brought in great names, now it's the same shows and mostly tribute bands. We all commented last week as we headed to see Santana at Riverbend that we wished Fraze would bring in Better name artist so we could spend our money in our home town!



- We used to come to the Fraze 3 to 4 times a season. But then Rose opened and everything that used to be at the Fraze was now at Rose. We prefer the Fraze environment over the Rose. Plus living in Washington Twp Fraze is way more convenient.
- We used to go to a lot of shows and events but I have witnessed multiple times there employees acting extremely unacceptable. So now we only go 1-2 times per year. ETix is awful. I've never had a good experience purchasing from them but buying at the Fraze ticket office is not for me anymore. You have to battle your way to keep your place in line after they open the doors and I'm not willing to go through 3-4 hours of waiting in line only to get shoved back by people who are faster than me. It's unfair and I don't think I'll be going back to the Fraze again after this year.
- We would like to see more Contemporary jazz, like there used to be, ie: Dave Koz and Friends, Euge Groove, Richard Elliot, Rick Braun, Paul Taylor
- We would love to see the facility covered (like The Rose). Have wasted a lot of money over the years due to rainouts and have friends that won't buy tickets to the Fraze because of this.
- We've been big fans and attendees in past...you really not getting the top names and acts you did previously so we're finding fewer things to attend at Fraze but we still love the venue
- We're not fans of tribute bands or country music. We don't come to Fraze because it's mostly tribute bands. Nothing special.
- We've always really enjoyed attending shows at the Fraze. We miss the \$10 tribute shows that were held often. We would also like to see more 70's and

- 80's pop/rock shows before these acts retire from touring. We are really excited to see Night Ranger and the Debbie Gibson/Wilson Phillips show this year. More shows like these would be great.
- We've seen some great shows at the Fraze, but in recent years there has been no artists we want to see.
- ?• What about summer theater projects
- What ever happened to the Christian festival and the food truck festival I thought those were the best ever
- What happened? Fraze use to get really great shows. Now it's all tribute bands and impersonators. I attend Fraze regularly if there were any good shows
- what should happen when you are attending an event and its cut short buy a storm.it certanly happened to us.I think we should have been refunded.
- When purchasing tickets we should be able to get them right then or within a few days. Not months after that the purchase date. So you never know if your really going to get tickets so it's like holding your breathe.
- When you have a headliner make sure that they play most of the music. We paid a lot to see Boney James and were disappointed that the older woman took up so much time.



- Whoever you've had booking acts the last few years seems to be on cruise control. The same tired acts that you've had for years. I enjoy blues and classic rock acts the most. You have been very lacking in bringing in good acts of this type, or any type to be honest. The Fraze had a reputation for top notch entertainment. Not so much, anymore. Your staff is not very welcoming. They are known in as the Fraze Fun Police, or just the Fraze Gestapo. The Rose has you beat in so many areas, I can't begin to list them all.• I was afraid that would happen when they opened up. Unfortunately, it did. I don't even hardly come to the festivals anymore because you don't seem to know how to properly host them. Never enough vendors, so the lines are crazy long. In short, you need to regroup and remember what made you a great venue. If you build it, they will come. If you stay on the same path, you will die. That's unfortunate, because your venue used to be the best.
- Wine fest? Bring it back and market days with booths and fresh market
- Wish the seats weren't so close together. Seems like less room then other venues
- Wish there was more parking lots.
- Wonderful venue and always enjoy it there.
- Work cooperatively with Cincinnati to bring artists to one place or the other to expand offerings not duplicate
- Workers are very rude. My wife had to take her basic camera back to the car because they said it was professional. And yet there were many people with bigger cameras and lenses photographing the entire time. Until this is corrected I will not be back.
- Worry about rain outs

- Would appreciate more shows with current or classic pop/rock options
- "Would attend Breskfast with Beatles every month in Summer.
- Children's programs at 1pm in July seems to be inconvenient time due to naps and temperatures.
- Need to have more variety/better options for shows"
- Would attend more events if the seating was covered.
- Would attend more if fees were not so high
- Would like more fixed seating and all weather roof like The Rose Music Center
- Would like to see more black jazz singers saxophone Brian Thompson Frankie Beverly Maze
- would like to see the seats dried. I attend many Dragons and Reds games and they always wipe wet seats off if it had rained before the event. Was disappointed the Fraze did not when seeing A1A.
- Would love clean comedians that know more than 4 letter words!!!
- Would love to see a wider variety of artists next year- more classic rock/ yacht rock- 70s artists. Also if you are able to get Dave Koz back when he does another summer tour!!!!
- would love to see additional Christian Bands Play at the Fraze. Bring back he is amazing too!
- Would love to see an Americana/Country/Southern rock concert or event.
  Lots of great bands in that genre at a pricepoint that Fraze could likely afford,
  and that wouldnt compete with other venues. If Fraze can no longer get the
  top acts they used to get, then maybe go for some unique onea instead of
  the steady stream of cover bands.



- Would love to see more Contemporary Christian Artists or Festival
- Yes get more popular music bands.
- Yes in the Pit, the first 6-8 rows, please provide more room between seats and more room, front and back.
- Yes bought tickets to Boney james disappointed he as the headliner only performed 20 minutes! That's not what I expected!
- YES! The Fraze is not our first choice of venues to attend anymore. If your venue had a canopy w/ fans over the seating area (like The Rose) we would be more inclined to come again. SAlso, ETix is NOT a good experience at all with purchasing tickets.
- Yes, your security staff needs better instructions on allow Clear Backpacks into the venue. I bought a clear, small backpack to use at shows. I have taken in everywhere except Fraze, where I was instructed to take it back to my car.
   Its clear, small, meets all security requirements (but it's technically a "backpack"). They said No Backpacks (I believe your guidelines meant non-Clear ones like for school). I was not the only person turned away. It was VERY frustrating.
- YEs, Bring back- Rippingtons, Brian Culbertson, Gerald Albright, Marcus Miller
   Eugene Groove, Peter White, Diamond Rio, many of the rock band knock
   offs example Led Zeppelin in which I bought tickets for,
- Yes, get real original rock, country, R&B and soul acts. Forget about the tribute
   bands as every city in the area features those type of acts.
- "Yes, the last time I came, there was rain in the forecast. I brought a collapsible umbrella. I was told that it could be used as a weapon and had to leave it

behind.

- My fist & foot could be considered a weapon.
- I appreciate being safe, but that was ridiculous.
- I couldn't take it back to the car because I came via Uber.
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- Yes. Before covid, there were more smooth jazz concerts and r&b concerts.
   Post covid, the music options are not as diverse. My family and friends from Cincinnati came up yearly for allIII of the jazz shows, especially "Festival of the Vine". It was such a great time. Bring back more jazz artists and that Festival.
- Yes. I've found in recent attendance that the Fraze employees often are confused about policies and procedures. And many times some haven't been too friendly.
- Yes-you need ticket prices less than \$40, respect for space to walk on lawn(
  last couple times we were there we were told all blankets must touch)
  ridiculous loud talkers during music with no help from employees...we used to
  love the Frame- now we don't even consider it because of negative
  experiences.
- You deleted my answers to number 7.
- You do not focus on diverse music. You might have ONE jazz and ONE R&B and the rest is geared toward a white audience
- you don't have as much Jazz as you use too.
- You feature too many tribute acts



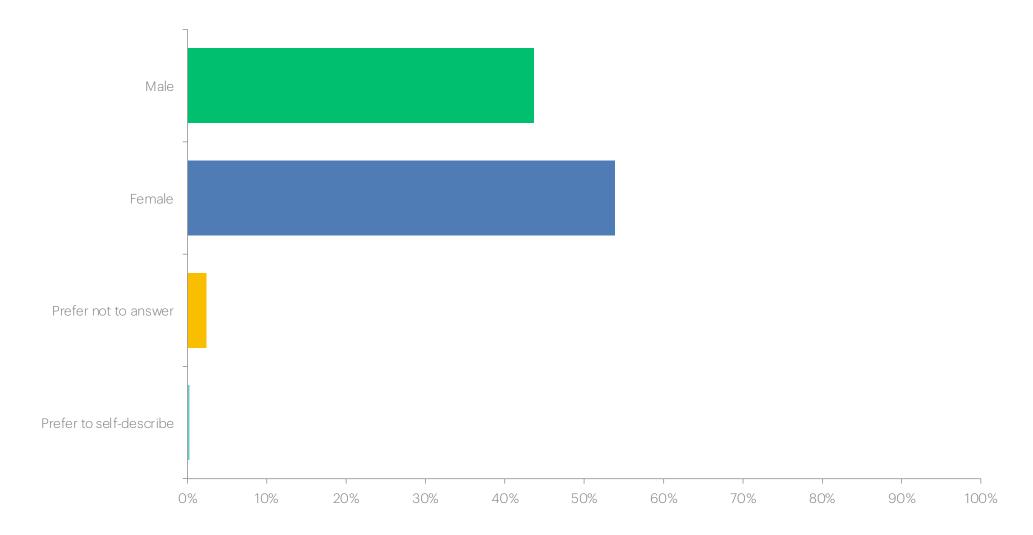
- You guys have to add more beer booths. It takes FOREVER to get back to where the beer is and get a beer and get back to your seat.
- You have a great venue but are getting butt kicked by Riverbend and Rose. It's sad but they are bigger venues
- You have fantastic sound quality and a beautiful location. Only complaints are parking and the stage is too low. Other area venues have a higher stage which leads to improved sight lines
- You have not had great show offerings, most artists are going to the Rose now rather than Fraze! We would always choose Fraze because you are closer to our house but there have been many great offerings the last few years!
- You have to improve the line-ups. Rose has a far superior line-up. Fraze has toomany cover bands and "has been" performers. The deterioration over the years is concerning
- YOU NEED A COVER!
- You need more and better classic rock
- You need to bring in more top, classic rock bands.
- You need to bring some new artists in. Change up some.
- You NEED to do something to block the sun from the artists...a retractable solar shade that is up over the bleachers/box that goes up to give shade to the artists. Something...
- You need to get large video screens up on the left and right side of the stage.
- You really, really need to rethink the restroom area. It's a long way from concert seating and gets very congested with the only restrooms for both sexes in the same spot. The Rose has this figured out and is much nicer for

seeing live music for this reason alone.

- You should be ashamed of yourselves for the dupe last Friday night you billed a headliner show of Boney James for a show that started at 8 pm and he didn't come on until 10:00! Wow!! Fraze is a major disappointment in the last few years no good artists to see and your prices this year for tribute bands is rediculous!! We can and have seen great tribute bands all over Dayton for free!! Whoever is running the show at Fraze has lost touch!! What a shame, such a nice venue.
- You should make sure that your staff treats all your guests the same way & not make an individual feel like they are being harassed.
- Your bookings have sucked since the Rose opened. You need to get a talent buyer who can match the groups/fees to the capacity at the Fraze and compete against all the other venues. Because the Fraze has always been subsidized by our Kettering taxes, you haven't had to hustle, but now you do. Good. Compete.
- Your employees need to have better customer service. Always very rude which is why I now go to the Rose. Your lawn tickets are high priced
- Your handicap access is one of the most user friendly, in the area!
- Your ticket office hours are not very convenient.
- YOUR TICKETS LIKE ALL TICKETS THESE DAYS HAVE STUPIDLY HIGH FEES LAST YEAR I BOUGHT A TEN DOLLAR TICKET THE FEES WERE TEN DOLLARS
- Your website is dated and not clear where tickets can be bought and when. It
  points to both Fraze ticket office and Town and Country fan store.
- Your what wouls you like to see at fraze didn't allow if multiple choices



### Q11: Please describe your gender





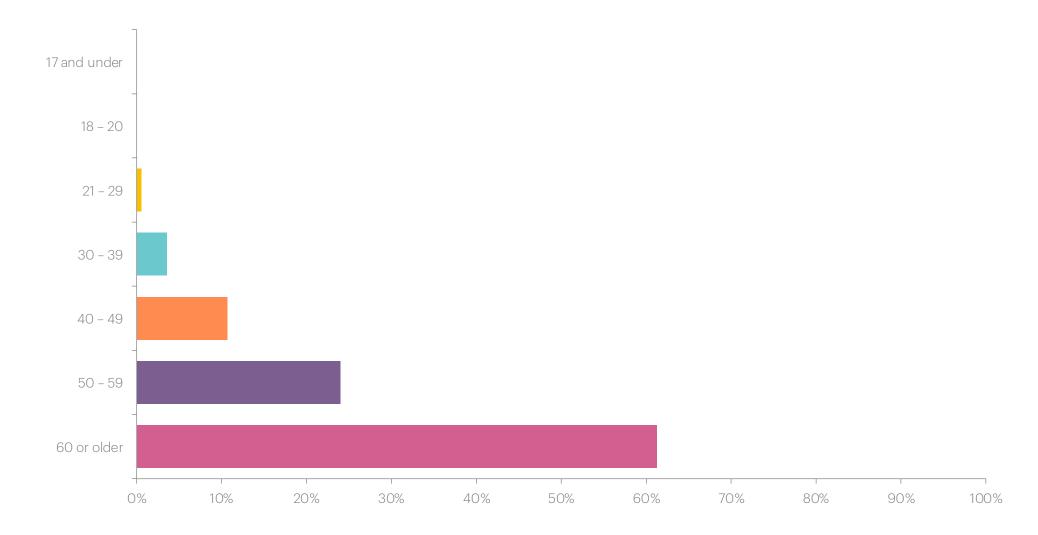
### Q11: Please describe your gender

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	43.61%	747
Female	53.82%	922
Prefer not to answer	2.34%	40
Prefer to self-describe	0.23%	4
TOTAL		1713

- Having this option makes me not want to attend any events at Fraze. SAD
- I'm all shook up
- Non binary
- Nonbinary



### Q12: Which category below includes your age?



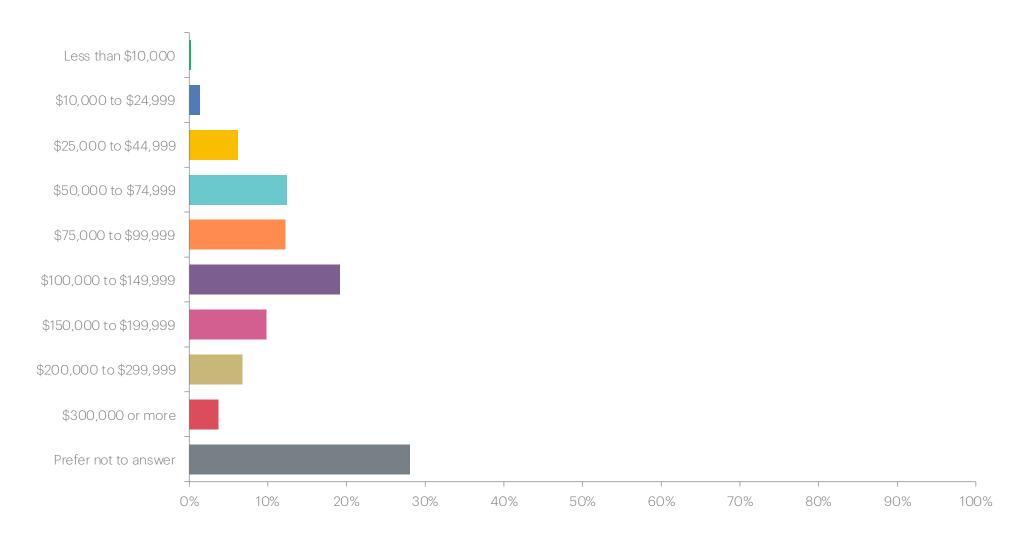


### Q12: Which category below includes your age?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
17 and under	0.00%	0
18 – 20	0.00%	0
21 – 29	0.53%	9
30 – 39	3.58%	61
40 – 49	10.67%	182
50 - 59	23.99%	409
60 or older	61.23%	1044
TOTAL		1705



### Q13: What is your household income?



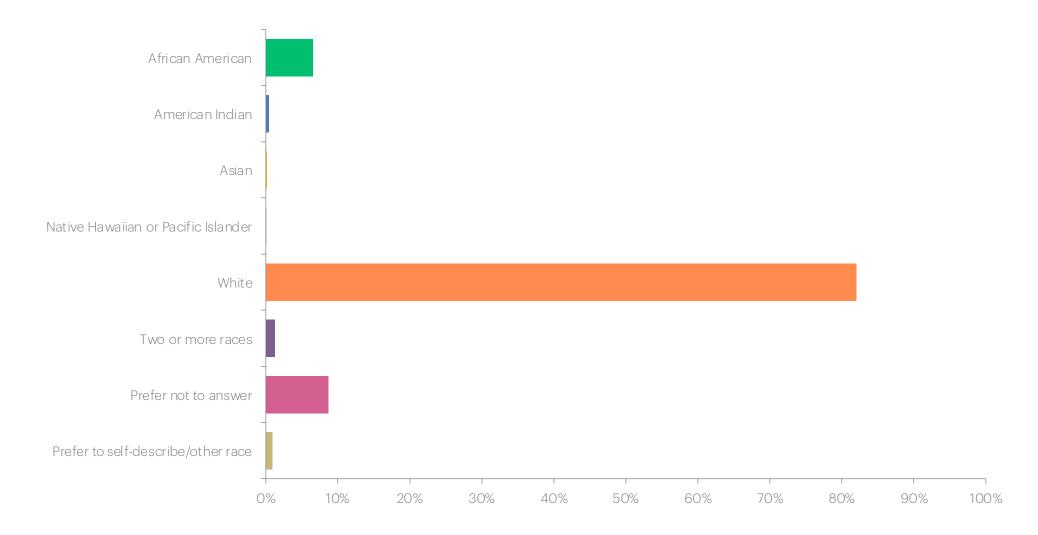


## Q13: What is your household income?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Less than \$10,000	0.24%	4
\$10,000 to \$24,999	1.36%	23
\$25,000 to \$44,999	6.21%	105
\$50,000 to \$74,999	12.43%	210
\$75,000 to \$99,999	12.25%	207
\$100,000 to \$149,999	19.17%	324
\$150,000 to \$199,999	9.82%	166
\$200,000 to \$299,999	6.75%	114
\$300,000 or more	3.73%	63
Prefer not to answer	28.05%	474
TOTAL		1690



### Q14: Please describe your racial identity





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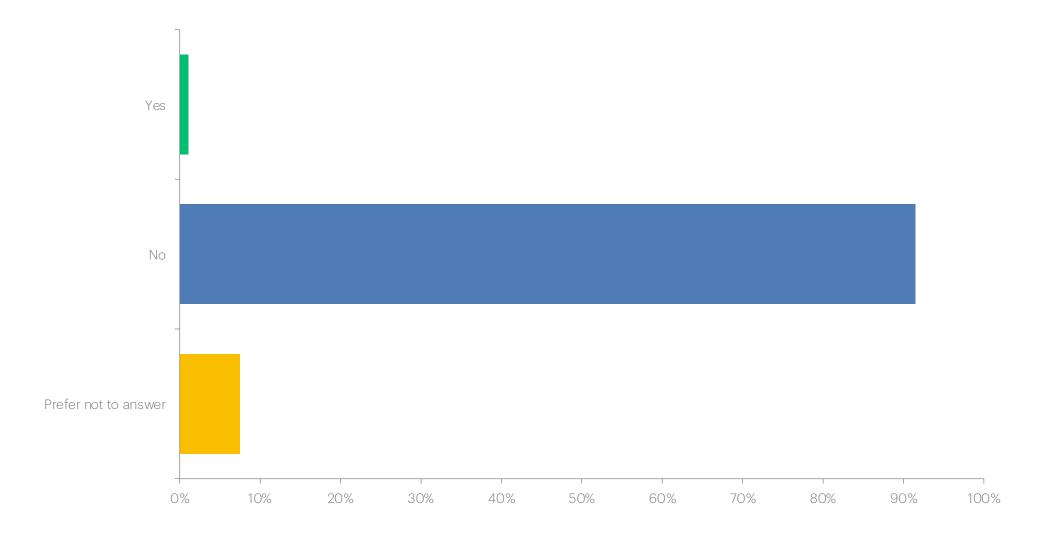
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
African American	6.52%	111
American Indian	0.41%	7
Asian	0.12%	2
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0.06%	1
White	81.97%	1396
Two or more races	1.29%	22
Prefer not to answer	8.69%	148
Prefer to self-describe/other race	0.94%	16
TOTAL		1703

- american
- AMERICAN THAT'S ALL THAT MATTERS
- Caucasian
- Caucasian
- Caucasian
- Caucasian
- Euro American
- hispanic

- Hispanic
- Human
- Human
- Human
- isnt this cosidered a racist question??
- Italian-American
- Latin
- N/A



## Q15: Are you Hispanic or Latino?



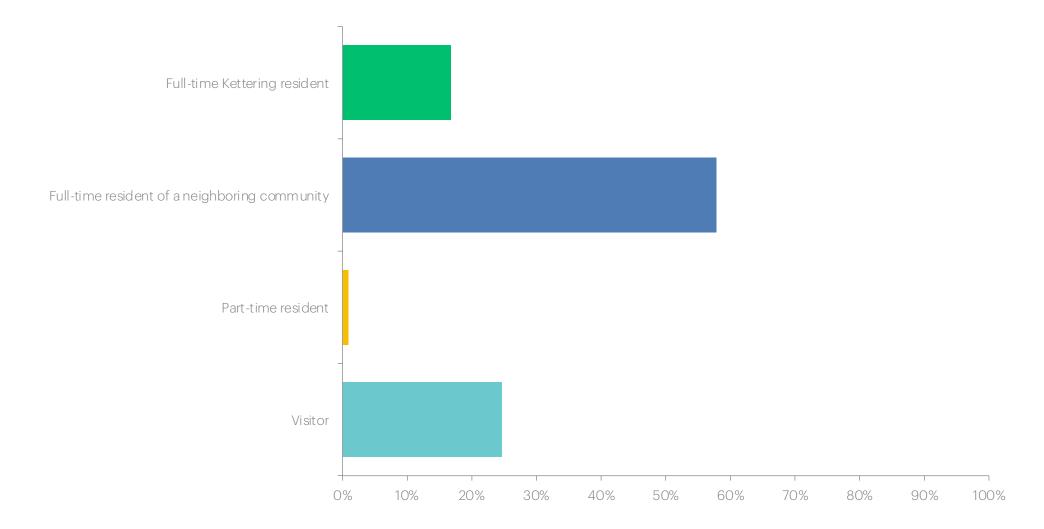


## Q15: Are you Hispanic or Latino?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	1.07%	18
No	91.43%	1537
Prefer not to answer	7.50%	126
TOTAL		1681



### Q16: What is your residence status?

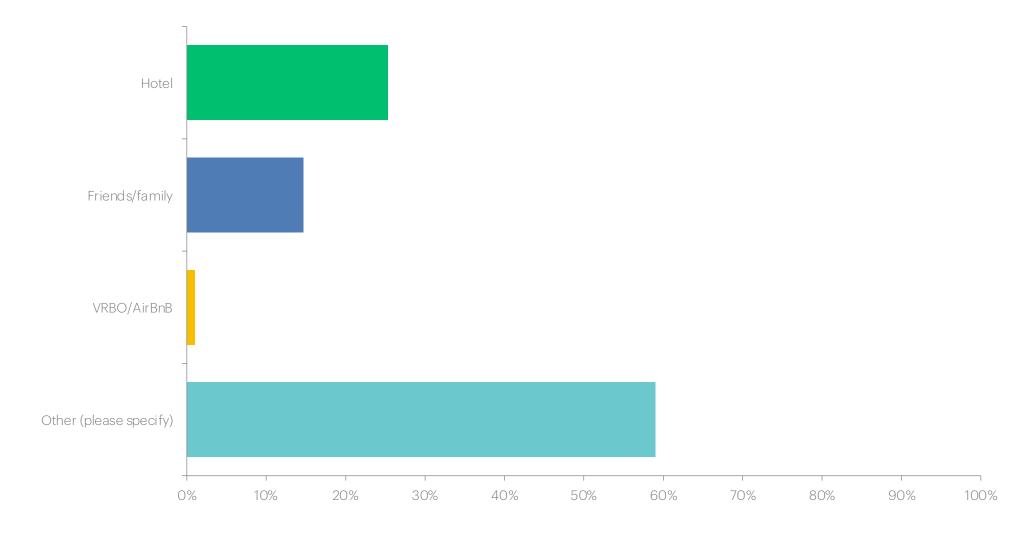




## Q16: What is your residence status?

ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Full-time Kettering resident	16.71%	286
Full-time resident of a neighboring community	57.83%	990
Part-time resident	0.88%	15
Visitor	24.59%	421
TOTAL		1712







ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Hotel	25.32%	100
Friends/family	14.68%	58
VRBO/AirBnB	1.01%	4
Other (please specify)	58.99%	233
TOTAL		395



- 1.5 hour drive to home
- At Home
- At home
- At my residence in Dayton
- car
- Cincinnati ohio
- Close enough for a drive
- Close enough to drive in and back
- Close enough to home that I don't stay
- Come in just for the day
- Commute
- Commute back home
- Commute back home
- Commute from Cincinnati
- Commute from Columbus
- Commute from Northern Kentucky
- Commute to and from
- commute to home
- Commute to Northern Ky
- Commuter
- Dave is 20 mins away

- Day trip
- Dayton
- Dayton Ohio
- Do not stay
- Do not stay
- Do not stay overnight
- Do not stay overnight
- Don't stay
- Don't stay overnight
- Dont stay
- Don't stay
- Don't stay, just drive in and home
- Drive
- drive
- drive 1 hour from north of Fraze
- Drive about 1 hour to Fraze.
- Drive back home
- Drive back home to Circleville
- Drive back home to Columbus
- Drive back home to Piqua Ohio
- Drive back to Cincinnati
- Drive back to Cincinnati
- Drive back to Cincinnati
- Drive from Butler County

- Drive from Cincinnati
- Drive from Cincinnati
- Drive from Cincinnati
- Drive from Cincinnati don't stay
- Drive from cols. Not far.
- drive from Columbus
- Drive from Columbus and back
- Drive from home 1.5 hr away
- Drive from my home
- Drive from Northern Kentucky
- Drive from West Chester
- Drive from West Chester residence
- Drive from West Chester, OH
- Drive home

- Drive home 2ish hours
- drive home 40-50 miles
- Drive home to Cincinnati
- Drive home to Columbus after the show.
- Drive home to Hamilton
- Drive home to Shelby County
- Drive in
- Drive in
- Drive in and back for the event.
- Drive in and drive out
- Drive in and out
- Drive in and out
- Drive in for shows , no overnight stay
- Drive in then drive back home
- Drive to and from
- drive to and from home
- Drive to and from home
- Drive to and from my home
- drive to show and drive home after.
- Drive to site and do not stay overnight
- Drive to/from Butler County
- Drive up from Cincinnati
- Drive up from Cincinnati.
- driving distance
- Driving distance
- Fraze

- From Columbus don't stay over
- From Cincinnati so we drive to/from
- Go back home
  - Go back home don't live too far away
- Go home
- Home

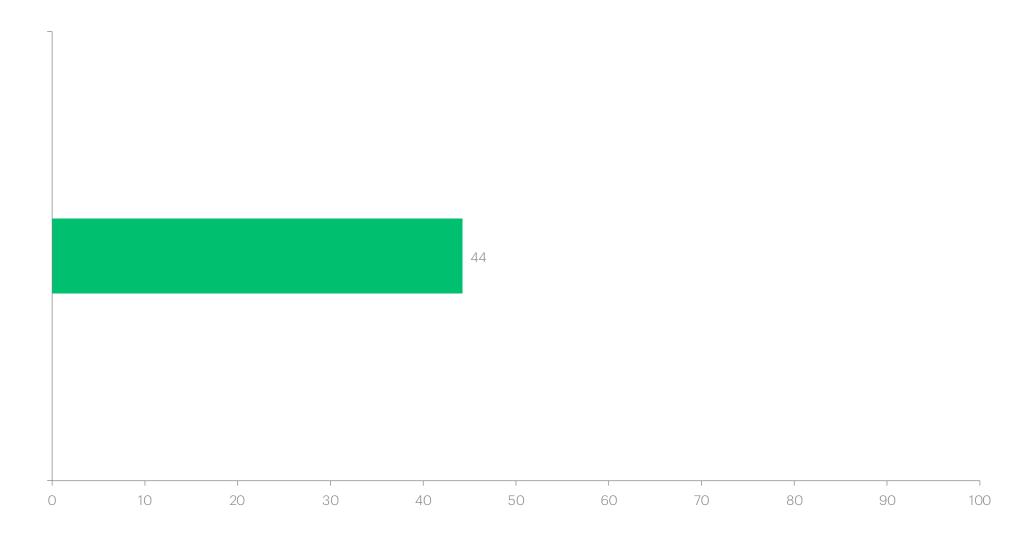
- Home- I drive to the Fraze from Cincinnati
- home I live in a Dayton
- Home in riverside
- Home is 40 minutes away
- Home near Hamilton, Ohio
- Home Troy Ohio
- Home Urbana OH
- Home, nearby city
- Home. I live in Cincy
- I come home!
- I commute
- I commute from Cincinnati
- I do not stay
- I don't stay. I return home to Cincinnati.
- I don't- I'm only an hour or so away
- I don't stay overnight. I drive home.
- I drive back to Cincinnati
- I drive from Cincinnati and don't stay
- I drive from my nearby residence.
- I drive home to Columbus
- I drive in and out
- I drive to the event from Cincinnati.
- I drive up from Cincinnati and then drive back.

- I go back home
- I go back home to Cincinnati
- I go back home.
- I go home to West Chester
- I head home after the shows
- I just drive home
- I leave in Cincinnati I drive to fraze pavilion
- I live 30 minutes frome fraze
- I live close enough to go back home.
- I live in Cincinnati so no over night stay needed.
- I live in Dayton
- I live in Oakwood
- I return home
- I travel back and forth to Fraze from the Columbus area.
- I usually just drive in for the day
- In and then out...
- it is only an hour drive to our home
- Just drive
- less than an hour drive, I don't stay
- Live 15 minutes away
- Live 45 minutes away in Preble County.
- Live 45 minutes away so travel to and from without staying overnite.
- Live close by
- live close enough not to
- live in Centerville

- Live in Cincy so drive in for event
- Live in nearby city
- Live n centerville..
- live near
- Live within 50 miles so drive home.
- My home in Beavercreek
- My home in cincinnati
- My home, not neighboring
- my house
- My house
- My House
- my own home
- N/A
- N/a
- N/A
- No stay
- No stay, we travel the hour back home.
- none
- None
- Not a visitor.
- Nowhere drive back to Cincinnati
- Or we just drive back home to Westchester
- Our house
- own in fairborn
- Return home
- Return home
- Return to residence
- Ride from columbus

- Springboro
- Tend to drive back to Columbus
- Travel and drive back
- Travel back to home 11/2 hrs away
- travel from home
- Travel from home (60 miles away).
- Travel hom
- Travel to/from Columbus same day
- We commute home to Cincinnati
- We don't stay overnight. We are within dirv
- We drive an hour home
- We drive from Liberty Township
- We drive home.
- We drive in from Cincinnati and drive back after the event on the same evening.
- We drive up and back
- We drove back to where we live
- we drove home 1 1/2 hrs
- We frequently travel over to the Kettering area from Columbus. Kettering/Dayton is close enough for day tripping!
- We live in Cincinnati, so not a far drive for the day/evening.
- We return home
- We return home to our house in Wilmington
- We usually return home after our visit.
- West Chester, OH







ANSWER CHOICES	AVERAGE NUMBER	TOTAL NUMBER	RESPONSES
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- N/A
- North of Dayton



- 45324
- No
- USAF Veteran
- Veteran
- 1 veteran in the household
- 2 married adults w/ 2 kids under 18
- 43204 and as OLD Rock n Roll enthusiasts, we really appreciate all the great
   opportunities to eat, drink, and partake in great entertainment in such a
   welcoming city as Kettering!
- 45429 use to live in Kettering Ohio
- active duty military, retiring here and one of the reasons is because of the community resources such as the Fraze
- Air Force Retired Veteran
- Air Force Veteran
- American
- American
- American
- AMERICAN BORN & BRED
- any and all
- Are you seriously asking a sexual identity question in order to provide

- excellent entertainment in Kettering? That's a problem.
- Bilingual
- both seniors in 70's
- BraverAngels.org
- Christian
- Christian
- Christian
- Cool people who like good music
- disability
- Disability access still means walking a lot and disability parking is not enough.
- Disability, when you get the seats they are in the front row and everyone stands up you can't see.
- Disabled
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- Disabled
- Disabled and use a mobility scooter
- Disabled seniors

- Disabled son in a wheelchair, never in 5 years have I been able to get the front row seats in the ADA pit section so he could see the show, because everybody stands up in front of all the people in that section, very poorly runfor people like him who is also visually impaired so he needs as close as possible (nobody gives a s- - about these people when you're there, the security gets nasty with you if you try to maneuver around so he can see the band) very sad
- Disabled Veteran
- DSP for autistic adults
- Gay
- Grew up in fairborn
- Grew up in Kettering. Taught school in Kettering. Love the Fraze!
- Handicap
- Have more saxophone artists and Christian artists
- "Husband is a Vet
- Grown children"
- Husband is a veteran, I'm a retired teacher. We live in suburbs of Cincinnati. •
- husband is disabled difficulty walking
- I am a T 10 paraplegic and in a wheelchair. I know you were grandfather in

being built pre 1995. But handicap seating could somehow be improved.

- l am a veteran
- I am a veteran.
- I am disabled
- I am disabled with limited mobility. Fraze has done very well in the past, accommodating my wife and I.
- I have a wheelchair-bound friend that likes to attend with me, but the w/c accommodations at Fraze are not near as good as those at the Rose.
- I have difficulty walking and climbing steps. I usually attend concerts with my sons. They help me navigate the steps and ways to get to my seats. They tried to help me see the stage but it was impossible to see over the people in front of me.
- I live 1/2 block from the Fraze. It is not very welcoming to those that live in the neighborhood. We have to put up with the parking and traffic issues and barricades put up. Not easy to get around when there are concerts. Need to be more friendly to those living in the surrounding area.
- I live in Lincoln Park.
- I love all genres of music and a wide variety of different arts.



- I really don't understand how the questions asked in this survey can help you assess how people view the Fraze or what types of shows/events people are hoping to see there.
- I was the only one who went to the concert from my household. I went with
  a friend
- I'm a senior (60+) that enjoys Jazz music and I have been attending jazz concerts at the Fraze for close to 15 years.
- I'm a senior citizen & love the "original" artists of the oldies but don't love tribute bands.
- I'm A Veteran
- I'm a veteran.
- Improve parking
- jazz lovers
- Just a mom. Wife of a deceased veteran of the Army.
- Just a note on the zip code: it is a Kettering zip and I lived in Kettering for 36
   years but the zip is also a Centerville zip in which I have resided for 38 years.
   The zip has created a lot of confusion in the past.
- Just a regular middle class family living in the suburbs with a wide variety of music taste.
- Just a regular, music loving guy

- Just cool people
- just plain old humans who try to love everyone and everything
- LGBT
- LGBT household
- LGBT, old, eclectic, introverts
- LGBTQ
- LGBTQ+
- Lgbtq+
- LGBTQIA
- Lines are too long for food and entry. Should not have to wait that long to get food/snacks
- Love 70-80s music
- Love the place the workers are nice very helpful.
- Married
- Married 2 adult children & Grandchildren all have gone to the Fraze from the beginning
- Married traditional couple from the 60s-70s
- Member of my household is a Veteran
- Military Dependant



•	"Military Retired.	•	My spouse has a disability, blindness.
•	Multi-lingual."	•	n/a
•	Military retiree, disabled with scooter	•	N/A
•	Military Veteran	•	N/A
•	military veteran	•	n/a
•	Military veteran, seniors 1 with disability	•	N/A
•	military, 4th time back at Wpafb. Lived twice on base, once in Kettering and	•	N/A
	once in Beavercreek	•	N/A
•	More 80s bands please	•	N/A
•	MS using a scooter.	•	n/a
•	multi-lingual	•	N/A
•	Multiple physical infirmities, but not wheelchair bound.	•	n/a
•	Music lover	•	NO
•	Music lover!	•	NA
•	My favorite color is green	•	NA
•	My husband and I walk to the Fraze for date night and having a great	•	na
	concert to either listen to or attend is great. We walk because we don't drive	9.●	NA
•	My husband is 78 and has been diagnosed with dementia. He has limited	•	NA
	mobility which prevents lawn seating, but we're okay with seating in the	•	Na
	front or the back.	•	Navy veteran, guitarist

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- No but I do fell you need more handicap seating.
- "no
- '
- No, thx
- No.
- No. And, I don't think it should be something that you ask. I answered your questions but it's not right.
- None

- none
- None- we just appreciate good music.
- No-not important
- Nope
- Nope, just the classic man and grown educated female daughter and long time Kettering tax paying residents!
- Nope. Just a regular person.
- normal
- Normal, nothing special, just your average white person. Don't need or want special identifying just because I am vegan.
- Not really....ushers were very helpful and loved the concert.
- Old white guy
- On disability from cancer and chemo.
- Originally from Columbus, moved to WV
- Pan
- Patriot
- "Previous Dayton resident. Now living in Columbus.
- Have always loved the Fraze. "

- Proud American who doesn't like pronouns
- retired
- Retired
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- Retired Air Force
- Retired Air Force
- "Retired Air Force 28 years.
- Retired Civil Service 10 years. "
- Retired Air Force veteran
- retired and like it
- retired military
- Retired military/spouse
- Retired Vet USAF 33yrs and retired from Kroger Co 44yrs
- Retired Veteran
- Retired Veteran
- Retired veteran, bi-lingual (English/Spanish)
- "Retired
- Been going to the Fraze since it opened. Me and my friends call ourselves

- "Frazetts" because of how much we visit the Fraze for events. Thank you"
- Retired, Kettering resident 38 years, now living in Centerville.
- Retired.
- Retirees who enjoy summer outdoor entertainment. Come see what Troy
  offers each summer. They do very well for a small community with summer
  entertainment.
- Senior citizen
- Senior citizen. Very limited income.
- Senior citizens
- Seniors
- Seniors
- Single income household with no children
- Spouse of a Veteran
- Stop with the identity politics and focus on entertainment in general.

  Making sure its handicap accessible etc is one thing but focusing on identities etc should not be a focus for the general public to attend events.



•	Straight, married male.	•	Veteran
•	"Straight white people.	•	Veteran
•	No gender confusion in our household. "	•	Veteran
•	Survivors of the 1960s.	•	Veteran
•	That's the dumbest question I've ever experienced on a survey.	•	Veteran
•	The age that appreciates classic rock	•	Veteran
•	transgender (mtf)	•	Veteran
•	Transplant from Texas	•	veteran
•	Two teenage kids who would like to go to shows but there aren't any that	•	Veteran
	appeal to them. My husband loves music and also struggles to find anything	•	Veteran
	of interest	•	Veteran
•	Two veterans in our household	•	Veteran
•	USAF Veteran	•	Veteran
•	vegetarian	•	Veteran
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- Veteran & gay
- Veteran and disability
- Veteran husband that is disabled and partially blind. I'm also disabled and have a hard time walking, standing or sitting for long periods of time.
- Veteran LGBT+
- "veteran
- family member who is wheelchair bound"
- Veteran, disabled
- veteran, retired
- Veteran, retired police officer and wife. Love your facility, but need more concerts we would enjoy. 60's and 70's music, great performer i.e. Joe Bonamasa.
- Veteran. American Legion. VFW.
- "Veteran. Patriot. NOT a supporter of DEI / LGBQT+ agenda. Don't go down the Bud Lite, Gillette, or Tractor Supply path, just not wanted or needed.
- "
- Veteran/disabled
- "Viet Nam
- Navy Veteran"
- Vietnam era veteran

- We are all Americans
- We are both retired
- We are vehemently opposed to any outward/blatant support of LBGTQ+ actions and activities, this is totally unnecessary and it is outright reverse discrimination to those of us who are Christians in faith, it is counterproductive to make special accommodations for a very, very small percentage of the population that have no special needs due to handicap or other physical limitations
- We drive from West Chester to see Fraze concerts. We seldom attend concerts elsewhere because everything about the Fraze has spoiled us from not wanting to see concerts elsewhere.
- We have a veteran in the household
- We were turned off by the lawn policy of blankets much touch adjoining blankets on sold out shows. We always arrived early for a good spot but people coming in late would be forced to squeeze into our space.

- We'd attend more concerts if there were a covered seating area, more parking.
- We're veterans, also seniors (hard to believe I'm saying this). I am a DPAA performer, so we see those shows at the Schuster plus other performances occasionally. We also have Dayton Dragons season tickets.
- Wheelchair user and have been treated horrible all the times I have been there by staff
- Wife has COPD
- Yes, I am a Veteran.
- you are missing an income bracket on wages question
- zip code 45440

