



Participants at the 2010 UCS Human Service Summit selected the trends that would be discussed during the Facilitated Discussion from an initial list of 18. Each participant could vote for three trends. Based on vote totals, Facilitated Discussions were organized around the first 9 trends.

Votes

39	Poverty in Johnson County is growing twice as fast as the national average for suburbs; people living in poverty are widely scattered geographically.
38	There is an increased awareness of the interconnectedness between human conditions (e.g., mental health and crime, health status and education, stress and family relationships).
31	Johnson County is increasingly racially, culturally and linguistically diverse.
29	An increasing percentage of the population is age 65 and above.
28	Transportation alternatives have not significantly increased.
25	Ranks of first-time poor grow as middle class lose jobs and assets shrink.
25	The human service safety net is not keeping pace with demand for service.
23	The cost of health care and health insurance continue to limit access to care.
21	A growing body of research shows positive effects of early interventions on long-term outcomes.
17	Future job opportunities demand that young people have a broad set of skills, including creativity, initiative and ability to work with diverse populations.
12	More people are “cost burdened” – spending more than 30% of income on housing.
12	Alcohol remains the drug of choice for teenagers and adults.
11	More parents (two-parent and single-parent families) with pre- and school-age children are working.
10	Monthly unemployment rates are at historic highs.
8	The percentage of children living in traditional two-parent families is declining.
5	New interest in volunteering is being demonstrated by young adults and retirees.
4	New types of philanthropy and for-profit ventures are adding to the mix of human service funding.
4	The prevalence of a diagnosis of Autism Spectrum Disorder is increasing.

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