

Proposed Goals and Objectives by Category
Human Services & Community Building

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VISION STATEMENT:

Revised from Comments at March 24, 2016 Committee Meeting

Scott County is a community based upon values and respect for all. The community benefits from high quality of life, accessible public services, and collaborative community partnerships. Our community supports resources to improve equity and access for everyone. Community members have diverse and welcoming locations and opportunities to work, gather, play, learn together, and support each other in times of need. Scott County is a community where affordable housing is available, accessible, and kept in good condition. Low-Income, homeless, and disabled individuals have access to housing, food, and workforce training.

FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES:

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- All Scott County citizens should have access to a high (fundamental?) standard of living and human services, including but not limited to: arts and cultural enrichment opportunities, quality housing, shelter, public transportation, food, health care, education, employment, child care, and senior care.
- All Scott Countians should have safe and sanitary housing to meet the needs of a diverse population with varying income levels, household size and type, and special housing needs.
- The community values its numerous "Quality of Life Partnerships," which promote and nurture strong, diverse, and safe environments where people have opportunities for cross-neighborhood and cross-cultural interaction.
- Scott Countians should have access to quality education and workforce development opportunities throughout their lifetime.
- Every citizen should have access to artistic, cultural, educational, financial, health and wellness, and parks and recreational programs.
- Funding for partnerships and opportunities should come from a variety of sources, i.e., city, county, college, civic, faith based organizations, private business and industry, and participants in the many activities.

GOALS PART 1:

Revised to reflect goal realignment for May 2nd distribution

Housing Issues

1. Improve the access for all Scott County residents to quality permanent housing, and temporary shelter.
2. Decrease financial barriers to affordable housing.
 - 2.1. Involve multiple public and private entities to support affordable housing.
 - 2.2. Seek increased funding for housing voucher programs for lower income households.
3. Enforce property maintenance.
 - 3.1. Eliminate sub-standard housing
 - 3.2. Regular inspection of rental housing
 - 3.3. Sanitary Facilities
 - 3.4. Target code enforcement efforts in neighborhoods where lack of property maintenance is identified as a major issue, and apply programs to help property owners comply with Code provisions without the need for fines or enforcement actions.
 - 3.4.1. Ex. The City of Bowling Green is already implementing an innovative program in which selected neighborhoods are notified of impending inspections, prior to which free services are offered for a specific time period through multiple partners, including the District Health Department, Neighborhood Action Office, Police and Fire departments, municipal utilities, Public Works Department, Housing and Community Development Department and the Sanitation Service.
 - 3.5. Rehabilitate or replace dilapidated housing units.
 - 3.5.1. Safety – people and buildings

Education

1. Encourage quality educational and training opportunities for all Scott Countians throughout their lifetime.
 - 1.1. Include: sharing info, childhood education, virtual education, public, private, and adult education, etc. Life-long learning;
 - 1.2. Access to library(ies).
 - 1.3. Encourage training opportunities for a wide range of skills reflective of those needed by regional employers.
 - 1.3.1. Include vocational education, changing tech, etc.
 - 1.3.2. Workforce training
 - 1.4. Encourage collaborative efforts and long-range planning with local educational programs.
 - 1.4.1. Include Scott County School System, Georgetown College, BCTC, regional employers, etc.
 - 1.5. Encourage a global perspective in educational opportunities.
 - 1.5.1. Include coordination with guidance councilors
 - 1.6. Offer career fairs that include opportunities for on-the-job training.
 - 1.7. Encourage guidance for career paths
 - 1.7.1. Encourage aptitude assessments.

GOALS PART 2:

For First Review at April 28, 2016 Committee Meeting

General Note – Staff will share these thoughts with group. Doesn't need to be printed.

After reviewing the goals drafted within the “access to human services” section below, we thought they would receive more reflection and use if instead within each corresponding chapter of the plan rather than set apart within the human services chapter. We have moved many of the initial goals to other groups. This committee will be asked to review all the goals and objectives from other sub-committees to consider whether our goals and objectives provide benefits to all members of the community and/or are not restrictive or could potentially cause harm to marginalized or typically under-represented groups.

As with the education and housing goals from last month, many of the goals discussed tonight may be further refined and/or reassigned to other committees.

Access to Human Services & Community Facilities

1. Improve access to human services & community facilities for all Scott County residents.
 - 1.1. Education (see Education section above)
 - 1.2. Health & Wellness (see section below)
 - 1.3. Housing (see Land Use)
 - 1.4. Arts & Culture (see Heritage)
 - 1.5. Public Transportation (see Infrastructure)
 - 1.6. Employment (see Economic Growth)

Community Building, Collaboration, and Programming

1. Foster partnerships and collaboration between human service organizations and a broad range of stakeholders.
 - 1.1. Education about homelessness and low-income individual/family concerns, Local official and public knowledge of the existing problem, Awareness of existing/available services, Reinvigorate Community Connection and/or similar pairings that promote available resources, Business Partnerships
 - 1.2. Create, fund, and maintain a coalition of community partners to ensure the best use of available resources and to work toward the elimination of unmet needs, as they arise in the community.
 - 1.3. This “Coalition” of community partners has established a track record of working to ensure the best use of available resources and working toward the elimination of unmet needs, as they arise in the community.

- 1.4. Make community organizations the foundation for neighborhood change.
 - 1.4.1. Neighborhood plans, assessment tools, mentors and/or resources.
2. Increase opportunities to gather within and across neighborhood, social, income, age, and cultural boundaries.
 - 2.1. Community gathering places
 - 2.2. Events and programming
3. Increase the number and variety of recreation possibilities for teenagers and older residents (Seniors? Elderly?).

(Should we focus more on youth activities as the goal?)

 - 3.1. Include rehabilitating the school gym for recreation and community use.
4. Develop a help center for migrant workers to assist with access to a variety of needs.

(Should this goal include other groups?)

 - 4.1. Include: housing, language, job assistance, legal assistance, medical benefits, tax assistance, etc.
5. Improve access to health and wellness services. **(OR)** Provide responsive and dependable health and human services delivery systems throughout Scott County
 - 5.1. Scott County and its municipalities proactively assesses, measure, evaluate, address, and act upon identified health and human services needs through an on-going collaboration among community partners.
 - 5.2. Food
 - 5.3. Healthcare
 - 5.4. Childcare and senior care
 - 5.5. Rehab/drug addiction programs
6. Increase civic engagement (in the planning process or overall?).
 - 6.1. Create a welcoming civic atmosphere
 - 6.2. Increase citizen engagement in the planning process.
 - 6.2.1. Outreach and communication forms, meetings, etc.
7. Actively coordinate regional efforts.
 - 7.1. Regional plans, boards, non-profits, etc. Ex. BGADD, BBHHTA, BG Tomorrow, APA-KY, KHC, KLC, BG Greensource. Ask committee to list additional partners?
 - 7.2. Work with other communities to lobby for policies at state and federal levels (transportation, preservation, revitalization, communication towers)

7.3. Tech & global perspectives

7.4. Support legislative efforts and cross-border actions that improve regional planning, including, but not limited to, developing regional policies; sharing information; and planning for regional systems of transportation, open space, water supply, and infrastructure.