

# WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?



A planning document created by local governments and residents to guide the community's focus and vision for the next 20 years.

## What does the plan do?

The plan translates the ideas, feedback, needs of residents, and challenges facing the community into a plan to achieve the community's vision for the future.

Buncombe County will use The Plan as a guide to make ongoing decisions about priorities, budgets, regulations, and future planning needs. Those decisions impact how the County will change and grow.

## How is the plan created?

1. A four phase process is created to provide continual opportunities for public engagement.
2. A Steering Committee of residents provides ideas and feedback on the plan.
3. The project team evaluates past plans, data, existing conditions, and expected growth.
4. Residents share their ideas about the County's future and the plan over a 2 year period.
5. The vision, goals, policies, strategies, and actions are drafted, with resident feedback, to form the plan.
6. The final plan is adopted by the Commissioners, which includes public comment.



## What's included?

- Transportation
- Affordable Housing
- Hazard Mitigation
- Sustainability & Resiliency
- Public Safety
- Infrastructure
- Equity
- Tourism
- Parks & Greenways
- Youth

- Small Area Plans
- Environment & Conservation
- Economy and Industry
- Emergency Management
- Aging Population
- Demographic Trends
- Farmland & Food
- Early Childhood Needs
- Multigenerational Needs
- Land Use/Development
- Critical Facilities
- Healthy Community



## Get involved! More people = a better plan

The goal is broad, equitable, and diverse public participation that reaches all County residents. There will be many in-person and virtual activities, including for youth! Learn more and sign up for updates on our website:

[www.buncombecounty.org/plan2043](http://www.buncombecounty.org/plan2043)