

MILWAUKIE GOAL AREA STATEMENTS

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PEOPLE

Sense of Community

Milwaukie is an inclusive community of diverse people from a variety of backgrounds that recognize our differences and shared similarities. We are engaged and come together in many ways through various events and community gathering places, where we can celebrate our interests and passions.

Quality of Life

Milwaukie is a diverse community that provides opportunities and support for all of its residents through a variety of resources and enriching activities. We encourage and support a vibrant local economy that contributes to a high quality of life where residents can live, work, learn, and play.

Health and Safety

All residents are served by a clean and safe network of lighted and tree-lined streets, sidewalks, and paths that promote a healthy and active lifestyle.

Transparency and Access to Information and City Government

The City of Milwaukie is an open portal where information is readily available, easily exchanged, and responsive. Residents feel empowered and have opportunities to engage and share ideas.

PLACE

Accessible Transportation

Milwaukie has a complete network of sidewalks and bike lanes that enable accessibility, mobility, and safety for all. There is a seamless transition between walking, biking, and transit to key amenities and neighborhood centers.

Affordable Housing

Milwaukie invests in housing options that provide affordability, high quality development and good design, promoting quality living environments. It maintains the small neighborhood feel through creative use of space with housing options that embrace community inclusion and promote stability.

Art and Public Space

Milwaukie collaborates with community partners to create and preserve spaces to inspire the public to be engaged with the city's past and future. Art and innovation is weaved into the fabric of the city.

PLANET

Trees and Natural Resources

The entire city nurtures a connected canopy of trees planted and stewarded by its residents. Smart and focused development honors and prioritizes life-sustaining natural resources.

Waterfront and Waterways

Milwaukie has free flowing, accessible, pristine waterways that are protected by a robust stormwater treatment system. The Willamette waterfront is easily accessed by the public and offers a wide variety of activities and events that can be enjoyed by all.

Energy, Utilities/Resources, Resiliency

Milwaukie is a model city that produces more energy through renewable sources than it uses. It is a prepared and resilient community, adaptive to the realities of a changing climate.

PROSPERITY

Personal Prosperity

Milwaukie offers numerous pathways to prosperity through an excellent education system and training programs that are connected to local business. Residents of all ages and backgrounds feel supported to pursue and attain success in our local community.

Unique, Diverse, and Connected Neighborhoods

Milwaukie's neighborhoods are the center of daily life, with amenities and community-minded local businesses that meet the daily needs of residents. They form a network of unique, interconnected local hubs that together make Milwaukie the livable, equitable, and sustainable community that it is.

A Complete, Resilient, and Robust Economy

Downtown Milwaukie is a vibrant destination for both residents and visitors from throughout the region. Our industrial areas provide a high density of living-wage jobs across a number of different industries. The City is nimble and responsive to the needs of residents and businesses, with programs and policies that are financially sound, encourage job creation, and help support a strong and resilient local economy.