

STRATEGIC PLANNING/GOAL SETTING WORKSHOP



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Strategic Planning What is it?



Strategic planning is a <u>systematic</u> <u>process</u> by which you identify:

- Why your local government exists
- Whom it serves
- What benefits will be derived from the services it provides, and
- The vision you have regarding how the citizens' needs can best be served

The strategic plan is the result of this process, and serves as a blueprint for how your local government will achieve this vision.



MISSION

The mission statement is the way you communicate to your customers (citizens to whom services are provided) and other stakeholders (those with a vested interest) why your local government exists, and how they benefit or are impacted.

Mission Statement Examples

"The City of Concord partners with our community to deliver excellent service, and plans for the future while preserving, protecting, and enhancing the quality of life."

"The City of Fallon's mission is to provide top-quality, fiscally responsible municipal services in a manner that promotes the high standards of our City. Further, the mission of our City's elected officials is to make the required decisions and set policy that furthers the best interests of our residents and the City."



VISION

Represents a *future aspiration* that is *responsive* to the citizens' needs and concerns – a *"picture"* of what your local Government's *future* will look like.

VISION STATEMENT EXAMPLES

The City of Charlottesville - A Great Place to Live for All of Our Citizens:

- A leader in innovation, environmental sustainability, and social and economic justice, and healthy race relations
- Flexible and progressive in anticipating and responding to the needs of our citizens
- Cultural and creative capital of Central Virginia
- United community that treasures diversity

The City of Champaign – An inclusive community that welcomes all. City residents enjoy a great quality of life, first class educational opportunities and easy mobility. Champaign is a vibrant community with an active center city and healthy neighborhoods. The City is designed for quality and sustainability, and has a growing economy.



TARGETS

Represent the "pillars" or "categories" of government services under which specific goals will be developed.

Targets will be identified following a group exercise to evaluate internal and external factors (SWOT* Analysis).

* Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats

EXAMPLES OF TARGETS

Public Safety
Economic Development
Quality of Life
Organizational Development
Financial Stability

Strategic Planning

Basic Elements

S.W.O.T. Analysis
Environmental Scan (Internal/External)





GOALS

Goals are results oriented, broad statements of policy or intention and represent particular <u>aspects of the vision</u>.

Goals will address "What results do we want?"



EXAMPLE OF GOALS – CITY OF SEASIDE*

- Provide an increasingly safe community
- Create vibrant, sustainable economic development
- Provide leadership to obtain a sufficient water supply for desired development and quality of life
- Develop and implement a Quality Infrastructure Improvement Program
- Achieve and sustain fiscal health and wellness

^{*} For each goal, specific and measurable objectives were established for their six-month planning period.



ACTION PLANS (STRATEGIES)

The action plans are the strategies/
key steps (milestones) in achieving the goals.
Included is who is responsible and target dates for completion of Identified steps.

The action plans will address "How are we going to do it?"

EXAMPLE

TARGET/PRIORITY #1 - PUBLIC SAFETY GOALS/STRATEGIES:

Goal #1: Increased Staffing		
Actions:	Responsible:	Time Frame:
1. Add two new police officers/parcel	Mike	6/11
tax.		
2. Fill one non-sworn vacancy.	Dave	3/11

Goal #2: Continued Reduction in Crime		
Responsible:	Time Frame:	
Ann	6/12	
Steve	8/13	
Diane	12/12	
Dan	9/13	
	Responsible: Ann Steve Diane	

The Strategic Planning Cycle



SUMMARY

- The Basic Elements of strategic planning include the Mission, Vision, SWOT Analysis, Targets, Goals and Action Plans.
- The Plan is the way "Your Agenda" is communicated to the citizens.
- The *implementation* is the way you insure that your vision is achieved.

STRATEGY

Strategic Planning Continuous Cycle

- The Strategic Plan is an evolving document requiring routine oversight and in most cases, fine-tuning.
- By monitoring your progress at regular intervals, you allow your plan to adapt to a changing environment, while simultaneously maintaining your original vision and core values.

PLAN

Strategic Planning Continuous Cycle

MONITOR PROGRESS AND RE-EVALUATE

- How are we doing?
- Are we meeting goals?
- Where do we want to be at Year X....Future Vision?
- What new factors have entered into the picture?
- Monitor quarterly; re-evaluate Strategic Plan each year.

QUESTIONS?

LET'S GET STARTED!

