

Vision Statement

The Orange County Comprehensive Plan Coalition

In October 2006, the Orange County Board of Commissioners initiated a two-year process to update the county's Comprehensive Plan. This presents a once-in-a-generation opportunity for community stakeholders to come together and provide guidance on how Orange County should grow and change in the future.

Coalition members are committed to working together to:

- learn more about the county's Comprehensive Plan and help educate the community about its importance,
- provide input to the county planning and advisory boards, and especially to the County Commissioners, about our shared priorities for promoting a path to sustainability that balances environmental health, social equity, and economic vitality, and
- present a common voice for diverse stakeholders to express our common interests in planning for a future in which we concurrently realize environmental conservation, energy efficiency, affordable housing, social equity, a thriving economy, regional agricultural production and transit-ready, walkable, mixed-use, communities.

Coalition members believe the Update should:

- determine where new compact, walkable, mixed-use, transit-supportive growth and development should occur within the county's planning jurisdiction,
- make affirmative commitments to providing public sector infrastructure investments to stimulate development that promotes economic vitality, social equity and environmental health, and
- provide a framework such that the future of Orange County will be sustainable, just, and equitable.

Sustainability is achieved when stakeholders representing diverse interests work together cooperatively to assure a healthy balance among interdependent social, environmental and economic priorities. Our coalition is committed to ensuring that the County Commissioners include these goals in the updated Comprehensive Plan.

If you'd like to learn more about the coalition and/or sign-on as a supporter of the vision statement, please email us at cpufeedback@gmail.com.

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