WHAT'S ON COMMUNITY PAGES

LOCAL PLANNING HANDBOOK COMMUNITY PAGES

Each community in the region has its own "Community Page", which with information, tools, and resources that is specific to each community and reflects the requirements and information relevant to your comprehensive plan update. The focus of the Community Pages is to create a more personalized, specific set of tools for communities.

WHAT'S ON THE COMMUNITY PAGE

Each Community Page has customized information, tools, and resources that include the following:

- Status Tracker

You can use the Status Tracker to see what's next for your community and track the progress of your local comprehensive plan update review. The time line starts when you submit your plan online and tracks Council review deadlines and Committee meeting dates so you know what to expect next.

- Forecasts and Community Designation

On your Community Page, you'll see you community's adopted forecasts, which reflect the most current forecast data and any approved changes. Next to the forecasts there is an image as well as a map with your ThriveMSP 2040 Community Designation(s).

- Allocation of Affordable Housing Need

You can find the allocation of affordable housing need for 2021-2030 for your community to help determining housing goals in your comprehensive plan update.

- Sewer Allocation Forecasts

On your Community Page you can see your community wide population, households, and employment forecasts allocated based on the wastewater service serving all or part of your community.

- Online Plan Submittal

You can now submit your comprehensive plan update online! Just complete a quick registration and login and you can simply upload your plan directly to us. The online submittal works for informal and official comprehensive plan update review, supplemental information, and for amendments.

EVEN MORE INFORMATION IS IN THE COMMUNITY PAGES TABS!

The tabs at the bottom of the Community Pages include many valuable resources that can help meet comprehensive plan update requirements, including:

Maps/Tables | Council Policy | Planning Process | Grants | Other Resources

Maps/Tables

This tab includes static maps of regional infrastructure that will help communities acknowledge regional plans and are in a format that can be downloaded and incorporated into your plan and meet Council requirements. This tab also includes GIS shapefiles that are clipped to your community's boundaries as well as an online interactive mapping tool that allows communities to review spatial data and create custom maps. Helpful tables, like a list adjacent jurisdictions and generalized land use are available to help streamline the process.

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Council Policy

Your community's 2015 System Statement and Thrive Policy Summary specific to your community designation(s) are under the Council Policy Tab. You can also quickly access any of the Council's regional system or policy plans – as well as the contact information for your Council member.

Planning Process

This tab focuses on the comprehensive plan update submittal process. It includes the checklist of minimum requirements, submittal application guides and forms, guidance on system statements and forecast appeals/ adjustment, online submittal link, and contact information for local planning assistance sector representative.

Grants

Check out this tab to find information and eligibility requirements for Council grant funds, including the Planning Assistance Grants, Mapping Services Program, and the Livable Communities Program links.

Other Resources

Resources by type: Plan Examples, Fact Sheets, Mapping, FAQs, Best Practices, and Forms and Templates are available on this tab, as well as under the Resources in the left-hand navigation table. You can also find a link to the Council's TOD Guide and the Water Conservation Toolbox!

The Community Pages include individualized information and customized tools for your community with a goal of providing assistance in a way that communities can move beyond minimum planning requirements to the value-added planning that helps implement their local vision.

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