WHAT IS THE BOULDER VALLEY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

Since 1977, the City of Boulder and Boulder County have jointly adopted the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan to guide community decisions about the development and preservation of our natural and built environments. The plan is updated every five years to reflect current conditions and community values.

What does the plan do?

The plan provides a general statement of the community's desired future development pattern and sets the city's land use and development policies that guide day-to-day development review decisions.

The plan also includes future land use and area maps that define the desired future land use pattern for the Boulder Valley regarding location, type and intensity of development.

The plan provides guidance for:

- area planning
- departmental master planning
- development standards and zoning decisions
- the capital improvements program
- other city efforts

What is the 2015 update of the plan about?

Building on our shared legacy and common values, the Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan update is an opportunity for all of us to think about our vision for the future and how to make that vision a reality.

The updated plan will guide future decisions about these and other topics:

- growth management
- preservation
- development
- environmental protection
- economic vitality
- housing
- arts and culture
- urban design
- neighborhood character
- transportation

The plan will also address emerging topics such as:

- climate change
- resilience
- local food
- social disparity

These are some starting thoughts.
Now tell us what else needs to be included!

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- Fill out the **"TELL US WHAT YOU THINK" FORM**
- **VISIT ONLINE WEBPAGE** to send your thoughts anytime

PLANNING IN ACTION

OPEN SPACE CONSERVATION

In 1898, Boulder citizens approved a bond issue that would purchase 80 acres of land to be a "Chautauqua." This began the conservation efforts that to-date have preserved roughly 45,500 acres of city-owned land. The Boulder Valley Comprehensive Plan calls for a compact city that is surrounded by open space and focuses growth and development inside the city and not at its edges.

NORTH BOULDER REDEVELOPMENT

In 1995, the city adopted the North Boulder Subcommunity Plan, which envisioned a "beautiful, diverse, inclusive and adaptive" community. The planning process involved extensive community engagement. In 2013, the city developed an Action Plan with a new generation of implementation items to advance the 1995 Plan's vision and reflect current community values.

BIKE LANES AND MULTI-USE PATHS

In the 1980s, the Transportation Master Plan set the stage for complete streets and limiting single occupancy vehicle trips. Today, Boulder has 160 centerline miles of bike facilities (on-street bike lanes and multi-use paths), which include 58 miles of paved multi-use pathways and 79 underpasses for bikes and pedestrians.

HISTORIC PRESERVATION

In 1974, the City of Boulder adopted the Historic Preservation Ordinance to preserve, protect and enhance significant buildings and places. Over the last 40 years, this has resulted in landmark designation of 180 properties and the creation of ten historic districts, totaling over 1,300 designated properties. Landmarks range from early mining structures to grand mansions and innovative mid-century buildings.

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