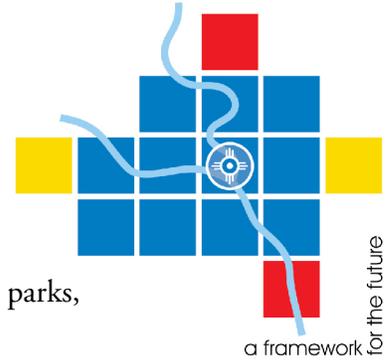


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Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan



Purpose: To establish a plan that provides a policy framework and set priorities to guide future public investments out to the year 2035 in municipal buildings and infrastructure (e.g. libraries, public safety buildings, streets, bridges, parks, water supply, sanitary and storm sewer, culture and recreation, etc.)

Phases: There are 4 phases to develop the new Wichita-Sedgwick County Comprehensive Plan. The entire process will take approximately four years.

Phase 1: Present and Future Community Infrastructure Analysis (2011-2012)

Phase 2: Future Community Investments Priority-Setting and Scenario Development (2013)

Phase 3: Draft Plan Development (2013-2014)

Phase 4: Finalization and Adoption of Comprehensive Plan (2014-2015)

Getting the community involved:

Meaningful community engagement, dialogue and input are needed throughout the comprehensive plan development process. The questions for the community are essentially, “*how much to spend,*” and “*where best to invest*” in our community’s future. It is imperative to understand community expectations about the type, quality and quantity of future public infrastructure and facility investments in Wichita/Sedgwick County.

Information helps with “meaningful community engagement”

The residents of our community are “shareholders” in more than \$7 billion of combined city/county infrastructure and facility assets. Most residents do not understand the current condition of these assets, the current spending plan for maintenance or expansion, and the trends for the future that might indicate a change in needs. The areas included in this Comprehensive Plan process include:

- Transportation (highways, bridges, streets, sidewalks, bicycle paths, parking facilities, airport, rail)
- Health and Environment (improvements to water/sewer infrastructure, securing a long-term water supply, efforts to minimize stormwater and flooding problems)
- Culture, Recreation & Parks (libraries, culture/entertainment venues, parks)
- Public Safety (fire, EMS, police, corrections, court facilities)

We need your help in sharing information about these areas!



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Compelling Facts...

Based upon factors of functionality, relevancy, need for repairs, age and life cycle stage, almost **38%** of Wichita's assets and **11%** of county assets have been rated as being **'fair/deficient'** in terms of overall condition.

29% of Wichita's bridges and **6%** of the county's bridges are in need of rehabilitation/replacement

Wichita ranked **21 of 29** comparable cities for "ease of bike travel"

There are **2,016** miles of sewer pipes (**33% are over 50 years old**) and **2,367** miles of water pipes (**25% over 50 years old**) in the community.

Our community may need to spend up to **\$150 million** by 2020 for new wastewater treatment facilities upgrades.

Over **\$200 million** in stormwater projects are needed to solve stormwater/flooding problems, with no dedicated funding source

We are required to maintain FEMA accreditation for the "Big Ditch" flood control project — this is **\$1.6 million annual cost**, with no dedicated funding source

In the Wichita Parks Plan, an additional **\$19 million of annual costs** is identified to expand the parks and recreation system.

Next Steps/Timeline

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| Oct. 2012 | Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee established
Consists of 23 members, including 10 citizens who applied to serve |
| Oct. 2012 | Focus Groups — provided information on the components of the Plan and provide input on a draft survey |
| Jan. 2013 | Community Survey — 25,000 mail survey; randomly selected registered voters, Wichita and Sedgwick County. |
| Apr.-May 2013 | Community Survey Report results and community presentations |
| Mid-to-late 2013 | Community investments scenarios development |
| Late 2013-2014 | Draft Plan development |

Community input will be ongoing throughout these phases



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