



The
Fullerton
Plan

The Fullerton Community



Master Element C: The Fullerton Community

addresses the dimensions of the Fullerton community that reinforce civic participation and contribute to a safe, healthful, and enriching quality of life for residents and visitors within the City. The Fullerton Community includes the following chapters:

- Chapter 10: Public Safety
- Chapter 11: Public Health
- Chapter 12: Parks and Recreation
- Chapter 13: Arts and Culture
- Chapter 14: Education
- Chapter 15: Community Involvement

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Chapter

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Public Safety

Fullerton will be a city which values and provides quality public safety services including emergency services, crime prevention and hazard mitigation.
-The Fullerton Vision

Introduction

Safe and vital neighborhoods, business districts and recreational areas, including the buildings and infrastructure therein, are among Fullerton's most valued qualities and highest priorities. The City's police and fire systems and professionals, as well as its building and code enforcement professionals, provide residents, business owners, property owners, and visitors with a reliable, community-oriented presence that results in effective, preventative and responsive public safety services.

The Public Safety Chapter seeks to sustain and improve the City's commitment to safety through proactive and comprehensive police, fire, building, and code enforcement services that advance community outreach, education, and awareness, reinforce partnerships, promote prevention, and enhance the technical, logistical and technological systems and tools to prepare for and respond to public safety needs.

The following goals and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Public Safety.

Associated Tables and Exhibits

- Exhibit 15: Police and Fire Protection Facilities (page 175)
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Overarching Policies

- OAP1.** Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.
- OAP2.** Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.
- OAP3.** Leverage the advantages and advances of technology.
- OAP4.** Seek opportunities for increased efficiency and effectiveness.

Purpose

The purpose of the Public Safety Element is to provide quality public safety services needed to serve the existing and expected future population in Fullerton.

This Element is required per California Government Code Section 65302.

The City of Fullerton Local Hazard Mitigation Plan (LHMP) has been adopted as part of The Fullerton Plan Safety Element. The Safety Element is divided into two chapters of The Fullerton Plan: Natural Hazards (Chapter 21) and Public Safety (Chapter 10) with additional policies in Public Health (Chapter 11), Water (Chapter 16), Air Quality and Climate Change (Chapter 17), Integrated Waste Management (Chapter 18), and Natural Hazards (Chapter 20). The LHMP evaluates risk to the community from seismic hazards, fire, drought, severe weather, dam failure, human-caused hazards, geologic hazards, flooding, hazardous materials release, and disease/pests. It identifies critical facilities and vulnerable populations within areas of elevated hazard risk. The LHMP includes a hazard mitigation strategy including a prioritized list of mitigation actions to improve Fullerton's resiliency to hazard events.



GOAL 12: Proactively addressing public safety concerns.

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

Region/Subregion Level

P12.1 Healthy Family Development

Support programs that strengthen regional partnerships between public safety and human services agencies to encourage strong family relationships, reinforce healthy child development and encourage lawful behavior.

P12.2 Collaboration with Outside Agencies

Support regional and subregional efforts to prevent violence, child abuse, sexual assault, domestic violence, illegal use of firearms, violence associated with substance abuse, crimes against property and other similar issues.

P12.5 Community Preservation

Support policies, programs and regulations pertaining to proactive code enforcement methods which reinforce the proper maintenance of properties, buildings and landscapes, and adherence to applicable regulations, while discouraging conditions that foster vandalism and more serious crime.

P12.6 Youth Community Safety Partnership

Support programs that involve young people in discussions about crime and prevention, increase youths' attachment to the community, engage youth in productive activities, and reinforce success in education.

City Level

P12.3 Community Confidence Building

Support policies and programs that bolster productive communication and problem-solving between public safety personnel and the Fullerton community.

P12.4 Balance Safety Needs

Support policies, projects, programs, and regulations that balance the need to reduce vehicle accidents, injuries, and deaths through traffic calming and street design with the need to facilitate emergency response times.

P12.7 Fire Code Amendments

Support policies, programs and regulations that give the Fire Marshall flexibility to approve streets and fire lanes with reduced clearance requirements when other fire safety factors are incorporated into the project (such as street connectivity, traffic safety and the presence of sprinkler systems).

P12.7.1 THIRA*

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations that facilitate the preparation of a THIRA (Threat and Hazard Identification Risk Assessment) plan in accordance with FEMA guidelines that allows Fullerton to plan for and address the risks of human-caused hazards.



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Neighborhood/District Level

P12.8 Airport Safety Standards

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that provide for safe and efficient airport operations through compliance with the Fullerton Municipal Airport (FMA) Master Plan and the Airport Land Use Commission for Orange County's Airport Environs Land Use Plan for FMA and the Airport Environs Land Use Plan for Heliports.

P12.9 Neighborhood Safety Strategy

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that strengthen partnerships and community-based efforts, such as Neighborhood Watch, to reduce crime through prevention, education and enforcement, and encourage communities to build block-by-block networks to prevent crime, develop social ties and solve common problems.

P12.10 Community Involvement in Crime Prevention

Support policies and programs that involve the community in supporting informal monitoring, participating in legitimate activities and building a sense of ownership and control over neighborhoods.

P12.11 Public Safety in Focus Areas

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations to proactively address public safety concerns as part of community-based planning of Focus Areas.

P12.12 Crime Prevention

Support policies, programs and regulations that implement crime prevention strategies that have demonstrated success, including Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED), Crime-Free Multi-Housing, Business Watch; Neighborhood Watch, iWatch and other similar strategies.

Project Level

P12.13 Safety through Design

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that make crime prevention and the maintenance of public safety service levels considerations in design and management of existing and new private and public spaces.

Also see Chapter 9: Revitalization, P11.4 Neighborhood Safety.

GOAL 13: Responsive to public safety needs.

Policies

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Region/Subregion Level

P13.1 Inter-City Coordination

Support regional and subregional efforts to: coordinate as appropriate Continuity of Operations Plan, plans and procedures for Emergency Operations Centers, and emergency response training systems; maintain inter-agency and public communications systems that will provide mutual aid and be reliable during and following an emergency; and, formulate definitive plans and procedures for evacuation of hazard-prone areas and high risk uses.

P13.4 Disaster Risk Reduction

Support programs that promote greater public awareness of disaster risks, personal and business risk reduction, and personal and neighborhood emergency response.

P13.5 Community Emergency Preparedness

Support policies, programs and regulations that ensure the City, its residents, businesses and services are prepared for effective response and recovery in the event of emergencies or disasters, including the provision of information about the current nature and extent of local safety hazards and emergency plans, including evacuation plans and procedures to accommodate special needs populations. Information should be provided in multiple languages to maximize understanding by community members.

City Level

P13.2 Adequate Resources for Emergencies

Support policies and programs that ensure adequate resources are available in all areas of the City to respond to health, fire and police emergencies.

P13.6 Inter-Department Coordination

Support policies and programs that improve the coordination of disaster-related programs within City departments.

P13.3 Disaster Hazard Reduction

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that reduce structural and non-structural hazards to life safety and minimize property damage and resulting social, cultural and economic dislocations resulting from future disasters.

GOAL 13: **Responsive to public safety needs.**

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

P13.7 New Technologies for Fire and Police Services

Support policies, programs and regulations which are based on research and evaluation and that implement new technologies and methods to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of fire and police services.

P13.8 Staff Training on Structural Risks

Support programs for ongoing staff training focused on the risks posed by older structures and infrastructure, as well as how to reduce those risks.

P13.9 Nuisance Enforcement

Support policies, programs and regulations that maintain or strengthen code enforcement as an important tool to uphold community health, safety and welfare consistent with the provisions of the Fullerton Municipal Code.

P13.10 Community Education on Emergency Preparedness

Support policies and programs to involve and educate the Fullerton community in emergency preparedness.

Neighborhood/District Level

P13.11 Crime Reduction Strategies

Support policies, programs and regulations to create problem-solving strategies and plans for areas with higher crime rates in the City and to reduce crime by implementing these strategies and plans through a range of measures including increased policing activities, neighborhood partnerships and other innovative programs.

See Chapter 20: Natural Hazards for related policies and actions.

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Chapter

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Public Health

Fullerton will be a city which supports community health with recreational resources, well-maintained parks, preserved open spaces, and public programs to encourage healthy lifestyles.
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Introduction

Health and wellness are important values of the Fullerton community, as evidenced through its extensive trail and park systems, recreational programs, leading educational institutions, state-of-the-art medical facilities, and other local assets. The City of Fullerton is committed to promoting active, inclusive, nurturing and responsive environments wherein health and wellness are encouraged through community development and revitalization activities, as well as infrastructure and mobility improvements. In September of 2010, the City joined the Healthy Eating Active Living (HEAL) Cities Campaign, which works to promote adoption of local policies that improve physical activity and access to healthy foods for all residents. In conjunction with becoming a HEAL City, the City Council adopted a resolution to undertake obesity reduction and prevention efforts throughout the City.

The following goal and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Public Health.

Overarching Policies

- OAP1.** Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.
- OAP2.** Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.
- OAP3.** Leverage the advantages and advances of technology.
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Purpose

The purpose of the Public Health Element is to promote healthier, active lifestyles for all residents of Fullerton.

This Element is not required per California Government Code Section 65302; however, as public health is of importance to the community, it is prepared as an optional element per California Government Code Section 65303.



GOAL 14: An environment with opportunities for community health and wellbeing.

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

Region/Subregion Level

P14.1 Coordination

Support programs to coordinate with state, county and regional agencies to improve public health and well-being through a range of efforts with regional, subregional and local agencies including schools, local medical facilities, senior centers and adjacent jurisdictions.

City Level

P14.2 Healthy Living

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that result in changes to the physical environment to improve health, well-being and physical activity.

P14.3 Farmers' Markets

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that facilitate successful farmers' markets at appropriate and convenient locations throughout the City.

P14.4 Community Gardens

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that encourage community gardens that are operated and managed by local volunteers and that provide for small-scale local food production in areas convenient to residents.

P14.4.1 Public Health Education*

Support policies, projects, programs, and regulations that disseminate information on low-cost or free healthcare resources both within Fullerton and the surrounding region and that keep residents informed of trending public health hazards and diseases.

P14.4.2 Contagion and Pest Abatement*

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that allow the City to address any epidemics or vector-borne diseases that arise in the future through emergency closures of public areas, vegetation removal, storm drain clearance, and other such actions.

Neighborhood/District Level

P14.5 Opportunities for Physical Activity

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that provide for convenient and safe areas that facilitate opportunities for physical activity such as parks, trails, open space, safe streets for bicycling, safe sidewalks for walking, and recreational facilities for residents of all ages and abilities. (See Chapter 12: Parks and Recreation for related policies.)



GOAL 14: **An environment with opportunities for community health and wellbeing.**

Policies

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P14.6 Amenities Within a Walkable Distance

Support policies and regulations involving land use and zoning changes that would provide access to daily retail needs, recreational facilities, and transit stops within a walkable distance (i.e., a quarter- to a half-mile) of established residential uses.

P14.7 Accessible Health Service Facilities

Support projects and programs that facilitate private, non-profit and public health-related organizations' efforts to provide for a range of health services including large- and small-scale medical facilities, assisted living facilities, and comprehensive healthy living resources in locations that are accessible to residents.

P14.8 Community Health in Focus Areas

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations to evaluate ways to improve opportunities for community health and wellbeing as part of community-based planning of Focus Areas.

Project Level

P14.9 Healthy Buildings

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that encourage buildings to support the health of occupants and users by using non-toxic building materials and finishes, using windows and design features to maximize natural light and ventilation, and providing access to the outdoor environment.

P14.10 Best Practices in City Facilities and Events

Support policies, projects and programs that demonstrate best practices related to promoting wellness in City facilities and at City-sponsored events.

Also see Chapter 14: Education, P17.9 Healthy School Environments.

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Chapter 12

Parks and Recreation

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Introduction

Fullerton residents and visitors of all ages enjoy the parks, trails and recreational opportunities that exist throughout the City. The City of Fullerton is strongly committed to the continued development and programming of park facilities, trails, and recreation programs to meet the needs of the community and uphold Fullerton's quality of life.

The Parks and Recreation Element continues to plan, develop, maintain, and provide quality active and passive park facilities, trails and recreational programs to ensure that residents and visitors of Fullerton can enhance health and well-being through leisure experiences.

The following goal and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Parks and Recreation.

Purpose

The purpose of the Parks and Recreation Element is to guide the acquisition, maintenance and development of parks, trails and recreational facilities and programs throughout the City.

This Element is not required per California Government Code Section 65302; however, as parks and recreation are of importance to the community, it is prepared as an optional element per California Government Code Section 65303.

Associated Tables and Exhibits

Exhibit 19: Public Parks and Recreation Facilities (page 185)

Exhibit 20: Joint-Use and Other Facilities (page 187)

Exhibit 21: Trails (page 189)

Overarching Policies

OAP1. Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.

OAP2. Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.

OAP3. Leverage the advantages and advances of technology.

OAP4. Seek opportunities for increased efficiency and effectiveness.

GOAL 15: Parks, recreational facilities, trails, and programs that promote a healthy community and a desirable quality of life.

Policies

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Region/Subregion Level

P15.1 North Orange County Parks and Recreation Collaboration

Support regional and subregional efforts to establish and maintain a collaboration of parks and recreation programs, to share best practices, discuss solutions to common challenges, and explore opportunities for connecting and expanding trails, joint use of parks and recreational facilities, and recreation programming for participating cities.

City Level

P15.2 Existing Parks and Recreation Resources

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that preserve, protect, maintain and enhance Fullerton's existing parks, recreational facilities and trails.

P15.3 Access to Recreation Programs

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that strengthen access to quality recreation programs which, in turn, promote a sense of community and a higher quality of life for Fullerton residents.

P15.4 Partnerships with Other Agencies

Support policies and programs that bolster appropriate partnerships between the City and agencies, including educational institutions, railroad franchises, utility companies, etc., to secure, co-locate or otherwise share parks, recreational facilities and trails on school campuses, within public easements and in other similar locations.

P15.5 Partnerships with Private Ventures

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations allowing commercial ventures as ancillary uses in Fullerton parks and recreational facilities when determined they are context-appropriate, complementary to the facilities, viewed as a public benefit, and generate revenue that supports parks and recreational programs and facilities.

P15.6 Accessible Citywide Park System

Support policies, programs and regulations that facilitate the planning, design and development of an extensive system of parks (passive and active), recreational facilities, and trails that meets the current needs of Fullerton residents and is accessible and within a 15-minute walking distance (i.e., one-quarter to one-half mile) of every Fullerton resident. (Also see Chapter 19: Open Space and Natural Resources, P24.10 Trail Linkages to Open Space.)

P15.7 Park-to-Population Ratio

Support projects and programs that contribute to a citywide minimum park-to-population ratio of 4 acres per 1,000 people.

P15.8 Recreation Programming

Support programs that promote recreational activities that facilitate healthy and community-oriented lifestyles for Fullerton residents.



GOAL 15: Parks, recreational facilities, trails, and programs that promote a healthy community and a desirable quality of life.

Policies

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P15.9 Community-Based Parks and Recreation Program

Support policies, projects and regulations that reinforce a City commitment to a community-based parks and recreation program that maximizes opportunities to share information, promote two-way communication, and involve the Fullerton community and user groups in integrating a broad and diverse range of interests and concerns pertaining to the planning, development, enhancement and rehabilitation of parks, recreational facilities and trails.

P15.10 Park Dwelling Fee

Support policies and regulations which require new construction of dwelling units in the City to pay a park dwelling fee that provides for the creation and enhancement of open space, parks and recreational facilities accessible to all residents.

Neighborhood/District Level

P15.11 Park Renovation Considerations

Support projects and programs for renovating or improving existing parks that consider the needs and desires of the surrounding neighborhoods and districts.

P15.12 Parks and Recreational Facilities in Focus Areas

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations to consider parks, recreational facilities and trails as part of community-based planning of Focus Areas.

Project Level

P15.13 Context-Sensitive Design

Support projects and programs incorporating design features in parks, recreational facilities and trails that reflect the sense of place and unique characteristics of the local context.

P15.14 Compatibility with Adjacent Properties

Support policies and programs pertaining to public parks, recreational facilities and trails that interface with private property that advance reciprocal compatibility through collaboration, programming and design.

P15.15 Community Involvement

Support projects and programs that involve the Fullerton community in park improvement plans through workshops, focus group discussions, and interviews and surveys with park users.

P15.16 Relationships to Development Projects

Support projects located adjacent to or near parks and trail facilities that facilitate connections and reinforce a positive relationship between private property and public parks and trails.

Also see Chapter 5: Bicycle for related policies and Chapter 11: Public Health, P14.5 Opportunities for Physical Activity.

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Chapter 13

Arts and Culture

Fullerton will be a city which preserves its character by supporting community efforts dedicated to cultural activities...
-The Fullerton Vision

Introduction

Fullerton is a community with a strong presence of cultural activities and visual and performing arts that contribute to its quality of life and economic vitality. The City of Fullerton recognizes the importance of arts and culture as essential characteristics for upholding the community's strong identity as an attractive and desirable place for living, conducting business, learning, and visiting, as well as for cultural and historical tourism.

The Arts and Culture Element seeks to increase access to the arts, heighten awareness of the existing cultural resources, reinforce the value of the City's libraries, encourage arts and culture-related partnerships, and expand opportunities for local cultural activities and visual and performing arts.

The following goal and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Arts and Culture.

Purpose

The purpose of the Arts and Culture element is to provide opportunity for exposure to and cultivate lifelong participation in the cultural life of the city and its fine arts institutions.

This Element is not required per California Government Code Section 65302; however, as arts and culture are of importance to the community, it is prepared as an optional element per California Government Code Section 65303.

Associated Tables and Exhibits

Exhibit 22: Arts and Cultural Facilities (page 193)

Exhibit 23: Public Art (page 195)

Overarching Policies

OAP1. Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.

OAP2. Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.

OAP3. Leverage the advantages and advances of technology.

OAP4. Seek opportunities for increased efficiency and effectiveness.



GOAL 16: **Broad community participation in cultural activities and visual and performing arts.**

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

Region/Subregion Level

P16.1 Arts Education

Support policies and programs that build upon Fullerton's identity as the Education Community, as well as a community with a vibrant downtown art and theater scene, by promoting cooperation and communication between public agencies and private and non-profit institutions regarding educational and cultural activities that advance arts and culture.

P16.2 Academy of the Arts

Support projects and programs to capitalize on Fullerton Joint Union High School's Academy of the Arts and the art programs at Fullerton College and Cal State Fullerton to promote student involvement in local and regional arts institutions.

P16.3 Existing Arts Facilities

Support programs that utilize existing facilities within the City and adjacent areas to increase the broad range of musical and arts events available to Fullerton residents and visitors.

City Level

P16.4 Arts and Cultural Facilities

Support policies and programs that promote quality arts and cultural facilities to serve distinct but interrelated purposes.

P16.5 Diverse Cultural Experiences

Support programs that encourage and develop activities and events serving Fullerton's diverse and changing population with a wide variety of relevant cultural experiences.

P16.6 Fullerton Library System

Support policies and programs which continuously seek to improve and strengthen the Fullerton Library System as an educational and cultural resource accessible to the entire Fullerton community.

P16.7 Community Venues

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that facilitate the provision of venues for community groups to participate in cultural events and observances.

GOAL 16: Broad community participation in cultural activities and visual and performing arts.

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

P16.8 City Cultural Events

Support projects and programs that recognize and celebrate Fullerton's status as an arts center and build upon its regional reputation through the support of existing City cultural events, and the development of new events, such as the Leo Fender Music Festival.

P16.9 Public Art by Resident Artists

Support programs to make use of existing Artist in Residence programs at Fullerton College and Cal State University Fullerton to gain artworks of national stature for inclusion in the City's public art collection.

P16.10 Community-Based Programs for Public Art

Support programs that develop and coordinate community-based efforts to create public art pieces.

Neighborhood/District Level

P16.11 Cultural Activity and Arts in the Focus Areas

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations to consider cultural activities and the arts as part of community-based planning of Focus Areas.

Project Level

P16.12 Muckenthaler Center

Support policies, projects and programs that emphasize the cultural value of the Muckenthaler Center through its educational activities for the Fullerton community and its amphitheater serving local theater companies.

P16.13 Fox Theater

Support policies, projects and programs that recognize the Fox Theater for its past and potential future roles in Fullerton's arts and culture community.

P16.14 Fullerton Museum Center

Support policies and programs pertaining to the Fullerton Museum Center that continue and strengthen its exhibits and education programs and capitalize on its reputation as an arts hub and Downtown Fullerton destination.

P16.15 Plummer Auditorium

Support policies, projects and programs that enhance cultural programming offered at Plummer Auditorium, including hosting major performances with a regional draw.

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Education

Fullerton will be a city which enjoys a vibrant economy, benefiting from its educational community resources and its diverse business base.
-The Fullerton Vision

Introduction

Education is a highly valued asset in Fullerton and a cornerstone of the high quality of life enjoyed throughout the City—thus, the City of Fullerton is recognized as the Education Community. Community leaders recognize that the 21st century will continue to bring new technologies and, along with them, the need for an ever-growing body of knowledge and information. From preschool to collegiate levels, Fullerton's six colleges and universities, three school districts, several private schools, and a variety of continuing education opportunities provide the foundation upon which a vital economy and a healthy community will endure. Additionally, the Fullerton library system plays an important role in providing lifelong learning and educational resources to the Fullerton community.

The Education Element allows the City to contribute to and participate in the advancement of education and its related attributes (quality of life, arts and culture, sports, etc.) in Fullerton including partnership building, long-range planning, business development, and life-long learning opportunities.

The following goal and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Education.

Associated Tables and Exhibits

Exhibit 24: Educational Institutions (page 199)

Overarching Policies

OAP1. Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.

OAP2. Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.

OAP3. Leverage the advantages and advances of technology.

OAP4. Seek opportunities for increased efficiency and effectiveness.

Purpose

The purpose of the Education Element is to build upon the City's educational resources that can help secure a strong economy and a healthy community.

This Element is not required per California Government Code Section 65302; however, as education is of importance to the community of Fullerton, it is prepared as an optional element per California Government Code Section 65303.

GOAL 17: **An exceptional variety and quality of educational opportunities that reach community members throughout their lives.**

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

Region/Subregion Level

- P17.1 Collaboration with Education Providers**
Support regional and subregional efforts to work collaboratively with education providers to coordinate efforts and achieve shared goals.
- P17.2 Vocational Education Programs**
Support policies, projects and programs that contribute to the retention and attraction of public and private vocational education programs that broaden the range of educational opportunities in Fullerton and address workforce needs of businesses and organizations.

City Level

- P17.3 Vitality of Educational Resources**
Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that contribute to the long-term vitality of higher educational institutions, high schools and elementary schools, and the Fullerton Library system.
- P17.4 Community Involvement**
Support policies and programs that include educational providers, Fullerton Library staff and the Fullerton community in planning educational facilities and programs to ensure a broad range of needs and concerns are addressed.

- P17.5 Access to Life-Long Learning Opportunities**
Support policies, projects and programs that ensure residents of all ages, backgrounds and abilities have access to facilities and programs, such as libraries and community education programs, that provide learning experiences for people at every stage in life.

- P17.6 Joint Ventures**
Support policies, projects and programs that facilitate shared use and joint development of resources with education providers, such as recreational facilities, infrastructure, and other cultural, intellectual and artistic opportunities.

- P17.7 Education Support Programs**
Support policies and programs that continue the provision of recreational and library programs that support successful school experiences, such as programs for school readiness, tutoring, literacy, English language and computer skills.

Neighborhood/District Level

- P17.8 Schools as Community Centers**
Support policies, projects and programs that recognize and accommodate schools as community centers in which residents participate in programs, assist with education, help improve school facilities, hold community events and use recreational facilities.

GOAL 17: **An exceptional variety and quality of educational opportunities that reach community members throughout their lives.**

Policies

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P17.9 Healthy School Environments

Support policies and programs pertaining to school environments that are safe and provide access to educational, physical activity and enrichment activities. (Also see Chapter 11: Public Health for related policies.)

P17.10 Housing to Support Educational Facilities

Support policies, projects and programs that facilitate efforts by educational institutions and the private sector to develop an adequate supply of housing for faculty and staff of all schools, as well as adequate housing for college and university students. (See Chapter 2: Housing for related policy actions.)

P17.11 Disadvantaged Communities

Support policies, projects and programs that address the educational and library needs of disadvantaged communities in Fullerton.

P17.12 Educational Opportunities in the Focus Areas

Support projects, programs, policies and regulations to evaluate ways to consider educational opportunities and collaboration with education providers as part of community-based planning of Focus Areas.

P17.13 Shared Facilities and Infrastructure

Support policies and programs that encourage regular communication and coordination between the City and education providers about facility and infrastructure needs of campuses and nearby neighborhoods, and seek opportunities to develop these through collaborative planning and joint-use agreements.

P17.14 Revitalization Near Campuses

Support policies, projects and programs that prioritize revitalization activity around campuses and reflect the importance of schools in the community.

P17.15 Mitigate Growth Impacts on School Facilities

Continue to mitigate the impacts of growth by assessing school impact fees and other appropriate mitigation measures.

Project Level

P17.16 Project Impact Mitigation

Support programs that foster coordination between the City and local school districts, colleges and universities to assess and mitigate project impacts pertaining to on- and off-campus development.

P17.17 Fullerton Library

Support policies, projects and programs that recognize the Fullerton Library as a central element in Fullerton's citywide educational system.

Also see Chapter 8: Economic Development, P10.6 Support for Education System and P10.7 Education Employment Sector Expansion.



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Chapter

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Community Involvement

Fullerton will be a city which encourages civic participation by the full spectrum of its community and reflects its concerns in official planning and decision-making.
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Introduction

The Fullerton community's varied contributions in civic affairs combine to create the foundation upon which the City's high quality of life and priderests. This community involvement—whether through civic activities such as commissions, committees and advisory groups; volunteerism; attendance at public meetings to solve problems or identify opportunities; visitation to the City's website; or commenting on public infrastructure or private development projects—is one very important dimension of the public's investment in the present and future of Fullerton.

The Community Involvement Element further implements the City's expressed commitment to public engagement by enhancing opportunities for residents, merchants, youth and others to participate in the community's present and future.

The following goal and policies are provided to achieve the Fullerton Vision as it pertains to Community Involvement.

Overarching Policies

OAP1. Comply with State and Federal laws and regulations while maintaining local control in decision-making.

OAP2. Pursue Federal, State and local funding options to support implementation of The Fullerton Plan.

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OAP4. Seek opportunities for increased efficiency and effectiveness.

Purpose

The purpose of the Community Involvement Element is to provide residents of Fullerton with information, education and opportunities for involvement in social, economic, environmental and operational issues that affect their lives.

This Element is not required per California Government Code Section 65302; however, as community involvement is of importance to the community of Fullerton, it is prepared as an optional element per California Government Code Section 65303.

GOAL 18: Citizens that are actively involved in shaping the community's future and overall quality of life.

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

Region/Subregion Level

P18.1 Regional Participation

Support programs that encourage local participation in regional planning, decision-making and activities that affect the City of Fullerton and its residents.

P18.2 Multi-Jurisdiction Outreach Tools

Support regional and subregional efforts to develop new outreach tools, such as a clearinghouse feature on cities' websites for use by other public entities and regional agencies (such as school districts, universities, neighborhood organizations, transportation agencies, etc.) to post notices of items under their jurisdiction.

City Level

P18.3 Opportunities for Community Involvement

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that maximize opportunities for public participation in planning and decision-making processes pertaining to community development and design, including outreach to members of underrepresented communities.

P18.4 Volunteerism and Civic Activities

Support policies and programs that support opportunities for volunteerism and engagement of community members in civic activities.

P18.5 Transparent Government

Support policies, programs and regulations that maintain transparency in municipal operations and decision-making by being clear about City objectives and providing access to information, City staff and decision makers.

P18.6 Accessible Participation

Support policies, projects, programs and regulations that take all feasible steps to ensure that everyone interested in participating in community forums has the materials necessary to contribute to informed decisions.

P18.7 Diverse Representation

Support policies and programs that facilitate full representation of Fullerton's diverse community on City committees and commissions.

P18.8 Low- or No-Cost Meeting Facilities

Support policies and programs that provide and promote opportunities for low- or no-cost meeting rooms in City facilities for community groups and local organizations as incentives for strengthening community engagement.

GOAL 18: Citizens that are actively involved in shaping the community's future and overall quality of life.

Policies

Specific statements that provide a directive or framework for City decision-making that directly contribute to the attainment of the goal.

P18.9 Youth Engagement

Support policies and programs that engage youth in City governance through opportunities such as internships and having youth representatives on public bodies.

P18.10 Noticing

Support policies and programs to review and update the City's noticing requirements and consider the use of websites, automatic telephone calling systems, email distribution lists, text messaging and other innovative features to provide better access to information.

P18.11 Media

Support policies standardizing the issuance of press releases for major planning efforts and development projects in order to provide information to the Fullerton community and to encourage community involvement at workshops and hearings.

Neighborhood/District Level

P18.12 Neighborhood Organizations and HOAs

Support policies and programs that encourage neighborhood involvement by engaging neighborhood organizations and homeowner associations (HOAs) in projects affecting their particular area.

P18.13 Self Reliance

Support policies programs and regulations that strengthen the efforts of neighborhoods and districts to become self-reliant when it comes to solving area problems.

P18.14 Convenient Meetings

Support policies, projects, programs, and regulations that uphold the scheduling of community meetings at locations and times convenient for community members desiring to provide input.

Project Level

P18.15 Early Notification Opportunities

Support policies, programs and regulations that maximize opportunities for early notification of proposed projects, or projects/issues under consideration, using the most current technologies as they become available.

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