

A group of people, including a woman on the left and a man with glasses in the center, are looking at a tablet together. The image is dimmed and serves as a background for the text.

Bang the Table

All about engagement



Meaningful Engagement

Amanda Nagl
Engagement Manager
Bang the Table



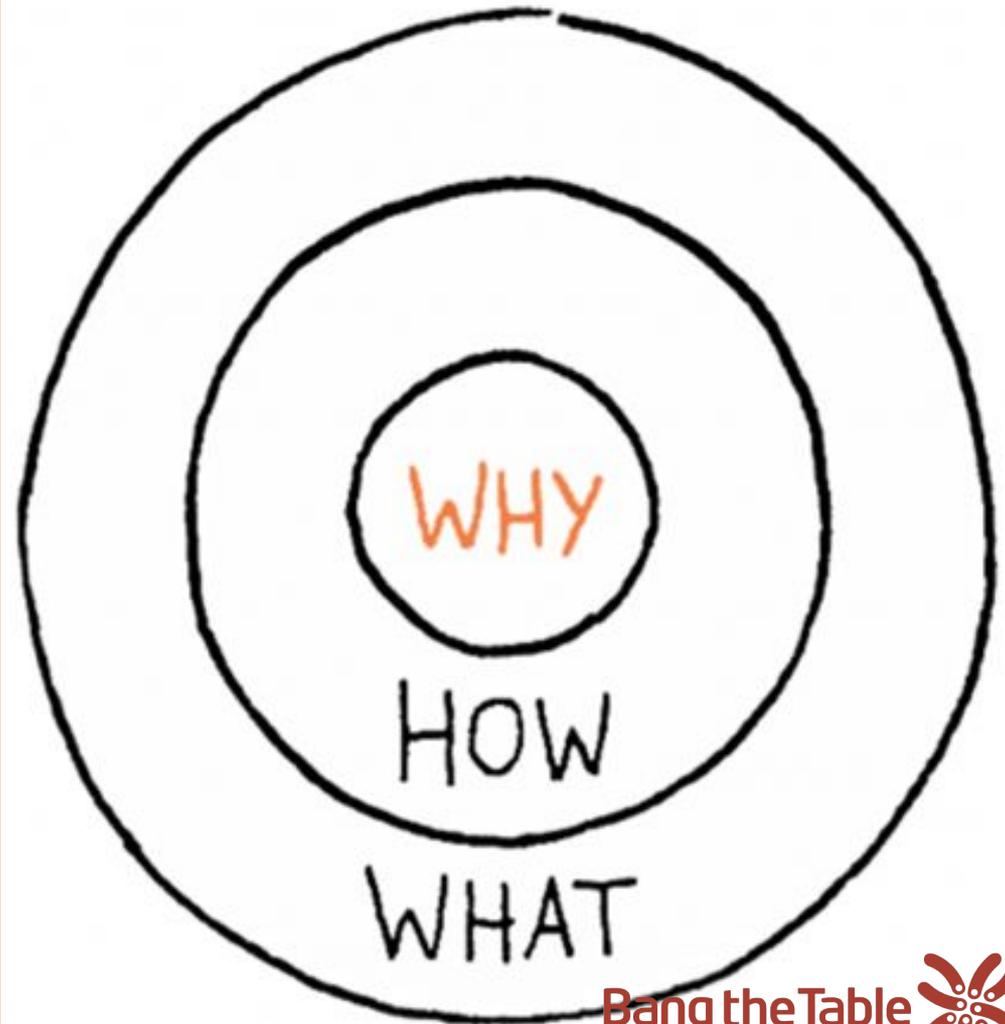
Why Engage?

- Evidence shows this will increase both trust and satisfaction
- You will make better decisions
- Community capacity and resilience will increase
- May be required by law, rule or expectation

The Golden Circle

- Every Organization on the planet knows WHAT they do. These are the products they sell or the services they provide.
- Some organizations know HOW they do it. These are the things that make them special or set them apart from their competition.
- Very few organizations know WHY they do what they do. WHY is not about making money. That's a result. WHY is a purpose, cause or belief. It's the very reason your organization exists.
- Know WHY you are engaging and tell the public--start there.

Simon Sinek



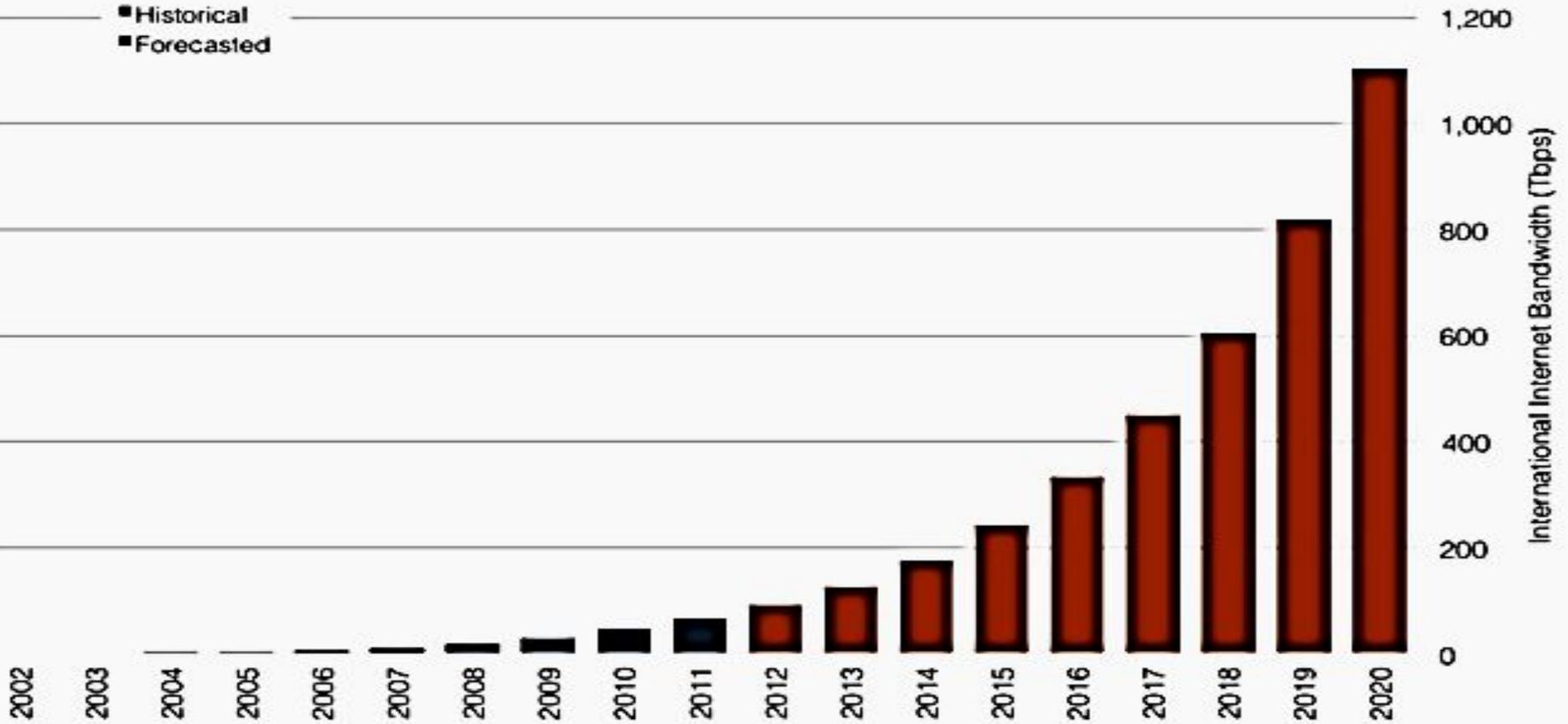
Why online?

- Broader reach
- Ideas and contributions judged on merit
- Deeper Understanding
- Building community capacity
- Public to Public
- Opp to Share Rich Media
- Litmus Test for In-Person

Where People Are...

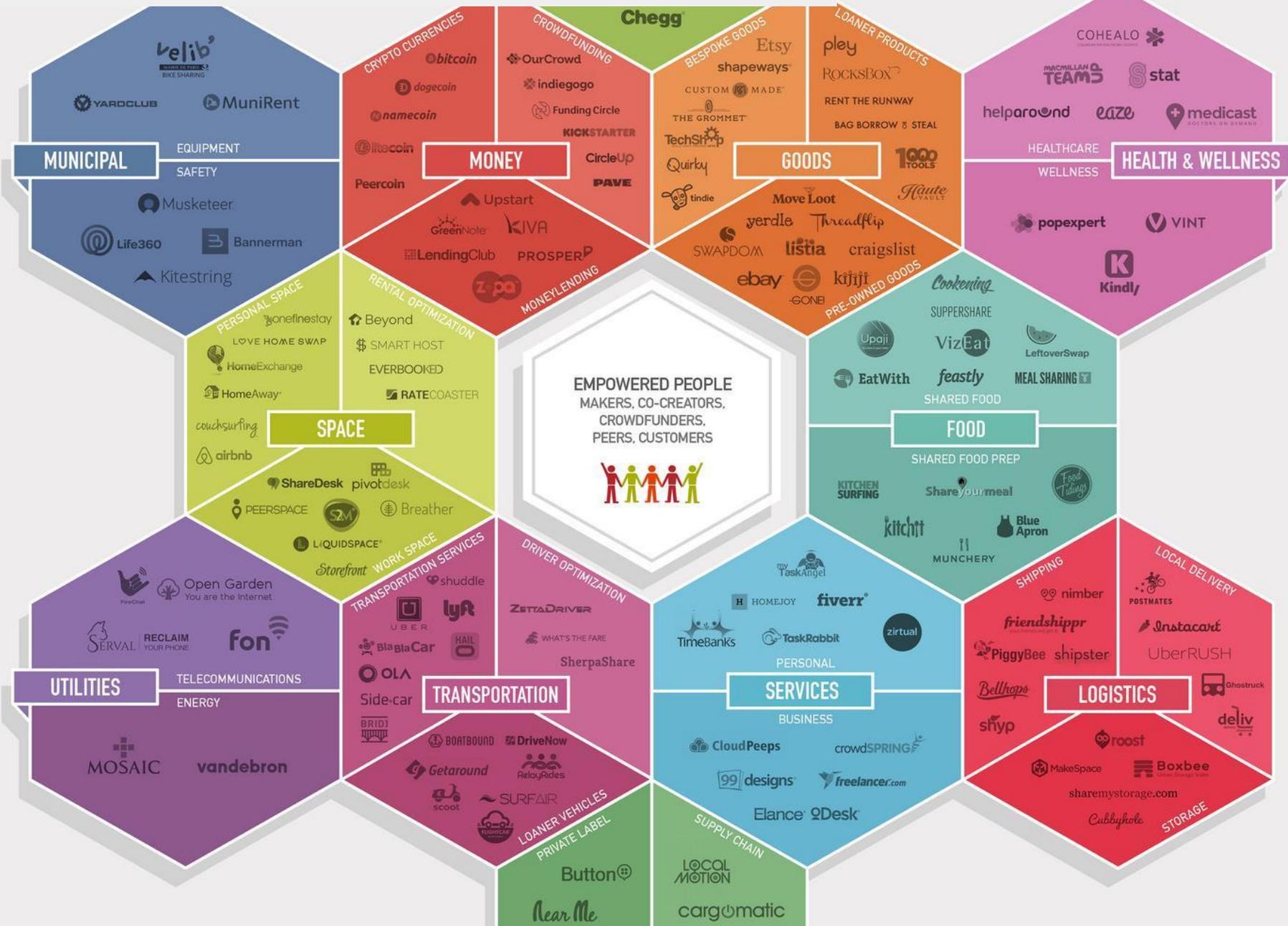
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■ Historical
■ Forecasted



Bandwidth

Business is Changing



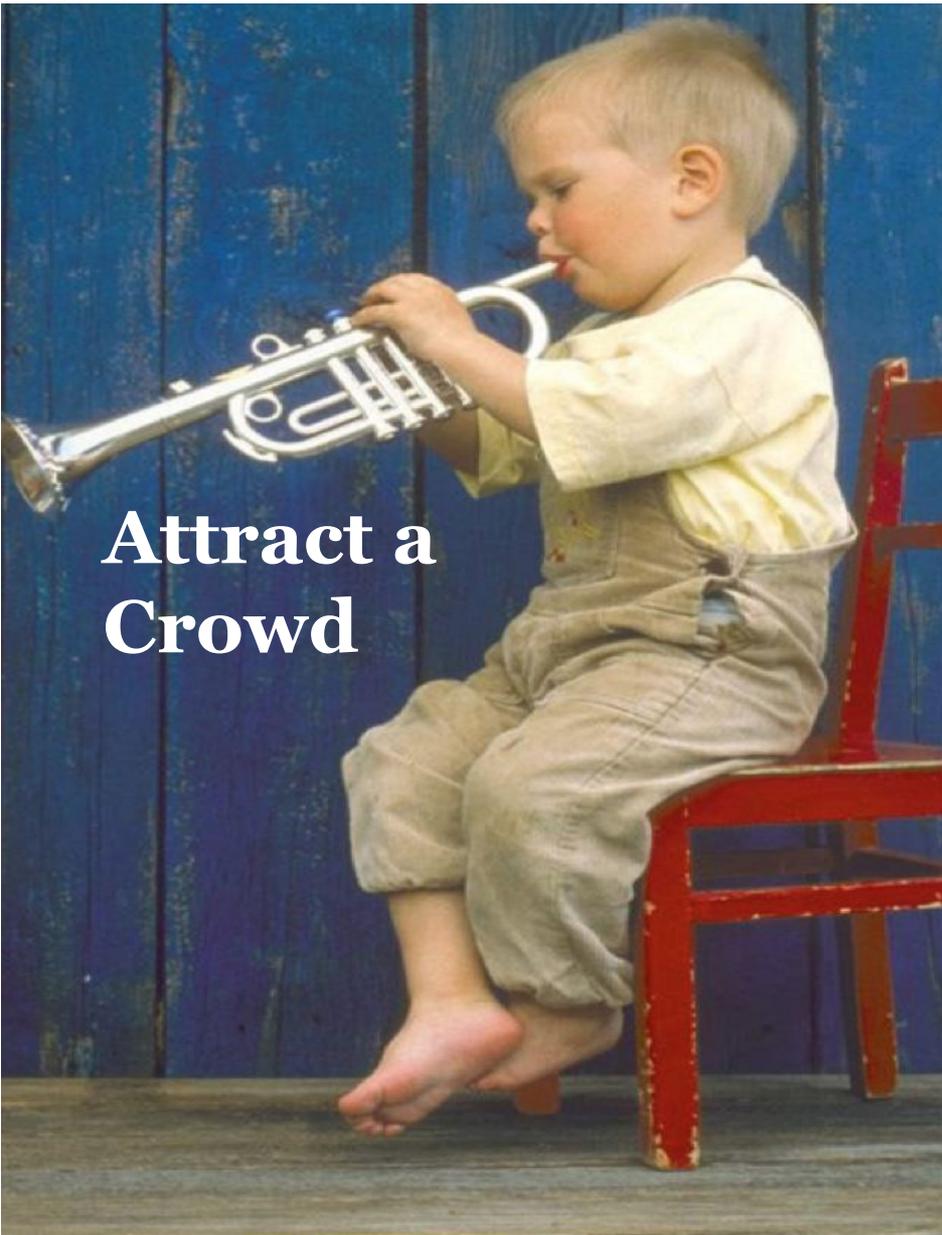
Government is Changing too!

- Chief Data Scientist
- Director of Citizen Engagement
- Chief of Streets
- Director of Bicycles
- Chief Architecture Officer
- Chief Citizen Officer
- Chief Privacy Officer
- Chief Resiliency Officer





- Mobile Compatibility
- Language Accessibility
- WCAG 2.0 Certification
- Privacy Protection



Attract a Crowd

- There's safety in numbers
- If you don't attract a crowd you are just providing another space for the usual suspects
- The more people you have there the more moderate the views will be
- The crowd will self regulate to a point
- It's really hard to stack a busy engagement



How to attract a crowd

- Reaching more people is the whole point of online engagement
- Building audience is hard
- They won't just stumble upon your site because it's there
- Marketing and Communications drive people to a site
- Engaging content brings them back
- Fun helps: Contests, Incentives
- Those who succeed with online engagement are those who work on building audience--continuously



Fort Collins

- City in northern Colorado
- Purposeful, slow start to build internal structure
- Held Public Vote for Broadband project in November
- Hosted one webpage with one link to EHQ project page
- Received 800 pins in Places Tool over the weekend
- Sometimes, it is **WHAT YOU ENGAGE** on that matters
- Talk about the things that are important to your community



Tool Selection

- Why? Who? Context
- Not all engagement tools carry equal risk
- Surveys, polls, QA tool have no risk at all and are well suited to high octane issues
- Community stories are both safe and engaging when framed correctly
- It's hard to troll an ideas board or a map
- Integration, Scheduling and Reporting
- Discussion forums expose people to opposing views which can be valuable

EngagementHQ Tools Spectrum

Managing your project communications



Controlled environment

Participants cannot engage with each other. Data is stored in the back end and only accessible by admin.



Mixed environment

Participants can see other participants contributions. However, there is little peer-to-peer interaction. Some data may be visible to the public, other data is just accessible by admin.

Answered Privately | Answered Publicly



Pre Moderated | Post Moderated



Commenting Disabled | Commenting Enabled



Open environment

Participants can engage with each other. Comments and ideas are visible.



Surveys

The Surveys tool gives people an opportunity to voice their opinion in a convenient and guided way, which has historically shown higher response rates than other formats.

Polls

Polls encourage people to give a quick answer on one question, selecting from multiple choice answers. They are able to instantly see the Poll results, piquing their interest and giving you real time insight.

Questions

Questions is an issues management and communications risk mitigation tool. It is a managed space for your community to ask you questions and for you to respond either publicly or privately.

Guestbook

Guestbook keeps things simple; people are only able to upload comments, which are moderated to manage what appears publicly. No other interaction is enabled.

Stories

When we tell or hear a story, neuroscience tells us that we experience things on a higher and more resonant level. Stories helps your community better understand, empathize and relate to others as well as your project goals.

Places

Places is a simple way to gather community feedback and ideas directly on a map. Participants drop a "pin" in the area of concern, add photos and then fill in a quick survey.

Ideas

Ideas provides "virtual" post it notes for individuals to add their ideas to a collective board. People like the ideas that inspire them most, helping align your priorities with what matters most to the community.

Forum

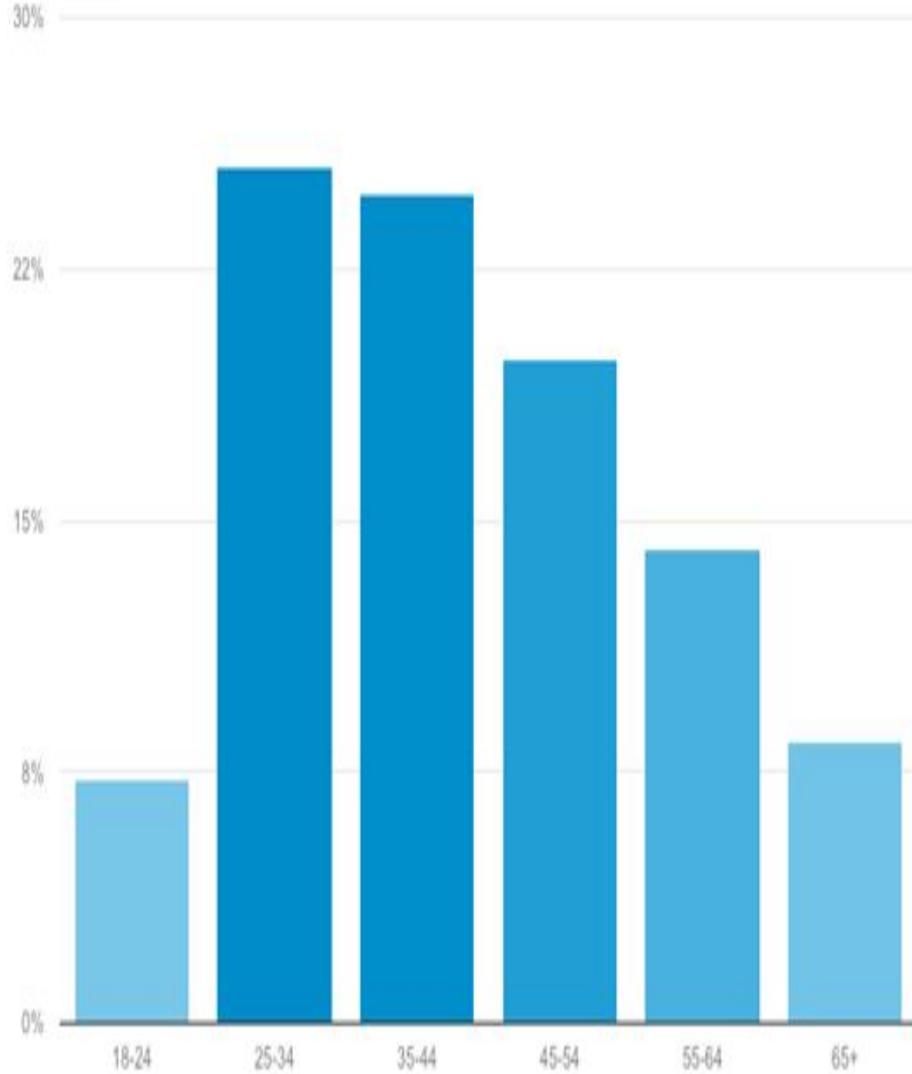
The Forums tool creates a space for discussion, dialogue and debate. People share their experiences with others, ask questions and have conversations in a safe and interactive environment.



Age

47.25% of Total users

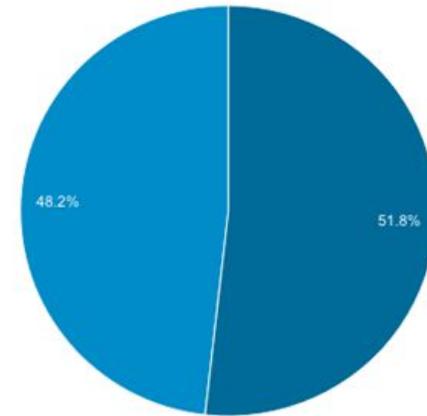
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Gender

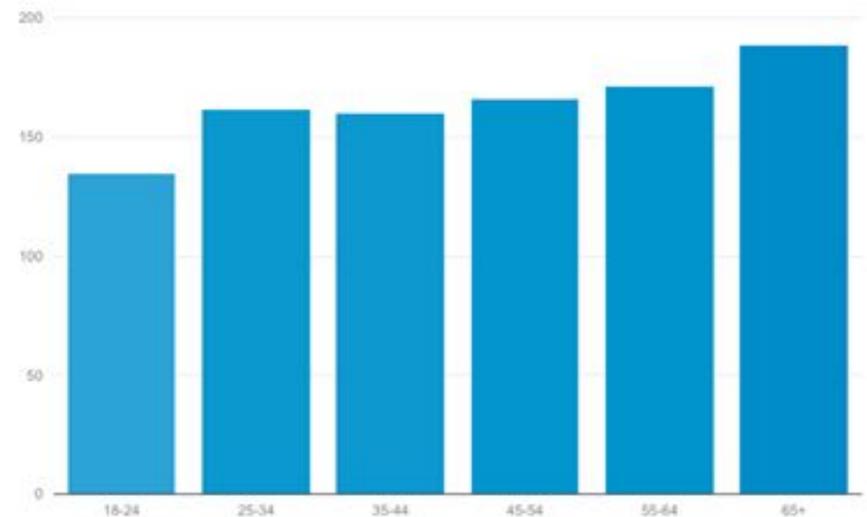
46.31% of Total users

■ female ■ male



Age

44.62% of Total session duration



Think of this as an open house

- You'll want to know what issues and information are of most interest and address accordingly.
- What questions are people asking?
- What are the demographic characteristics of those who are attending?
- Have options. Nobody serves only one item to eat
- Are they keen to comment or just happy to learn
- Divide the space between giving info and getting info--tow the line





Understanding the role of social media

- Use all the channels you can to get the word out
- Be clear where you are and are not listening
- Don't force your community to use a particular social media platform to talk to you.
- Not everybody is on Facebook, Twitter, Next Door or Instagram. New networks emerge all the time.
- Bring them back to a space where you can measure and listen effectively

Be Engaging
Be Interesting
Be Unique



- Getting them there isn't the end of the matter
- You have 7 seconds to grab their attention
- Make your site engaging – both in content and engagement tools
- Video, photos, infographics and rich media
- Break down long documents into salient points
- Easy navigation
- **AND TALK ABOUT THE STUFF THEY ARE ACTUALLY INTERESTED IN!!**



**Adopt a
platform
rather than
an ad hoc
approach to
engagement**

- A platform allows you to grow and curate a community panel about whom you have insights.
- It allows for consistent engagement across multiple projects.
- It facilitates consistent reporting and comparison.
- Minimizes time and cost of training staff.

In online engagement measuring is listening



- Measuring all site activity is respectful of the community's time
- It's common to just measure the responses coming in but this risks missing the point completely
- It's important to have relevant participant information
- Google's Analytics don't cut it in citizen engagement



**With so much
going on how do
we measure
participation?**

AWARE

INFORMED

ENGAGED



Setting KPIs: unique targets for different project types

- Lots of participation always feels good
- But if you are engaging on a draft it's 'Informed' users you should be targeting
- If you are seeking ideas early in the process you are targeting a high engaged cohort
- Remember 90-9-1 and set realistic targets accordingly
- Set targets based on demographic groups and repeat visitation



Addressing perceived risks around online engagement

- There's an illogical fear about online engagement
- Public policy discussion is different to newspaper chat boards
- The riskiest thing is vacating the space and ceding it to others
- All risks associated with listening to your community online can be managed with careful planning and execution



The power of positive questions

- Focus on opportunities
- Ask about what perfection looks like
- Gather ideas, pictures, stories and suggestions
- Direct discussion to managing issues and solutions

Moderation and management



- Clear moderation rules and impartial round the clock moderation will help you to sleep nights
- Never edit contributions
- Try to let people post direct to the site
- Set the context – what are you doing with the inputs
- Trolls can be tamed
- Consider facilitation
- Limit the time forums are open



**Remember it's
not a ballot!**

- Don't run your online engagement like a ballot
- Online democracy is a flawed concept that excludes people
- We have democratic institutions or boards for decision making
- Online engagement should be framed to support those decision processes



How do we analyze all the comments?

- Qualitative Analysis:
Tagging & clustering
- Pre select your tags
- Allocate multiple tags
where needed
- Tag participants to track
history
- Quantifiable Information:
Charts and Graphs

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Getting the word out pt 1

- All your social media channels
- The traditional media is still top of the list
- Email groups
- Flyers at the train station if you have lots of commuters
- Schools and Universities
- Your own staff and families
- Libraries
- Use the thing that makes your community great/unique/accessible



Getting the word out pt 2

- Don't forget a prominent link from your main website
- Include in rates notice or bills
- Prize based engagement
- Community facilitators
- Pick a short catchy URL
- Identify then Utilize all available resources
- Ask community groups and businesses for help



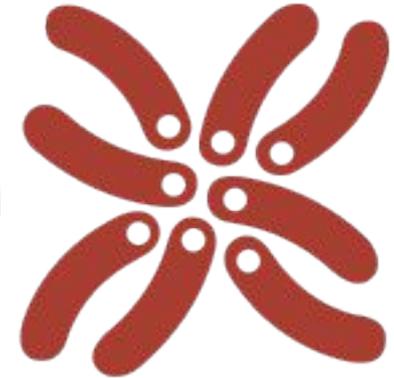
What features should a platform have?

For this to work, it needs to be suitable right across the organization so at minimum:

- Multiple engagement tools that can be deployed depending on project needs
- Information sharing capacity
- Participant management features allowing you to sort and reach out to interest groups and target demographics
- Tailored on demand reporting
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- Around the clock moderation and support
- Mobile friendly
- Accessible and compliant

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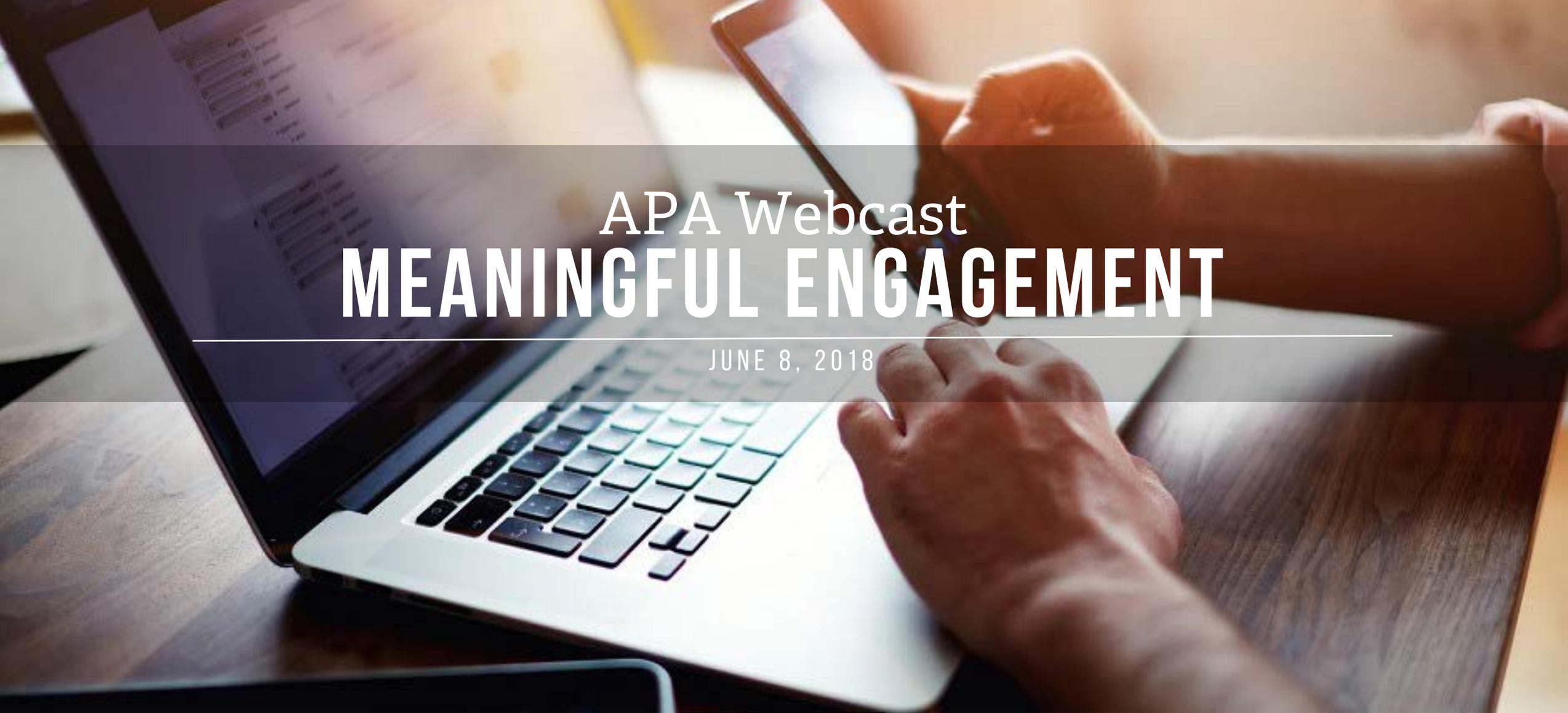


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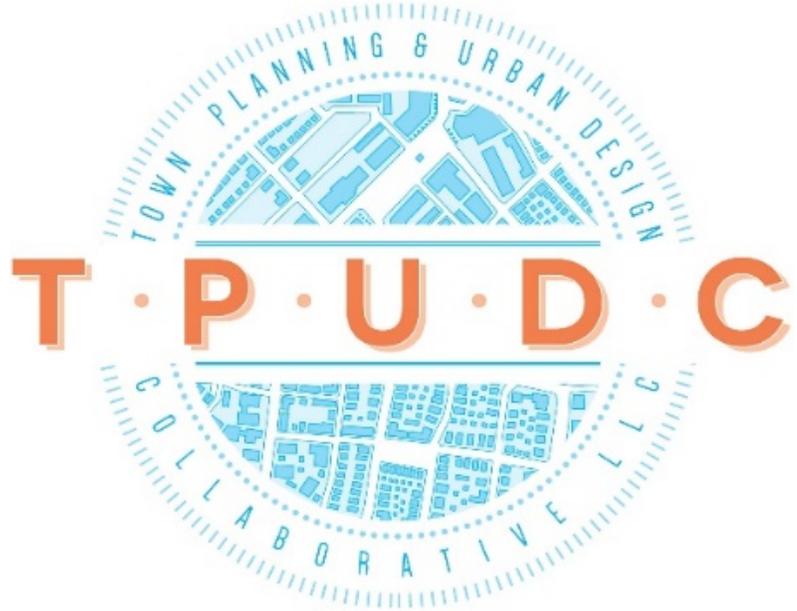


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MEANINGFUL ENGAGEMENT

JUNE 8, 2018



YOUR PRESENTER



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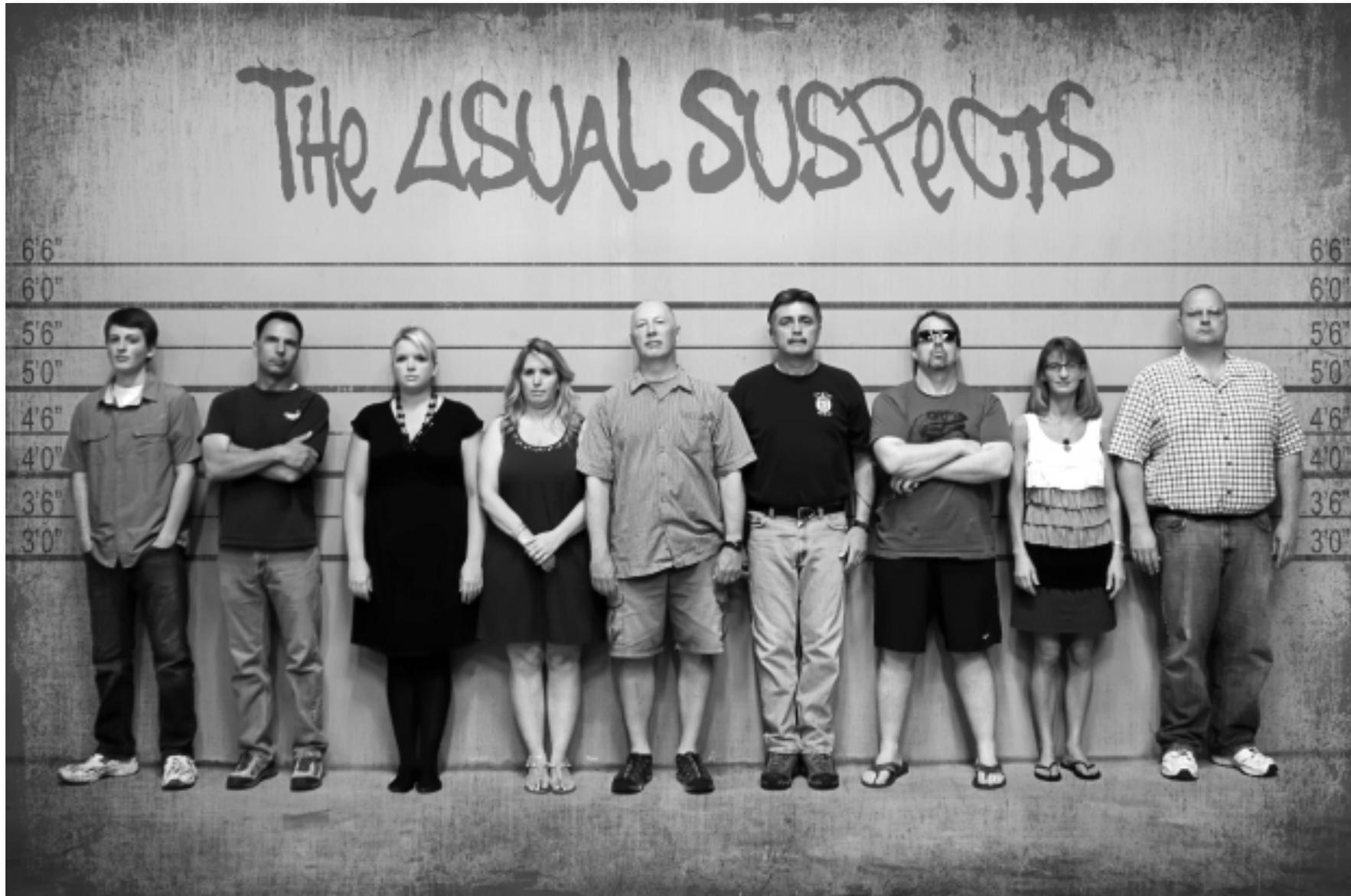
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YOUR ENGAGEMENT PROCESS

THE USUAL SUSPECTS





COMBATTING **APATHY**



CAPTIVATE THEIR IMAGINATION



ENGAGEMENT THAT IS ACTUALLY **ENGAGING**



The
TPUDC
PLANAPALOOZA!TM



ENGAGEMENT THAT IS ACTUALLY **ENGAGING**

AUGUST 22ND-24TH

COMMUNITY PLANNING WORKSHOP AND NEIGHBORHOOD COOKOUT

THRIVE BHM

FOR

★ **TITUSVILLE** ★ **FIVE POINTS WEST** ★
★ **SMITHFIELD** ★ **WEST END** ★

BIRMINGHAM CROSSPLEX
2331 BESSEMER RD

FREE FOOD FOR WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST!!!

FOOD TRUCKS FOR THE REST

PRESENTED BY: **BIRMINGHAM FORWARD** AND **RPCGB**

PLANNING WORKSHOP: AUG. 22ND-24TH
Open daily from 9:00am to 8:00pm

OPENING PRESENTATION & COOKOUT: AUG. 22ND (10:00AM - 11:30AM)
Cookout for participants immediately after Opening Presentation.

CLOSING PRESENTATION & DESSERT PARTY: AUG. 24TH (6:00PM - 8:00PM)
Dessert during Closing Presentation.

PLAN the PORT
ZONING UPDATE

Art contest

IS THERE AN ARTIST IN YOU?
IF SO, BRING OUT THAT ARTISTIC SIDE... AND SHARE WITH US WHAT YOU LIKE ABOUT PORT CHESTER!

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE AND WIN GREAT PRIZES.

THREE WAYS YOU CAN PARTICIPATE!

Take a PHOTO ... of your favorite building, park, or space in Port Chester.

DRAW or PAINT ... a picture of your vision for a future Port Chester.

**One entry per person per category will be allowed.*

The **WINNERS** will be decided by YOU!
All entries will be displayed in the Planapalooza Studio space (17 N. Main Street) and voting will open March 21, 2018 in-person and on FACEBOOK (@plantheport).
Winners will be announced on March 28, 2018 during the Planapalooza Closing Event.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY?

Submit ONLINE
Upload your photo or scanned drawing at: www.plantheport.com

Drop off or mail ENTRY with the online form to: Planning & Economic Development Department, 222 Grace Church St, Suite 202, Port Chester, NY 10573

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL: MARCH 20TH 2018

CONTEST RULES
IN PERSON OR MAIL SUBMITTAL
To submit in person or mail please use the attached form.
Photos - 4x6 or 5x7 or 8x10 size limit.
Drawing - 0.5 x 11 size limit.

TRUDC PLAN the PORT

A PROJECT OF THE PORTSMOUTH PLANNING DEPARTMENT FUNDED BY THE NH COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM

PLAN PORTSMOUTH
USING A FORM-BASED ZONING CODE TO GUIDE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT

WHAT'S THE RIGHT FIT?

100 ft
60 ft
45 ft
32 ft

Kick-Off Meeting
Thursday, May 2nd, 7:00 - 9:00 pm
City Hall Council Chambers

Opening Session
Thursday, June 9th, 6:00 - 8:30 pm
City Hall Council Chambers

Interim Pin-Up + Review
Saturday, June 8th, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
former Connie Bean Center, 143 Daniel St.

Closing Session
Monday, June 10th, 6:00 - 8:30 pm
Portsmouth Library, Levenson Room

Open Studio
Friday, June 7th - Monday, June 10th
former Connie Bean Center, 143 Daniel St.

What's a Charrette?
A Charrette is an intense, participatory design and public input process where all members of the community work directly with a multidisciplinary design and public input consulting team. The entire process is open to the public at all times. So please join us to "Plan Portsmouth" and help us craft improvements to the zoning code that will protect and enhance Downtown Portsmouth far into the future.

For more information see www.PlanPortsmouth.com

PUBLIC DESIGN CHARRETTE JUNE 6-10

OLD SCHOOL PRINT CAN WORK WELL TOO

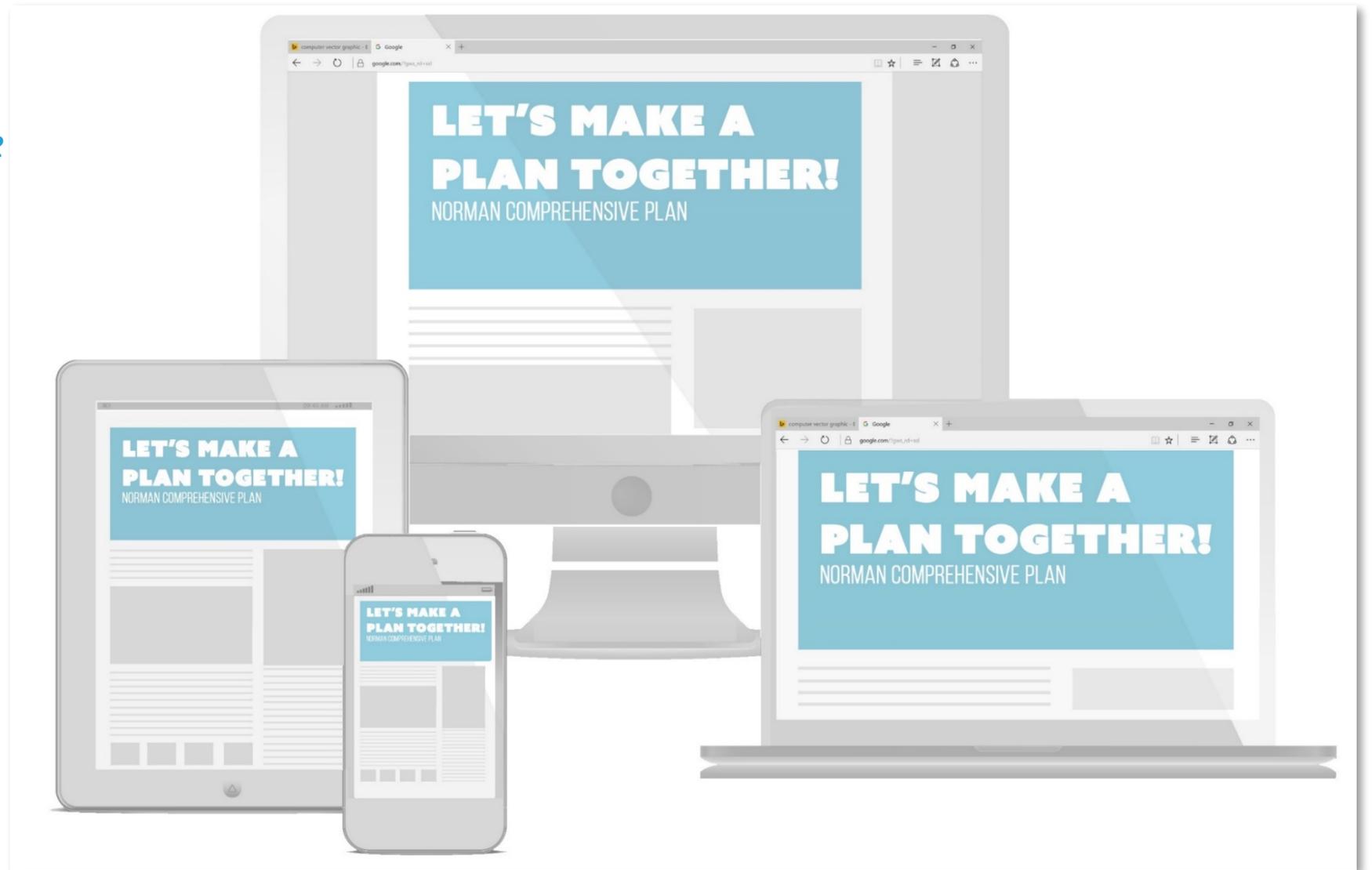
More than half of U.S. adults will never attend a public meeting.

50%



DISTRACTED LIVING

- *85% of adults are online, 95% of teens are online*
- *72% of online adults are social network users, 80% of teens are social network users*



MODERN STRATEGIES ARE A PIECE OF THE SOLUTION



BUILDING AWARENESS

-  MEDIA CAMPAIGNS
-  PRINT CAMPAIGNS
-  PROJECT BRANDING
-  UNDERSERVED POPULATION OUTREACH

GATHERING INPUT

-  **ONLINE TOOL**
-  SURVEYING
-  MEETING FACILITATION
-  MILESTONE CELEBRATIONS
-  OPEN STUDIO/HOUSE
-  PLANAPALOOZA
-  TACTICAL URBANISM

- Tools to TEACH
- Tools to INFORM
- Tools to COLLABORATE
- Tools to OBTAIN FEEDBACK
- Tools to CREATE BUY IN



ONLINE TOOLS - A BIG PART OF THE PICTURE

KEEP IT SIMPLE

**WHEN PEOPLE TALK TO YOU ABOUT
STUFF THAT
DOESN'T
INTEREST
YOU**



PEEK PEOPLE'S INTEREST



MAKE IT **FUN!**

10 COMMANDMENTS



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Published by Sandrine Thibault [?] · May 20 at 4:05pm ·

We had a wonderful time talking with so many market goers today about the Vision Plans!

Don't forget to join us for one of our two presentations tomorrow Monday May 21, 2018.
12:00pm at 17 North Main St
Or... See More




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Published by Sandrine Thibault [?] · May 30 at 9:39am ·

Did you know?
The West Fargo 2.0 Comprehensive Plan was adopted by the City Commission on May 21, 2018. Thanks to all who have landed your voice to the process. Now let's begin implementing our community vision together!

Here is a great article about the project!



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WEST FARGO 2.0: A NEW VISION
West Fargo leaders determined in 2016 that it was important for the...

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Bryan Leininger

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The DRAFT Comprehensive Plan is now available for your review. Visit our website to download the document or parts of it and provide your comments directly online as well.

We look forward to getting your feedback!
Click here: <https://www.wf2point0.com/comprehensive-plan-review>



REVITALIZE DOWNTOWN CONSERVATION & GROWTH MAP GUIDING PRINCIPLES THE PROCESS

ISSUE 01
PUBLIC DRAFT
FEBRUARY 2018

WEST FARGO'S VISION
URBAN IS BACK!
PRINCIPLES OF GOOD PLANNING AND DESIGN
creating MUNICIPAL ADVANTAGE

WEST FARGO 2.0 IS A COLLABORATION OF THE PEOPLE OF WEST FARGO, THE CITY OF WEST FARGO, WEST FARGO PARK DISTRICT, AND TOWN PLANNING & URBAN DESIGN COLLABORATIVE, LLC.

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West Fargo 2.0 @WF2point0

West Fargo 2.0 - Redefining Tomorrow is the update to the City's Comprehensive Plan. Join us in this community conversation! Follow us on Twitter for updates!

West Fargo, ND
Joined October 2016
16 Photos and videos

Tweets 45 | **Following** 131 | **Followers** 76 | **Likes** 6 | **Lists** 0 | **Moments** 0

Tweets & replies | **Media**

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West Fargo 2.0 @WF2point0 · Mar 5
Get out in this beautiful snow and join us for the West Fargo 2.0 Open House

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Plan the Port @plantheport · May 16

Meet us at the Farmer's Market this Sunday between 10am and 2pm and come see the Final Plans for the future Port Chester Vision. We'll be on hand to chat and show you plans. #portchester #plantheport

PLAN THE PORT CELEBRATIONS

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, MAY 20th - PLAN THE PORT VISION TALKS
Stop by our booth to say hello & see the final plans!

10:00am - 2:00pm - Farmer's Market
Highland Street Parking Lot

Plan the Port @plantheport · May 7

¡Plan the Port vuelve a estar en acción del 20 al 21 de mayo! ¡Únete a nosotros para un evento para ver los planes de visión final que todos ustedes desarrollaron durante Planapalooza! Celebremos lo que Port Chester podría ser. #portchester #plantheport

Translate Tweet

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What we've heard so far

If you've missed the Project Planapalooza presentations, don't worry. Here we share with you what we've heard so far. We have organized comments by topic.

For those who attended, have a look at the presentations. Use this information to help you with the Draft Plan. Also visit the [Get Involved](#) page for more information.

INPUT WE'VE RECEIVED SO FAR

LAND USE, CONSERVATION

over 1 year ago

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- Snowmass is underdeveloped
- There is no synergy between the town and the resort
- Keep the rural character of the town
- Snowmass needs one main focus
- Trying to make Snowmass a village
- The main challenge is to keep the town's character
- The golf course presents a challenge

[Go to discussion](#)

HOUSING

over 1 year ago

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Town of Snowmass Village
2,756 likes

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Be the first of your friends to like this



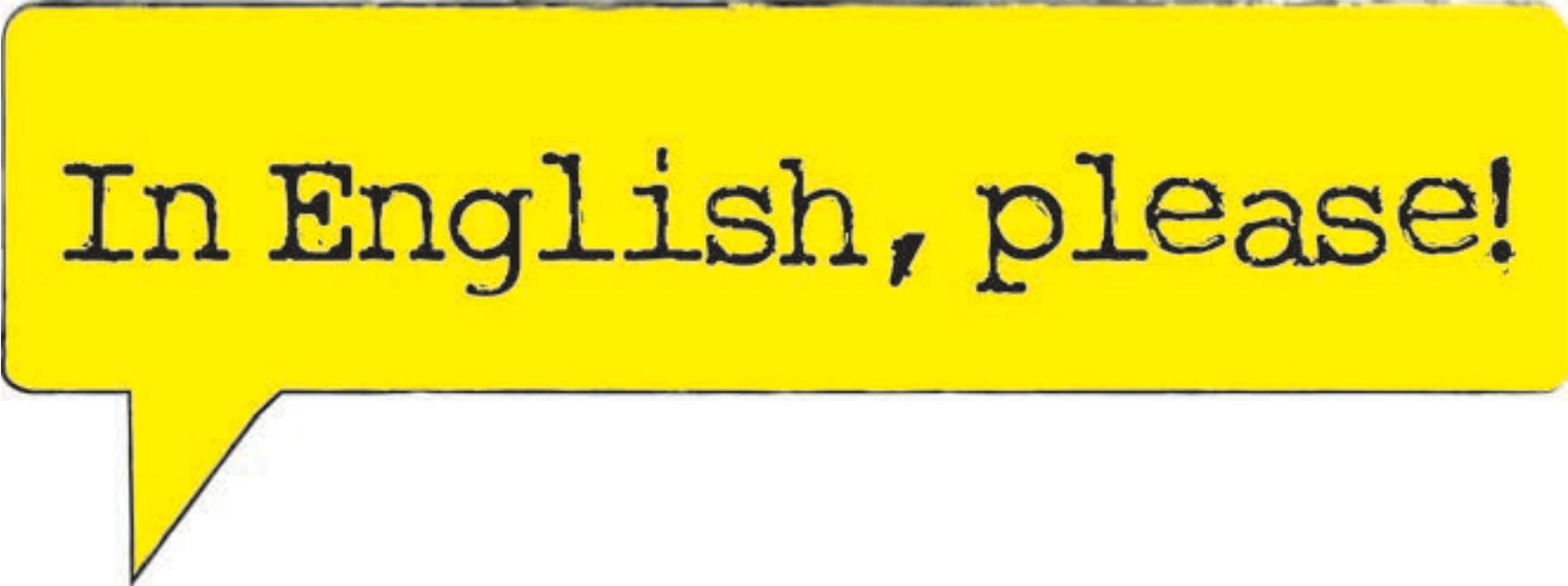
Town of Snowmass Village
on Wednesday



ASPENSOJO.COM

Snowmass Village Revamps Its Iconic Sign
A cherished welcoming tradition gets an update

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In English, please!

2. USE LANGUAGE EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND

Home About Sobre el Proyecto Tell us what YOU think ¡Dinos qué piensas! Sign In | Register



CHART THE COURSE
PORT CHESTER, NY

Welcome to the "Plan the Port" website! Here you will find information on the process and you will be able to provide your input during various phases of the project. We look forward to engaging with you in a meaningful conversation about the future of Port Chester! ——— ¡Bienvenidos a la página web "Plan the Port"! Aquí encontrará información acerca del proceso y donde podrá proveer sus ideas y opiniones durante las diferentes fases del proyecto. Esperamos entablar una provechosa conversación con ustedes acerca de su visión sobre el futuro de Port Chester!

REGISTER
to receive project updates

Key Dates

- Mar 28 Planapalooza Closing Presentation - 6:00PM
- May 20 Plan the Port at the Farmer's Market
- May 20 Plan the Port at the 150th Festival
- May 23 Plan the Port Celebrations
- May 21 Plan the Port Celebrations

Plan the Port Presentations

- Planapalooza Closing Presentation [File](#)
- Planapalooza Mid-Week Presentation [File](#)
- Planapalooza Opening Presentation [File](#)
- SPANISH Community KickOff Presentation PDF [File](#)
- Community KickOff Presentation PDF [File](#)

Planapalooza Pictures



About the Project **Sobre el Proyecto**



Tell us what YOU think! **¡Dinos qué piensas!**



NEW! Vision Plans

Since early 2018, the Village, in conjunction with our consultants Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC) has been involved in an innovative public engagement process surrounding the Plan the Port project. So far the process has included: a Community Kick-Off event, interviews with elected officials and stakeholders, an eight and a half day

[Review and comment today!](#)



2. USE LANGUAGE EVERYONE CAN UNDERSTAND

Proyecto Tell us what YOU think! ¡Dinos qué piensas!



Community Survey

Community Survey

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Welcome to the Plan the Port quick survey (4 minutes)!

No coding project is successful without your input. We ask that you please complete this survey to provide guidance as we create zoning improvements for the Village of Port Chester.

Get a chance to win a \$50 gift card!

Please check the circle that corresponds to how satisfied you are with the following topics in DOWNTOWN *

	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neutral	Satisfied	Very Satisfied
Ability to manage traffic	<input type="radio"/>				
Ability to find parking	<input type="radio"/>				
Amenities for pedestrian and cyclists	<input type="radio"/>				

Proyecto Tell us what YOU think! ¡Dinos qué piensas!



Encuesta de la Comunidad

Encuesta de la Comunidad

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¡Bienvenido a la encuesta rápida Plan the Port (4 minutos)!

Ningún proyecto puede ser exitoso sin la participación de la comunidad. Por favor complete esta encuesta para guiarnos mientras trabajamos en las mejoras del Código de Port Chester.

¡Gana una tarjeta de regalo de \$ 50!

Por favor marque el círculo que corresponda a cuál es el nivel de satisfacción que Ud. tiene en DOWNTOWN: *

	Muy Insatisfecho	Insatisfecho	Neutro	Satisfecho	Muy Satisfecho
Manejo de carga alta de tráfico	<input type="radio"/>				
Facilidad para encontrar estacionamiento	<input type="radio"/>				

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Home » Smiles v. Changes

Smiles v. Changes

Please share pictures of PLACES in Snowmass Village that:

- Make you **SMILE!**
- You would like to **CHANGE!**

And tell us WHY you've uploaded that photo.

SMILES & CHANGES

Share photos of:

- What about Snowmass Village makes you **SMILE?**
- What about Snowmass Village would you **CHANGE?**

Click 'Start Your Story by Providing a Title' to open the window. Then, click the above to upload your photo from your computer.

Share Your Story

The destiny of Snowmass Village

by cander75, over 1 year ago



Letchworth Garden City in Hertfordshire, England, has a compact town center and is still adjacent to scenic countryside after more than 100 years...

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A super cool kids playground would be great!

by elkmtmpln, over 1 year ago



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PLAN BTV ART CONTEST

PRIZES

FOUR WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

- Take a **PHOTO**... of your favorite building, park, space in downtown and/or waterfront.
- DRAW** or **PAINT**... a picture... of your vision for a future downtown and/or waterfront.
- Make a **VIDEO**... of your favorite activity to do downtown.
- Write an **ESSAY**... about your favorite building, park, space in downtown or describing your vision for a future downtown and/or waterfront.

The **WINNERS** will be decided by YOU!
 Voting will open January 1, 2012 and winners will be announced on January 24, 2012 during the Design Charrette kick-off.

Check the website and our FACEBOOK page (Burlington Downtown & Waterfront Plan) for details on voting. COMING SOON!

IS THERE AN ARTIST IN YOU?

IF SO, BRING OUT THAT ARTISTIC SIDE... AND SHARE WITH US WHAT YOU LIKE ABOUT DOWNTOWN BURLINGTON! EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE AND WIN GREAT PRIZES.

Submit your **ENTRY ONLINE**
 Upload your photo, drawing, video **HERE** or email your essay (Max 250 words) to: sthibault.ci.burlington.vt.us along with submittal form available on the website.

Drop off or mail **ENTRY** with the online form to:
 Department of Planning & Zoning
 City Hall, Ground Floor
 149 Church Street
 Burlington, VT 05401

CONTEST RULES:

DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTAL: JAN 15 2012

ONLINE SUBMITTAL:
 TO BE OPENED ONLINE, VIDEO, OR PHOTO MUST BE SUBMITTED BY THE DEADLINE.
 ALL ENTRIES WILL BE REVIEWED.
 CATEGORIES WILL BE AWARDED.
 FILES MUST BE LESS THAN 10MB.

PHOTO: - 3x5 OR 5x7 SIZE LIMIT
 MAXIMUM FILE SIZE: 10MB
VIDEO: - MAXIMUM FILE SIZE: 10MB
 MAXIMUM VIDEO LENGTH: 3 MINUTES
ESSAY: - MAX 250 WORDS

IN PERSON OR MAIL SUBMITTAL:
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<http://www.burlingtonvt.gov/PlanBTV/Art-Contest>

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Art contest

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EVERYONE IS INVITED TO PARTICIPATE AND WIN GREAT PRIZES.

THREE WAYS YOU CAN PARTICIPATE!

Take a **PHOTO**... of your favorite building, park, or space in Port Chester.

DRAW or **PAINT**... a picture of your vision for a future Port Chester.

**One entry per person per category will be allowed*

The **WINNERS** will be decided by YOU!
 All entries will be displayed in the Planapalooza Studio space (17 N. Main Street) and voting will open March 21, 2018 in-person and on FACEBOOK (@plantheport).
 Winners will be announced on March 28, 2018 during the Planapalooza Closing Event.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY?

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www.plantheport.com

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 222 Grace Church St, Suite 202
 Port Chester, NY 10573

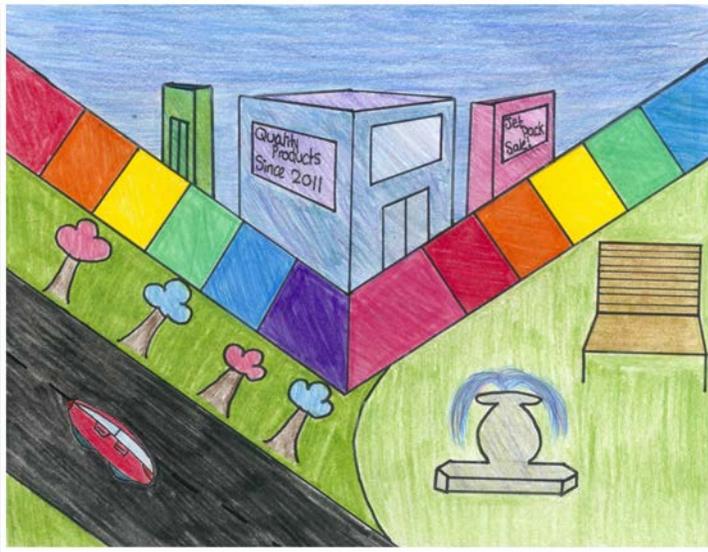
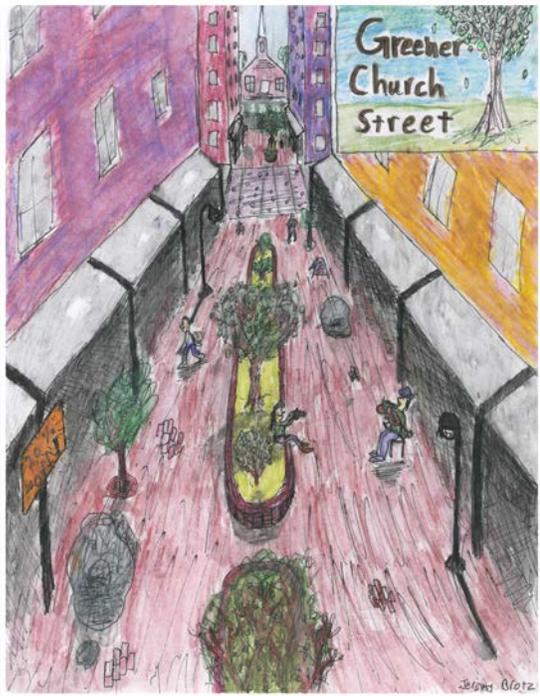
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CONTEST RULES

IN PERSON OR MAIL SUBMITTAL
 To submit in person or mail please use the attached form.
 Photo - 4x6 or 5x7 or 8x10 size limit
 Drawing - 8.5 x 11 size limit

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I love Burlington because it is what Burlingtonians value and support: healthy citizens, a clean environment, activity, the arts, intellectual challenge, creative energy, good food, local businesses and a strong, inclusive community. These values are evident throughout the city, and most especially at the Waterfront and the Church Street Marketplace.

Great, local food, raised in an environmentally sustainable way, baked, brewed, prepared and processed with care, then distributed through the local markets and served up in healthy meals at local restaurants is the foundation of Burlington's success.

At the Church Street Marketplace, in addition to great food (which includes chocolate and ice cream), there is live music and shopping. It's also a centerpiece of community events. The pretty lights when it's cold outside and outdoor dining when it warms up make taking a stroll in any season delightful. The First Friday of every month is the time for an Art Walk. The map of the world reminds us that we are citizens of the world.

The Waterfront is wonderful for walking, bicycling, roller blading and jogging along the path, grabbing a drink and a reasonably priced meal, enjoying the mountain view and sunsets, visiting the ECHO, listening to live music, or attending a festival. Having a boating center providing sailboats, kayaks, long boards provides an opportunity to be more involved with the lake. Watching the youth skateboarding and playing bicycle polo is a treat.

Plus, the city supports pedestrian and bicycle traffic making it easier to get to these gems.

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Art Contest



Is there an artist in you?

If so, bring out that artistic side... and share with us what you like about Port Chester!

Everyone is invited to participate and win great prizes.

Two ways you can participate!

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Port Chester is an immigrant community



by taringonzalez, 2 months ago



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Port Chester High School



by Josephwill28, 3 months ago



My name is Joseph DeCarlo. I am 15 years old and a freelance photographer for the Westmore news in Port Chester and I do various activities in my school. I enjoy expressing my photography skills and quality of my work.

Thank you

Joseph DeCarlo

Respond to this story

2 comments

Weber Community Garden - Port Chester, NY 10573



by alexpayan, 3 months ago



Alex Payan

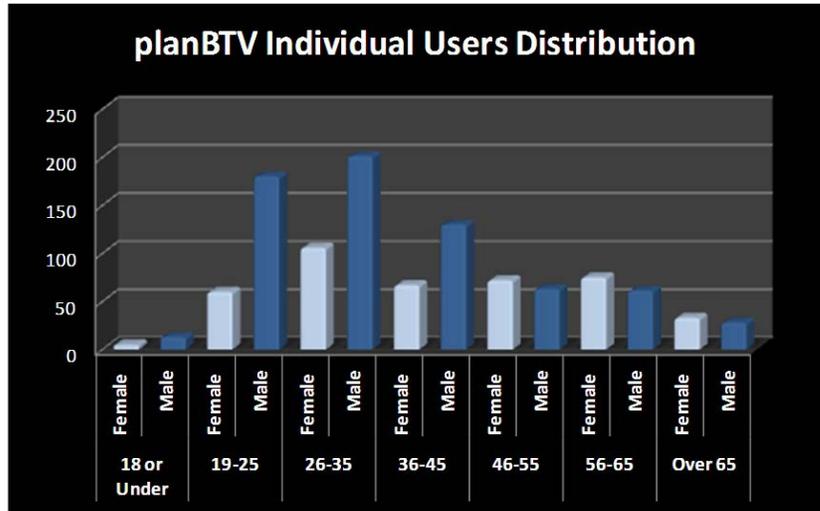
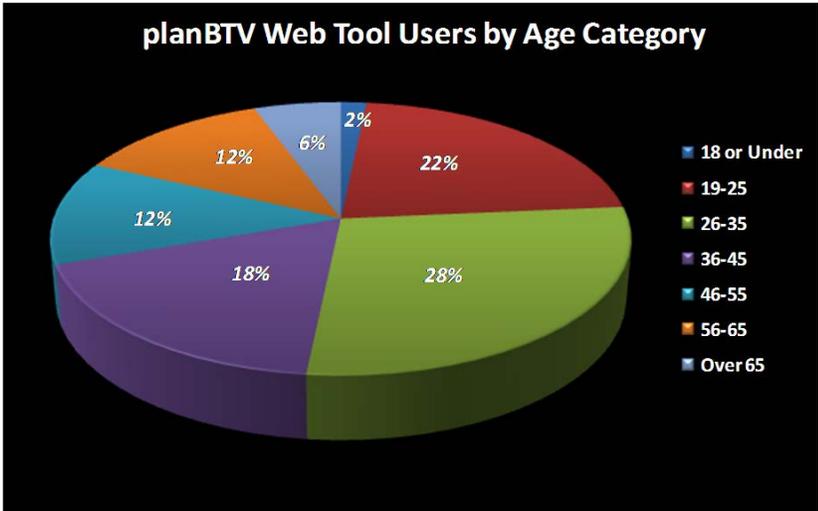
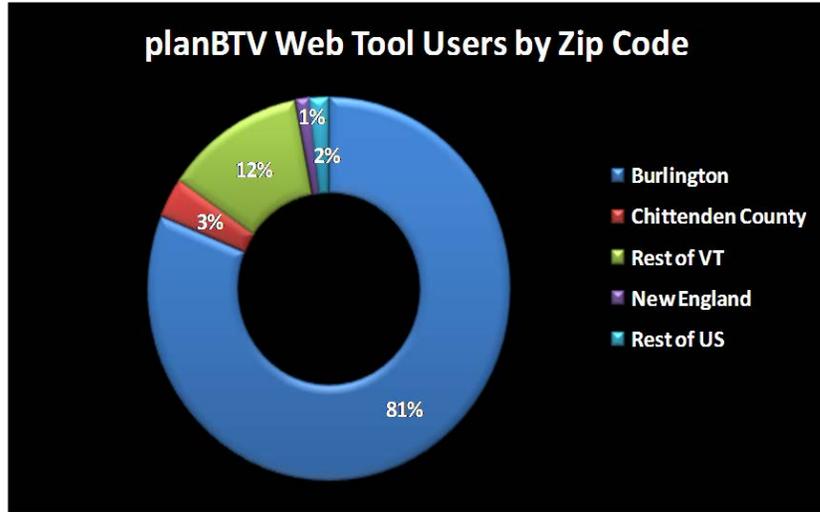
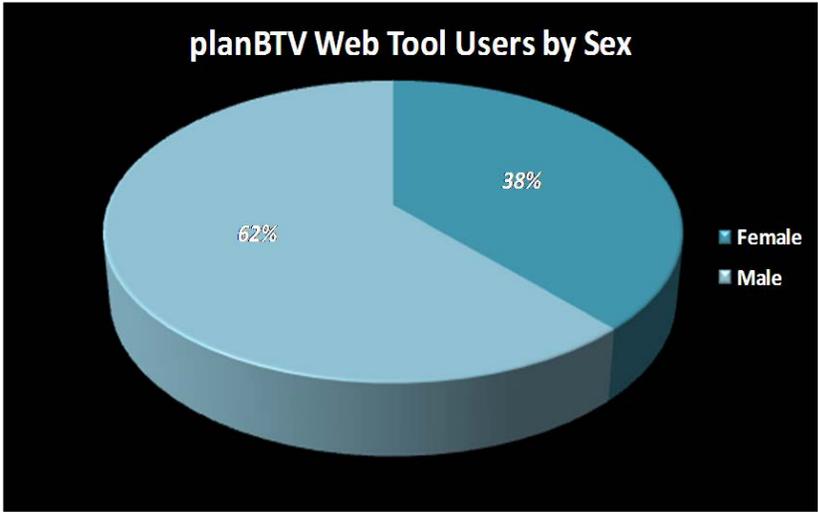
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The image shows a screenshot of a Facebook page for 'Plan the Port'. The page header includes the Facebook logo, the name 'Plan the Port', and a search bar. The user 'Sandrine' is logged in, with navigation options for Home, profile, and other users. The page navigation menu includes Page, Inbox, Notifications, Insights, Publishing Tools, Settings, and Help. The main content area features a large orange banner with the 'Plan the Port' logo and the text 'CHART THE COURSE PORT CHESTER, NY'. Below the banner are interaction buttons: 'Liked', 'Following', 'Share', and 'Send Message'. The main post is an album titled 'VOTE for your WIN..' with 4 photos and updated 2 months ago. The post text reads: 'VOTE for your WINNER today! Here are the entries for the Plan the Port Art Contest! Vote today for your favorite entry and good luck to all participants. The winner will be announced at the Closing Presentation on Wednesday March 28 at the Carver Center at 6PM. ¡Aquí están las obras para el Concurso de arte de Plan the Port! Vote hoy por su obra favorita y buena suerte a todos los participantes. El ganador será anunciado en la Presentación de Cierre el miércoles 28 de marzo en el Carver Center a las 6 p.m.' Below the text are three thumbnail images: a garden scene, a portrait of an elderly woman, and a building at night.

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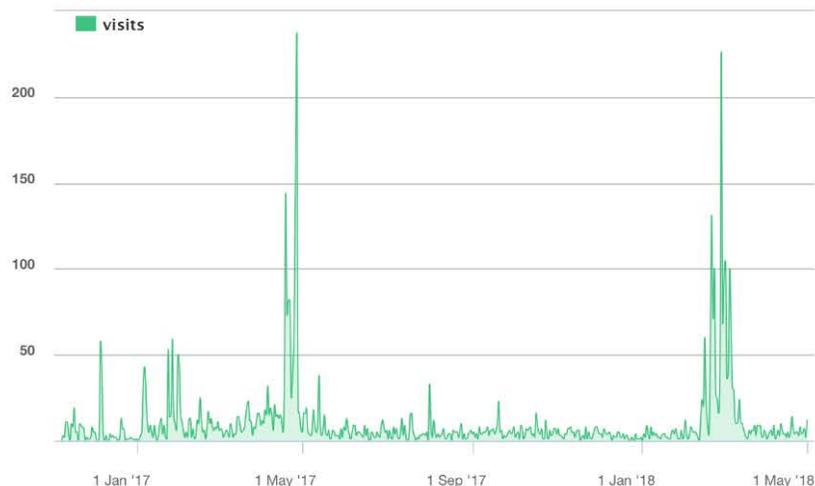


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EHQ gets ISO accreditation for information security management New

Having confidence your community's personal details and information are safe and secure has never been more important for consumers of online community engagement software. With an evermore...

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Upgrade: Fixed Tool Tabs Order New

As of mid March 2018, we are fixing the order of your tool tabs on project pages for better accessibility and general user experience. This update ensures that the tool you make your 'primary'...

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Best Practices

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Practice News: The Survey Edition New

Learn about survey fatigue and survey tips, information and security management and our upcoming Webinars! ...

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Webinar: Planning for Engagement New

Planning for engagement plays a significant factor in determining the success of your next project and by using some simple critical thinking techniques, you can greatly improve...

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5,589SITE VISITS
(All Time)**157**SITE REGISTRATIONS
(All Time)**152**ACTIVATED PARTICIPANTS
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DEMOGRAPHICS

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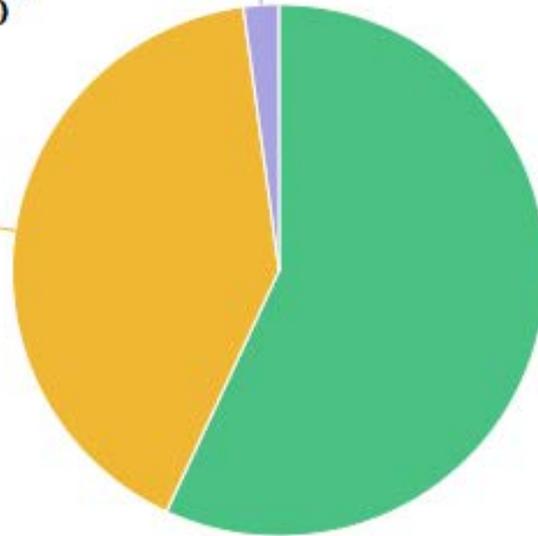
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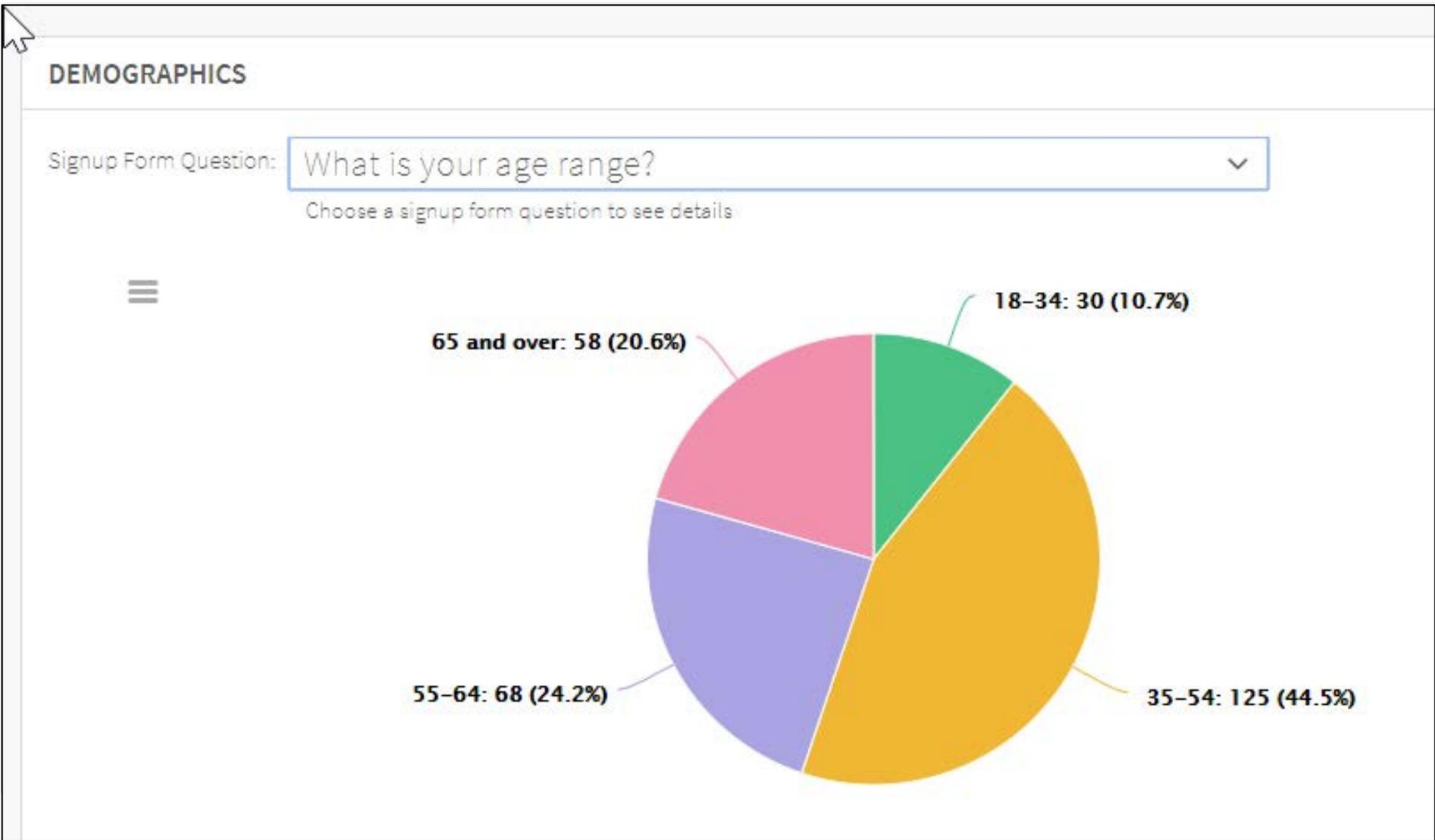
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Male: 115 (40.9%)

Female: 160 (56.9%)



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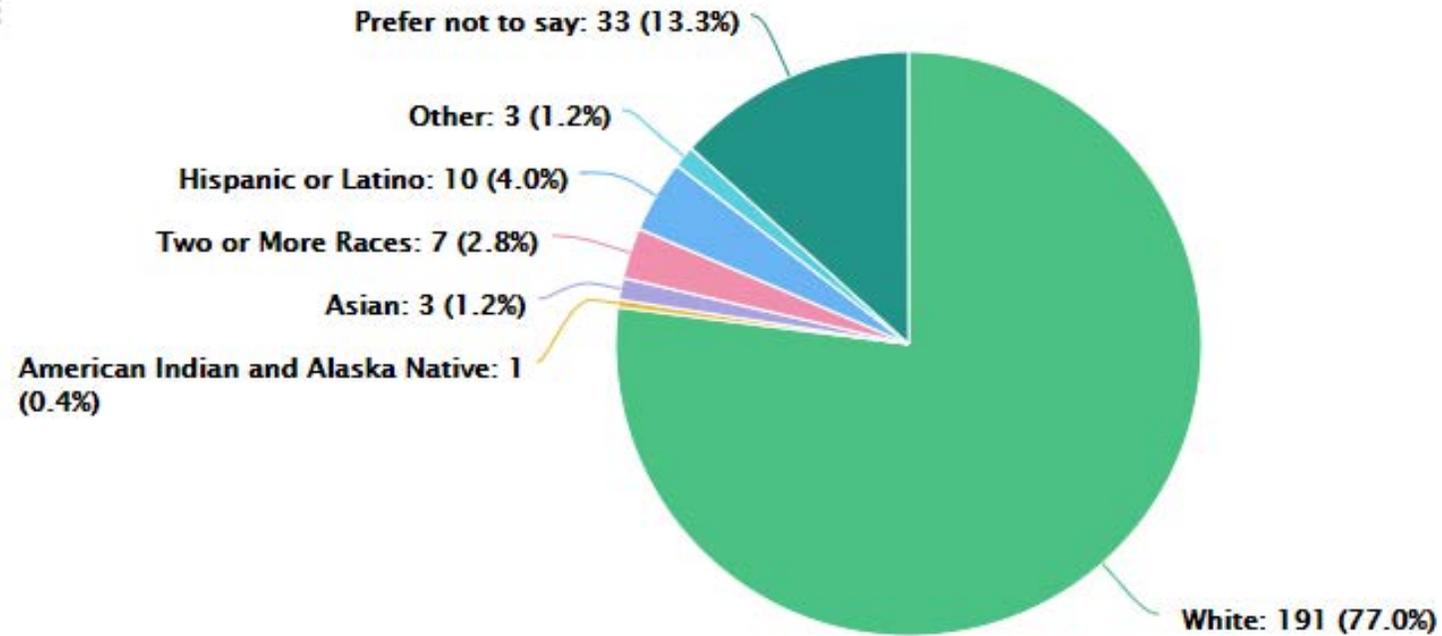


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Signup Form Question: Which race or ethnicity do you most identify with? ▾

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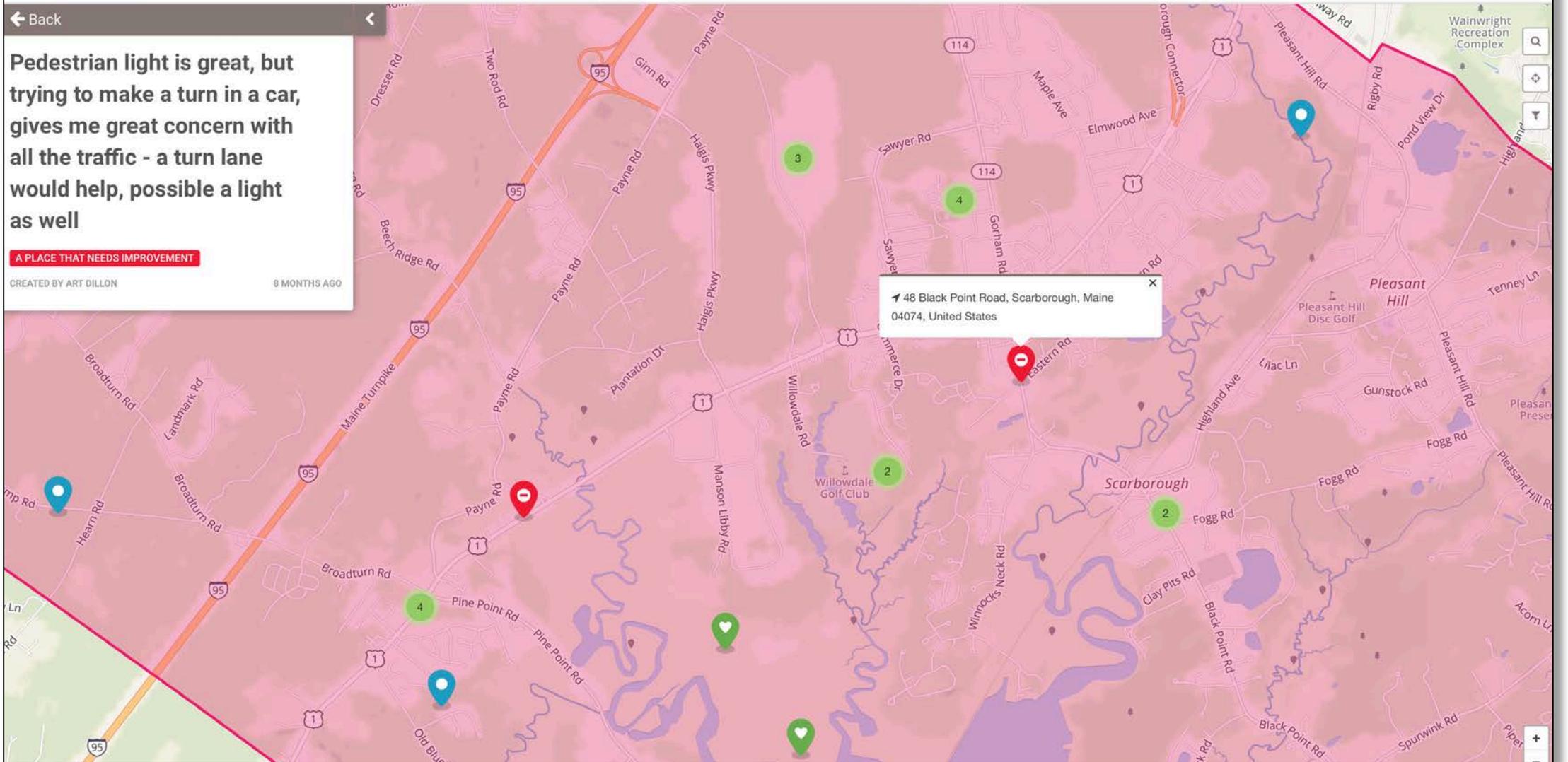
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Pedestrian light is great, but trying to make a turn in a car, gives me great concern with all the traffic - a turn lane would help, possible a light as well

A PLACE THAT NEEDS IMPROVEMENT

CREATED BY ART DILLON

8 MONTHS AGO



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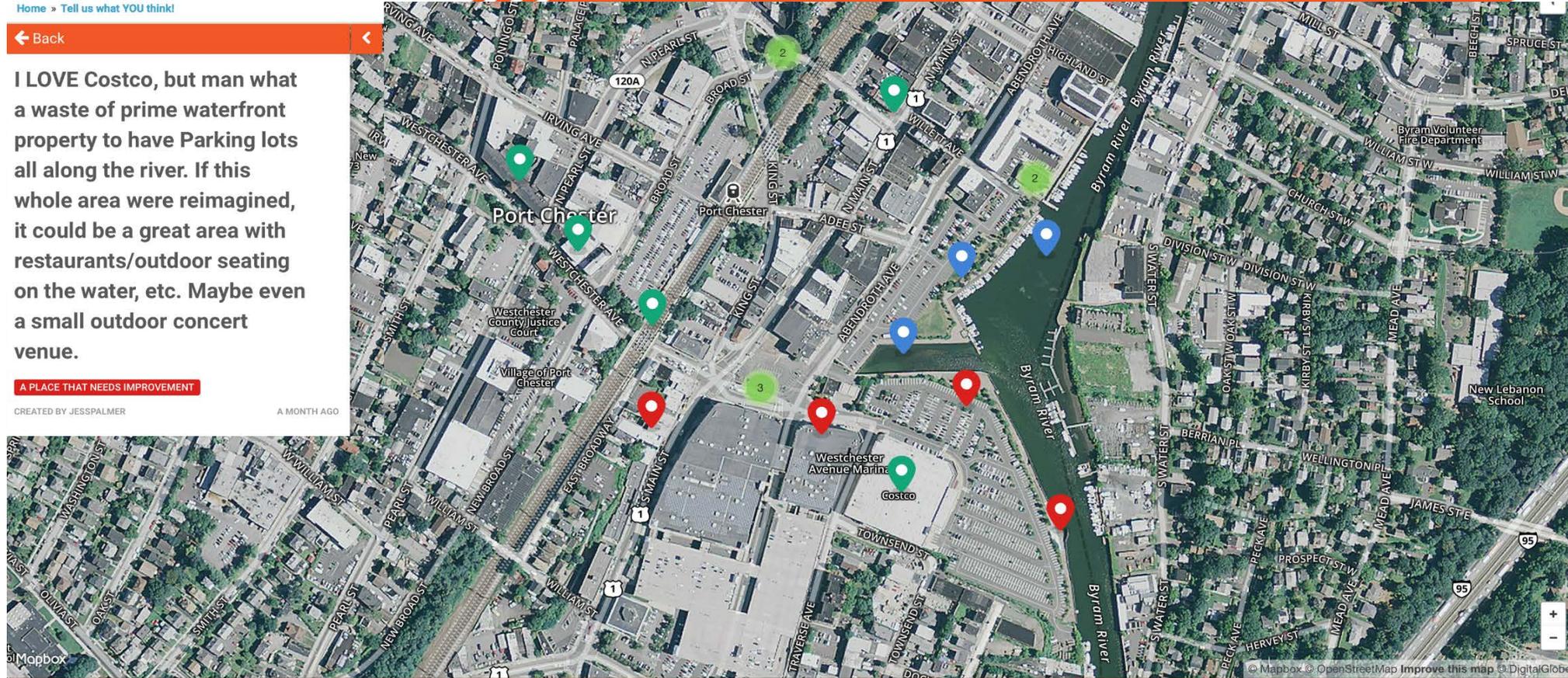
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I LOVE Costco, but man what a waste of prime waterfront property to have Parking lots all along the river. If this whole area were reimagined, it could be a great area with restaurants/outdoor seating on the water, etc. Maybe even a small outdoor concert venue.

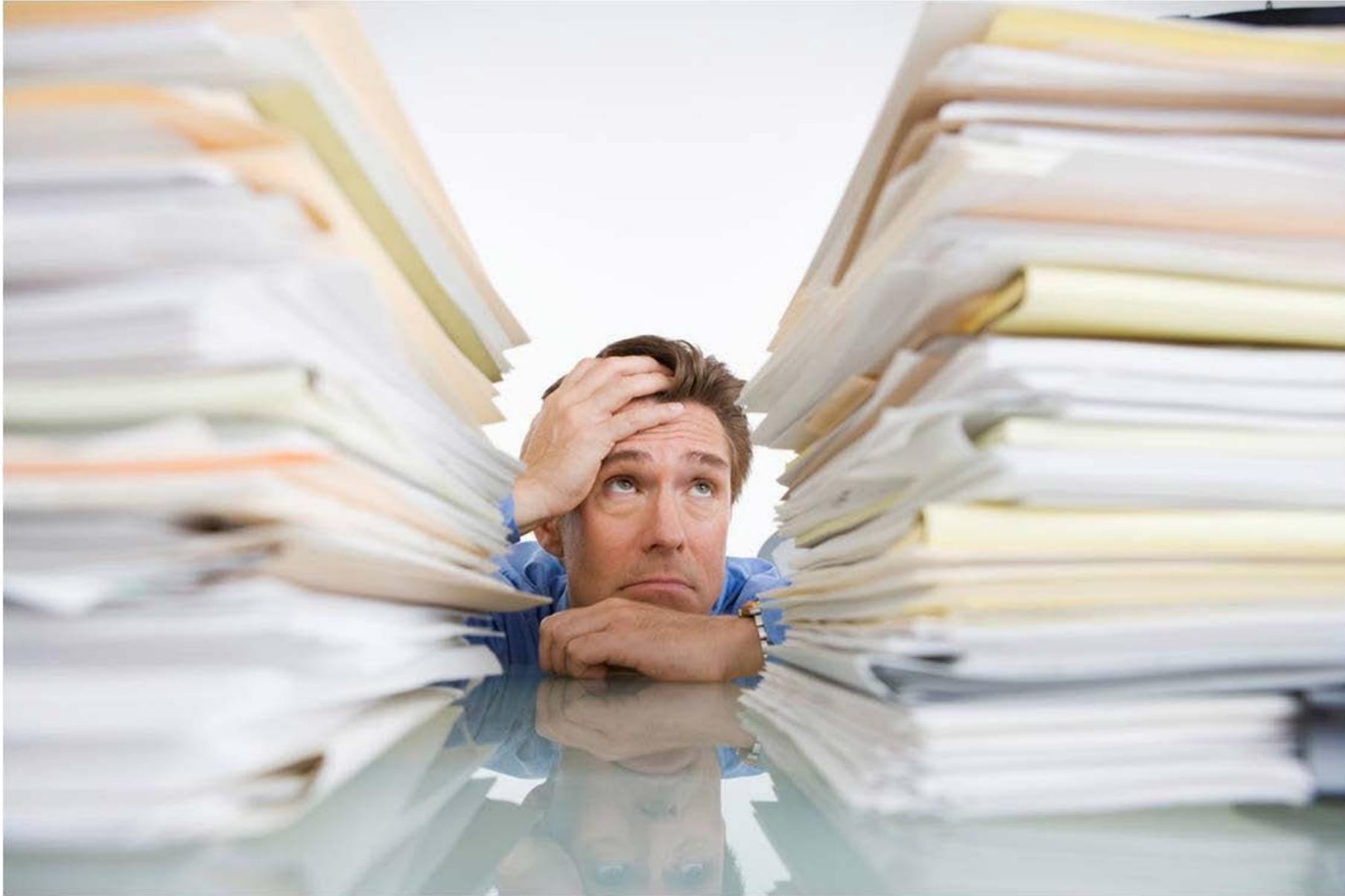
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A MONTH AGO



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Vision Plans



Since early 2018, the Village, in conjunction with our consultants Town Planning and Urban Design Collaborative (TPUDC) has been involved in an innovative public engagement process surrounding the Plan the Port project. So far the process has included: a Community Kick Off event, interviews with elected officials and stakeholders, an eight and a half day Plan-a-palooza™, Community Celebrations and a visit to the Farmer's Market, plus a strong online presence and many online engagement opportunities. All the feedback received has been included in this vision for the future of the Village.

The following pages present possibilities for the future of the Village. These plans and illustrations represent one possible scenario representing the views of many of the participants. They are not intended to be the only plan possible for these areas. Their purpose is to help the community visualize possibilities and create a platform for dialogue about the ideas contained in the images. They are also helpful in the zoning update process, ensuring that the vision of the community as a whole is codified into the new zoning regulations, protecting the existing character when needed and allowing for change in other areas. You can download the whole documents [HERE](#).

OR

Review each area plan separately below and comment. We look forward to hearing your feedback!

Document Library

- Vision Book - FULL DOCUMENT (11.7 MB) (pdf)
- Gateway Area (613 KB) (pdf)
- Train Station Area (4.34 MB) (pdf)
- Downtown Waterfront Area (476 KB) (pdf)

Community Celebrations Events



Gateway Area

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VISION BOOK - INDIVIDUAL AREAS

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GATEWAY PLAN

GATEWAY PARK



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In 2016, City officials kicked off "West Fargo 2.0", a community-wide initiative to update the City's Comprehensive Plan. This Plan represents the official blueprint for long-term, responsible change in West Fargo, supported by grassroots initiative to include residents, business owners, property owners, local interest groups, and elected officials throughout the planning process.

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The City of West Fargo led an open public engagement process unlike any other planning effort in the City. Over the course of 12 months, the City offered an array of engagement opportunities, using a number of creative techniques to try and reach a broad cross-section of West Fargo and spread the word about the West Fargo 2.0 project.

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This article presents some basic data about West Fargo. Do you know your city?
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A.M.Jung, 3 months ago

Working to repair/update current neighborhood parks would be a great place to start. Meadowridge could use some serious TLC. A walking track around the soccer field, patching the basketball asphalt, fixing the electrical issues on the outdated lighting, the dilapidated merry go round... As a native West Fargo citizen who returned to raise a family I thing these plans overall are on the right path to beautify and make our city on track for the next generations.

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Tholens, 4 months ago

The neighborhood parks in the new parts of town are beautiful but what about fixing up the parks in older established neighborhoods. I'm afraid to take my kids to our neighborhood parks. They aren't in good condition or age appropriate. It's really a shame since there are 2 just blocks away.

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7. USE MAPPING TOOLS FOR SPATIAL SAKE

City of Burlington PlanBTV Downtown & Waterfront Plan - Map Based Forum

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Downtown & Waterfront

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Bank Street

2 Bank Street Parking Garage
Bank Street Parking Garage

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Bike Path

6 Buell Street
Buell Street

8 Cathedral Park between Pearl and Cherry
Cathedral Park between Pearl and Cherry

9 Cherry Street
Cherry Street

10 Church Street
Church Street

11 City Hall Park
City Hall Park

12 Cliff Street
Cliff Street

13 College Street
College Street

14 College/Battery intersection
College/Battery intersection

15 College/Church intersection
College/Church intersection

16 College/Hungerford Terrace area
College/Hungerford Terrace area

Battery Park

188	1	Views: keep view open/create view
228	12	Stairs to waterfront
71	48	Funicular down to waterfront
96	8	I love the idea of the bandshell and enjoy the concerts in during the summer. Consider winter time activities here as well

Map Satellite

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City of Burlington **PlanBTV Downtown & Waterfront Plan - Map Based Forum** Help

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Housing

39	0	Baby boomers are going to be looking for affordable housing- moving into something less intense for maintenance and upkeep. Live somewhere walkable, affordable, things to do.
45	13	The current zoning has created college ghetto between downtown and UVM
45	15	Current zoning is discouraging families and anyone who isn't a college student from living near downtown
70	0	Housing is either 1) subsidized low-income 2) college students or 3) very expensive. Housing is needed for young families or young professionals!
53	3	Focus needed on affordable housing, should be a priority
15	12	Map property values
31	17	More single family housing needed for sale in city!



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8. USE A VARIETY OF TOOLS; CHOSEN FOR DEFENSIBLE REASONS



9. PHASE THE PROJECT IN MEANINGFUL WAYS

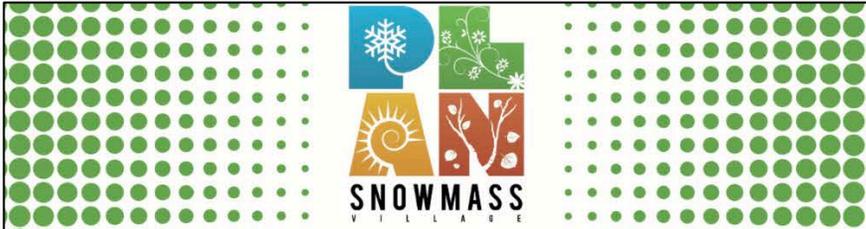
The screenshot shows the 'Plan the Port' website. At the top is a large logo with the text 'PLAN the PORT ZONING UPDATE'. Below the logo is a navigation bar with 'Home' and 'About the Project'. The main content area is titled 'About the Project' and includes a 'REGISTER' button to receive project updates. There is a video player for 'Planapalooza Video' and a 'Project Timeline' sidebar. The sidebar contains a list of project milestones, with the first three items highlighted in a red box: 'Let's get going!', 'Let's see what needs to be fixed!', and 'It's time to roll up our sleeves!'. The rest of the sidebar items are 'It's drafting time!', 'Did we get it right?', and 'Adoption time!'. The main content area also features a 'NEWS FEED' section with several news items, each with a title, date, and social media sharing options.

The 'Project Timeline' sidebar is a vertical list of project milestones. Each milestone is represented by a circular icon with a checkmark, followed by a title and a brief description. The milestones are: 'Let's get going!', 'Let's see what needs to be fixed!', 'It's time to roll up our sleeves!', 'It's drafting time!', 'Did we get it right?', and 'Adoption time!'. The first three milestones are highlighted with a red box, indicating they are the current focus of the project. The descriptions for each milestone provide context and next steps for the community.

Project Timeline

- Let's get going!**
We are just beginning the project and looking forward to engaging with all of you.
- Let's see what needs to be fixed!**
Our consulting team, Town Planning & Urban Design Collaborative, is hard at work reviewing our current regulations and analyzing what needs to be improved.
- It's time to roll up our sleeves!**
We now enter the design and planning process, let's all come together as a community and create a vision for the future.
- It's drafting time!**
Now that we shared our vision with the team, they will get to work on modernizing our regulations so that we can the results we want as a community.
- Did we get it right?**
Now we get a chance to see what all our great work as equalled to and if the modernized regulations bring us to where we want to be. Let's re-engage in the process and make sure we got it right.
- Adoption time!**
All the great work is over and it's now time to put the modernize regulation into place. Let's all

9. PHASE THE PROJECT IN MEANINGFUL WAYS



U think! » What is one wish you have for the future of our community?

What is one wish you have for the future of our community?

10 months ago

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Mary Courtney, 3 months ago Alert moderator

I believe it is possible to maintain small town feel, no traffic lights and increase pedestrian safety. There are two areas that concern me greatly as my family walks quite a bit. As a mother of 3 in free mkt housing in Melton ranch where there are numerous second homeowners and year rounders, it would be nice to have sidewalks in place. Brush creek road by the blue roofs is extremely dangerous without any sidewalk or barrier from cars sometimes driving 40-50 mph up and down brush creek. As well, in our neighborhood we have many many kids walking to and from the bus stop with cars driving very fast down the hill. (Terrace dr) I understand peoples concern for keeping the Mtn feel but for me safety of my children is a greater concern. I also feel that sidewalks don't equate to a non Mtn feel. Sidewalks mean my children can walk to and from the bus stop without running to the sides of the street trying to avoid someone flying down the road. It is often dangerous and pedestrian safety needs to be a greater concern than a Mtn look. I would hate for one of the towns children to be injured because the town refused to update the roads and sidewalks out of a desire to keep things looking a certain way.

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DS, 4 months ago Alert moderator

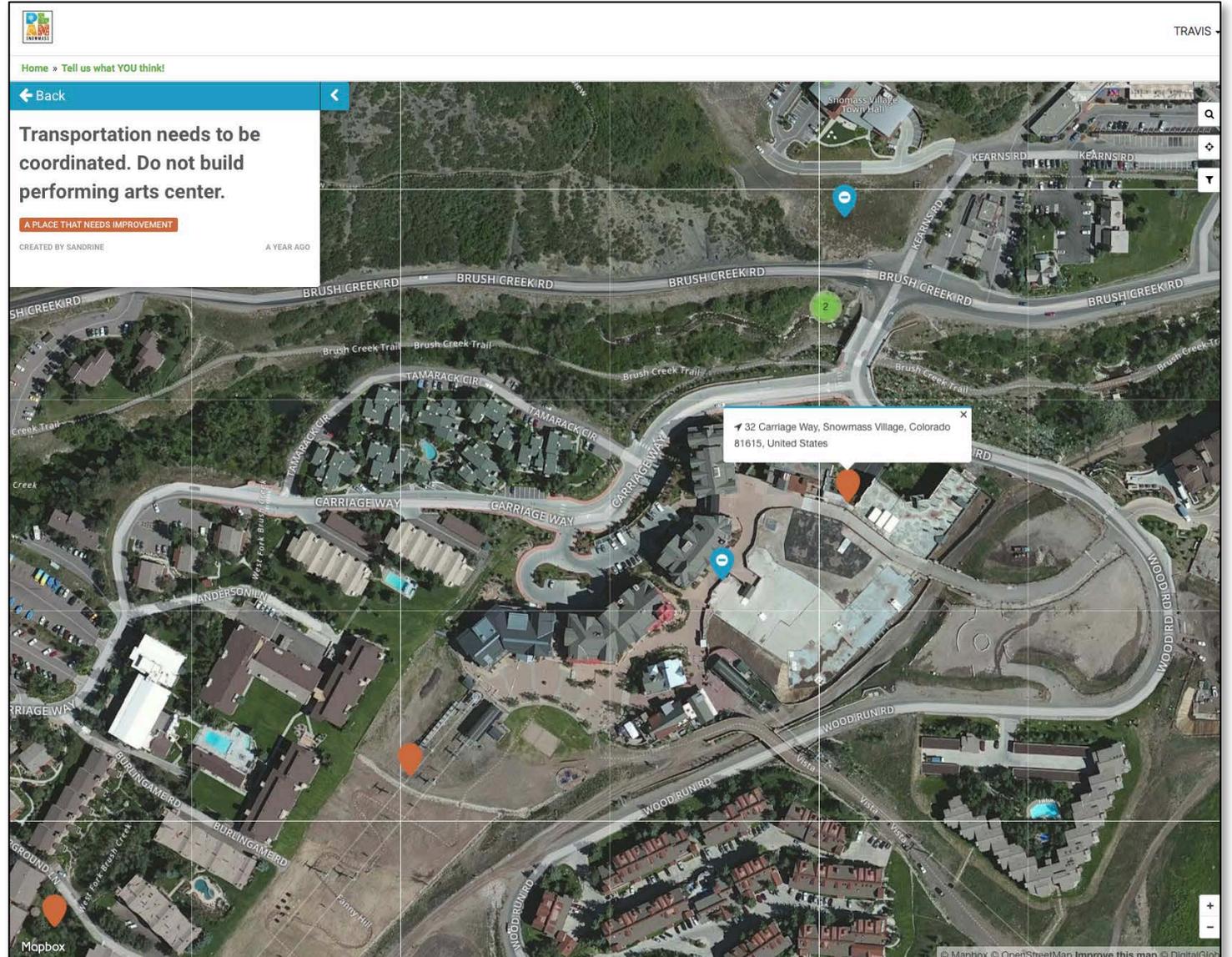
Maintain small town, rural feeling. No traffic lights.

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David Stern, 4 months ago Alert moderator

Less development

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Transportation needs to be coordinated. Do not build performing arts center.

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10. CLOSE THE FEEDBACK LOOP



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What we've heard so far!



If you've missed the Project Kick-Off that took place in November, no worries. Here we share with you what we have heard so far from various stakeholders and members of the public. We have organized comments based on topics that will become part of the Comprehensive Plan document.

For those who attended the event, tells us if we missed anything.

Use this information to help you think about what you'd like to see, add your comments/additional ideas here under each topic.

Also visit the [Get Involved](#) page to broaden the discussion.

INPUT WE'VE HEARD SO FAR!

Discussions: All (10) [Open \(10\)](#)

LAND USE, GROWTH & CONSERVATION

1 Response

over 1 year ago

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- We should acquire the older homes that back up to Main Ave and start putting land together for rebuilding along the street.
- Bring old part of the city along with the new part and tie those parts together.
- We need density but it needs to be done better – apartments are not done well and families don't want to be there. We should develop guidelines for smaller apartment developments.
- If you live on Sheyenne south of the highway you need to drive, services are too far. All the bars are closer to Fargo.
- We are running out of place...

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HOUSING AND NEIGHBORHOODS

7 Responses

over 1 year ago

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- There needs to be places to built tiny homes - 160 sq ft home in the community on a small lot.
- The high rise senior housing building on Sheyenne, will need more buildings like that.
- We continue to build out and out and out. Once we have no more land, we need to revitalize our older neighborhoods before the larger diversion opens up more land. We should leverage that time and update our older neighborhoods.
- School District is in 4 different communities. It would be nice to talk about housing development and think about where the school is going...

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BUSINESS, TOURISM & ECONOMIC GROWTH

1 Response

over 1 year ago

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- Dreaming big is great, but we should try not to get out of balance. Find ways to generate revenue. We should think about what businesses we want to attract. We don't want to disenfranchise the existing population.
- We want to be more commercial while keeping the small town feel.
- Hold more events to bring the community together.
- Bring the Farmers Market in the downtown to add more activity.

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OPEN SPACE & RECREATION

5 Responses

over 1 year ago

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- Western border of the Sheyenne Diversion presents great recreation opportunities, but there are issues with private properties. The future diversion should also bring opportunities.
- Parks/City should locate a piece of land for a city park and start planting trees now, they take a long time to grow.

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NATURAL AND CULTURAL RESOURCES

over 1 year ago

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- We need more trees.
- Use flood prone areas or areas along diversion for community gardens and urban agriculture.

WRAPPING IT UP



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1. Use social media wisely.
2. Use language everyone can understand.
3. Provide options for visual feedback—images and videos.
4. Collect demographic data along with project feedback.
5. Remember the “mirror effect”.
6. Work in bite size, digestible chunks.
7. Use mapping tools for spatial sake and spatial sake alone.
8. Use a variety of tools; chosen for solid, defensible reasons.
9. Phase the project in meaningful ways and honor the phases.
10. Always close the feedback loop.

10 COMMANDMENTS



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LET'S CHAT!