

VISION 2040 STATEMENTS – PROPOSED EDITS



Focus Area 1: Enhancing a Livable Region

1. Ensure an adequate supply of buildable land by encouraging redevelopment of underutilized properties and extending infrastructure to ~~vacant land~~ **undeveloped land that is zoned for development-related uses.**
3. Design ~~these~~ neighborhoods to be oriented around **complete** streets that are well integrated with local transit, are ADA accessible, and accommodate "active transportation" such as cycling, walking, and wheelchair rolling.
6. Assess the growth and distribution of vacation rentals across the city and take actions that may be required to ~~mitigate adverse~~ **address negative** impacts on neighborhoods and the community.
19. Pursue strategic investments and partnerships to adequately meet the **fiscal** needs of the community as it grows and develops.

Focus Area 2: Preserving & Enjoying Our Environment

4. ~~Expand the number of healthy, energy and resource-efficient buildings and places in the greater Newport area.—~~
10. Increase the use of renewable energy ~~and~~ **to** achieve energy independence in the greater Newport area, harnessing a combination of alternative renewable energy sources and technologies.

Focus Area 3: Creating New Businesses & Jobs

1. Working with federal, state, and local economic development organizations, ~~promote~~ **target** recruitment of selected industries to the area that align with the greater Newport area's strategic vision, offer living wage jobs, and support the community's quality of life.
9. Partner with new and existing businesses to ~~grow~~ **expand** jobs that provide living wages.
15. ~~Cultivate a diversified agricultural economy that addresses environmental sustainability, community health, and the elimination of hunger.~~
16. Promote the production, marketing, and direct sales of seafood, **value added** wood **products**, and local agricultural products.

Focus Area 4: Learning, Exploring & Creating New Horizons

4. Establish **comprehensive** bilingual educational programs (English and Spanish) ~~in area schools~~ **throughout the community, including ESL instruction**, to promote better integration and improved achievement of ~~all students~~ **residents of all ages.**
11. Increase the availability of, and access to, lower cost **arts** venues and performances while supporting new, innovative opportunities, including workshops, film, and student work.
12. Expand outdoor summer arts **events and** offerings such as music and theater.

Focus Area 5: Improving Community Health & Safety

~~4. Develop a multilingual center that provides~~ Support Centro de Ayuda in increasing its capacity to provide translation services and accommodates key State, County, and City social services under one roof ~~and establish productive partnerships throughout the community~~, including assistance with employment, physical health, mental health, rehabilitation, education, nutrition, legal, immigration, and financial education needs.

~~9. Develop new~~ Improve affordable access to recreational and community facilities, including indoor spaces for sports, family and cultural celebrations, classes, youth programs, and other affordable recreational and social activities that are accessible during evenings and the rainy season.

11. Improve and expand programs and partnerships to help ~~move~~ transition the area's homeless population from homelessness to stable housing.

12. Improve community "food security" by addressing issues of availability, accessibility, and affordability of healthy food, targeting underserved communities.

~~13. Target food security programs for underserved communities.~~

16. Support improved "community policing" practices that promote positive interactions between law enforcement and the public.