

St. Louis Park Strategic Directions 18 month Guide

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St. Louis Park is committed to being a connected and engaged community.

Focus will be on:

- Conducting research to determine what makes a neighborhood organization strong, viable and sustainable with an aim toward increasing and strengthening neighborhoods.
- Developing an expanded and organized network of sidewalks and trails.
- Promoting regional transportation issues and related dedicated funding sources affecting St. Louis Park including but not limited to Hwy. 100 and SWLRT.
- Evaluating and investigating additional north/south transportation options for the community.
- Increasing use of new and existing gathering places and ensuring accessibility throughout the community.
- Exploring creation of a multi-use civic center, including indoor/winter use.
- Directing the Human Rights Commission to examine the Diversity section of Vision St. Louis Park and develop goals/recommendations for actions

St. Louis Park is committed to being a leader in environmental stewardship. We will increase environmental consciousness and responsibility in all areas of city business.

Focus will be on:

- Expanding energy efficiencies in the City's operations.
- Educating staff and the public on environmental consciousness, stewardship and best practices.
- Working in areas such as the rehab loan program, development projects, permits etc, encourage (and provide incentives where appropriate) green building design (LEED), creation of open spaces, environmental innovations etc.
- Preserving, enhancing and providing good stewardship of our parks.
- Investigating the need and purpose for an energy/environmental commission.

St. Louis Park is committed to providing a well-maintained and diverse housing stock.

Focus will be on:

- Remodeling and expanding move-up, single-family, owner-occupied homes.
- Property maintenance to foster quality housing and community aesthetics.
- Working towards affordable single-family home ownership throughout the city.

St. Louis Park is committed to promoting and integrating arts, culture, and community aesthetics in all City initiatives, including implementation where appropriate.