



OVERVIEW

Hanover County is currently working with residents, businesses, and property owners to update its Comprehensive Plan, which provides the long-range vision for growth and development. The goal of this plan is for it to be reflective of what our residents and property owners envision for the County's future. The County has spent the first year of this process obtaining citizen input through public meetings, online surveys (including a visual preference survey), open houses, website initiatives, emails, and various other outreach.

WHAT DID WE HEAR?

The project team compiled and analyzed feedback received, which included thousands of comments. A broad range of ideas were shared, but several key themes emerged. These themes have been grouped under three categories: Community Values, Community Character, and Community Infrastructure and Services. These themes will be used as the basis for policy decisions throughout the Comprehensive Plan process.

Community Values

- *Preserve rural character*
- *Manage growth and direct development to areas with adequate infrastructure*
- *Provide quality and diverse housing options at appropriate locations*

Community Infrastructure and Services

- *Maintain and enhance the transportation network to improve safety, reduce congestion, and provide safe opportunities for walking and biking*
- *Maintain good schools*
- *Provide more parks and recreational opportunities*
- *Expand broadband access*

Community Character

- *Create vibrant places reflective of Hanover County's rural character through the use of high-quality landscaping, architecture, and site design*
- *Provide transitions between uses and place types to create harmonious communities*
- *Protect and enhance rural villages and crossroads*
- *Create attractive, well-planned residential neighborhoods with open space and landscaping integrated throughout*
- *Accommodate high-quality commercial, industrial, and employment hubs near interstate interchanges and major corridors*

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