

# Translating Strategic Plans into Action through Project Management



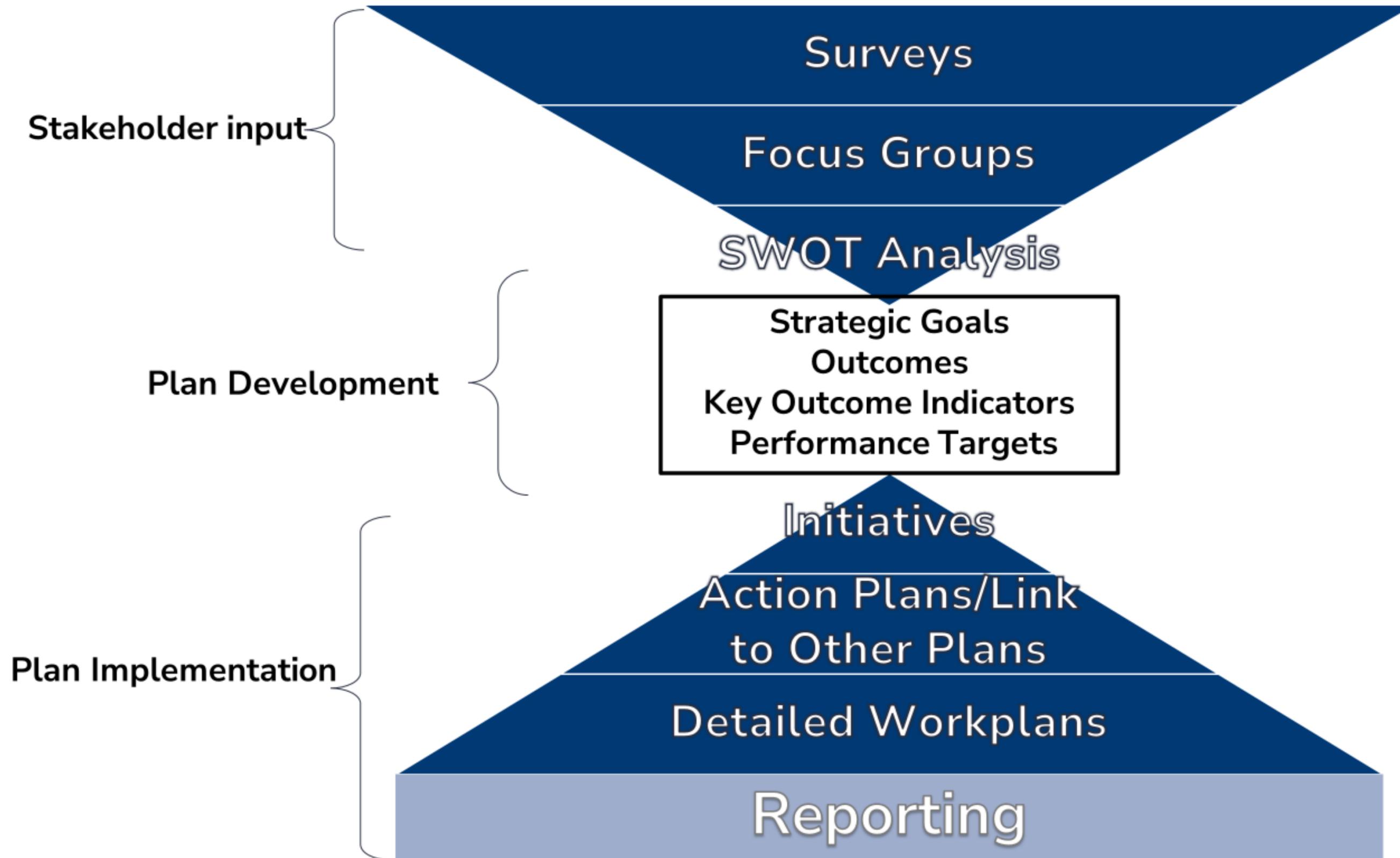
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# Strategic Planning Process





**PROJECT  
MANAGEMENT  
STARTS BEFORE  
THE PLAN DOES!**





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# IMPLEMENTATION

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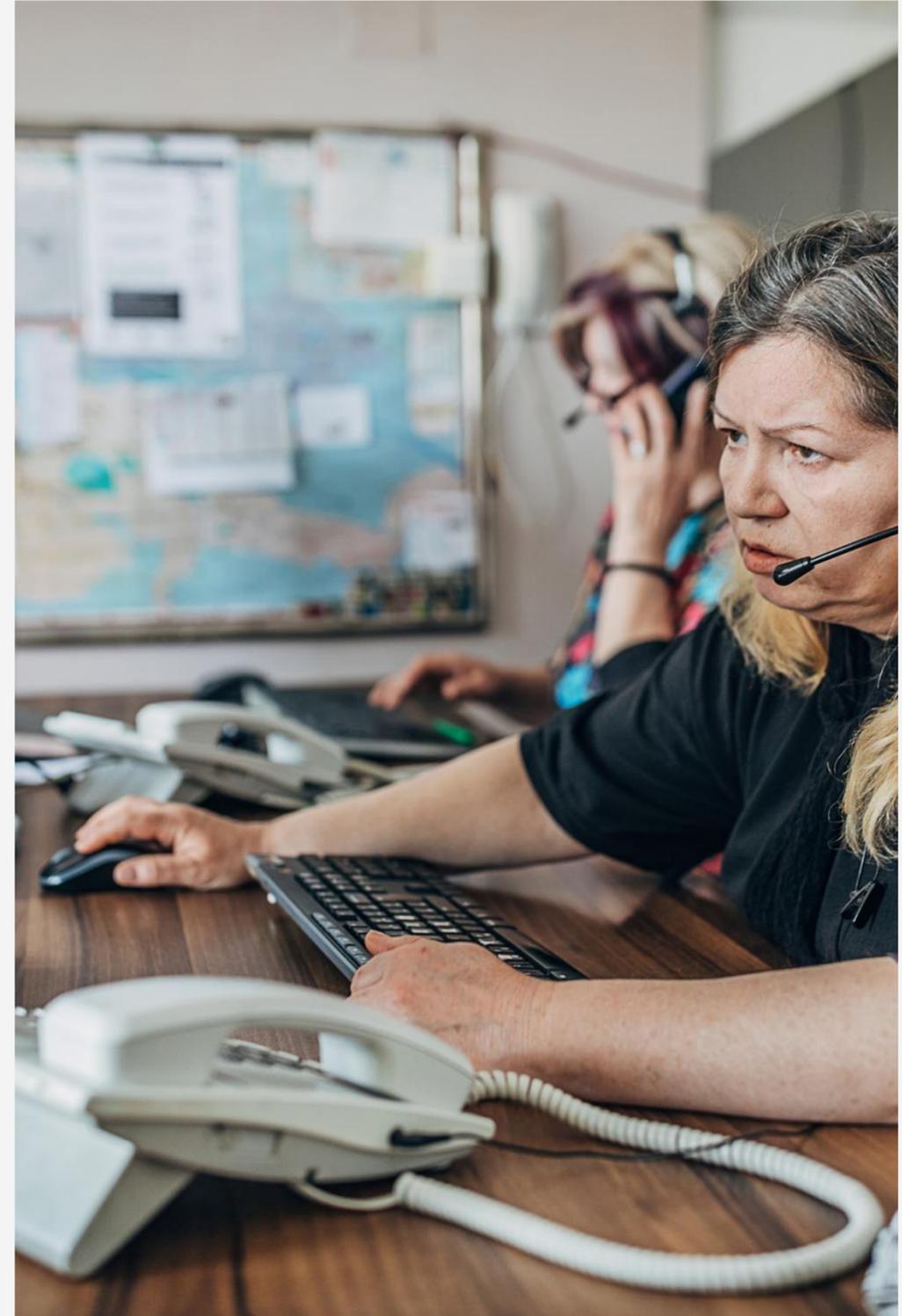
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<b>Council Role:</b> Affirm Vision/Purpose	Establish Goals	Establish/Prioritize Action Items	Review/Adopt Budget Conduct Meetings	Authorize Contracts (of \$15K or more)	Engage w/ Community And Staff
<b>Staff Role:</b> Support Vision/Purpose	Align Goals with Resources	Implement Priority Action Items	Prepare Plans and Oversee Functions	Plan & Complete Projects	Carry Out Day-to-Day Responsibilities

# Get Buy-in

Get input before the plan is developed- and make sure to include your front-line staff





Excellent



Very Good



Good



Fair



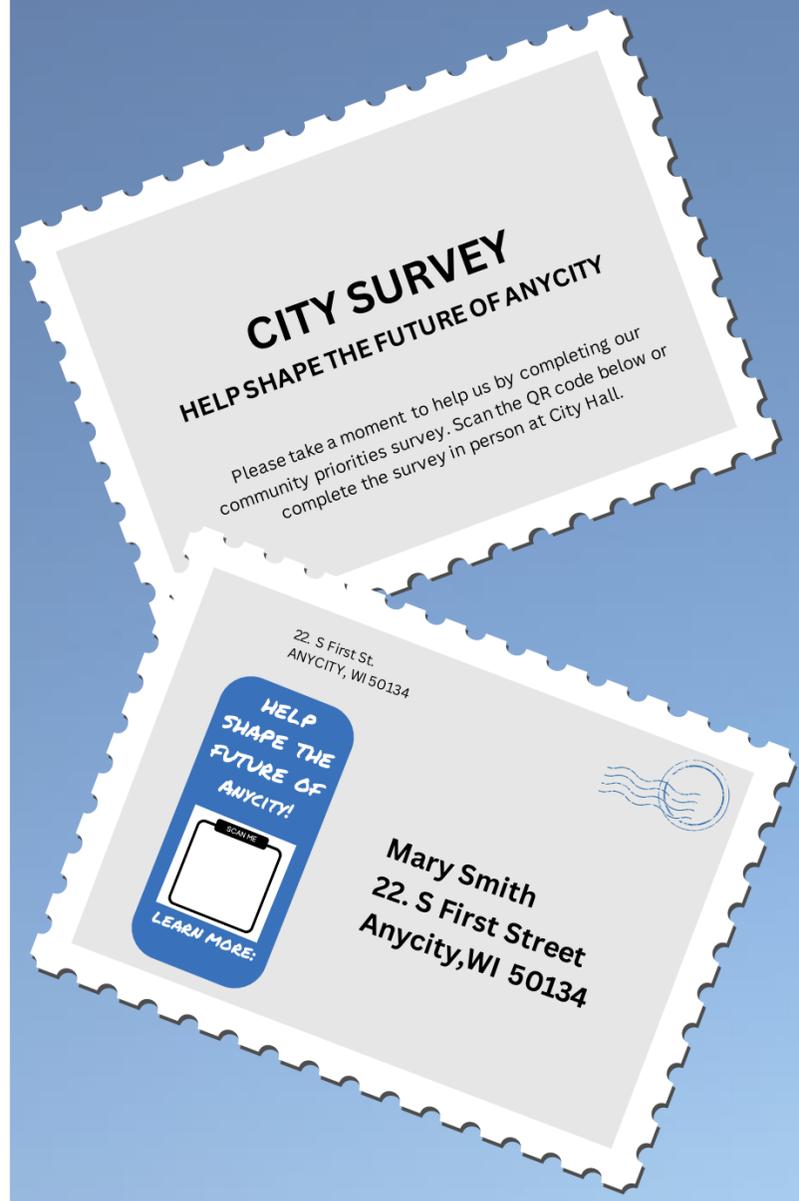
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**COMMUNITY**

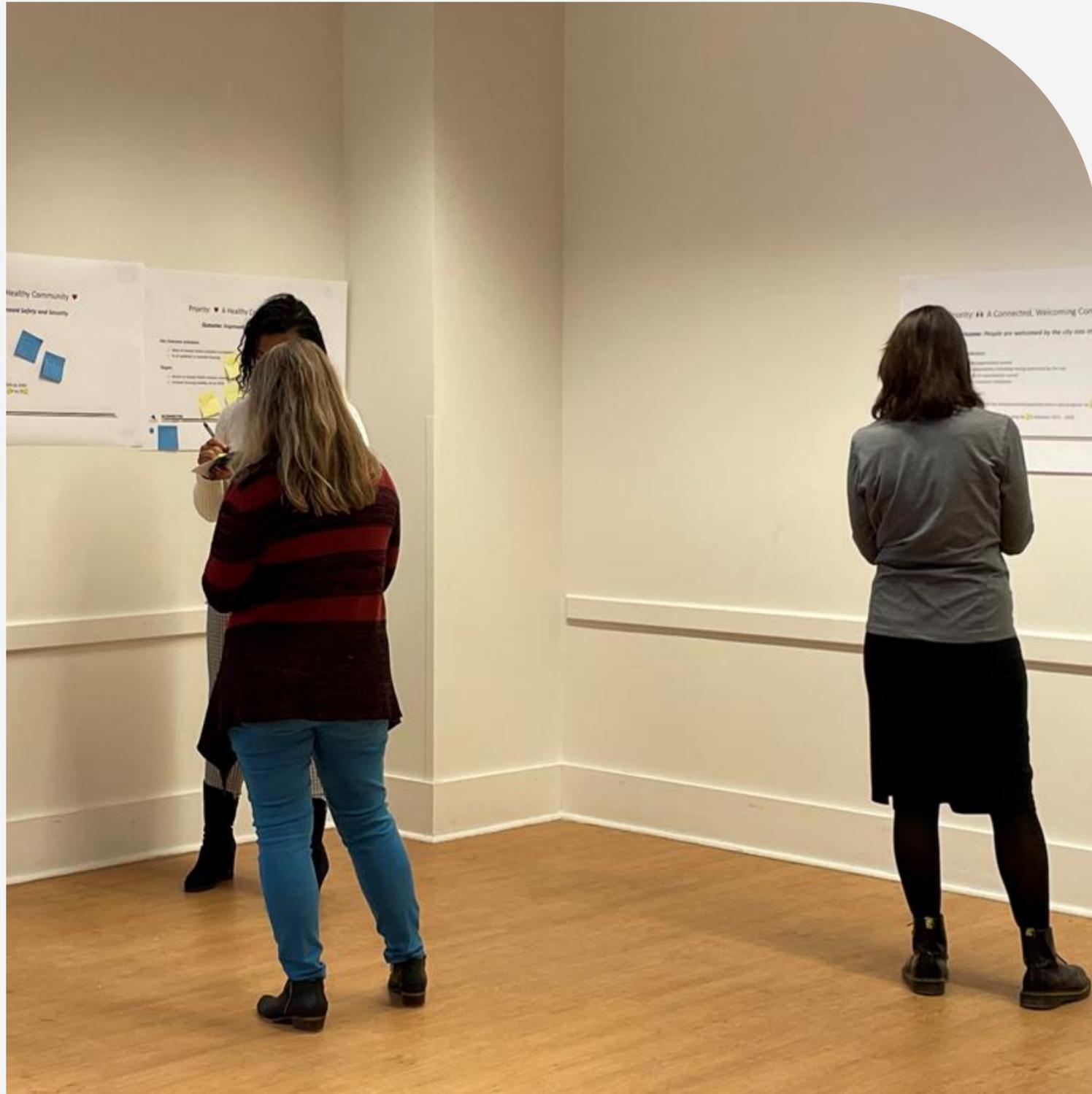
**PRIORITIES**

**SURVEY**





Redefine  
“Performance  
Measures” for  
your  
organization



# Confirm Performance Measures

Determine the  
Scale of the  
Plan in  
Advance



**UNDERSTANDING  
ORGANIZATIONAL  
CHALLENGES FOR  
IMPLEMENTATION**

# Develop Cross-Functional Teams

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# Get People Involved in the Right Way



# The Work Breakdown Schedule

**A Work Breakdown Schedule (WBS) serves as a central document that defines an action plan**

**A WBS lists all activities that are intended to implement the plan**

**The goal is a document (or series of documents) that provides a comprehensive list of planned activities**

# WBS

## COMPONENTS

- **Personnel competencies (NOT specific personnel) needed to complete the task**
- **Budgets**
- **Schedule (milestones, delivery dates, etc.)**
- **Reporting (when and to whom)**

# Developing WBS Components

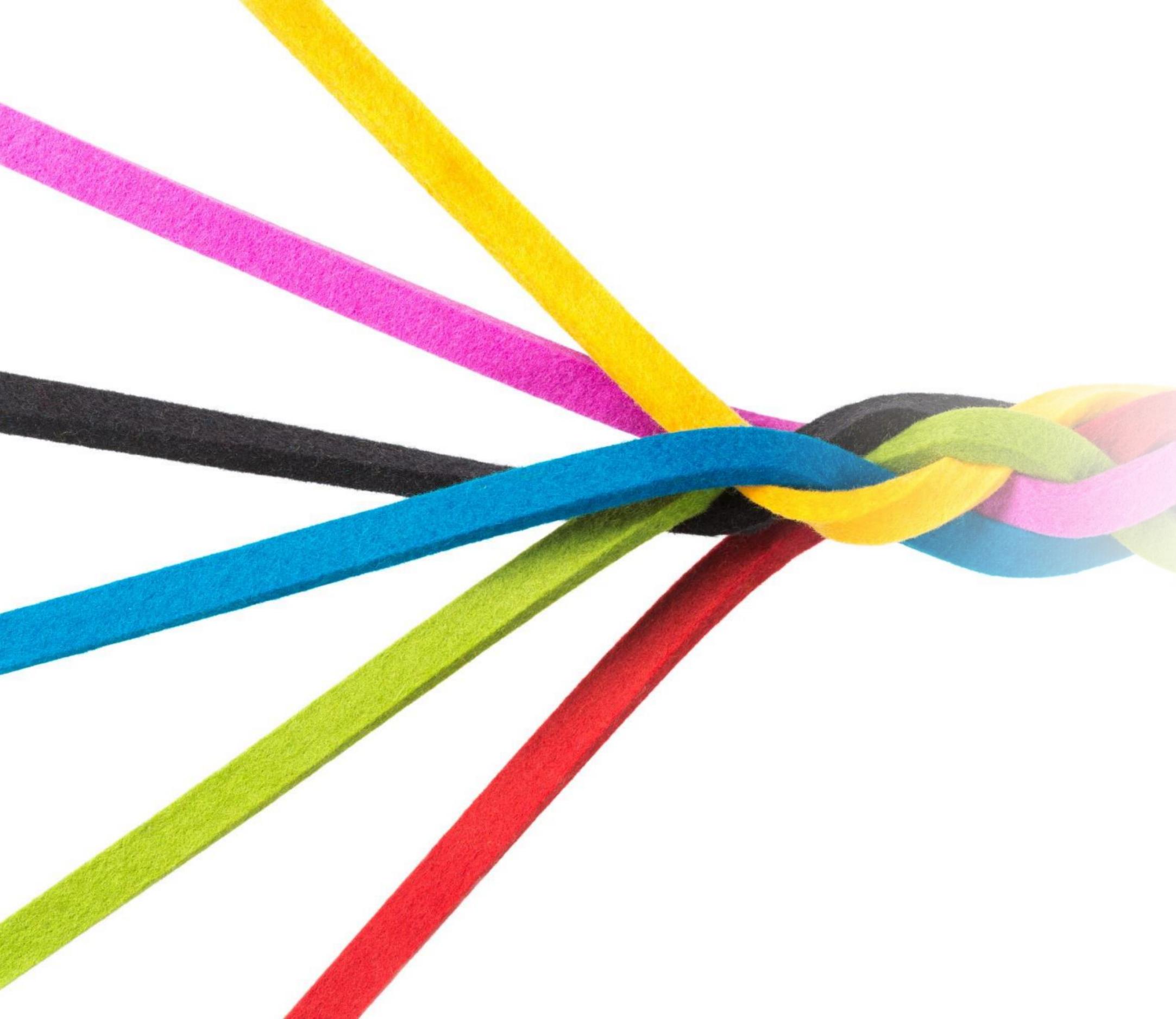
- **Tasks – iterative brainstorming**
- **Schedule – experience, experimentation, and consultation**
- **Dependencies – an advanced topic**

# Reporting

- **Which tasks do you need to report to whom and with what frequency?**
- **Does reporting just mean a memo? a presentation?**
- **A Danger: Quasi-resolution of conflict**

# Tools for Work Breakdown Schedules

- **Traditional approaches – GANTT charts**
  - **Online Gantt (a free tier)**
  - **MS Project and basically the sky's the limit**
- **Agile approaches – Kanban boards**
  - **Trello (a free tier)**
  - **Jira (the industry standard)**



**TYING IT ALL  
TOGETHER:  
SHOWING  
PROGRESS  
MATTERS**



## AGENDA ITEM EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Agenda Item:			
Presenter & Title:			
Date:	Click or tap to enter a date.		
<b><i>Please Check Appropriate Box:</i></b>			
<input type="checkbox"/>	Committee of the Whole Meeting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special Committee of the Whole Meeting
<input type="checkbox"/>	City Council Meeting	<input type="checkbox"/>	Special City Council Meeting
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Hearing	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other -
Associated Strategic Plan Goal/Objective:			
Estimated Cost: \$	Budgeted? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Other Funding? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
<i>If "Other Funding," please explain how the item will be funded:</i>			
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# UNDERSTANDING THIS DOCUMENT

## Performance Indicators

Indicator	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	Target	Status
Indicator Title	\$7,131,029	\$7,343,971	\$7,504,115	\$8,056,513	\$9,765,936	\$8,334,141	Increase	●
Indicator Title	21,795	21,910	22,012	21,899	21,809	21,393	Increase	●
Indicator Title	\$918,960,793	\$978,064,190	\$1,010,041,569	\$1,047,796,274	\$1,072,103,159	\$1,090,050,433	Increase	●
Indicator Title	\$5,354,013	\$5,623,035	\$5,698,572	\$5,893,341	\$5,852,897	\$5,894,950	Increase	●
Indicator Title	-	\$7,361,518	\$7,476,013	\$7,702,354	\$8,149,741	\$8,268,687	Increase	●



A descriptive title of the performance indicator for each respective Vision.



Data for each indicator displayed here. See "\*" for information on special circumstances and reporting periods.

This category indicates what trend is desirable and is used to determine the status.

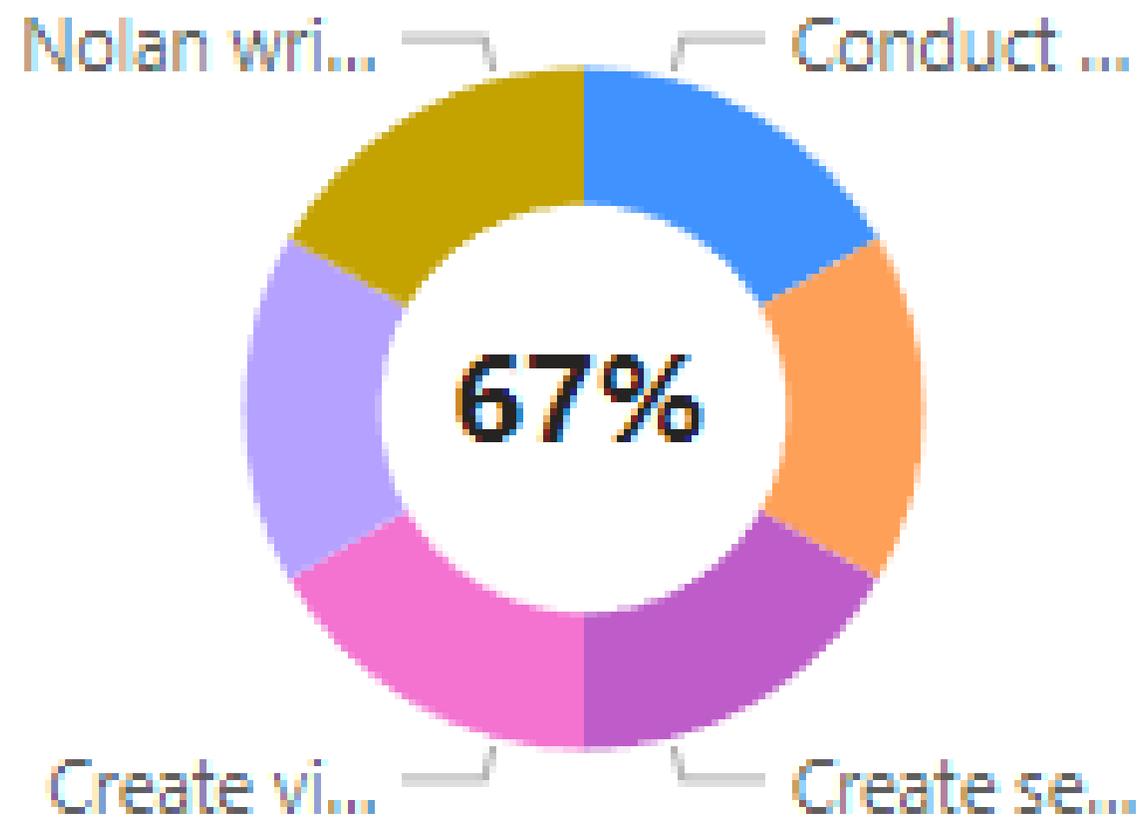


- Negative Trend
- Neutral Trend
- Positive Trend

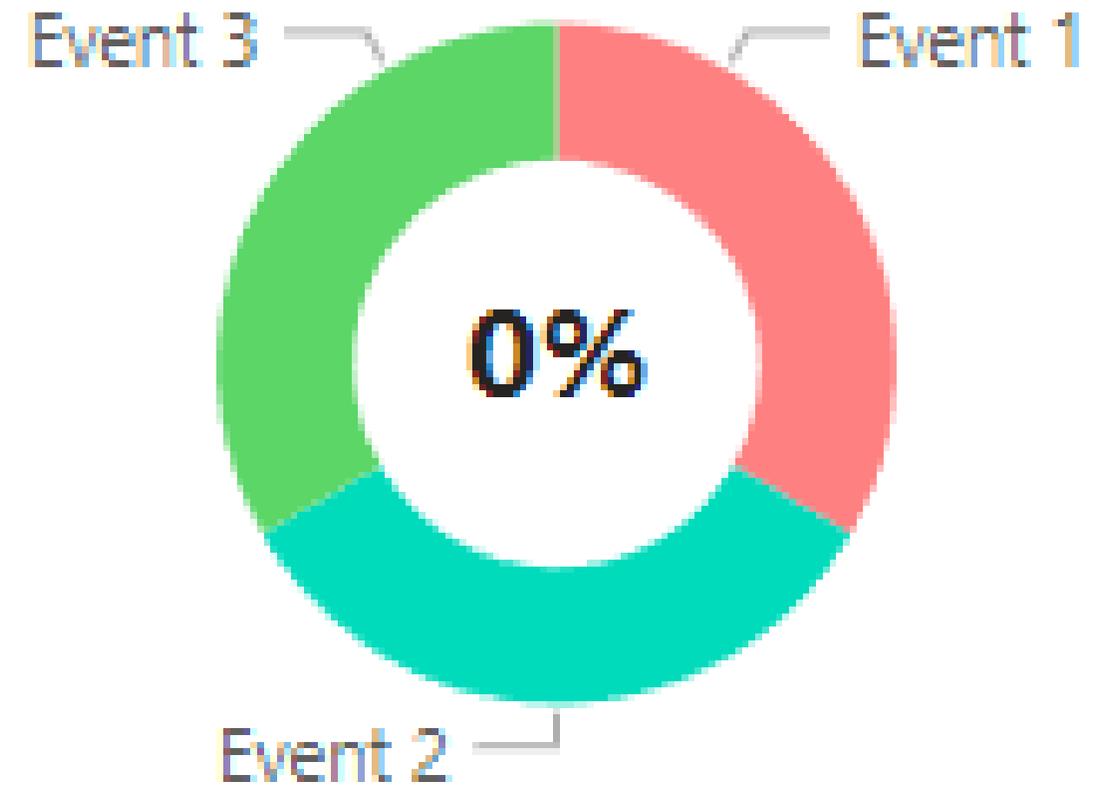


## Increased Public Understanding and Trust

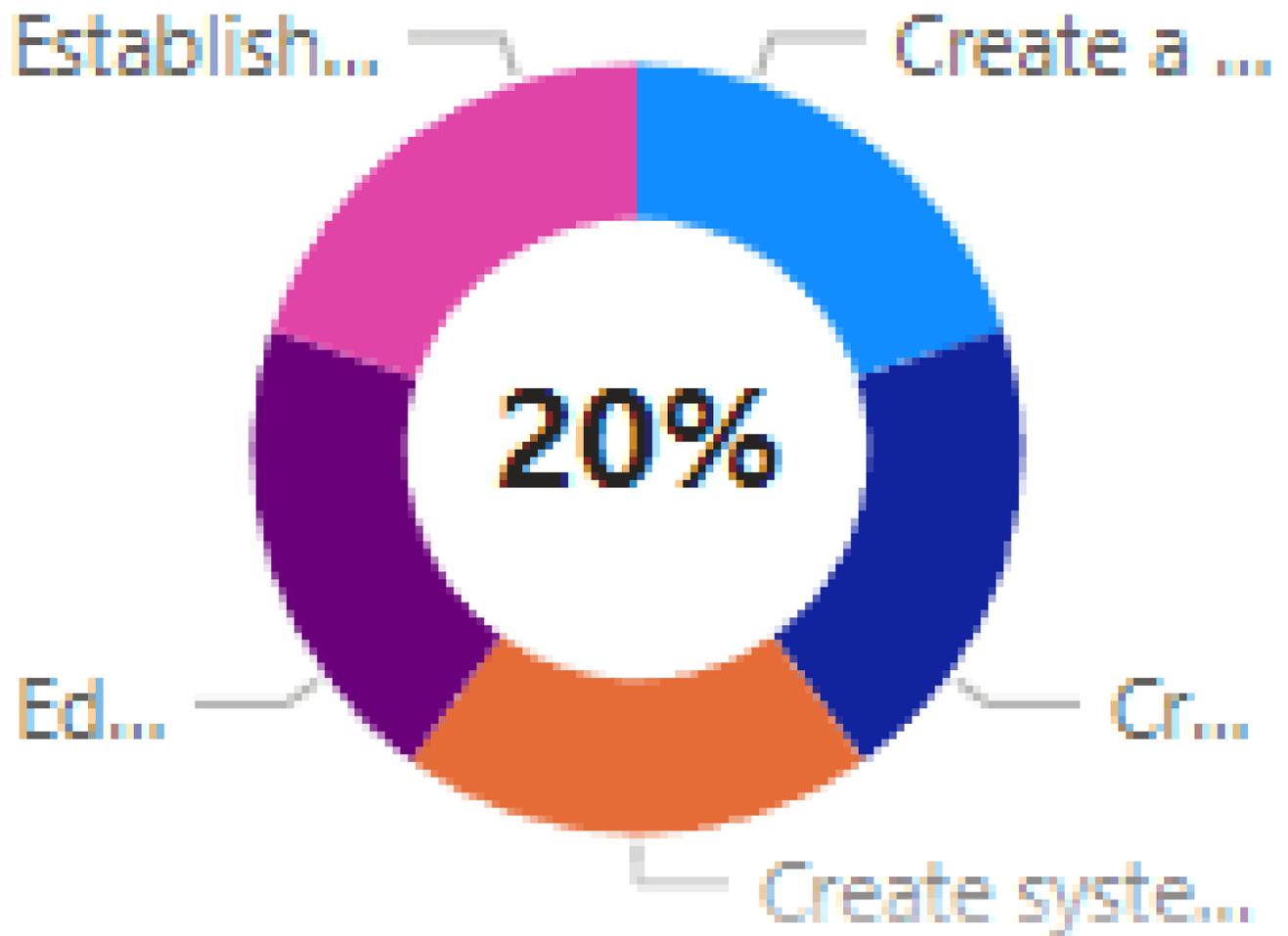
10% increase in positive public trust survey results annually



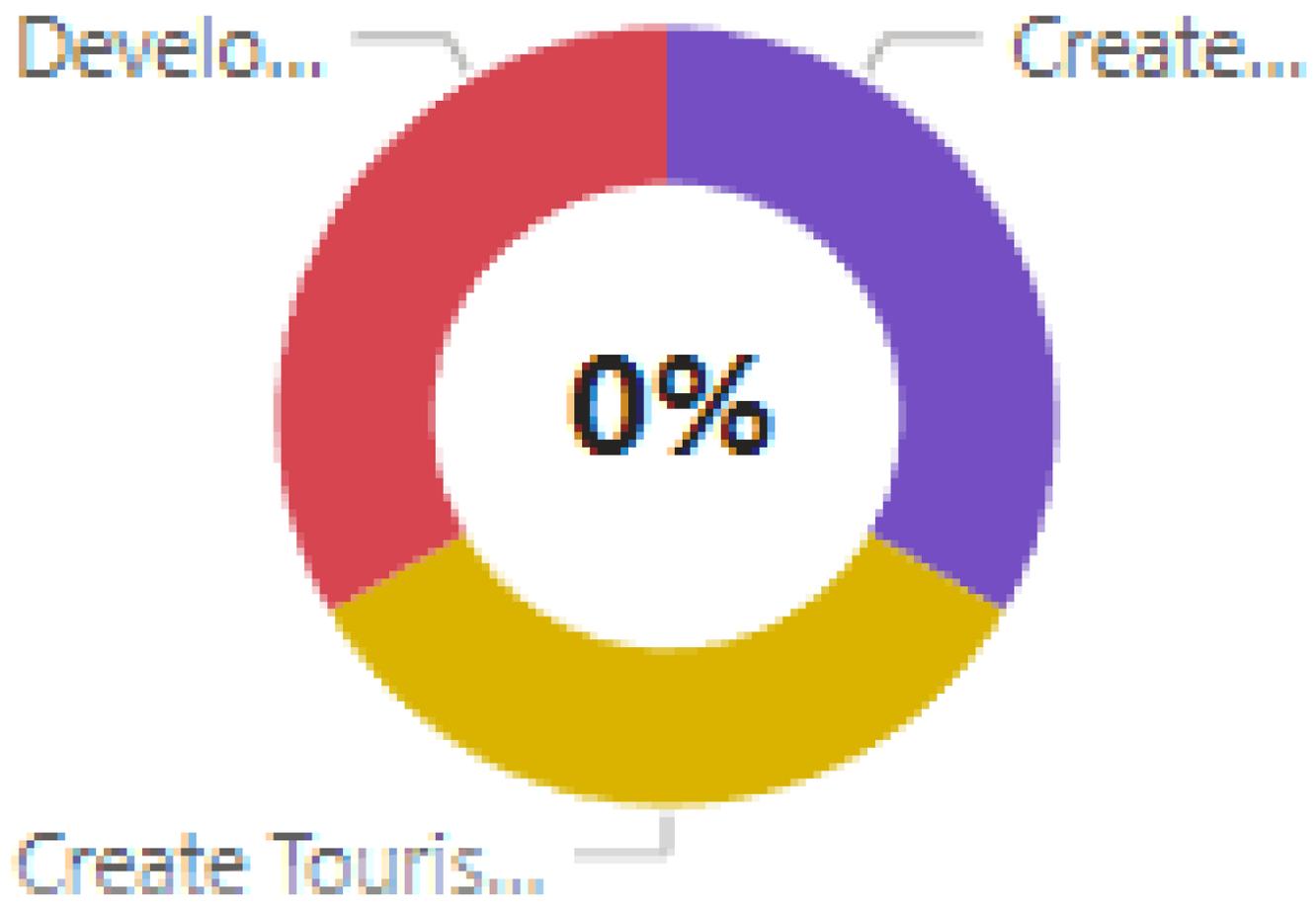
≥3 in person events annually



Land use regulations  
revised by 4/24



Repurposed sites increased  
by 10 % by 12/25



Based upon the community's strategies and values, it was decided that **Increased Safety and Security** is foundational for a healthy community. For this cycle of the BTT, the City of Bloomington has decided Safety Hazards, Drug Overdoses, and Traffic Injuries are major threats to the security of the community. We will track and improve on the measures within these categories. Initiatives for this Outcome focus on promoting feelings of safety through positive interaction in addition to improving safety through measurement.

Description	Progress	Status
<p data-bbox="219 701 1102 752">Implement a <b>Traffic Injury Reduction Plan</b></p> <p data-bbox="219 799 1912 1046">A common threat to all community's safety is traffic accidents. Severe incidents lead to injuries, sustained trauma, and sometimes death. For the BTT, the City will implement a Traffic Injury Reduction Plan following the National Roadway Safety Strategies as well as new methods to:</p> <ul data-bbox="286 1093 1562 1277" style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reduce the Number of Traffic Injuries in Bloomington</li> <li>• Reduce the Number of Intersections with High Injury Rates</li> <li>• Trend Towards 0 Traffic Deaths</li> </ul>		

### Checklist:

- Create Collaborative Traffic Reporting Team with PD, Admin, and Engineering by March 2023
- Join the National Roadway Safety Strategies Commitment to Action by July 2023
- Develop Intersection Injury Rate Framework for Priority Reporting by December 2023
- Create Public Information Campaign on Safe Drivers: Reduce OWI's, Increase Seatbelt Wearing, Reduce Speeds by January 2024
- Standardize Annual Priority Reporting of Traffic Data by July 2024
- Develop a Post-Crash Care Strategy to Reduce EMS Response Time by January 2025
- Implement Speed Reduction Strategies in Neighborhood Traffic Management Plan by 2025.
- Implement NRSS Proven Safety Countermeasures for 5+ High Priority Crash Areas by January 2028

## Latest Update:

### What were the Highlights of your work this past quarter?

- Presenting to the Executive Leadership Team on the Initiative

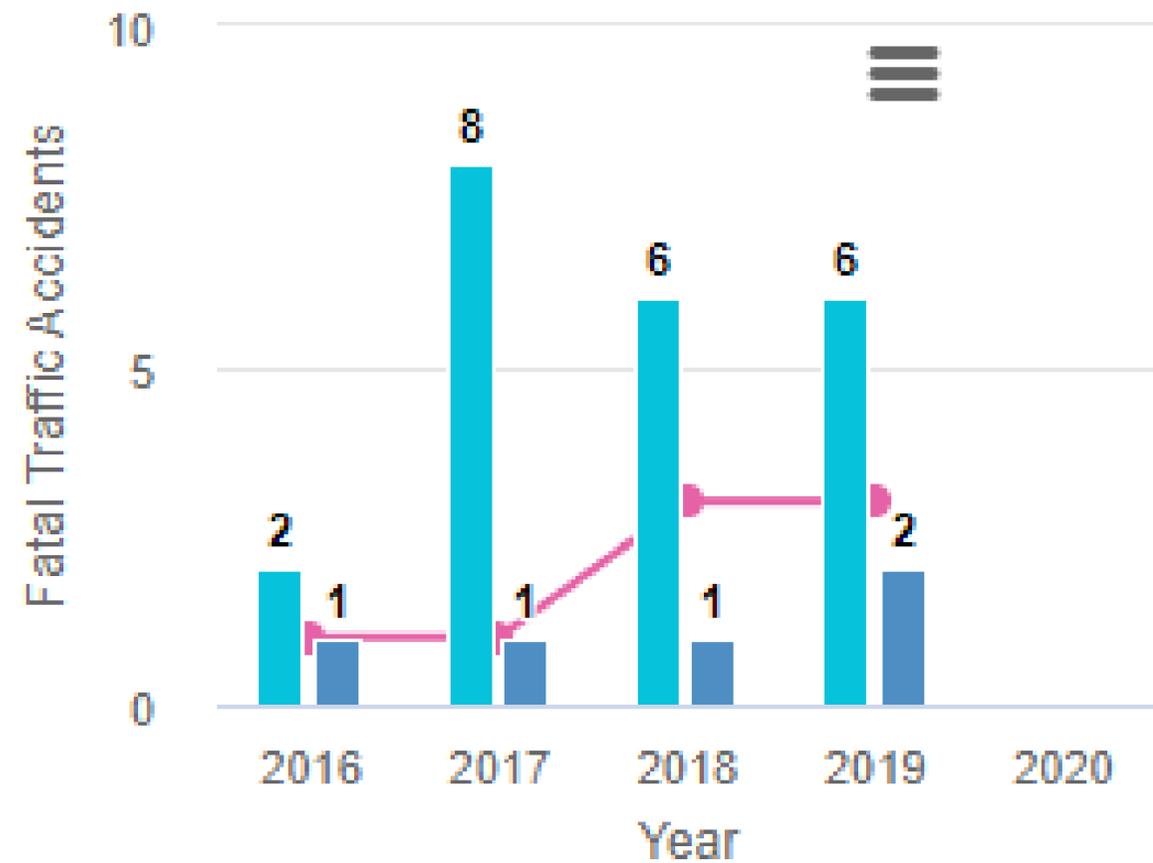
### What are Barriers that have effected your work, or will effect your work, this upcoming quarter?

- Reassigning responsibilities to a new Project Manager within Public Works. New Initiative Owner has been identified, but this may risk changes to project scope.

### What Progress do you expect to see this upcoming quarter?

- Expected progress includes refining the action plan and developing interest amongst staff and leadership on this initiative.

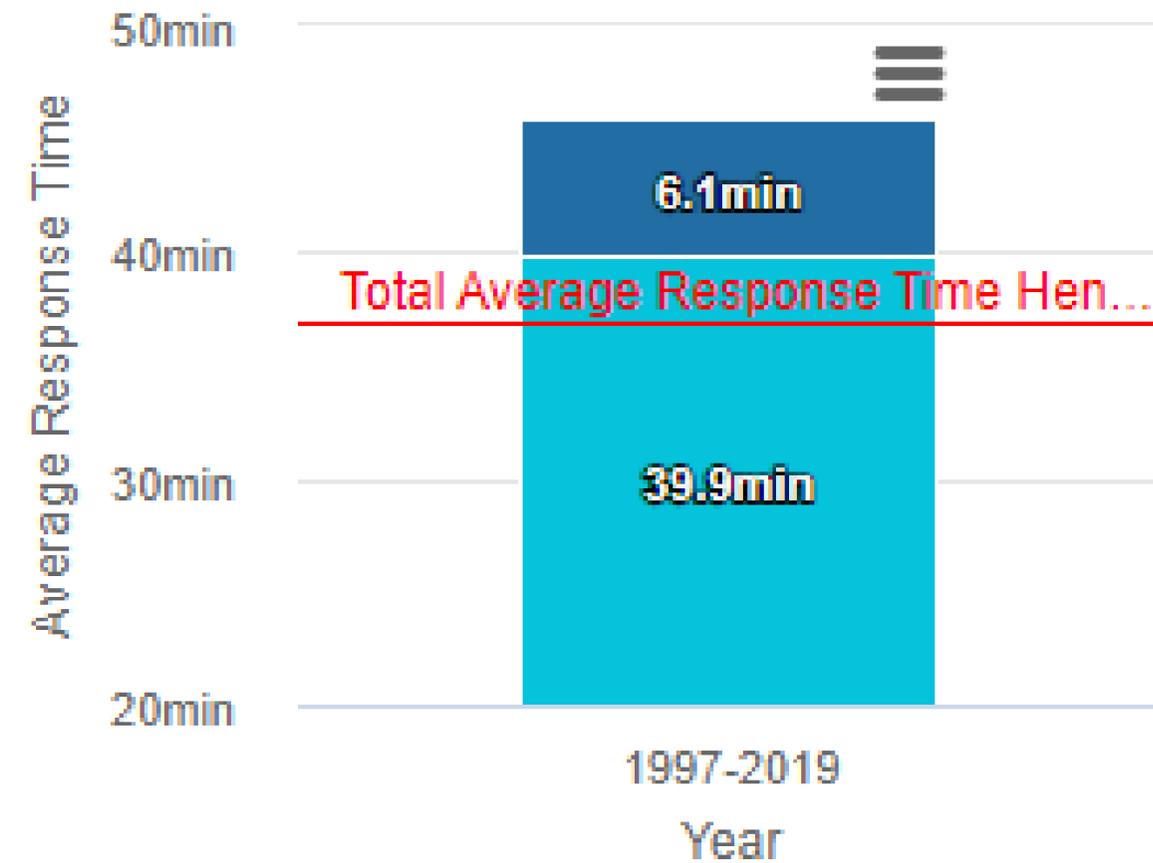
### Fatal Traffic Accidents



- Fatal Accidents with Drunk Driver
- Total Fatalities
- Pedestrians in Fatal Accidents

Data from CityData.com based on Reports

### Traffic Accident Response Times



- Average EMS Response Time
- Average Hospital Transport Time
- Total Average Response Time Hennepi...

Data from CityData.com Collected From Reports

# Best Practices

- **Measure Performance, not People**
- **Report out Regularly**
  - **Board**
  - **Staff**
  - **Public**
- **Keep Projects on Track with External Accountability**
- **Track and Document Changes**
- **Get the Right People involved at the Right Time in the Process**
- **Link the Strategic Plan to Annual Budget, Agenda, and other plans (CIP, Comp Plan, etc)**

# QUESTIONS