San José has updated its General Plan, the comprehensive blueprint for the City’s future. Envision San José 2040 will guide the community on issues such as land use and transportation systems and allow the City to establish policies that enable achievement of its sustainability goals through the year 2040.

The Plan is community-based, directly rooted in the values and goals consistently expressed by community members throughout the Envision General Plan Update process. The Plan supports a mix of land uses that encourages greater transit use, increased bicycling and walking, and more efficient use of existing infrastructure as part of the City’s strategy to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

WHAT WE ARE DOING

- Working with the community and stakeholders to plan new vibrant, mixed-use urban villages throughout San José.
- Building partnerships with business owners, community and non-profit representatives, university members, elected officials, City staff and others to implement Envision 2040.
- Hosting meetings to solicit business stakeholders and community input to encourage and streamline new development to help San José achieve sustainability through community planning.

GET INVOLVED

- Participate in upcoming neighborhood planning activities for your neighborhood.
- Learn more about land use planning in San José at http://www.sanjoseca.gov/planning/

ABOUT THE GREEN VISION

The San José Green Vision, a 15-year plan adopted in 2007, charts ambitious goals for clean tech jobs, energy use reduction, renewable energy, green building, waste reduction, water reuse, sustainable development, clean fleet, trees, zero emission streetlights and interconnected trails. The plan is designed to lead us into a future of economic growth, environmental sustainability and an enhanced quality of life for our community.

Learn more: http://greenvision.sanjoseca.gov/

GOAL

Adopt a General Plan with measurable standards for sustainable development

HIGHLIGHTS

- The San José’s Envision 2040 General Plan received an Award of Excellence, Comprehensive Plan Award for a Large Jurisdiction from both the Northern California American Planning Association and California APA

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GREEN VISION GOALS

BY THE YEAR 2022:

1. Create 25,000 Clean Tech jobs as the World Center of Clean Tech Innovation
2. Reduce per capita energy use by 50 percent
3. Receive 100 percent of our electrical power from clean renewable sources
4. Build or retrofit 50 million square feet of green buildings
5. Divert 100 percent of the waste from our landfill and covert waste to energy
6. Recycle or beneficially reuse 100 percent of our wastewater (100 million gallons per day)
7. Adopt a General Plan with measurable standards for sustainable development
8. Ensure that 100 percent of public fleet vehicles run on alternative fuels
9. Plant 100,000 new trees and replace 100 percent of our streetlights with smart, zeroemission lighting
10. Create 100 miles of interconnected trails

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