Community Vision

Thousands of community members have participated

in the city-sponsored Envision Carlsbad program to create a community vision for Carlsbad's future. The core values and vision statements emerging from this process serve as a guide for city leaders as they carry out their service to all who live, work and play in the City of Carlsbad.



Small town feel, beach community character and connectedness

Enhance Carlsbad's defining attributes—its small town feel and beach community character. Build on the city's culture of civic engagement, volunteerism and philanthropy.



Open space and the natural environment

Prioritize protection and enhancement of open space and the natural environment. Support and protect Carlsbad's unique open space and agricultural heritage.



Access to recreation and active, healthy lifestyles

Promote active lifestyles and community health by furthering access to trails, parks, beaches and other recreation opportunities.



The local economy, business diversity and tourism

Strengthen the city's strong and diverse economy and its position as an employment hub in north San Diego County. Promote business diversity, increased specialty retail and dining opportunities, and Carlsbad's tourism.



Walking, biking, public transportation and connectivity

Increase travel options through enhanced walking, bicycling and public transportation systems. Enhance mobility through increased connectivity and intelligent transportation management.



Sustainability

Build on the city's sustainability initiatives to emerge as a leader in green development and sustainability. Pursue public/private partnerships, particularly on sustainable water, energy, recycling and foods.



History, the arts and cultural resources

Emphasize the arts by promoting a multitude of events and productions year-round, cutting-edge venues to host world-class performances, and celebrate Carlsbad's cultural heritage in dedicated facilities and programs.



High quality education and community services

Support quality, comprehensive education and life-long learning opportunities, provide housing and community services for a changing population, and maintain a high standard for citywide public safety.



Neighborhood revitalization, community design and livability

Revitalize neighborhoods and enhance citywide community design and livability. Promote a greater mix of uses citywide, more activities along the coastline and link density to public transportation. Revitalize the downtown Village as a community focal point and a unique and memorable center for visitors, and rejuvenate the historic Barrio neighborhood.



