

# Connect Morrisville – Strategic Plan

**MISSION:** Connecting our diverse community to an enhanced quality of life through innovative programs and services

**VISION:** A sustainable and thriving community that celebrates diversity and inclusion while enhancing the well-being of people who live, work and play in Morrisville

**VALUES:** Dedication – Integrity – Courtesy – Innovation

|  |  |
|--|--|
|    | <p><b>GOAL 1: Improved transportation mobility</b><br/> <i>Enhance transportation options through improved accessibility, connectivity and collaboration</i><br/>           Obj. 1.1 Manage traffic congestion at targeted locations and targeted times of day<br/>           Obj. 1.2 Leverage resources through partnerships with other government entities and the private sector<br/>           Obj. 1.3 Improve mobility options for non-drivers</p>  |
|    | <p><b>GOAL 2: Thriving, livable neighborhoods</b><br/> <i>Enrich the quality of life through the preservation of natural resources, well-planned development and strengthened neighborhood vitality</i><br/>           Obj. 2.1: Provide a mix of housing options that meet the current and future needs of the community<br/>           Obj. 2.2: Create a sense of place through insightful development that balances commercial and residential growth<br/>           Obj. 2.3: Be responsible stewards of the natural environment<br/>           Obj. 2.4: Establish a planned approach for redevelopment and revitalization<br/>           Obj. 2.5: Plan and provide for current and future infrastructure</p> |
|  | <p><b>GOAL 3: Engaged, inclusive community</b><br/> <i>Enrich the quality of life through programs, events, amenities and services valued by the community</i><br/>           Obj. 3.1: Offer events and programs that meet the needs and interests of the community<br/>           Obj. 3.2: Increase awareness of activities and opportunities for engagement<br/>           Obj. 3.3: Effectively maintain assets and make the most of existing resources<br/>           Obj. 3.4: Provide opportunities for meaningful public engagement and collaboration</p>   |
|  | <p><b>GOAL 4: Public safety readiness</b><br/> <i>Provide a safe and secure community through prevention, education, readiness and response</i><br/>           Obj. 4.1: Provide educational opportunities and encourage preparedness<br/>           Obj. 4.2: Be operationally ready<br/>           Obj. 4.3 React responsively to the public safety needs of the community<br/>           Obj. 4.4 Meet demands for service</p>  |
|  | <p><b>GOAL 5: Operational excellence</b><br/> <i>Deliver exceptional service with an engaged workforce that effectively manages public assets and promotes transparency</i><br/>           Obj. 5.1: Promote financial integrity through effectively and efficiently managing public assets<br/>           Obj. 5.2: Deliver customer-focused service<br/>           Obj. 5.3: Require the highest professional standards<br/>           Obj. 5.4: Attract, develop and retain a diverse, high-performing workforce<br/>           Obj. 5.5: Align priorities with resources<br/>           Obj. 5.6: Leverage the use of technology to maximize results</p>   |



**Goal 6: Economic prosperity**

***GOAL DESCRIPTION: Promote a business-friendly environment to diversify the economic base and create job opportunities for an educated, ready workforce***

Obj. 6.1: Attract and retain businesses that provide a diverse tax base

Obj. 6.2: Support new and existing businesses by streamlining processes and minimizing complexities

Obj. 6.3: Understand business needs in order to supply a ready workforce

Obj. 6.4: Maximize partnership opportunities with the Morrisville Chamber of Commerce, regional and educational partners

Obj. 6.5: Develop an advocacy plan to address public education needs

## GOAL 1: Improved transportation mobility

*GOAL DESCRIPTION: Enhance transportation options through improved accessibility, connectivity and collaboration*

### OUTCOME MEASURES

OM1.1: Ratio of peak to off peak travel times at targeted locations)

OM1.2: Duration of 'rush hour' at targeted locations

OM1.3: Linear feet of sidewalks, greenways, bike and pedestrian infrastructure (existing and new)

OM1.4: Funding streams and dollars leveraged

OM1.5: Citizen survey mobility data

OM1.6: Bus transportation ridership

### OBJECTIVES

Obj. 1.1 Manage traffic congestion at targeted locations and targeted times of day

Obj. 1.2 Leverage resources through partnerships with other government entities and the private sector

Obj. 1.3 Improve mobility options for non-drivers

### INITIATIVES

Init. 1A: Adopt and implement Comprehensive Transportation Plan that will:

- a) Increase road network
- b) Improve intersections
- c) Increase access to alternative travel modes (sidewalks, greenways and bike lanes)
- d) Increase access to public transit

Init. 1B: Enhance Public Transit/Transportation Options by:

- a) Support Wake Transit Plan
- b) Increase local public transportations options
- c) Support and promote development of TOD area

Init. 1C: Incorporate short term Comprehensive Transportation Plan infrastructure plans into Capital Investment Plans (CIP)

Init. 1D: Research traffic management options with proven results and determine applicability to Morrisville (example: regional traffic light timing, etc.)

## GOAL 2: Thriving, livable neighborhoods

**GOAL DESCRIPTION: Enrich the quality of life through the preservation of natural resources, well-planned development and strengthened neighborhood vitality**

**OUTCOME MEASURES**

OM2.1: Acreage - park space / green space / open land / % of population within half mile walk of a park  
 OM2.2: Water quality or stormwater measures –% of stormwater control measures in compliance with state and town standards.  
 OM2.3: Percentage of recycled material to total waste (trash + recycling)  
 OM2.4: Housing mix data

**OBJECTIVES**

Obj. 2.1: Provide a mix of housing options that meet the current and future needs of the community

Obj. 2.2: Create a sense of place through insightful development that balances commercial and residential growth

Obj. 2.3: Be responsible stewards of the natural environment

Obj. 2.4: Establish a planned approach for redevelopment and revitalization

Obj. 2.5: Plan and provide for current and future infrastructure

**INITIATIVES**

Init. 2A: Clarify and define the appropriate housing type mix, affordability standards and ideal balance of commercial to residential tax base

Init. 2B: Mitigate the impact of development on the natural environment

Init. 2C: Identify and prioritize specific areas that are ripe for development and redevelopment

Init. 2D: Develop Town Core

Init. 2E: Research successful initiatives for walkable activity centers and adapt for Morrisville (Example: Park West Village)

**GOAL 3: Engaged, inclusive community**

*GOAL DESCRIPTION: Enrich the quality of life through programs, events, amenities and services valued by the community*

**OUTCOME MEASURES**

OM3.1: Applicable citizen satisfaction data

OM3.2: Number of Town sponsored events / attendance

OM3.3: Town of Morrisville engagement opportunities and participation levels (Morrisville 101, CERT, PD Citizen Academy, Advisory Committees, Volunteer)

**OBJECTIVES**

Obj. 3.1: Offer events and programs that meet the needs and interests of the community

Obj. 3.2: Increase awareness of activities and opportunities for engagement

Obj. 3.3: Effectively maintain assets and make the most of existing resources

Obj. 3.4: Provide opportunities for meaningful public engagement and collaboration

**INITIATIVES**

Init. 3A: Improve public understanding of offerings and opportunities for engagement

Init. 3B: Identify a proven public participation model to use to proactively engage the community (example: International Association For Public Participation)

Init. 3C: Maximize the use of technology to inform and engage the community (projects can include but not be limited to: expansion of the functions of the new website, expansion of existing social media platforms and implementation of a public participation platform)

Init. 3D: Update Parks and Recreation master plan and begin implementation

## GOAL 4: Public safety readiness

*GOAL DESCRIPTION: Provide a safe and secure community through prevention, education, readiness and response*

### OUTCOME MEASURES

OM4.1: Crime rate – Part 1 and Part 2 compared to national averages  
OM4.2: Crime clearance rates  
OM4.3: Fire loss  
OM4.4: Lives saved  
OM4.5: Citizen satisfaction data about perception of safety

### OBJECTIVES

Obj. 4.1: Provide educational opportunities and encourage preparedness  
Obj. 4.2: Be operationally ready  
Obj. 4.3 React responsively to the public safety needs of the community  
Obj. 4.4 Meet demands for service

### INITIATIVES

Init. 4A: Develop and implement information sharing related to prevention and education programs that address health and safety issues including fire, crime, victimization and wellness  
Init. 4B: Adopt best practices through obtaining and maintaining accredited status and evaluating national accepted staffing levels to meet service level goals.  
Init. 4C: Expand evidence-based services related to prevention and victimization  
Init. 4D: Deliver strategies, programs and services to meet health, safety and self-sufficiency needs  
Init. 4E: Maximize technology to reduce emergency response times

## GOAL 5: Operational excellence

*GOAL DESCRIPTION: Deliver exceptional service with an engaged workforce that effectively manages public assets and promotes transparency*

### OUTCOME MEASURES

OM5.1: Bond rating  
OM5.2: Customer satisfaction data  
OM5.3: Employee satisfaction data  
OM5.4: Employee voluntary turnover rate

### OBJECTIVES

Obj. 5.1: Promote financial integrity through effectively and efficiently managing public assets

Obj. 5.2: Deliver customer-focused service

Obj. 5.3: Require the highest professional standards

Obj. 5.4: Attract, develop and retain a diverse, high-performing workforce

Obj. 5.5: Align priorities with resources

Obj. 5.6 Leverage the use of technology to maximize results

### INITIATIVES

Init. 5A: Establish a systematic process to review and revise policies, programs and procedures

Init. 5B: Develop and deliver a Town-wide customer service training program

Init. 5C: Design and deploy a succession planning program

Init. 5D: Provide professional development opportunities

Init. 5E: Maintain a competitive compensation and benefits package

Init. 5F: Implement the phases of the strategic planning process (Connect Morrisville)

Init. 5G: Expand maintenance and replacement schedules for Town assets

Init. 5H: Continually assess and reassess technological upgrades and training

Init. 5I: Develop capital improvement projects with viable, identified resources using a consistent methodology for estimating costs

## GOAL 6: Economic Prosperity

*GOAL DESCRIPTION: Promote a business-friendly environment to diversify the economic base and attract an educated and highly skilled workforce*

### OUTCOME MEASURES

OM6.1: Business retention rates  
OM6.2: Net gain in business  
OM6.3: Unemployment rates  
OM6.4: Commercial tax base by job sector  
OM6.5: Ratio of residential/commercial tax  
OM6.6: Workforce education level  
OM6.7: % Yearly meetings held with WCPSS and the Morrisville Community to ensure Morrisville's public school needs are met-to be updated as work group develops the business plan for Objective 6.5 and Initiative 6D

### OBJECTIVES

Obj. 6.1: Attract and retain businesses that provide a diverse economic tax base

Obj. 6.2: Support new and existing businesses by streamlining processes and minimizing complexities

Obj. 6.3: Understand business needs to support a ready workforce

Obj. 6.4: Maximize partnership opportunities with the Morrisville Chamber of Commerce, regional and educational partners

Obj. 6.5: Develop an advocacy plan to address public education needs

### INITIATIVES

Init. 6A: Identify ideal business profiles for Morrisville and develop a recruitment strategy

Init. 6B: Develop a tool kit to outline the process for starting and running a business

Init. 6C: Identify workforce needs and leverage educational systems and partnerships in order to close gaps

Init. 6D: Work collaboratively with Wake County Public School System to ensure Morrisville's public school needs are met

Init. 6E: Develop a business registry process