

Hardee County

Sustainable Hardee - *Visioning for the Future*





Our Purpose -

- Making decisions today that maintain and improve the community as a whole based on our desires and values.

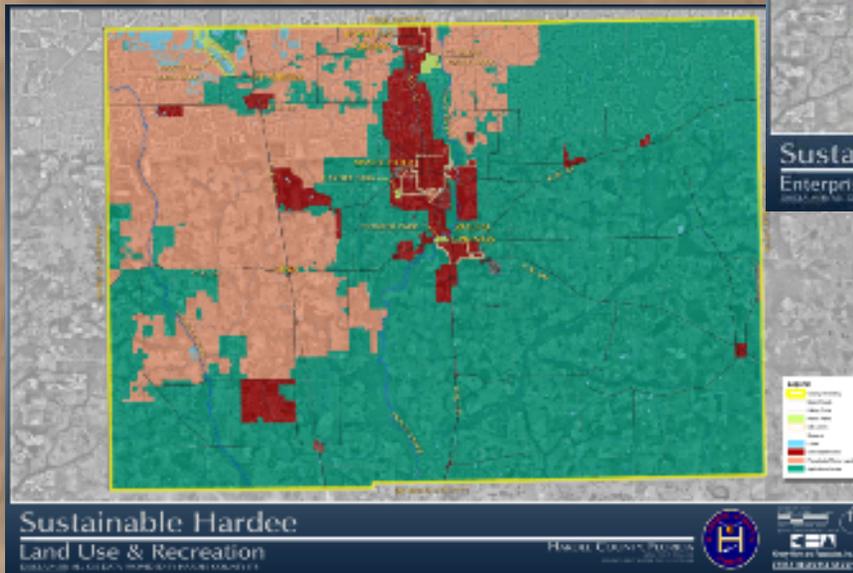
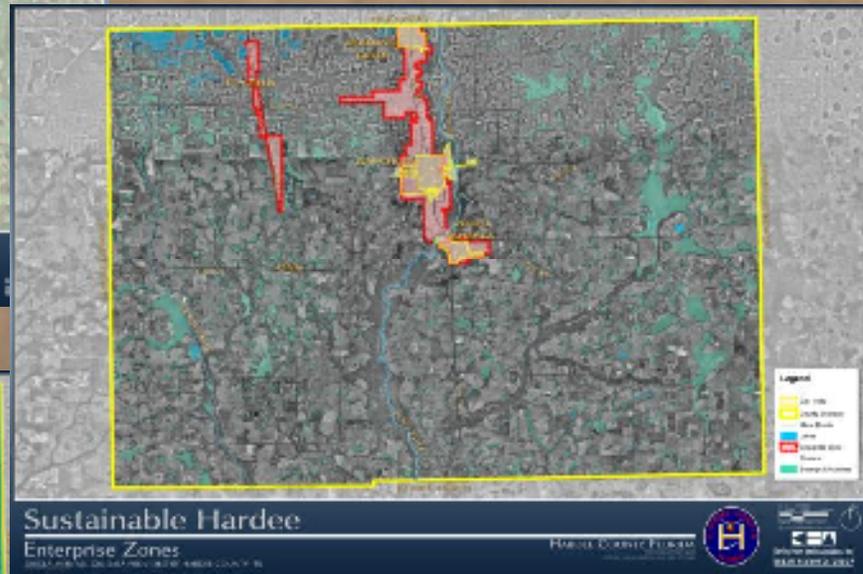




- Visioning is process by which a **community** envisions the future it wants, and **plans** how to achieve it.
- Through **public** involvement, communities identify their **purpose**, core **values** and **vision** of the future which are then transformed into a manageable and feasible set of community **goals** and **action plan**.



County Resources





Community Vision Goals -

- Develop an economic framework for future growth and prosperity
 - Diversification
 - Development and redevelopment tools that position the County to receive funds
- Identify link(s) between the studies and plans adopted by the County
- Identify resources (population/groups, funding sources, community assets)
- *Integrate Community comments and ideas*



As you think about Hardee County,
what is important to you?



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Steering &
Focus Group
Meetings



Background
Data and
Analysis



Opportunities
and
Challenges



Preliminary
Strategies



Community
Review



Finalize
Strategies and
Implementation



Visioning Plan
Adoption



- Common Statement

We have a Comprehensive Plan that addresses these issues....



Visioning

What does the community want?

What does the community need?

How does the community get there?



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- Public and interested parties; community comment

Community Input

- Multiple meetings throughout Hardee County with input on community values

Focus Groups

- Up to five Groups with specific reviews

Community Feedback

- Presentation of vision statements and broad strategies

Focus Group Strategies

- Prepare action plans based on community wide feedback

Implementation

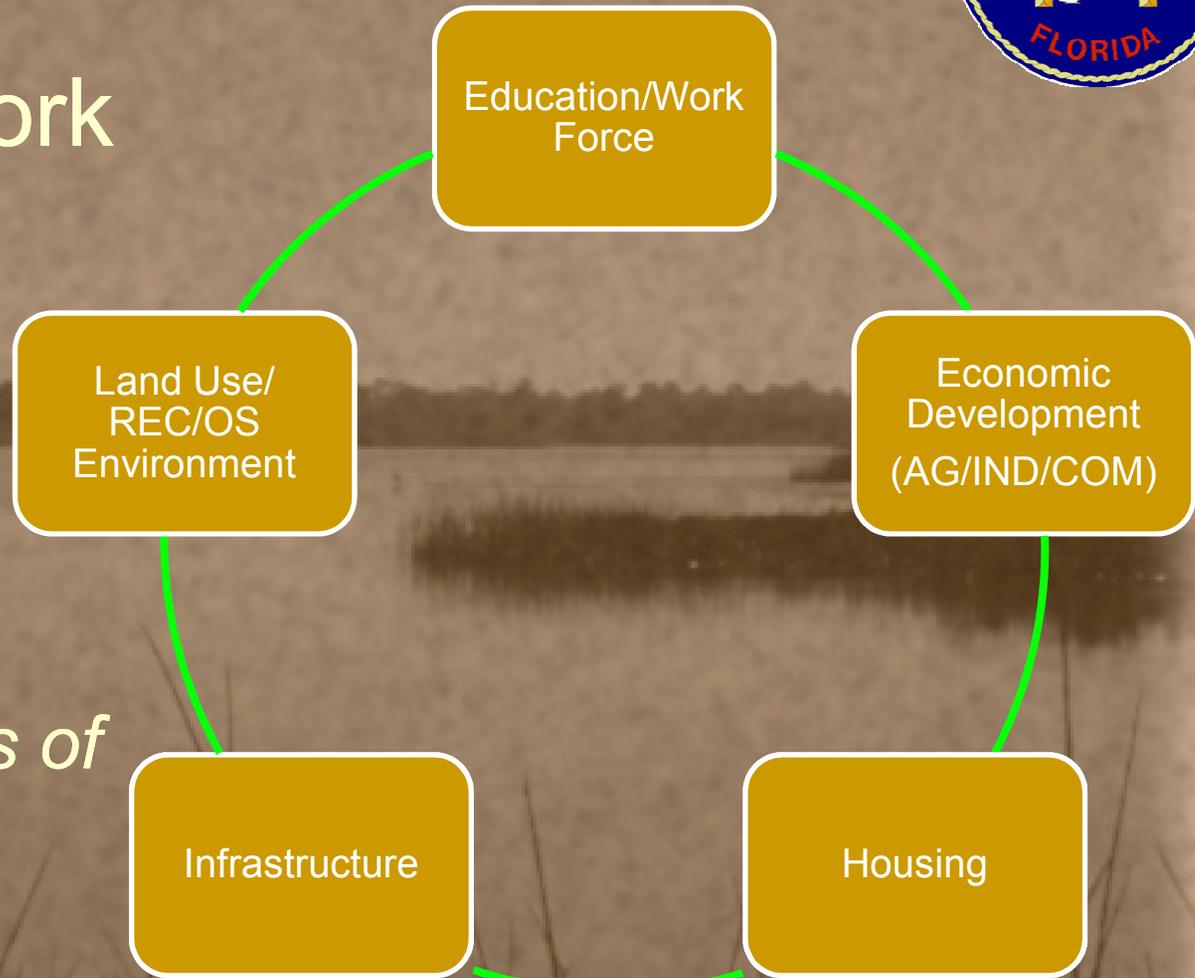
- Goals, policies and measurable indicators

Monitoring

- Report, Revisit, Revise and update, as necessary, once strategies are achieved



Focus groups will provide a policy framework for the future.



- *Are these the community's areas of interest?*
- *Are there other broad areas of community interest?*

Steering Committee & Focus Groups



- Steering Committee:
 - Reviews relationships between the focus areas
 - High level review of the process
 - Provides overall coordination with groups, staff and consultants
 - Sounding board for process issues
- Focus Groups:
 - Solicit and Receive community input
 - Develop broad-based goals

Steering Committee



- Coordinate Visioning Effort
- Review Focus Group recommendations and strategies
- Report to the Board of County Commissioners

Focus Groups



- Identify key sub-areas
- Develop a Vision statement
- Review past plans
 - FEMA Long Term Recovery Plan, Comprehensive Plan, Annual Report, and community data
- Prepare broad goals and strategies
 - Present of community feedback
 - Develop recommended action plans
- Follow-up with Steering Committee



- Where are we now?
- Where are we going?
- Where do we want to be?
- How do we get there?
- What can you do?



Community Input – Focus Groups



- Input sessions with public and interested parties
 - Interactive discussions
- Key stakeholders
 - Interviews: targeted questions

Community Feedback



- Summary of community input and progress
- Discussion of general and key area vision statements and broad strategies from Focus Groups
- Review of interrelations between community areas
- Consensus on visions and broad strategies

Monitoring



- Periodic reporting to BOCC and community
 - Public hearings and outreach
 - Website reporting
 - Email blasts
 - Community newsletter
- Post Visioning - Annual process of review
 - Update and Revise actions based on results



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Schedule and Next Steps



- Steering Committee Meeting & Kick-Off
- Focus Groups
 - Community Review and Input
- Steering Committee Review and Recommendation
- Approval by the Board of County Commissioners



Want to Share a Comment?
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For Information and Future Meetings visit
the County's webpage:
www.hardeecounty.net/visioning