

**Canfield  
Comprehensive Plan  
IMPLEMENTATION  
WORKBOOK**

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## Instructions

Please review the Implementation Matrices on the following pages. If you feel an objective or strategy is missing, please use the additional writing space provided on the last page. You may also edit/add to the existing matrices. The City will collect paper or emailed copies of your responses to be incorporated into the final Comprehensive Plan.



## Overview







The plan recommendations are organized by topic. Each category includes objectives, strategies, priority of implementation, general timeline for implementation, responsible parties for involvement, and potential funding sources. Please review the draft objectives on the following pages and provide your feedback.

## USING THE MATRIX









The implementation matrix summarizes the main chapters of the Comprehensive Plan in an easy-to-follow table. The City of Canfield may utilize the matrix as a checklist to evaluate implementation of the plan moving forward. Though the matrix is designed to be simple and straightforward, these recommendations should not be treated so rigidly as to prevent adaptation should unforeseen circumstances arise during implementation.

Goal statements, referred to as “objectives”, were derived from the planning process through public engagement, steering committee participation, and research. Each objective is accompanied by a list of strategies. The strategies are designed to break down the objective into tangible, subcomponents. Canfield should strive to pursue each strategy in an effort to work toward the long-term objective.

Each objective and/or strategy is then supported by further guiding information including its level of priority, estimated timeline for implementation, who might lead the initiative, and potential financing options. The list of responsible parties indicates the logical leading entity for a particular strategy. This is not an exhaustive list and should be treated with flexibility to encourage collaboration and coordination among various stakeholders.






LEGEND	
OBJECTIVE	States a long-term goal which the Canfield community strives to achieve
STRATEGIES	Recommends actions to work toward the identified objective
PRIORITY	<b>L</b> - Relatively low importance; should be implemented after completing higher priorities
	<b>M</b> - Relatively medium importance; should be implemented after high priorities
	<b>H</b> - Relatively high importance; should be implemented as soon as feasible
TIMELINE	Estimates how long a strategy is expected to take to complete
RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             City of Canfield         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             Canfield Township         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             Mahoning County         </div> </div>
	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">             Eastgate COG         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             Canfield City Schools         </div> <div style="text-align: center;">             Other         </div> </div>
FUNDING	TBD - Additional funding sources are being identified

## Land Use







OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	PRIORITY	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	FUNDING
 <p>1. PREPARE FOR EXPANSION</p>	1.1 Prioritize infill development on the US 224 / Main Street corridor and the Village Green district.	H	0-1 yr	  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Youngstown-Warren Regional Chamber</li> <li>• Team NEO</li> <li>• Mayor's Business Forum</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eastgate COG</li> <li>• Community Development Block Grant</li> <li>• Roadwork Development (629) Grant</li> </ul>
	1.2 Collaborate with regional partners on attraction of mixed-use, light industrial, and office development.	M	Ong.		
	1.3 Identify and map key opportunities for development on the edges of the community.	M	0-1 yr		
	1.4 Review and map current utility capacity.	H	0-1 yr		
 <p>2. COLLABORATE ON SCHOOL FACILITY PLANNING</p>	2.1 Identify opportunities for joint development or land swaps on city and school facility sites.	H	0-1 yr	  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ohio Facilities Construction Commission</li> </ul>	
	2.2 Prepare preliminary development / site plans for identified areas.	L	0-2 yr		
	2.3 Support a regional study on recent development and its impact on school enrollment.	L	1-3 yr		
 <p>3. ENFORCE DESIRED DEVELOPMENT PATTERNS</p>	3.1 Conduct a zoning audit to identify differences between the comprehensive plan and existing policies.	H	0-1 yr	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eastgate COG</li> <li>• Certified Local Governments Grants</li> </ul>	
	3.2 Update and consolidate zoning districts within the zoning code to more closely reflect current and projected development needs.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.3 Update zoning district regulations within the zoning code to promote objectives and guidelines identified in this plan.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.4 Adopt an updated zoning map using new district regulations and future land use map.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.5 Strengthen historic district regulations by instituting historic design guidelines.	M	0-1 yr		



## The Village Green




OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	PRIORITY	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	FUNDING
 <p>1. PROMOTE DEVELOPMENT OF UNDERUTILIZED PROPERTIES</p>	1.1 Support creation of a community improvement corporation.	H	1-2 yr		
	1.2 Create an inventory of tax delinquent parcels in the Village Green area.	H	0-1 yr		
	1.3 Implement a facade improvement program to assist in renovation efforts.	M	0-1 yr		
	1.4 Organize temporary uses (i.e. pop up shops, better block party, etc.) to activate underutilized spaces.	M	Ong.		
	1.5 Adopt additional economic development tools to encourage Village Green revitalization. Potential strategies include TIF, Downtown Redevelopment District, Innovation District, Designated Outdoor Refreshment Area, and a Special Improvement District.	H	1-2 yr		
 <p>2. PRESERVE &amp; PROMOTE CANFIELD'S HISTORIC CHARACTER</p>	2.1 Create an inventory of local historical assets.	H	0-1 yr	 <p>Canfield Historical Society</p>	<p>Historic Preservation Tax Credit (State &amp; Federal)</p>
	2.2 Encourage programming and events around historical elements (i.e. walking tours, cultural maps / brochures).	L	Ong.		
	2.3 Offer gap financing options (revolving loan funds, facade grant program, etc.) for historic preservation projects.	M	Ong.		
 <p>3. INSTITUTE DESIGN GUIDELINES FOR FUTURE DEVELOPMENT</p>	3.1 Conduct a zoning code audit to identify barriers in the existing code for historic preservation.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.2 Update the zoning code to include historic design guidelines based on zoning code audit.	H	0-2 yr		
	3.3 Encourage consistent and ongoing training of Design Review Committee Members.	L	Ong.		

## 224 Corridor




OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	PRIORITY	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	FUNDING
 <p>1. RECONFIGURE TRAFFIC PATTERNS ON THE EASTERN PORTION OF US 224</p>	1.1 Widen US 224 to accommodate left turn lanes between Manor Hill Drive and Talsman Drive	H	2-5 yr	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ODOT</li> <li>• Developers</li> </ul>	
	1.2 Construct a new public roadway between Hillside Drive and Talsman Road, along rear of properties	L	5-10 yr		
	1.3 Convert existing driveway into a public street along the rear of properties between Manor Hill Drive and Fairground Boulevard	M	2-5 yr		
	1.4 Construct a raised median between Hillside Drive and Talsman Drive	M	2-5 yr		
	1.5 Reduce driveways to only one access point on US 224 per property	H	Ong.		
 <p>2. ENHANCE THE VILLAGE GREEN INTERSECTION</p>	2.1 Facilitate meeting with ODOT to discuss current traffic issues and alternative design scenarios on state routes.	H	0-1 yr	 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ODOT</li> </ul>	
	2.2 Gather cost estimates and engineering feasibility studies to evaluate preferred alternatives.	M	1-3 yr		
	2.3 Fund and construct preferred roadway design.	M	3-5 yr		
 <p>3. CREATE A SENSE OF PLACE</p>	3.1 Improve the pedestrian experience along 224 with consistent sidewalks, lighting, landscaping, signage, and crosswalks.	H	Ong.		
	3.2 Create a zoning overlay that encourages commercial development and requires public space amenities in new construction.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.3 Highlight unique features and history of Canfield through public art, banners, or gateways.	L	3-5 yr		



## Parks & Recreation

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	PRIORITY	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	FUNDING
 <p>1. UPGRADE EXISTING PARK AMENITIES</p>	1.1 Create an inventory of existing park properties including size, type, and maintenance needs of current amenities.	H	0-1 yr	C	ODNR: • NatureWorks
	1.2 Conduct a parks plan to identify a wish list and priorities for future investment.	M	1-2 yr		
	1.3 Secure dedicated funding sources for park renovations.	M	Ong.		
 <p>2. CONSTRUCT A MULTI-USE PATH LOOP THROUGH CANFIELD</p>	2.1 Conduct further studies to determine specific property acquisition needs.	H	0-1 yr	C	ODNR: • COTF • RTP  Eastgate: • STBG • CMAQ • TAP  ODOT: • STRS
	2.2 Create signage and wayfinding plan to accompany Loop infrastructure.	M	0-1 yr		
	2.3 Implement Phase 1: Multi-use path / sharrows from the Bikeway to Fair Park to the Village Green (Figures 6-8 & 6-9).	H	1-3 yr		
	2.3 Implement Phase 2: Multi-use path on US-224 from Hillside Rd. to the Bikeway and sharrows on neighborhood streets (Figures 6-8 & 6-9).	M	1-3 yr		
	2.4 Implement Phase 3: Protected bike lane on the Village Green and multi-use path on Broad St connecting the Village Green to Hilltop Blvd. and Fair St. to the Canfield Fairgrounds (Figures 6-8 & 6-9).	M	2-3 yr		
 <p>3. UTILIZE PARKS AND REC TO ATTRACT NEW RESIDENTS AND ELEVATE CANFIELD'S IMAGE</p>	3.1 Collaborate with the business community to create health and wellness partnerships.	M	Ong.	C M	Ohio Parks and Recreation Association: • Program Development Grant • Research Grant • Administrative Grant
	3.2 Use parks and recreation events and programming to advertise Village Green enhancements.	H	Ong.		
	3.3 Expand local classes and events.	M	Ong.		
	3.4 Create parks and recreation marketing materials.	H	0-1 yr		
	3.5 Identify environmentally sensitive land for future park space.	M	0-1 yr		

## Housing & Neighborhoods

OBJECTIVE	STRATEGIES	PRIORITY	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE PARTIES	FUNDING
 <p>1. PROMOTE WALKABLE, MIXED-USE NEIGHBORHOODS</p>	1.1 Continue to install, maintain, and upgrade sidewalk and multi-use path infrastructure as standards change and new development occurs.	H	Ong.	C	
	1.2 Allow for neighborhood commercial uses on key corridors within residential areas.	M	1-2 yr		
	1.3 Allow for medium density housing options in proximity to commercial areas.	M	1-2 yr		
 <p>2. ENCOURAGE A VARIETY OF SENIOR LIVING OPTIONS</p>	2.1 Work with developers interested in constructing accessible housing (i.e. with elevators) in the vicinity of the Village Green.	H	Ong.	C T	
	2.2 Update building code and/or design guidelines to reflect best practices in age-friendly housing.	L	2-3 yr		
	2.3 Encourage senior housing facilities to co-locate with commercial uses (pharmacies, restaurants, etc.) in newly annexed or JEDD areas.	M	Ong.		
 <p>4. PROMOTE RESPONSIBLE RESIDENTIAL GROWTH PATTERNS.</p>	3.1 Facilitate areas to be conserved during future annexations using conservation subdivisions or the parks department.	H	Ong.	C T M E S	
	3.2 Discourage cul-du-sac development patterns and ensure public access is maintained through shared path or easement when necessary.	H	Ong.		
	3.3 Plan for expansion of utilities and emergency services in strategic, high growth areas to support new development.	M	2-5 yr		



Additional recommendations or suggested edits:

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