

PORT TOWNS' OVERALL VISION



VISIÓN GENERAL DE PORT TOWNS



ACTIVITY

Please share your thoughts on the question below using a post-it note. Upon completion, place your post-it in the area below.

WHAT DO YOU LIKE MOST ABOUT PORT TOWNS TODAY?

Great and diverse
Places to eat
Great community
Connection

Diverse population
Great food
Access to Anacostia

People are nice
!!
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- Diversity
- Connection to parks and rivers
- Unique atmosphere
- Community atmosphere

The buildings and rivers and lakes also the art and drawing

That it has everything except extreme wealth

- * Accessibility
- * Family oriented
- * Bladensburg Waterfront Park
- * Diversity

Diversity

- Easy access to trails and parks
- Diversity
- Nearby nature

diversity of people + homes

Diversity!

- * Real People
- * Connected to waterways
- * Town/municipal staff
- * small, but mighty

- The Diversity
- Ethnic stores
- Small govt who tend to know community

- The People!
- The responsiveness of small govt
- The Intimacy
- The Ethnic Businesses
- Small Town Feel

Diverse people close proximity to parks + trails

- Cultural and gastronomic with a social justice focus

The diversity and small-town feel - w/ "big" town nearby. The low-key atmosphere that is generally welcoming. Good local govt. (Bladensburg)

proximity to river + trails

I like that it wasn't been gentrified like College Park, Riverdale Park. I like that people who live here have been here for decades & don't want to be priced out.

Connections to natural areas



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¿QUÉ ES LO QUE MÁS LE GUSTA DE PORT TOWNS HOY EN DÍA?

I like how green the towns are.

Los parques y áreas de caminar (trails)

Nos gustan el área de los parques.

La factibilidad de los negocios y los centros de cuidado.

More sidewalks more flowers more community more diverse people.

Cultural Businesses

- Parades
- Festivals

Grace

Fun activities

- Diversity
- Free food
- Tradition/culture programs
- Town clean up
- Community service

Diversity

Community oriented

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WHAT CHANGES SHOULD BE MADE IN PORT TOWNS IN THE FUTURE?

Less polluting, loud, waste based businesses

Cleaner landscapes (less litter) ~~signage~~
- Safer areas

Less Heavy Industry & Industry generally especially adjacent & close to residential

Attract green or industries to replace current heavy (esp. vehicular)

Get rid of all the ~~meanings~~ ^{in the} industrial town

New Roads on route 450 - from Peace Crossing
Modernize Shopping centers
Better food options

UNIFORM SIGNAGE (STREETS/TRAFFIC LIGHTS)
SITE FURNISHINGS (Bike stops/TRASH CANS/LAMP POSTS/BENCHES)
PUBLIC ART

More Pedestrian Connectivity
Better sidewalks
Better health care

- Easier to access businesses on foot/bike on MD450 and Kenilworth Ave
- Denser-scale mixed use development
- Additional trails that provide East-to-West connections

Unified, collaborative strategies and management of trails, natural areas & tree canopy

better pedestrian connectivity
stronger, safe bike networks
slower, safer roads

Safe, accessible streets for all
Climate resiliency (eg Stormwater management)
Adoption of a climate plan

More local transportation
More Greenery
Better Health Services

More walkways
Clean up car repair store fronts. I get that they've been here for decades but there has to be a way to make them more visually appealing

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY Planning Department
Stronger Place Making + Celebration of Diversity

No // No trust in the water and to recycle more

Better walkability
More environmental stewardship from within community
Placemaking that represents community/area identity

Improved Comm. Center. Not only locals come here.
Better way for pedestrians to walk to Ballroom Park, PeaceCross, and Waterfront Park.
Entertainment venue and a couple of nice restaurants

stronger sense of place + identity

- More pedestrian + bike access to our attractions
- Smaller roads w/ slower cars
- a more cohesive and friendly built environment

BUSINESSES Should Be Better Serve Local People -
FAR Fewer Vehicle Repairs
Lots + More Innovative Greenhouses



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¿QUÉ CAMBIOS DEBERÍAN HACERSE EN PORT TOWNS EN EL FUTURO?

- Reduce global warming
Industrial businesses in the town

Nos gustaría que las iglesias pudieran dar charlas en las escuelas, debido al índice de inseguridad y violencia.
• Más seguridad.

La diversidad De Culturas

Veo deficiencias en las normativas de Asso. Vigilancia orden y control de negocios.

• Que haya menos delincuencia en escuelas, mas seguridad. un giro a la venta de drogas adentro de las escuelas.

Mayor asequidad para obtener vivienda

• Everyone get their same
• Have more event
• No Spitting
• ~~we~~ we all be together

YOUR VISION FOR PORT TOWNS



SU VISIÓN PARA PORT TOWNS



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WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR ALL OF PORT TOWNS?

A "Vision" sets goals and associated strategies for an area's future.

* Modernized gateway * Grocery stores * Walkability	Water front Restaurant Industrial Art Center	Peace, Equity, Quality of Life.	MORE WALKABLE MORE GROCERY STORES EXCITED FOR PURPLE LINE MORE DIVERSE RESTAURANTS DOG PARKS	EMPHASIS ON COMMUNITY + ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND PRESERVATION
* A healthy food oasis * Supporting established and fostering more urban agriculture * Feature local small restaurants - businesses - Taste of the Port Towns Fair/Restaurant week	Table service restaurant Water front restaurant Skiing ring Trade School	Residents can access everything they need (groceries, restaurants, recreation) whether they walk, bike, or drive.	That the integrity of the community + its diversity are preserved	More investment in the community from residents. We tend to be uninvolved for the most part.
Better town branding especially Bladensburg. Look like communities, not pass through from major highways. Public Playhouse belong to Bladensburg, not M-NCPPC.	Healthy, liveable, green communities	That places like EDC city farms are perpetually part of landscape + integrated into community	A MUSEUM CELEBRATING HISTORY OF DIVERSITY - ART + MUSIC VENUES	Emphasis on historical presence - Peace Cross, for example was a major landmark, Postwick House, etc., to bring in tourism, connection to all 4 towns in this area.
Affordable single family homes - Safe, walkable - Diverse restaurants - Stores (grocery, convenience) that don't exploit the immigrant community	That the people who are here before development are able to stay after development. Meaning keeping & supporting local businesses, not exponentially increasing cost of living etc.			



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¿CUÁL ES SU VISIÓN PARA TODOS LOS PORT TOWNS?

Una "Visión" establece objetivos y estrategias asociadas para el futuro de un área.

Una ciudad más ordenada, limpia, segura y competitiva con respeto a otros. Seguridad y orden en los elevadores.	Tomar en cuenta a las iglesias para ayudar y colaborar con otros proyectos de nuestros jóvenes.	Mayor acercamiento de las autoridades a la comunidad	Que sea una zona segura para vivir y trabajar.
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PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY
Planning Department



Port Towns
Sector Plan and SMA



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WHAT IS YOUR VISION FOR EACH MUNICIPALITY?

(Please provide a brief phrase)

¿CUÁL ES TU VISIÓN PARA CADA MUNICIPIO?

(Por favor, proporcione una breve frase)

IN THE FUTURE, I ENVISION BLADENSBURG TO BE ...

A school that doesn't look like a prison
Seconded!

CELEBRATED FOR ITS HEALTH, CULTURAL AMENITIES, PUBLIC TRANSPORT OPTIONS AND INNOVATIVE INSTITUTIONS

Make it an historic site that would draw visitors and bring in a sense of belonging for the residents.

~~To be connected~~
To stay connected
More business

* Reclaim and healing from past of slavery and oppression. BIPOC changing the narrative
* Improved public education. Schools are well connected with partners + opportunities + assets within PT

Need more accessible way in and out of the town.

People come to Bladensburg from surrounding communities to enjoy the waterfront and high-quality businesses.

IN THE FUTURE, I ENVISION COLMAR MANOR TO BE ...

a vibrant affordable community

#Public Safety
#Better Roads
* Boy's + Girls Club
* Walkability
#Increased Public Engagement

To be able to easily bike or walk to the Port Towns from my adjacent community.

* green amenities
* accessible / affordable transit

more activities for the community
A community GYM tree

more activities more stuff and more help down the street

EN EL FUTURO, IMAGINO QUE BLADENSBURG SERÁ...

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IN THE FUTURE, I ENVISION COTTAGE CITY TO BE ...

more resources for seniors and disabled

Fitness programs in the town.

IN THE FUTURE, I ENVISION EDMONSTON TO BE ...

* Known for interesting and progressive small businesses
* Continue to be at forefront of environmental stewardship

A PERFECT SMALL FACE TO FACE COMMUNITY WITH A WONDERFUL COMMUNITY FROM + FOUNDAMENTAL

and weather
quieter thanks to CSX regulations
an easy place to get to as a pedestrian and around

less car centric, more green with trees
a place with trees and markets and less fence traffic

because too much vehicle repair/sink yards which don't serve local residents & are dirty/eye sores
Edmonston

small retail, or commercial business growth that local residents will use (walkable)
Edmonston

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