

What is the Burlington Legacy Project?

The Legacy Project serves as an umbrella, connecting diverse initiatives in the city, identifying key priorities that we must work on together, raising awareness on what it means to be a sustainable city, and creating a comprehensive plan to guide change for the economic, environmental, and social health of Burlington for years to come. While...”meeting the present needs of its citizens, without compromising the needs of citizens in the future (*World Commission on Environment and Development*).”



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Our Sustainable Future*

Burlington has won national awards for being a livable city, for offering a vibrant lifestyle, and for being a place where people choose to live and raise their families. The Legacy Project was initiated in 1999 to help preserve those qualities that we cherish most about our city and to identify issues and trends that we must address to improve the quality of life for every resident. How can our actions today leave a healthier community for future generations?

Thousands of people of all ages and from all parts of the city participated in building a common vision for Burlington's future. Surveys, public hearings, focus groups, and community discussions resulted in an action plan that was shaped and prioritized by the people who live, work and play in Burlington.

The process has been guided by a steering committee of community stakeholders. Its members include leaders from business, neighborhoods, youth, faith, environment, government, education, and social service sectors. They are charged with coordinating the public involvement campaign and preparing the Legacy action plan. Today the Steering Committee continues to guide implementation of the plan, measuring our progress and engaging the broader community in these efforts.

Progress toward the goal of a sustainable Burlington community requires broad-based collaboration among all the sectors of the city. Each of us have a role in implementing this plan, providing the direction, commitments and resources it will take to make the vision a reality.

The Legacy Project: A Common Vision

Maintain Burlington as a regional population, government, cultural, and economic center with livable wage jobs, full employment, social supports, and housing that matches job growth and family income

Improve the quality of life in neighborhoods

Increase participation in community decision-making

Provide youth with high-quality education and social supports, and lifelong learning opportunities for all

Preserve environmental health

For more info, please, visit our Legacy Project website: <http://burlingtonlegacyproject.org/>

