

# NORTH PLAINS VISION STATEMENT

In the year 2035, residents of North Plains enjoy a safe and welcoming community as a livable place for people of all ages. North Plains is an independent community within Washington County that maintains a small town character while accommodating current and future residents. Citizen participation is strong and community members can see the results of their involvement. Community gathering places and events form the heart of North Plains.

## Community

Our events are inclusive and connect neighbors frequently. Residents and visitors enjoy events such as the North Plains Elephant Garlic Festival and a rich variety of social and cultural activities to celebrate the city, its history and its people. North Plains' residents are active and engaged in civic events and decision-making processes.



## Neighborhoods

Historic structures are maintained and rehabilitated to accommodate new homes and businesses. There is a range of quality housing for all ages and income levels. Housing is attractive, compatible and builds upon historic North Plains' patterns. Land uses and housing types transition cohesively among neighborhoods.



## Connectivity

North Plains is a well planned and connected city where residents and visitors enjoy pedestrian and bicycle paths between neighborhoods and to downtown. Walking is safe. Bicyclists understand designated routes and share the road safely. North Plains is connected to surrounding recreational, economic and cultural amenities.



## Economic Opportunity

Downtown North Plains retains its old town atmosphere and is a vibrant, walkable, attractive place to shop, dine and gather. Glencoe Road and Commercial Street supply business-friendly, mixed-use areas for residential and commercial development. Employment areas provide land for industrial and other employment opportunities. Proximity to US 26 provides easy access to well paying jobs in the region. North Plains is recognized as a gateway to the Oregon Coast.

## Heritage & Natural Resources

North Plains' agricultural heritage is visible and accessible in places like Lakeview Farms. City policies preserve natural assets and areas, such as McKay Creek and Ghost Creek tributaries.



## Public Services

North Plains' families and visitors enjoy the City's parks, trails, community center and recreational opportunities. The library continues its vital role as a place of learning. Residents value first responders, community policing, fire prevention and emergency preparedness. Proficient government agencies maintain existing city assets and coordinate future development. Transportation routes for freight, automobiles, bicycles and pedestrians are well-marked and communicated. Parks and recreation activities are easily accessible, including walking, bicycling and golfing.

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