



2050 RDG Values and Vision

Transportation Accessibility Advisory Committee



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Regional Values, Vision, and Goals

Values

Values are core beliefs or principals that guide the work of the Council, our expectations of partnerships, and our policy and program development.

Vision

Our vision is what we want to achieve for the region through our policies, practices, programs, and partnerships.

Goals

Our goals broadly describe the desired outcomes that we want to achieve for the region.

Values & Vision Engagement

Groups We Engaged

- Metropolitan Council
- Equity Advisory Committee
- Land Use Advisory Committee
- Metro Area Water Supply Advisory Committee
- Metro Parks and Open Space Commission
- Transportation Advisory Board
- Transportation Policy Plan (TPP) Advisory Working Group
- TPP Technical Working Group
- Regional Planning Advisory Group

Values

Core beliefs or principles that guide our work

Frequently used language:

- Equity, justice, cultural competence, respect, and compassion
- Leadership, collaboration, entrepreneurship, and innovation
- Accountability, transparency, and effectiveness
- Stewardship, sustainably, and resilience

“Core” Values:

- Equity
- Leadership
- Accountability
- Stewardship

Regional Core Value: Equity

SHORT FORM

We value the people and communities of our region.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Our region is economically and culturally vibrant. We also recognize, however, the harm and disparities that injustices, including racism, have created.

COMMITMENT

We are dedicated to creating systems, policies, and programs that repair and heal past harm, foster an equitable future, and eliminate disparities. Communities that have been marginalized in the past will be at the center of this work in leadership roles.

Regional Core Value: Leadership

We value those in our region who inspire and motivate others for positive change.

Our region is known for its civic engagement. We need broad leadership to help confront the significant challenges we face around equity, climate change, safety, and other pressing issues.

To maximize the potential of our region and its communities, we turn to leadership that is diverse, collaborative, culturally competent, and innovative. We encourage this kind of leadership across all sectors including business, government, non-profit, and education.

Regional Core Value: Accountability

We value being effective in our work and achieving measurable outcomes.

Our region is known for its research, initiatives, and collaborations. We must be open to criticism and clearly understand when we are not achieving results or have harmed communities.

We recognize that we can maximize our effectiveness by being in partnership with others. We will also be transparent and flexible so that we can change course when needed.

Regional Core Value: Stewardship

We value our region's resources.

Our resources include our natural, economic, and financial resources as well as our infrastructure. We recognize that these resources may be vulnerable over time to changing conditions, including from climate change.

We must design our systems and allocate our resources in ways that can be sustained over time and support the needs of future generations.

Significant Cross-Cutting Regional Issues

Equity

Systemic racism and other inequities have embedded lasting social and economic disparities for our region.

Public Health, Safety, & Wellbeing

Our built and natural environments can support quality of life, but inequitable or unsafe conditions can result in illness, injury, or death.

Climate

Climate change presents risks for infrastructure, natural systems, and vulnerable communities.

Natural Systems

Natural systems are important assets that are at risk, and their benefits are often shared inequitably.

Regional Vision

Our Region is Equitable, Inclusive, and Welcoming

Our quality of life is high by national standards but not all communities share in this. We envision a future where inequities and injustices have been eliminated and all residents and newcomers feel welcome, included, and empowered.

Our Communities are Healthy, Safe, and Vibrant

The wellbeing of our region depends on the strength and inclusiveness of our economy as well as the quality, safety, and reliability of our public infrastructure and services. We envision a future where all our region's residents can live healthy, productive, and rewarding lives with a sense of security, agency, and wellbeing.

We Lead on Addressing Climate Change

Our region leads on the critical issue of climate change. We envision a future where we have eliminated or mitigated greenhouse gas emissions and have adapted to ensure that our communities and systems are resilient.

We Protect and Restore Natural Systems

Our region has world class parks and abundant natural resources. We envision a future where natural systems are increasingly protected, integrated, and restored to ensure a high quality of life for our growing region.

Goals



Development of Goals

- Reflect regional core values
- Implement the regional vision statements
- Broadly describe the desired outcomes envisioned for the region
- Relate to policy areas
- Align with State planning goals



Questions

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