# town of wake forest 2022 Strategic Plan



### Vision

Wake Forest's vibrant, diverse, and welcoming community fosters its distinct character, thriving economy, and high quality of life.

### **Strategic Goals**

#### **Sustaining Excellent Town Services**

Wake Forest provides exceptional Town services by protecting and serving the community, empowering staff to seek creative solutions, and ensuring financial stability.

#### Priorities

- Develop strategies to attract and retain Town staff, including outreach and workforce development opportunities for high school students
- Evaluate cost effective solutions for Town services
- Maintain public safety response times as road conditions change

#### **Creating Accessible Housing Opportunities**

Wake Forest is dedicated to supporting housing opportunities for all persons and across all

income levels.

#### Priorities

- Develop an affordable housing plan
- Develop a plan to actively advocate for redevelopment of quality public housing
- Preserve naturally occurring affordable housing

## Fostering a Safe, Diverse, and Welcoming Community

Wake Forest is a safe and inclusive community with attractive neighborhoods and diverse, engaged residents.

#### Priorities

- Create new and improved gateways and wayfinding
- Implement action items from the Northeast Area Plan
- Offer events that bring the community together and celebrate our diverse cultures

## Investing in Transportation and Infrastructure

Wake Forest invests in sustainable and connected infrastructure to meet the needs, expectations, and values of the community.

#### Priorities

- Develop a Town-wide sustainability plan inclusive of power, water, stormwater, open space, and other infrastructure
- Educate the community about transportation issues, challenges, and opportunities
- Evaluate options for transit expansion to include micro-transit
- Explore revenue options to support infrastructure needs

#### Advancing Community and Economic Prosperity Goal

Wake Forest attracts and retains a diverse mix of businesses and employment opportunities.

#### Priorities

- Develop a business attraction and retention plan that includes job creation strategies and incentives
- Encourage and protect small and entrepreneurial businesses
- Evaluate options for a performing arts center
- Continue to provide a business-friendly environment

## **Organizational Mission**

The Town of Wake Forest is committed to delivering superior services and celebrating the diversity of our organization.

## **Organizational Values**

Wake Forest excels through our dedication to:

Caring

Commitment

Character

Collaboration



