



Thank you for your interest and involvement in the Comprehensive Plan Update. The Comprehensive Plan is an important planning tool for the City because it defines a future vision for Kirkland – 20 years from present day. Its goals ensure the City is able to provide the necessary facilities and services to direct and manage growth. In twenty years, Kirkland is expected to have 13,000 new residents with an approximate total population of 94,000.

The State Growth Management Act requires that the Plan be updated every eight years. Kirkland's Update is due by June 2015 and must show how Kirkland will manage its growth targets for 2006 to 2031 of 8,570 new housing units and 20,850 new jobs. The plan will identify Kirkland's desired character and attributes, including existing community values that should be retained, as well as desired changes. The plan will determine how we manage anticipated growth and direct it consistent with the envisioned future. Under the guidance of the Planning Commission, the update process involves the following key steps.

Update Key Milestones and Schedule

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| Summer 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Collect and analyze data to understand current conditions, future planning efforts, and inform the public about the process |
| Fall 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Community Visioning process to develop a shared vision statement for Kirkland's future• Identify issues and analyze each chapter of the Comprehensive Plan (Housing, Land Use, Economic Development) to determine what needs to be changed, amended |
| Fall 2014 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop draft updated Plan• Scope environmental issues, evaluate alternatives and assess draft plan through an Environmental Impact Statement process• Public hearings |
| Spring 2015 | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Final adoption by Kirkland City Council |

Concurrent with the Comprehensive Plan Update, other city-wide efforts are occurring that will contribute to the long range plan for transportation, surface water management, the Cross Kirkland Corridor, and parks, recreation and open space.

How to share your voice, vision and future

- **Add** www.kirklandwa.gov/kirkland2035 to your favorites and subscribe to receive email updates
- **Attend** City Council, Planning Commission, Transportation Commission, Park Board meetings and share your ideas during public comment opportunities.
- **Attend** the Community Planning Day October 19, 2013 to help develop a vision statement
- **Participate** in public involvement activities such as workshops and public meetings.
- **Read** city publications including "About Growth," an educational publication dedicated to the Comprehensive Plan.