

THRIVE: A Definition of Terms

PLACE



1. **What's Sold & How It's Promoted** is characterized by the availability and promotion of safe, healthy, affordable, culturally appropriate products and services (e.g. food, books and school supplies, sports equipment, arts and crafts supplies, and other recreational items) and the limited promotion and availability, or lack, of potentially harmful products and services (e.g. tobacco, firearms, alcohol, and other drugs).



2. **Look & Feel** is characterized by a well-maintained, appealing, clean, and culturally relevant visual and auditory environment.



3. **Safety** is characterized by elements that support and enhance a public safety presence through collaborative efforts that promote safe routes throughout the neighborhood, blight removal, adequate lighting, quality of life concerns, and overall community well being.



4. **Parks & Open Space** is characterized by safe, clean, accessible parks; parks that appeal to interests and activities of all age groups; green space; outdoor space that is accessible to the community; natural/open space that is preserved through the planning process.



5. **Getting Around** is characterized by availability of safe, reliable, accessible, and affordable methods for moving people around. This includes public transit, walking, and biking.



6. **Housing** is characterized by the availability of safe and affordable housing to enable citizens from a wide range of economic levels and age groups to live within its boundaries.



7. **Air, Water & Soil** is characterized by safe and non-toxic water, soil, indoor and outdoor air, and building materials. Community design should help conserve resources, minimize waste, and promote a healthy environment.



8. **Arts & Culture** is characterized by a variety of opportunities within the community for cultural and creative expression and participation through the arts.



9. **Preserve Resources/Natural Terrain** is characterized by the preservation of the historical character and resources, natural terrain, drainage, and vegetation of the community.



10. **Defined Communities** are characterized by signage, public art, agricultural greenbelts, wildlife corridors, community gardens and other such unique community elements.



11. **Public Places** are characterized by a design that encourages the attention and presence of people of all ages and interests.

EQUITABLE OPPORTUNITY



12. **Racial Justice** is characterized by policies and organizational practices in the community that foster equitable opportunities and services for all. It is evident in positive relations between people of different races and ethnic backgrounds.



13. **Jobs & Local Ownership** is characterized by local ownership of assets, including homes and businesses, access to investment opportunities, job availability, and the ability to make a living wage.



14. **Education** is characterized by high quality and available education and literacy development for all ages.

PEOPLE



15. **Social Networks & Trust** is characterized by strong social ties among all people in the community – regardless of their role. These relationships are ideally built upon mutual obligations, opportunities to exchange information, and the ability to enforce standards and administer sanctions.



16. **Participation and Willingness to Act for the Common Good** is characterized by local leadership, involvement in community or social organizations, participation in the political process, and a willingness to intervene on behalf of the common good of the community.



17. **Norms/Expected Behaviors & Attitudes** are characterized by community standards of behavior that suggest and define what the community sees as acceptable and unacceptable behavior.

CROSS CUTTING



18. **Planning Integrated Communities** is characterized by the integration of communities containing housing, shops, work places, schools, parks, libraries, cultural art venues, and civic facilities essential to the daily lives of residents.



19. **Community Focal Points** are characterized by a combination of commercial, civic, cultural, and recreational uses.



20. **Health Care Access and Treatment** is characterized by preventative services, access, treatment quality, disease management, in-patient services and alternative medicine, cultural competence, and emergency response.