

<p>Downtown Revitalization</p>	<p>New streetscapes, renovated buildings and flowers pots are not enough to turn around a downtown. Successful downtown leaders know that crafting economic strategies that create and sustain vibrant business activity is critical.</p> <p>Our revitalization plans can help your downtown business district reposition itself, including market analysis, strategic planning, vision and goal setting and implementation plans.</p> <p>With this downtown revitalization plan, city leaders will not have to ask themselves, “I wonder what will happen next?” Instead, they will design their future through the use of projects, incentives, guidelines and partnerships.</p>
<p>Economic Development</p>	<p>We’ve helped communities across Indiana create effective, low-cost economic development plans. We take particular pride in designing plans that work.</p> <p>For example, in Owen County we facilitated creation of a redevelopment commission and brokered a deal that led to Hoosier Energy’s new, \$24-million office (complete with dozens of high-paying jobs) being built in Spencer.</p> <p>In Rush County, we helped local leaders steer more resources toward growth and designed a new marketing campaign. In Harrison County, we worked on shovel-ready sites, employment clusters and job prospecting. Working with our engineering partners, our team has specialists in all aspects of development.</p>
<p>Housing</p>	<p>Considering the vast amount of community pride and dollars that have been invested in your community, an occasional review of what makes it a great place to live is prudent, including fair and affordable housing for everyone.</p> <p>The assessment addresses economic factors, area median income levels, local employment statistics, population growth projections, populations needing housing assistance, types of housing needing to be developed or rehabilitated, neighborhood needs and special needs housing.</p> <p>It is designed to be your community’s plan for identifying current deficiencies and for meeting its future housing needs. The assessment will include an action plan with potential funding sources as well as a timeline, goals and objectives.</p>
<p>Comprehensive Land Use</p>	<p>The comprehensive plan will be your community’s guide to the future. It will answer fundamental questions such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What do we want to change? • What do we want to protect? <p>Our team will provide a blueprint for achieving these goals. We will also share our experience in preparing grants that have resulted in millions of dollars in new roads, businesses and housing for our clients. Our comprehensive plan can help focus on realistic solutions to the everyday problems facing residents.</p>
<p>Needs Assessments</p>	<p>A needs assessment can recharge an organization, helping it determine priorities, make organizational improvements or allocate resources. It involves determining the needs, or gaps, between where the organization envisions itself in the future and the organization's current state. We can then help develop a plan of action to address those needs.</p>