# See You In Terre Haute 2025 Community Plan



## GOALS:

- Halt population decline
  - By 2035, the projected population loss is 1.8%
  - Action Item: Move projected population loss to a negligible number by 2025
- Reverse the trend of declining per capita personal income
  - Terre Haute Vigo County's average per capita income is 81% of the current state average of \$43,097.
  - Action Item: By 2025, move the average per capita income to 85% of state average

## SIX PILLARS AND TASK FORCES:

#### **Economic Development**

*Co-Chairs*: Rick Burger, Duke Energy and Courtney Richey-Chipol, West Central Indiana Small Business Development Center

Priority Action Items:

- Promote regionalism by continuing to work with neighboring communities on regional quality of life initiatives that positively impact economic development through the established West Central 2025 region (Clay, Parke, Putnam, Sullivan, Vermillion and Vigo.)
- Establish a business hub that will serve as a one-stop shop for current and prospective business owners in Terre Haute Vigo County, inclusive of all business development organizations

## **Health and Wellness**

*Co-Chairs*: Nathan Vooys, Regional Hospital and Caroline Mallory, Indiana State University

Priority Action Items:

• Establish a Community-Based Recovery Program that encourages community involvement while integrating treatment and rehabilitation programs through community health and social services.

## Infrastructure

*Co-Chairs*: Richard Payonk, United Way of the Wabash Valley and TBD *Priority Action Items*:

• Partner with local businesses to roll-out a Neighborhood Revitalization Program to encourage local businesses to adopt neighborhoods throughout the community

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## **Quality of Life**

*Co-Chairs:* Lori Danielson, GOTime Leadership & Life Coaching and Roopam Harshawat, Harsha Behavioral Center

Priority Action Items:

• Invest in a new community project/amenity specifically aimed at Riverwalk Development and a water attraction (e.g. public pool, splash pad, sports park, recreation center.)

## **Talent Attraction/Retention**

*Co-Chairs*: Dottie King, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College and LeaAnne Crooks, Ivy Tech Community College

Priority Action Items:

• Utilize educational assets to work toward the region's 21st Century Talent Region recognition to move community, region and state initiatives forward

## Tourism

*Co-Chairs*: David Templeton, Glas-Col and Susan Turner, Terre Haute Children's Museum *Priority Action Items*:

• Preserve and re-establish attractive gateways into Terre Haute - Vigo County especially from I-70 exits

## SUPPORTING TASK FORCES:

#### **Community Engagement**

*Co-Chairs:* Melvin L. Burks, Hamilton Center and Brian Kooistra, Garmong Construction Services

Engages ALL segments of the community with the plan, recruits additional stakeholders.

#### **Resource Development**

*Co-Chairs*: Rob Coons, Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology and Rachel Leslie, RJL Solutions

Identifies funding sources and additional resources to continue to propel community planning initiative forward.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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