

INFORMATION SHEET

In the fall of 2019, the communities of La Porte County joined together to embark on a momentous effort to develop a new county-wide Action Agenda. The agenda known as the Vibrant Communities of La Porte County Movement is a community-wide effort to define a unified vision for the future of the county. Supported by programs, policies, and projects, this will serve as a roadmap towards making the communities of La Porte County more vibrant and prosperous.

CHAMPION CHANGE IN YOUR COMMUNITY TODAY!

Vibrant Communities is already promoting change, pursuing several of the action items identified by the community. Get involved in Vibrant Communities today to ensure that every community becomes more vibrant! Visit **VIBRANTLPCOUNTY.COM** for ways to get involved and updates on the implementation of the Action Agenda recommendations.

Defining our Pathway Forward

At the center of Vibrant Communities is the unified vision statement, supported through realizing shared goals of the Vibrant Communities themes; People, Prosperity, and Place.

PEOPLE (Supporting the diverse residents, cultures, and communities who call La Porte County "home")

In the communities of La Porte County, we are... Welcoming, inspiring, and community focused. We care about all our people and their future as demonstrated through our investments in education, human services, housing, health, and civic engagement.

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PROSPERITY (Connecting residents and workers to opportunities for personal and professional success)

In the communities of La Porte County, we are... **Growing a strong and resilient economy for all. In our communities, entrepreneurs find resources, workers find engaging opportunities, and visitors find world-class attractions.**

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PLACE (Celebrating the unique neighborhoods, places, and destinations found throughout the county)

In the communities of La Porte County, we are... **Maintaining vibrant places** that celebrate our histories, protect our unique character and preserve our environment. Our investments support connecting our diverse communities through thoughtful growth and revitalization.

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Vibrant Communities has a role for everyone, here are a few suggestions on how to support the Action Agenda.

- » Adopt the Vision Statement
 - Show dedication to the communities by adopting the vision statement.
- » Identify roles in action implementation - All actions will require support from the communities to implement.
- » Monitor the movement The Agenda represents the first expression with new actions emerging every day.

PROGRESS IS UNDERWAY!

With the first list of action items identified, Vibrant Communities is already underway on implementing several priority programs, policies, and projects. A county housing study is expected to be completed in 2021, the NWI BizHub (online resource for entrepreneurs in Northwest Indiana) was launched in November 2020, and the Healthcare Foundation of La Porte released their 2020 Report to the Community.

These and several other actions are moving forward with the help of Vibrant Communities ambassadors.

For questions about Vibrant, contact:

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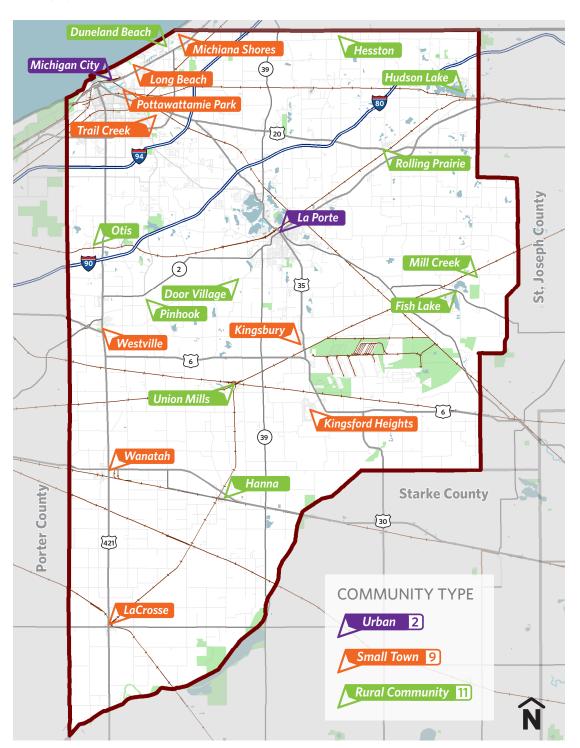


FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:

Who is La Porte County?

Two Urban Cities, Nine Small Towns, and Eleven Rural Communities

A network of 22+ distinct places representing a range of community characters from urban cities to small towns to rural communities. Each place is supported by residents who are committed to enhancing and sharing the diverse destinations found only within the county. The unique representation of these places is one of many characteristics that sets La Porte County apart from other counties in Indiana.





INCLUSION STRENGTHENS LA PORTE COUNTY

The Vibrant Communities of La Porte County process is intended to be transparent and inclusive. Vibrancy will occur when the diversity of perspectives and vision of *all* those who work, live and travel to La Porte County is brought forward.

Encouraging diverse voices through embracing multi-culturalism will bring Vibrancy. Involvement of residents of all races, ethnicities, faiths, identities, orientations, abilities, and socioeconimic statuses is needed to improve the quality of life for all.

Through implementation, La Porte County's Action Agenda will strive to reduce barriers and increase opportunities for *all* La Porte County residents. Ongoing discussions across the many communities of our County will help us reach our collective vision and shared goals.