

# Visioneering Wichita Sedgwick County

## Introduction

The first step to initiate Visioneering is to endorse Visioneering Wichita and agree to implement its strategies and meet its key benchmarks. On January 5, 2005, the Sedgwick County Board of County Commissioners took that step and agreed to implement Visioneering Wichita and adopted a resolution making Sedgwick County a Visioneering Partner.

Sedgwick County has identified three levels of involvement to accomplish the strategies of Visioneering. The first and most intensive level of involvement is to be the Vision Alliance Team Leader (Vision Partner) and lead the effort. The next level is to be a Vision Alliance Team Member and work with the Team leader to implement Visioneering. The last level of support is to be a Vision Facilitator and, when requested, help Vision Teams organize to implement Visioneering.

### Vision Alliance Team Leader (Vision Partner)

In several key areas, Sedgwick County has identified itself as the Alliance Team Leader. As the Alliance Team Leader, Sedgwick County will take the lead by forming alliances, adopting strategies, developing action steps, and taking other actions needed to make the vision become reality.

### Vision Alliance Team Member

Sedgwick County will work in coordination with the Vision Alliance Team Leader (Vision Partner) to ensure that the Vision being realized.

### Vision Facilitator

In those areas that Sedgwick County does not identify its role as an Alliance Team Leader or Alliance Team Member, Sedgwick County stands ready, if requested, to be a vision facilitator. As a vision facilitator Sedgwick County could serve as a convener or facilitator to assist teams in getting organized.

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Areas of Vision Alliance Team Leadership

Sedgwick County will be the Vision Alliance Team Leader in the following areas:

1. Technical Training
2. Downtown Arena
3. Healthy Lifestyles
4. Solid Waste
5. Urban and Regional Development
6. Emergency Response
7. Elderly and Aging

The seven areas of Sedgwick County's Visioneering Leadership are listed in more detail on pages 3-10. These sections will detail the Visioneering strategies that Sedgwick County will pursue, the action steps to accomplish those strategies, how the strategies fit into either Sedgwick County Core Services or Sedgwick County Strategic Direction, lead Sedgwick County personnel for the Vision Alliance Leadership areas and my recommendations.

## 1. Technical Education and Training

### Visioneering Strategy

#### I. Economic Development Foundation

##### B. Workforce Development

1. Retain our existing workforce and recruit new workers from outside the Wichita MSA. A large skilled, educated workforce is imperative.

#### II. Education Foundation

##### A. Skills Training and Life-long Education

- o Provide a world-class system and facility for adult basic education, technical education programs and customized training.
  - Technical education will result in technical or associate degrees.
  - Customized training will be competitive and meet the needs of specific businesses to retain and create new jobs in the Wichita MSA.

The system should be flexible and have the ability to adapt to trends, address diversity and allow career path advancement. The system will provide opportunities for current young people, jobholders, retirees or the unemployed to increase their education, skills and productivity. The educational infrastructure must: 1) be organized and coordinated with input from businesses on issues like the number of projected vacancies; 2) provide required skills; 3) encourage industry infrastructure investment. Two major challenges are obtaining this business input and its interpretation by the educators because of the fast pace of change and global competition. A single point of contact will be established that will direct potential employers and employees to the right place.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 15, I. Economic Development Foundation; B. Workforce Development 1; and Page 16, II. Education Foundation, A. Skills and Life-long Education of the Visioneering Wichita document.

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**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will lead the effort of workforce development through the creation of the Sedgwick County Technical Education and Training Authority.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Workforce Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Ron Holt, Director of Culture, Entertainment and Recreation

**Recommendation:** The ability for any region to have a large trained workforce capable of meeting the needs of industry is essential for any region to survive. Sedgwick County recognizes this need and has chosen to make workforce development a major priority. It is my recommendation that Sedgwick County designates technical education and training as its lead priority. Sedgwick County will work at the local, state, and federal levels to create a world-class technical education and training system.

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**2. Downtown Arena**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

- V. Infrastructure Foundation
  - B. Downtown Development
    - 2. Build a Downtown Arena

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 23; V. Infrastructure Foundation; B. Downtown Development 2 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will assume responsibility for the construction and operation of the downtown arena.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Culture and Recreation

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Quality of Life

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Ron Holt, Director of Culture, Entertainment, and Recreation

**Recommendation:** Sedgwick County, with the City of Wichita, the business community and the majority of the voters in this county, believe that a Downtown Arena is essential in the revitalization efforts of Downtown. It is my recommendation that Sedgwick County makes the development of a downtown arena a major priority and creates a coalition to ensure passage of the downtown arena tax by the Kansas Legislature. If and when that happens, the next step is to begin land purchase and project design. The Arena could be open as soon as late 2008.

### 3. Healthy Lifestyles

#### Visioneering Strategy

##### III. Quality of Life Foundation

###### A. Health Care

1. Increase the accessibility and quality of healthcare while lowering the cost by: Encouraging healthy lifestyles, wellness, fitness and education programs. Address tobacco, obesity, drug, alcohol and violence issues.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 19; III. Quality of Life Foundation; A. Health Care 1 a of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** The Sedgwick County Health Department will lead the coalition that will promote healthy behaviors and implement strategies for healthy lifestyles.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Public Health

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Health Department Director

**Recommendation:** It is my recommendation that Sedgwick County continues the work it started with the Public Health Assembly. It included a partnership with Wichita State University, University of Kansas and the medical and health communities to encourage healthy lifestyles. This needs to be a major thrust of the health department and the hiring of a new Health Department director will establish our leadership presence.

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**4. Solid Waste**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

V. Infrastructure Foundation

E. Water, Sewer, and Other Utilities

3. Develop and implement a comprehensive solid waste-plan including a recycling plan for all reusable resources.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 24; V. Infrastructure Foundation; E. Water, Sewer and Other Utilities 3 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will continue its leadership role in this area by monitoring recycling, waste minimization and appropriate waste disposal.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Solid Waste

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Andy Schlapp, Director of Community Relations, and Susan Erlenwein, Director of Environmental Resources

**Recommendation:** It is my recommendation that Sedgwick County continue to be the leader in this area. We will continue to look at local disposal options, promotion of recycling and continue our goal of waste minimization. To date, we have reduced the waste stream by 36%. Our goal is to reduce it by 40%.

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**5. Urban and Regional Development**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

V. Infrastructure Foundation

A. Urban and Regional Development

1. Provide infrastructure required for downtown, central city neighborhoods and suburban growth that supports and allows our Key Benchmarks to become a reality.
2. Maintain greater alignment between cities and counties on infrastructure issues.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 23; V. Infrastructure Foundation; A. Urban and Regional Development 1 and 2 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will continue to lead regional infrastructure issues through such organizations as REAP, SCAC, Quad-County Planning, the MAPD, Sedgwick County Public Works, and the MPO.

**Sedgwick County Core Services:** Public Works and Community Development

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Comprehensive Plan

**Sedgwick County Lead:** John Schlegel, Director of Metropolitan Area Planning Department

**Recommendation:** Sedgwick County and the City of Wichita have been the leaders this area through the Metropolitan Area Planning Department and will continue to be the leaders in this area. We have reached out to the smaller cities and unincorporated areas of the county to ensure their input in this process. Sedgwick County has been a leader in this area and will continue to be a leader in this area by incorporating the Visioneering goal to our comprehensive plan. Leadership will be handled by MAPD.

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## 6. Emergency Response Systems and Homeland Security

### Vision Strategy:

#### III. Quality of Life Foundation

##### D. Public Safety

- d. Providing high quality emergency response systems and homeland security

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 20; III. Quality of Life Foundation; D. Public Safety d in the Visioneering Wichita Document.

**Action Step:** The Sedgwick County Division of Public Safety will lead the effort to coordinate and improve Emergency Response Systems and Homeland Security by working with the private sector, other units of local government, the State of Kansas and the Federal Government, including MMRS.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Public Safety

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Public Health

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Bob Lamkey, Director of Public Safety

**Recommendation:** It is my recommendation that Sedgwick County assumes the lead role in continuing to develop Emergency Response Systems and Homeland Security. Sedgwick County is already the driving force in these areas and we should continue to lead. This is an ongoing issue for Sedgwick County and we should incorporate the Visioneering strategies into our existing program.

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**7. Elderly and Aging**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

III. Quality of Life Foundation

I. Elderly

1. Embrace our elderly citizens as a community resource for history, education, employment, and other aspects of community life.
2. Provide and maintain safe and affordable housing for elderly.
3. Provide better healthcare resources or optional healthcare resources for senior citizens.
4. Increase services for the elderly and market them effectively.
5. Continue support for senior employment programs.
6. Provide ways to get our mature adults more involved in the community

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 22; III. Quality of Life Foundation; I. Aging 1 thru 6 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** The Central Plains Area Agency on Aging will take the lead in this area and partner with residents and a number of partners.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Health and Human Services

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Annette Graham, Director of Aging

**Recommendation:** Sedgwick County has been the leader in services for the elderly and the aging, and it is my recommendation that Sedgwick County continues its leadership role and incorporates the Visioneering strategies.

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**Areas of Vision Alliance Team Membership**

Sedgwick County envisions itself as an active partner in the following 17 areas. We stand ready to offer our expertise in these areas, but do not see ourselves as the Visioneering Leader. The seven areas previously listed will be the priority of Sedgwick County; however we will be active team members to secure the implementation of these Visioneering strategies.

Although Sedgwick County does not view itself as the leader in these areas, if future events warrant, Sedgwick County could step up to the leadership role. However, we believe that at this time Sedgwick County is best suited to be a Visioneering Team Member in these areas. Sedgwick County is committed to ensuring that the strategies of Visioneering are implemented and will work with the Visioneering Team Leader to achieve them.

The following are the areas that Sedgwick County envisions itself as a Vision Alliance Team Member.

**1. Image and Marketing**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

I. Economic Development Foundation

A. Image and Marketing

1. Develop an aggressive marketing program that attracts diversified value-added jobs through retention and expansion of existing businesses, recruitment of out-of-market businesses and creation of new business enterprises in targeted job sectors that provide enough direct jobs to meet our Key Benchmarks.
2. Develop a brand that will position the Wichita MSA internally and externally. Involve many organizations in developing the brand that will be authentic and inspiring. Use the brand to retain and attract jobs, visitors and workforce. Market the brand and the Wichita MSA's competitive advantage internally and externally.
3. Create clusters and their supply chains with critical mass for diversified growth.

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4. Aggressively retain, expand and recruit corporate headquarters.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 14; I. Economic Development Foundation; A. Image and Marketing 1 thru 4. of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action step:** Sedgwick County will partner with GWEDC and the Wichita Convention and Visitors Bureau.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Economic Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development, through GWEDC

## 2. Tourism and Visitors

**Strategy Location:** Page 16; I. Economic Development Foundation; E. Tourism and Visitors 1

Visioneering Strategy:

I. Economic Development Foundation

E. Tourism and Visitors

1. Increase tourism and convention activity to a) create direct value-added jobs, b) provide expanded activities for our residents and c) sell the Wichita MSA as a place to live, learn, work and play.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 16; I. Economic Development Foundation; E. Tourism and Visitors 1 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action step:** Sedgwick County will partner with GWEDC and the Wichita Convention and Visitors Bureau.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Economic Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development, through GWEDC

## 3. Health Care

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**Visioneering Strategy:**

III. Quality of Life Foundation

A. Health Care

1. Increase the accessibility and quality of healthcare while lowering costs by:
  - b. Improving dental health for all ages
  - c. Promoting and strengthening free and/or reduced cost clinics as a substitute for emergency room use for indigent health care and promote awareness of these resources.
  - d. Encouraging physicians and nurses to provide services to the Wichita MSA indigent patients.
  - h. Having comprehensive coordinated medical care (including mental, dental, and health) for all people regardless of ability to pay and provide easy access to services. Establish a communitywide expert committee that advises us on health care costs and quality.
  - i. Promoting disease prevention.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 19; III. Quality of Life Foundation; A. Health Care 1 b-d & h-I of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County Health Department and Division of Human Services will be active alliance team members along with other organizations.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Health and Human Services

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Public Health

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Health Department Director and Debbie Donaldson, Director of Human Services

#### 4. Recreation

##### Visioneering Strategy:

##### III. Quality of Life Foundation

##### B. Recreation

1. Develop and implement a comprehensive master plan for recreation that determines a required level of service for each recreational element. Determine the gap between existing facilities and this level of service and eliminate the gap within 10 years while at the same time providing for annual growth as it occurs. Ensure that all facilities are staffed and maintained for high quality service. Levels of service for each element should ensure that proper consideration is given to age, income level and lifestyle with regional equity. Consideration will also be given to use of these facilities by visitors and tourists to the Wichita MSA and becoming a regional attraction for certain types of activities such as youth baseball, softball, hockey, biking, bowling, football, golf, walking, recreational centers, sporting clays, skating, etc. Implementation of the master plan will be based on meeting the VISIONEERING WICHITA Key Benchmarks.
2. Develop a large high quality lake for recreation, destination resort and water supply within an hour of the Wichita MSA. This project needs to be fully defined and the feasibility determined as first action steps and the best location selected.
3. Improve regional recreational use of the Arkansas River. Use the river to connect museums and other cultural attractions. Clean up the Arkansas River.
5. Provide community spaces, green areas and recreational opportunities that celebrate our natural environment, our cultural diversity and our youth.

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6. Establish a regional park board that is responsible for acquisition, preservation, and management of parks and green space.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 19; III Quality of Life Foundation; B Recreation 1 thru 3 and 5 thru 6 of the Visioneering document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will stand ready to work with the Vision Alliance Leader as an active team member.

**Sedgwick County Core Services:** Culture and Recreation

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Quality of Life

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Ron Holt, Director of Culture, Entertainment, and Recreation

## 5. Arts

### Visioneering Strategy:

#### III. Quality of Life Foundation

##### C. Arts

1. Implement a comprehensive master plan for the arts.
2. Continually develop downtown art amenities, districts, facilities, and infrastructure.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 20; III Quality of Life Foundation; C Arts 1-2 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will continue to partner with the Arts Council and encourage development of a comprehensive plan for the Arts.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Quality of Life

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development

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**6. Public Safety**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

III. Quality of Life Foundation

D. Public Safety

1. Create a safe place for Wichita MSA residents by:

- a. Using resources in the most efficient and effective organization structure/process.
- b. Creating higher level of trust between police and community
- c. Identifying the issues that create higher crime and providing specific resources/programs to lower the crime rate.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 20; III Quality of Life Foundation; D Public Safety a-c of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will continue to partner with other Public Safety organizations to achieve these strategies.

**Sedgwick County Core Services:** Public Safety

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Criminal Justice

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Bob Lamkey, Director of Public Safety

**7. Sense of Community**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

III. Quality of Life Foundation  
F. Sense of Community

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3. Support Regionalism and the economic growth and prosperity of surrounding counties.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 20; III Quality of Life Foundation; F. Sense of Community 3 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Stand ready to be a Visioneering Team Member

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Economic Development and Quality of Life

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development

## 8. Human Services

### Visioneering Strategy:

#### III. Quality of Life Foundation

##### H. Human Services

1. Provide social services that address local and emerging issues.
2. Take care of the homeless and families in crisis including temporary short-term housing, transitional housing and long-term housing.
3. Create an organization to coordinate and reduce service redundancies thereby increasing the efficiency and effectiveness of not-for-profits.
4. Create community volunteer opportunities to collaboratively provide services for those in need.
5. Ensure that the foster parent system protects and enhances those children in its care.
6. Provide a comprehensive referral center to direct citizenry with family/youth needs to appropriate agencies.
7. Ensure accessibility and inclusion for the disabled and address their needs.

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8. Create regional access for the provision of social services.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 21; III Quality of Life Foundation; H. Human Services of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County's Division of Human Services will partner with a variety of groups and organizations in the community to address identified issues.

**Sedgwick County Core Services:** Health and Human Services

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Debbie Donaldson, Director of Human Services

**9. Good Government**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

IV. Good Government

- B. Develop a South Central Kansas unified legislative agenda driven by community will and issues and promote its implementation by our legislative delegation. The unified agenda will represent what a broad cross section of South Central Kansas organizations support and expect of legislative action. (Issues that divide us will not be included in the unified agenda.)
- a. Present the unified agenda prior to the legislative session and issue a report card after the session.
  - b. Have a Wichita MSA and South Central Kansas Day in Topeka where representatives of all organizations visit with their legislators and provide support for the annual unified agenda.
  - c. Ensure there is communication through the media and other communication mediums of Kansas's legislative activities to the Wichita MSA citizens.
  - d. Recognize the importance of working together and continuous communication with our legislative delegation.

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- e. Encourage the South Central Kansas legislative delegation to form coalitions within the state to achieve the unified agenda. (The South Central Kansas delegation has 44 of the 165 representatives in the Kansas legislature or 27%.)
- C. Create effective communications between elected officials and residents by:
  - a. Using all available resources for grassroots communications including website, internet, print media, electronic media and newsletters.
  - b. Expecting unbiased and objective analysis of the issues to be widely distributed to the public prior to decision making by government bodies.
  - c. Obtaining continuous input and work to build community cooperation.
- D. Ensure governments are effective, efficient, fiscally responsible, accountable, collaborative, responsive, customer friendly and accessible while increasing productivity.
- E. Encourage residents and organizations to become more knowledgeable and involved in government as it affects our daily lives. Get more young people involved in government.
- F. Benchmark key government processes against best practices for such processes.
- G. Promote regional collaboration and support public/private partnerships to implement VISIONEERING WICHITA.
- H. Encourage employee diversity. Ensure equity in government interactions with minorities. Engage minorities in the decision making process and create a welcoming environment for minorities.
- I. Have governments that practice integrity.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 22; IV. Government Foundation; E-I of Visioneering Wichita document.

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**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will work with other government and citizens.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Effective Government

**Sedgwick County Lead:** William P. Buchanan, County Manager; Mike Pepoon, Director of Governmental Relations; Andy Schlapp, Director of Community Relations, and Kristi Zukovich, Director of Communications

## 10. Downtown Development

### Vision Strategy:

#### V. Infrastructure Foundation

##### B. Downtown Development

1. Make downtown a vibrant community and a destination point for our residents, visitors and businesses. Develop downtown to attract and retain singles and young educated people, giving them the desire to reside in the Wichita MSA. Provide more restaurants, attractions and other people amenities (housing, grocery stores, drugstores, medical, etc).

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 23; V. Infrastructure Foundation; B. Downtown Development 1 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County stands ready to be an active Visioneering Team Member.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Economic Development and Community Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department

## 11. Transportation

### Visioneering Strategy:

#### V. Infrastructure Foundation

##### C. Transportation

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1. Develop and implement a long-range plan for highways that connect the Wichita MSA internally and externally to the rest of the United States.
4. Optimize air, rail, water and highway passenger and freight capacities to create a multi-modal logistics hub.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 24; V. Infrastructure Foundation; C. Transportation 1 & 4 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Stand ready to be an active Visioneering Team Member.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Comprehensive Plan

**Sedgwick County Lead:** John Schlegel, Director, Metropolitan Area Planning Department

## 12. Water Resources

### Visioneering Strategy

#### V. Infrastructure Foundation

##### E. Water, Sewer and Other Utilities

1. Ensure both quantity and quality of water resources required to meet Key Benchmarks.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 24; V. Infrastructure Foundation; E. Water, Sewer and other utilities 1 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County stands ready to be an active Alliance Team Member.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Community Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development, and Susan Erlenwein, Director of Environmental Resources

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**13. Flood Control**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

V. Infrastructure Foundation

E. Water, Sewer and Other Utilities

2. Ensure that drainage system eliminates flooding for all neighborhoods.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 24; V. Infrastructure Foundation; E. Water, Sewer and other utilities 2 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Stand ready to be an active Visioneering Team Member.

**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Public Works

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Comprehensive Plan

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Paul Taylor

**14. Housing**

**Visioneering Strategy:**

V. Infrastructure Foundation

F. Housing

1. Have housing and home ownership opportunities available for all income segments and special need groups.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 24; V. Infrastructure Foundation; F. Housing 1 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Step:** Sedgwick County will continue to work in partnership with the State of Kansas, Kansas lenders and Shawnee County to provide homeownership opportunities in our community.

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**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Community Development

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Brad Snapp, Director of Housing Services

## 15. Environment and Natural Resources

### Visioneering Strategy:

#### V. Infrastructure Foundation

##### G. Environment and Natural Resources

1. Clean up the Arkansas River.
2. Save the land around waterways for conservation and greenways. Connect these greenways all over the region. Restrict development in flood areas so they could be used for recreation and green space. Add land to existing parks and land for linear parks.
3. Resolve environmental issues that are barriers to development in downtown and inner city neighborhoods.
4. Have policies sensitive to the environment that result in positive cost benefits.
5. Promote acquisition, protection and stewardship for all parkland.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 25; V. Infrastructure Foundation; G. Environments and Natural Resources 1-5 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will continue to facilitate meetings of TAG (Technical Advisory Group) whose membership is composed of the environmental agencies with jurisdiction in Sedgwick County and portions of the Wichita MSA outside Sedgwick County. TAG serves as a communications and problem-solving vehicle to implement appropriate environmental policy, identify emerging issues and coordinate information sharing, research, and cross-jurisdictional projects.

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**Sedgwick County Core Service:** Community Development

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** Quality of Life

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Irene Hart, Director of Community Development, through GWEDC

## 16. Facility Accessibility

**Visioneering Strategy:**

### V. Infrastructure Foundation

#### J. Facilities

2. Enhance and support accessibility to public and private infrastructure improvements for the disabled.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 25; V. Infrastructure Foundation; J. Facilities 2 of the Visioneering Wichita document.

**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will work to ensure accessibility for facilities and services.

**Sedgwick County Strategic Direction:** County Facility Planning

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Kathy Sexton, Assistant County Manager and Chief Information Officer

## 17. Visioneering Wichita Communication

**Visioneering Strategy:**

### VI. Private Sector Leadership Foundation

- D. Ensure a comprehensive communication process for Visioneering Wichita that includes grassroots communications and keeping our residents involved.

This Visioneering Wichita Strategy can be found on Page 26; VI. Private Sector Leadership Foundation; D of the Visioneering Wichita document.

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**Action Steps:** Sedgwick County will work as an Alliance Team Member.

**Sedgwick County Lead:** Kristi Zukovich, Director of Communications