



POPULATION

1998 Needs/Goals/Implementation Strategies

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2008 Citizen Feedback Form



**2008 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
POPULATION ELEMENT
CITIZEN INPUT**

Instructions:

Below are the Needs & Goals identified in the draft 2008 Plan. Please indicate your level of support for each and provide any additional comments as desired.

Please ensure your comments are received by/before Wednesday, June 10, 2009. You may leave them at the May 26, 2009 Public Hearing or return them to Town Hall, Attn. Lisa Darrow, 1610 Middle Street (PO Box 427), Sullivan's Island, SC 29482. Email: ldarrow@sullivanisland-sc.com.

Thank you for providing feedback to Council as it considers the Town's Comprehensive Plan.

Needs & Goals – Population Element- (PLEASE CIRCLE YOUR CHOICE)

- 1. Continue to promote a sense of community among the residents.**

Very important				Not important at all
5	4	3	2	1

- 2. Continue to protect and foster the view that Sullivan's Island is a family oriented Island.**

Very important				Not important at all
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- 3. COMMENTS (Additional Needs & Goals, Implementation Strategies and/or Other Comments):**

INTRODUCTION

The following is a list of policies and strategies to use in the implementation of the comprehensive plan. These goals were developed by the Planning Commission during the planning process through discussion of the existing situation and the vision of what may happen in the future. Following each implementation strategy, the responsible lead agency and a time frame is listed. There are three time frames identified in the implementation:

- * Short term, meaning to be completed in less than five years,
- * Long term, to be completed within five to ten years, and
- * Ongoing, which is an activity that is either already occurring or should be occurring on a regular basis.

This plan is a road map to the future, and the goals represented in this plan all work towards the protection and enhancement of the Town's special character and high quality of life. Two overall goals were identified in this process. A third was added by amendment:

1. **Protect the Town's special sense of place.**
2. **Investigate the need for a commercial district master plan that would provide guidelines for the future uses, visual impact, and streetscape of the commercial district.**
3. **Protect the single family residential character, especially the integrity of the island life, for all residents.**

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NEEDS AND GOALS:

1. **Continue to promote a sense of community among the residents.**
Implementation: Study ways to assist members of the community that have special needs (i.e. elderly and low income families). (Planning Commission, Long term)
Implementation: Encourage volunteerism among its residents. (Town Administration, Ongoing)
2. **Continue to protect and foster the view that Sullivan's Island is a family oriented island. The Town should continue to encourage families to move to the island.**
Implementation: Keep population density low through maintaining ½ acre lot sizes and other regulations. (Town Council, Ongoing)
Implementation: Maintain main zoning district to be single family residential. (Town Council, Ongoing)
3. **Discourage increases in the rental market.**
Implementation: Prohibit multifamily development on the island. (Town Council, Ongoing)
Implementation: Regulate or control vacation or short-term rentals to discourage the use of these properties for events attracting large groups.
Implementation: Regulate the vacation or short-term rentals to control their impact on the island, by restricting such things as numbers of tenants, parking, permitted activities, licenses, etc.

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NEEDS AND GOALS:

1. Continue to promote a sense of community among the residents.

Implementation: Support both public and private community events that foster a sense of community (ie. Fourth of July celebrations, Christmas Tree lightings, children's events, etc)

(Town Council; Town Administration; Ongoing)

Implementation: Encourage volunteerism among Island residents.

(Town Administration; Ongoing)

2. Continue to protect and foster the view that Sullivan's Island is a family-oriented island.

Implementation: Keep population density low through maintaining the predominant half-acre lot sizes and other regulations. (Town Council, Ongoing)

Implementation: Maintain main zoning district as single family residential.

(Town Council, Ongoing)

Implementation: Continue to prohibit additional multi-family development in the residential districts (R1) on the Island. (Town Council, Ongoing)

Implementation: Continue to regulate or control vacation or short-term rentals to discourage the use of these properties for events attracting large groups. (Town Council; Ongoing)

Implementation: Continue to regulate the vacation or short-term rentals on the Island paying particular attention to restrictions already in place including items such as number of tenants, parking, permitted activities, licenses, etc.

(Town Council; Ongoing)