

CITY OF NEW FRANKLIN
COMPREHENSIVE PLAN PROJECT 2022



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STEERING COMMITTEE

INTRODUCTION

The Steering Committee will be an integral part of the success of the 2022 Comprehensive Plan. The Selection Committee, consisting of Zoning Administrator Barry Ganoe, Councilman Jim Cotts, Citizens Advisory Panel Member Michael Conwell, Development Consultant Jennifer Syx, and Mayor Adamson, worked diligently to assemble a group representative of our community. To do so applications were solicited from our residents and sixty-one applications were received.

The Selection Committee was advised to make certain to include business owners from our current commercial areas, a representative of local clergy, a school board member, a City Council representative, a Zoning Board representative, a member of the Citizens Advisory Panel and a long-time resident active in the community. To that end, the Selection Committee reached out to persons fitting that profile and received commitments from nine residents.

The Selection Committee then considered the sixty-one applications received. It was recommended to assemble a group of fifteen to twenty people with a goal of representation in various age groups, gender, ward representation, length of residence and skill sets. After several meetings and hours of review and discussion, the Selection Committee agreed to expand the group to a total of twenty-four members simply because there were so many excellent candidates. Unfortunately not all who applied could be included in the Steering Committee, but every effort was made to achieve parity in gender, age, ward representation and community activity, consistent with the demographics of the applicants and the desired skills of the committee members. The Steering Committee, as selected, consists of the following:

Nick Ball
Ryan Carr
Nolan Cartner
Michael Conwell
Gail Daily
Jack Daniels
Paul Donatelli
Dr. Cary Duckett

Elizabeth Engels
Jessica Evans
Laura Jo Hawk
Kevin Hedrick
Joshua Lepley
Cherie Lopuchovsky
Timothy Lusk
Cindy McDonald

Steve Rector
Sharon Roeck
Barry Shaffer
Pete Schanz
Johnathan Schoblocher
Mark Sedlack
Bailey Tenney
Judy Williams



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NICK BALL

I have been part of the Manchester community since birth. I grew up on Bolender, the youngest of 3 siblings to have gone through the Manchester school system, and I received an undergraduate degree in Biology from Shawnee State University. I began my professional career in sales and transitioned into teaching in 2018 while still consulting in sales in my free time. After a short time in Cuyahoga Falls, my wife and I moved back to the area in October when the opportunity arose to give back to my childhood community as a science teacher, Freshman Basketball coach, and JV Baseball coach. I look forward to helping New Franklin continue to be a wonderful place to live and work!



RYAN CARR

I've been a resident of the Portage Lakes area for 20+ years and have children in Manchester schools. I have had family in the area since the 1940s. I am a Civil Designer by trade. I assist in the creation and design of new residential, commercial, and industrial developments. I have also been involved in designing school sites, golf course developments, condo developments, utility projects, and a vast array of other types of projects i.e., Amazon, FedEx, several fast-food chains, car washes, shopping centers, parks etc.



NOLAN CARTNER

I grew up in rural Ashtabula County and moved to the Akron area in 1984 to attend Akron University. I raised three daughters in the Springfield area, and after a lengthy COVID-affected search, we found our home in New Franklin and moved in on Halloween, 2020. Professionally, I've been in manufacturing, mostly related to the tire industry. I've held roles in mechanical design, controls engineering, and project management and currently work for a firm in Massillon. Outside of work I enjoy working around the house and yard, woodworking, camping, and spending time with our four grandkids. Growing up I enjoyed the small-town life, but my career has kept me close to the cities. New Franklin offered some of that small town feel and a reasonable commute, and I'm hoping going forward in the years we can keep New Franklin as one of those communities.

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MICHAEL CONWELL

Here is a brief biography of your neighbor, Michael Vincent Conwell. As a young adolescent from the Windy City, all I wanted to do was help people along the way. After graduating from high school on the south side of Chicago, I embarked on a productive and successful military career for almost a quarter of a century. My family moved gracefully to new assignments and absorbed the culture and uniqueness of each exceptional prospect. Because of my service obligations, I earned the opportunity to complete my university studies, and now I'm applying those lessons learned in both my professional and voluntary commitments. No matter what I'm asked to do, I understand the value of service to others and find joy in their success and champion their efforts throughout the journey.



GAIL DAILY

I am a Coventry High School and University of Akron graduate and have resided in New Franklin for over forty years. For many years I was employed by several private agencies that provide assistance and community support to Individuals with developmental disabilities. Currently I am retired. I enjoy spending time with my husband, children, and grandchildren. I love to travel and am hoping to do so again soon.



JACK DANIELS

I am 51 years old and have lived in New Franklin more than half my life. My three children attended Manchester from k-12 and have grown to be very successful as a result of this great community. I have owned Kandel Transport for more than 30 years. Kandel is a refrigerated trucking company with approximately 80 employees. I served one term on the school board at the PLCC and have been involved in a variety of area school organizations. I love to boat, bicycle, travel, and I enjoy my rural property here in New Franklin.

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PAUL DONATELLI

New Franklin has been home to my wife Sabrina, my two children and me for 18 years, and it's also where we joyfully attend Grace Bible Church. Our 7th and 9th grade sons will be the 4th generation in my wife's family to graduate from Manchester. My background is in engineering, which I now teach at McKinley High School, which provides me the opportunity to work with ACE Mentorship in Canton to bring new faces into architecture, construction and engineering. Since 2014, I have been a member of the Planning and Zoning Commission of which I am the chair. Previously, I coached youth soccer and was a board member for Manchester Youth Soccer.



DR. CARY DUCKETT

I have lived in New Franklin, OH for 8 years. I am the lead pastor of Grace Bible Church. I moved here from Sacramento, CA but was raised in Alabama. I have been married 27 years to Cherry. We have 4 boys (ages 24, 21, 20, 16). Our two youngest boys were adopted from Columbia. As the lead pastor of Grace Bible Church, I have served the church and directed it to be an active organization within the New Franklin community. Grace Bible Church provides volunteers for annual community events hosted by the City, is involved in serving the local schools, and intentionally seeks ways to invest in the community. Currently, Grace Bible Church is in the process of building the International Welcome Center in New Franklin. The International Welcome Center is a support center for refugees and immigrants that have resettled in the Akron area.



ELIZABETH ENGELS

I am married to Bob Engels and live on Portage Lakes in a recently renovated home that we have owned for over 25 years. We have two grown daughters who live out of state. In addition to my family, my interests are gardening, golf, and travel. I'm an avid reader. I spent 30 years in various leadership roles with The Timken Company. I started my career as a sales engineer in Houston and built various new programs for the company. In 2008 I became the Global Manager for Community Relations, heading the company Foundation and working with communities across the world. Following my retirement from Timken, I continued working in manufacturing, helping companies design and grow their sales and marketing functions. I also love to work with entrepreneurs. Throughout my career, I have been active in the community. I received the United Way Gold Key award in Canton. I was a member of the 9th class of Leadership Stark County and the 9th class of Leadership Akron – NEXT. I have served on the boards of YWCA of Canton, United Way of Greater Stark County, Leadership Stark County, Athena Akron, Women in Manufacturing, and Stark State College Foundation. I am an active volunteer with Girl Scouts of Northeast Ohio, helping with STEM initiatives. I am a lifetime Girl Scout member and was both a Girl Scout and a troop leader.

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JESSICA EVANS

I am the granddaughter of WWII refugees who were able to rebuild their lives here in New Franklin. I've lived my entire life within this zip code and have chosen to raise my family here as well. I look forward to providing the committee with a unique perspective as we plan for the future of New Franklin.



LAURA JO HAWK

I am a veteran nonprofit fundraising professional with two decades of experience, leading the health care philanthropic efforts of several major northeast Ohio nonprofit organizations including Coleman Professional Services, the Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital Foundation, the Sisters of Charity Mercy Medical Center Development Foundation in Canton, and the Akron Children's Hospital Foundation. I currently serve my alma mater, Archbishop Hoban High School in Akron, Ohio, leading fundraising efforts. I hold a master's degree in Business Management from Walsh University, a bachelor's degree from the University of Akron, and I have achieved certification in Fundraising Management from the Indiana University Lilly School of Philanthropy. I am a past president of the Association of Fundraising Professionals, Northeast Ohio chapter, a cabinet member for Leave a Legacy Summit, Portage and Medina counties, a past board member of the Ohio Association of Healthcare Philanthropy, and a graduate of Leadership Stark County's 22nd Signature Class.



KEVIN HEDRICK

I am a New Franklin resident who grew up in the community, left, and returned after a few years. My wife and I have six children, and I am employed as a local educator. I joined this steering committee in order to do my part to ensure that New Franklin is a community that my children want to stay in as they grow older and offers them the services and opportunities that will promote their well-being.

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JOSHUA LEPLEY

My wife, four children and I have been residents of New Franklin since May of 2018. I'm a firefighter/paramedic with the city of Norton where I am also our local union president. I started a lawn care business last year, Turfect Mowing LLC, and my wife has gone part-time as a nurse at Aultman to join me working for my business. I have been the President of Manchester Soccer Club since January 2020, which has kept me very active in the community. I have a bachelor's degree in Leadership in Ministry from Ohio Christian University. I enjoy all things public service and leadership related and take seriously the commitment of having a heart for service. I am excited to have the opportunity to have continued impact and influence in our wonderful community and to help give a voice to my neighbors that may feel undervalued or misunderstood.



CHERIE LOPUCHOVSKY

A graduate of Manchester High School and a degree in business management led me to work for The Department of Defense in Louisiana and Germany, traveling between East and West Germany through Checkpoint Charlie in Berlin. Returning home to New Franklin took me to Cleveland and WJW-TV8 for the next 15 years. The City of New Franklin has been my past, is my present and will be my future residence. I have family members, who are also property owners, currently living in New Franklin, and its future is important to me as it relates to them as well as all the others with whom I share it. I am a quality listener with a decisive ability. I am not opposed to change and growth but believe it must have a purpose to suit the majority and carry us into the future with thoughtful vision.



TIMOTHY LUSK

I am currently a Research and Prototype Technician who designs and builds Advance Concept Mobility Solutions for Bridgestone of America. I started my career in the U.S. Army where my strong work ethic and desire to serve saw me through eight years in the army with fourteen months serving in Iraq as a convoy leader. During my service, I learned to work tirelessly to accomplish any mission at hand with a no-nonsense approach and a high-level of professionalism. After the army, I worked for the City of Akron in the Water Reclamation Department and held an Ohio EPA Waste Water License. I also earned an OSHA 30-hour certification as well as a degree in Fire Protection Technologies from the University of Akron. At home, I enjoy spending time with my family and training in Brazilian Jujitsu. I am also a passionate gear head with a collection of classic cars and motorcycles.

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CINDY MCDONALD

I am a 1971 graduate of Manchester High School and the University of Akron. I have lived in New Franklin for 55 years. I have been married to my husband John for 45 years. I have three daughters: Meghan, Molly, and Michelle (all Manchester graduates) and six grandchildren. I am currently serving as vice-president of the Manchester School Board. This is my sixth year on the board. I also serve on the board of Portage Lakes Career Center (5 years). I retired from Coventry Local Schools with 30 years in 2015 where I was a teacher, Junior High School Principal and High School Principal. Previous to working in the education field, I was an administrative assistant at Firestone Bank, Babcock & Wilcox, and General Tire. I volunteer at Akron Children's Hospital. I am very excited to be a part of this amazing project for our city!



STEVE RECTOR

I spent the majority of my childhood in New Franklin, and once married, we decided to move back to New Franklin (in 2010) to raise our family. I have 3 young children in the Manchester school district, and I am currently a member of the Manchester School board. I own various businesses in and around New Franklin and handle all aspects of those businesses on a daily basis. I am a volunteer coach for many sports in the community, enjoy volunteering in the community for various organizations, and am also on the Manchester Youth Basketball board. I have always had an interest in community development. I have a passion for having an idea or vision of an area or project and truly enjoy seeing that vision through until it becomes a reality. Oftentimes I have accomplished this through learning and educating myself by asking questions and doing exhaustive research, using common sense and being financially responsible, and doing whatever it takes to see the project through until completion.



SHARON ROECK

I have lived in Franklin Township/New Franklin for almost 35 years. My home is a small hobby farm of eight acres. This was a wonderful place for my two children to spend their childhoods and grow into adults. I am a retiree of the Barberton City School District where I spent 30 years in the classroom and in administration. I was also my district's Conflict Resolution Coordinator. I hope these skills will not be needed on this committee but always good to know! I look forward to meeting all of you and working on a cohesive vision for the future of New Franklin.

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BARRY SHAFFER

My wife Karen and I have been married for almost 30 years. We have 3 children: Heather, Ryan, and Bret. Heather and Ryan, our oldest, both have graduated from college and reside in New Franklin. Our youngest son Bret is now attending Ohio State University. We have lived in the area for 30 years and have been in Real Estate for 28 years with Coldwell Banker. We have owned and managed multiple Coldwell Banker locations, developed land, and worked in residential and commercial areas of real estate. Recently, we have opened our own firearms store called Manchester Firearms in New Franklin. I look forward to helping in any way I can with the growth of New Franklin.



PETER SCHANZ

My wife and I purchased our farm in 1967 and have been residents of Franklin Township/New Franklin for 55 years. Our children Peter and Paul attended Northwest Schools. I am a 1966 graduate of the Ohio State University - BSIE. My wife is a graduate of Capital University - BS Education. We are both retired. We are active in our church and serve in various capacities. My previous work experiences include employment with Roadway Express Inc. (6yrs), MTD Products Inc. (8yrs), and PPG Industries (27yrs). I retired from PPG as Senior Project Engineer in 2004 and have been enjoying retirement. I am currently involved in a citizens advisory panel with PPG and also their employee athletic association as an officer on their governing board. My position at PPG brought me into contact with numerous community groups in both Barberton, Norton, New Franklin and Clinton. I am also a member and held various offices within the Summit County Farm Bureau during the past fifty years.



JOHNATHAN SCHOBLOCHER

I was born and raised in New Franklin and have lived in the city for over 24 years. I attended Hocking College and obtained a degree in Natural Resources Law Enforcement, which has led to a career in Parks and Recreation. I enjoy hiking, kayaking, fishing, and Cleveland sports. I look forward to participating and sharing ideas with the Steering Committee.

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MARK SEDLACK

I have been married to Valerie for 31 years and have been a New Franklin resident since 2009 (bought property in 1990). Our daughter Sydney also owns house in New Franklin, and our son Zachary lives at home, is a senior at U of A, and works full-time. Both are graduates of Manchester High School. I've owned and operated Millenium Development Corp., a design engineering firm with global customers specializing in kids' safety car seats, since 1995. I have been issued 37 patents, have worked with The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration to improve safety standards, am a voting member of both the Society of Automotive Engineers Child Restraint Standards Committee and the International Standards Organization Working Group 1 on Child Restraints (ISO/TC12/SC22/WG1) involved in efforts to unify international child restraint standards. My most rewarding career accomplishments are the many letters received from parents and grandparents, most containing photos of horribly mangled vehicles and smiling children, expressing thanks for designing the car seat that saved their child's life.



BAILEY TENNEY

I'm a new homeowner in New Franklin, and I love the community. I was born and raised in New Franklin; I've rented a few different places in my late teens and early twenties but when it came to buying a home, I knew I wanted to return to New Franklin. I graduated from Coventry High school in 2014. I previously worked in management at Regal Entertainment Group for years, but with the pandemic affecting the distribution of films so harshly, I changed careers and am currently a banker at a community bank, The Apple Creek Banking Company, and am really enjoying the field. I live with my lovely girlfriend Hannah and our three cats, two lizards, and beta fish. I enjoy the great outdoors and the beautiful lakes we have surrounding us. I'm excited to serve on this committee and assist in keeping New Franklin a great place to live for years to come.



JUDY WILLIAMS

I have lived in New Franklin for 72 years, attending Manchester schools as have my three daughters: Chris, Jenny and Missy. I worked at AT&T and was bookkeeper at Manchester Hardware for 25 years. I was active in volunteer activities while my daughters were in school, and I have gone to Grace Bible Church for 65 years where I have been active teaching Sunday School and Women's Ministries. I am a founding and active member of the Manchester Alumni Association and an active member of the Tudor House Commission being the Events Committee Chairman.

RULES OF ENGAGEMENT

To assure the most effective and enjoyable experience for all members and to ensure attainment of the goals of the New Franklin 2022 Comprehensive Plan Project, the following rules are proposed:

- 01** We encourage full participation, healthy debate, acceptance of differing views and productive conflict, all with courtesy, dignity and respect. We agree to avoid words and actions that convey an offensive impression of any individual, group or idea.
- 02** We agree to be sensitive to reasonable time constraints and to limit our input accordingly so that everyone will have an opportunity to be heard.
- 03** We will function as a cohesive unit and allow the full Committee to be the voice that comes from these proceedings, never seeking to silence individual opinions but always being sensitive to our work as a team.
- 04** We will be present both physically and mentally. We will check our egos at the door. We will listen actively throughout discussions and respectfully consider opposing points of view.
- 05** We will have fun but not at the expense of anyone's feelings, beliefs or opinions.
- 06** We will serve our community proudly, effectively and with honor in this important process.

We have been chosen to represent the interests of our fellow citizens, present and future, and we take that obligation most seriously. We will do all things necessary to meet our obligations and assist Poggemeyer Design Group in the preparation, adoption and implementation of the New Franklin Comprehensive Plan.

PRIORITY SDGS

There are 17 SDGs and 169 targets in total. While they are all important and interrelated, some will be more relevant to your organization than others. This section can identify the specific SDGs and targets you are prioritizing, and demonstrate how they align with your own strategy and goals.



No. 01 – Priority SDG

To help give your audience an overview, this section can include a brief description of the goal, its relevance to your sector or industry, and the specific sub-targets your organization is addressing.



No. 02 – Priority SDG

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No. 03 – Priority SDG

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MEASURING PROGRESS

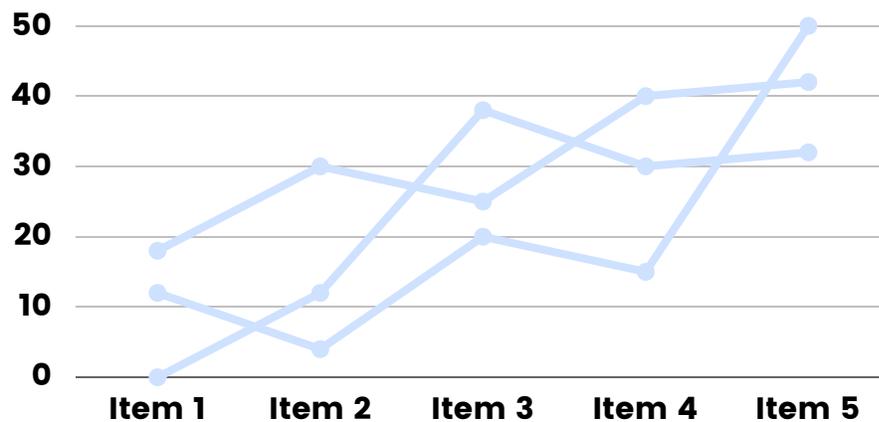
Performance goals are a good way to monitor and measure progress. Reporting performance can include details such as indicators identified, data collected and SDG-related activities accomplished. Clear and concrete performance goals make it easier to generate relevant, consistent and comparable data over time, in formats that your audience can understand and appreciate.

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What's your Infographic Title?

Here, you can add a brief line explaining your data.



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What should you be including in your SDG progress report? While there is no standard way of reporting on the Global Goals as of yet, here are a few methods to consider when presenting your data:

- **Key statistics** - your most important quantitative data
- **Key findings** - qualitative results from SDG-related projects or activities
- **Report cards** - criteria and grade assessments for transparent reporting
- **Infographics** - an organized snapshot of relevant data
- **Timelines** - a visual way to track progress over time

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Catch your reader's eye by highlighting one of your main points in this space.

NEXT STEPS

Where do you go from here? Sustainability reports are not just about looking back, but also looking forward. This SDG Progress Report is a continuous work in progress - a way for your organization to track its impact and improvements over time. This section outlines your strategy for continuing the good work done so far.



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Include a brief description, rationale and intended impact.
It helps to keep it concise yet concrete!



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CONCLUSION

End your report with a review of the highlights, and a renewed commitment to continue working on making the SDGs attainable by 2030.



Summarize the key points here.

- Bullet points help!



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A vision statement, call-to-action or quote from your leaders are powerful ways to conclude your progress report. Leave your audience inspired, and motivated to help your organization achieve its SDG-aligned goals!

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

Most reports conclude with a page acknowledging the contributions of the people who worked tirelessly on the projects mentioned within. Below, list down the names of those committed to these projects, such as:

- Those responsible for concept and coordination
- Your group of researchers
- The writers behind the impact report
- The designers of the impact report
- Your colleagues from Local and Partner Organizations
- Your contributors and donors

*We thank you for your continued support
in our efforts to contribute to the SDGs.*



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