



VOICE - VISIONING SESSION REPORT

DATE: AUGUST 15, 2012

START TIME: 6:00 P.M.

FINISH TIME: 8:25 P.M.

LOCATION: THE CENTRE



What VOICE is all about.

VOICE brings together diverse members of our community in facilitator-led group discussions to draw out and capture everyone's ideas for the future. Together, we'll discuss our hopes and dreams for Evansville in a comfortable, open forum that's fun and inspiring, too. The sessions will allow respectful conversations to take place. All voices to be heard, and every opinion to be documented and shared. VOICE will ensure that everyone in our community has the opportunity to take part in creating a desired future. Absolutely everyone.

The VOICE Process

Leadership Evansville will facilitate discussion sessions each month starting on August 15 at easy-to-access public locations, such as Evansville Public Library System branches and Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation schools. The sessions will be advertised in neighborhood newsletters, the newspaper, television, radio, and via the initiative's website: www.evansvillevoice.com.

Comments from each session will be available to the participants and the public. A summary and detailed notes will be posted on the VOICE Web site within one week of the session.

Once all comments are collected, additional community sessions will occur to verify that the information collected truly represents participants' opinions.

Then, common themes and ideas will be grouped by topic area to serve guidance for those organizations, businesses, universities, individuals, and government bodies with interest in that topic to move forward with further research and planning toward common goals.



Introductions



The Visioning Process



Preferred Future



VOICE - SESSION SCHEDULE

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

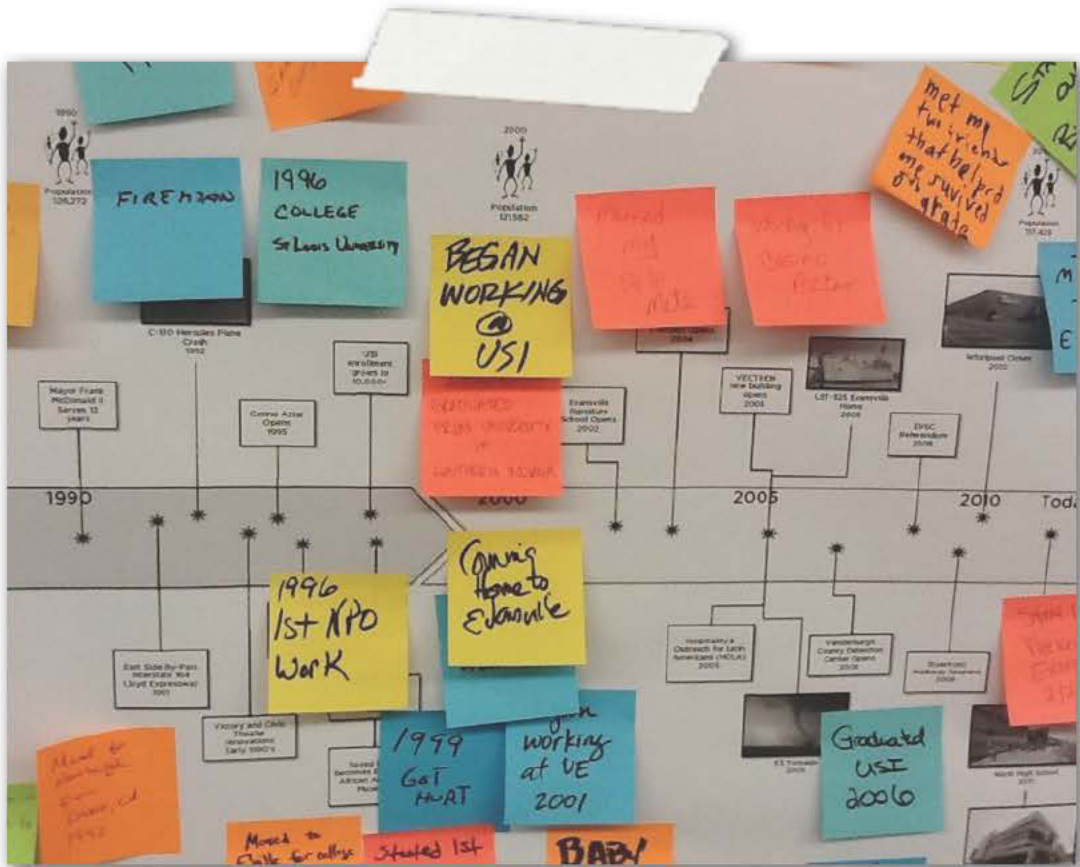
GROUND RULES

THE POSITIVE IN OUR COMMUNITY

CARRY FORWARD & LEAVE BEHIND

VISION DRAWING & PRESENTATION

WRAP UP/WHAT'S NEXT



"One or two words describing why you are passionate about our community?"



LARGE GROUP OPENING – Lead Facilitator

“One or two words describing why you are passionate about our community?”

- Central Library
- Riverfront
- Good place to live
- Hope these sessions work
- Friendliness
- Ease of getting around Evansville
- School System
- Good restaurants
- Zoo
- People aren't afraid to say hi to each other in the streets
- Wesselman Woods
- Engaged Community
- Friendly
- Lots of universities
- Small town
- Close-knit community
- West side growth
- Can get anywhere in 20 minutes
- Optimism in the room
- West side awesome
- People who live in Evansville
- Friendliness of People
- Evansville people will let you in traffic on the Lloyd Expressway
- Good schools
- Friendly people
- People can say what you want and no one judges
- Work Ethic
- Pride of citizens
- Central Library
- The way Evansville supports its local businesses
- Evansville sits on the Ohio River
- Ford Center potential for national attraction
- Police Department
- Fire Department
- USI campus and how they help with opportunities in the community
- Architecture in historic neighborhoods
- Non for profit community
- People
- Neighborhood parks
- History
- People
- Non profits
- Downtown redevelopment efforts



LARGE GROUP OPENING – Lead Facilitator

“One or two words describing why you are passionate about our community?”

- Children's museum
- Non-profits provide fun entertainment in the community
- Make Evansville grow bigger
- Water park by Roberts
- Zoo for the kids to have fun like St. Louis
- Opportunity that the Riverfront offers
- Friendly environment
- Growing collaborative spirit in the Community
- Making it possible for kids to have access to quality early childhood education
- Leadership Evansville
- Glenwood community
- Ohio River
- Ford Center
- Burdette Park
- Evansville Museum
- Proximity of Town
- Family
- Greenway passage
- Pride
- Interest in the technology scene in Evansville
- No matter how far I go away, when I come back it still feels like come
- Evansville likes to try different things
- Bosse Field
- Mater Dei and Reitz football games
- Music and arts community
- Revitalization of downtown
- Growing arts and music community
- Starting to get a lot of local restaurants and businesses
- Universities
- WNIN
- New greenway we are suppose to get
- Consider change
- People
- Generous spirit
- Ford Center
- Green space at Roberts stadium proposal
- Friendly neighborhood
- University of Southern Indiana Social Work Department
- Broad potential in the community
- Pigeon Creek Greenway
- Coal fire power plants are scrubbed
- Dedicated volunteers and associations in neighborhoods
- Local politicians are approachable
- How much cleaner Evansville is looking these days



LARGE GROUP OPENING – Lead Facilitator

“One or two words describing why you are passionate about our community?”

- Ford Center
- Lloyd Winneke



SMALL GROUP 1 - Small Group Facilitators

"In a preferred future, what would you carry forward? What would you leave behind?"

Small Group 1 Facilitator: Scott Wylie, Lilly Pease

Small Group 1 Scribe: Teresa Schneider

Small Group 1 Recorder: Shelia Naab

Participants:

Alice Cooper, Andrew Mickens, Gary May, Kenny Page, Carisa Campbell, Randy Lientz,

David Isley, Larry Samples, Jesse W. Garcia, Roberta Heinman, Marissa Voelkel, Donna Beasley, Sister

Jane Michelle McClure, Zac Parsons, Anna Beth Pfafflin, Melissa Collins



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CARRY FORWARD	LEAVE BEHIND
Free transportation for non profits	The communities where we don't see each other, know each other or network
The great sense of tradition	Disconnection within the communities
Increasing diversity	Disability discrimination
More accessibility for disabled	Disability in acceptance
Transportation	Sewer systems
Hockey	Government that imposes their personal values as oppose to what the community wants.
Opportunities: employment and others	Garbage
Bosse field	Closed view to change and indifferences; open up to new ideas
Growing Evansville	Urban sprawl and flight from the city
Reinvigorated city that includes expanded greenways through the city	Unhealthy lifestyles
Vibrant downtown, exciting something that keeps people coming downtown	No seeming plan for dealing with blocks, and blocks, and blocks and blocks of abandoned bad housing
Healthy lifestyle alternatives	Not letting what the people posting in the Courier blog leading decent
Optimism, faith in the future	Religious intolerance
Inner faith celebrations and human focused initiatives	Animinity
Accountability	Negativeness from the Courier and Press blogs
Development of the historic arts district downtown	
Children programs	
More community involvement in the arts	



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<p>More of an emphasis on technology and able to communicate with each other without being in the room with each other</p> <p>Help out Latino community; and others who are diverse</p> <p>Continue sessions like VOICE</p> <p>Parks and rec activities for children who are not athletes</p> <p>Importance of competition for the survival of the city. Reinforce our jobs, and investments. Owensboro just invested in their city</p> <p>Excitement and enthusiasm in high school sporting events</p> <p>Living wage</p> <p>More open minded processes</p>	<p>East side vs West side mentality</p> <p>Unhealthy habits</p> <p>Excessive warning about Whirlpool left the town, Chrysler left the town. Bla, Bla, Bla, Bla, Bla</p> <p>Job base that leaves 50 percent of children free and reduce lunch</p> <p>Be open to new ideas and do what it takes to be competitive</p> <p>Wealth and power gap among our citizens</p> <p>Small minority of closed minded people in Courier and Press</p> <p>Closed minded processes</p>



SMALL GROUP 2 - Small Group Facilitators

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Small Group 1 Recorder:

Participants:



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CARRY FORWARD	LEAVE BEHIND
pedestrian friendly	new developments without sidewalks
progressive attitude	less concrete
bike paths	low self-esteem
livable community	weeds
walkable/bikeable	drug and homeless problems
shade	unplug kids and get them outside
vibrant arts community	homelessness
riverfront development	abundance of chains
arts along riverfront	poverty
childrens activities	racism
affordable for all incomes	fast food/junky food places
support local business	empty buildings
collaboration	urban sprawl
manufacturing	littering
music programs	intolerant
volunteer to help elderly stay in homes	sewer smell
technology infrastructure	bad tasting water in august
shared tech resources	unplug kids and get them outside
appreciation for diversity	whitebread attitude
preservation of architectural richness	drinking as sole means of entertainment
	trashed houses



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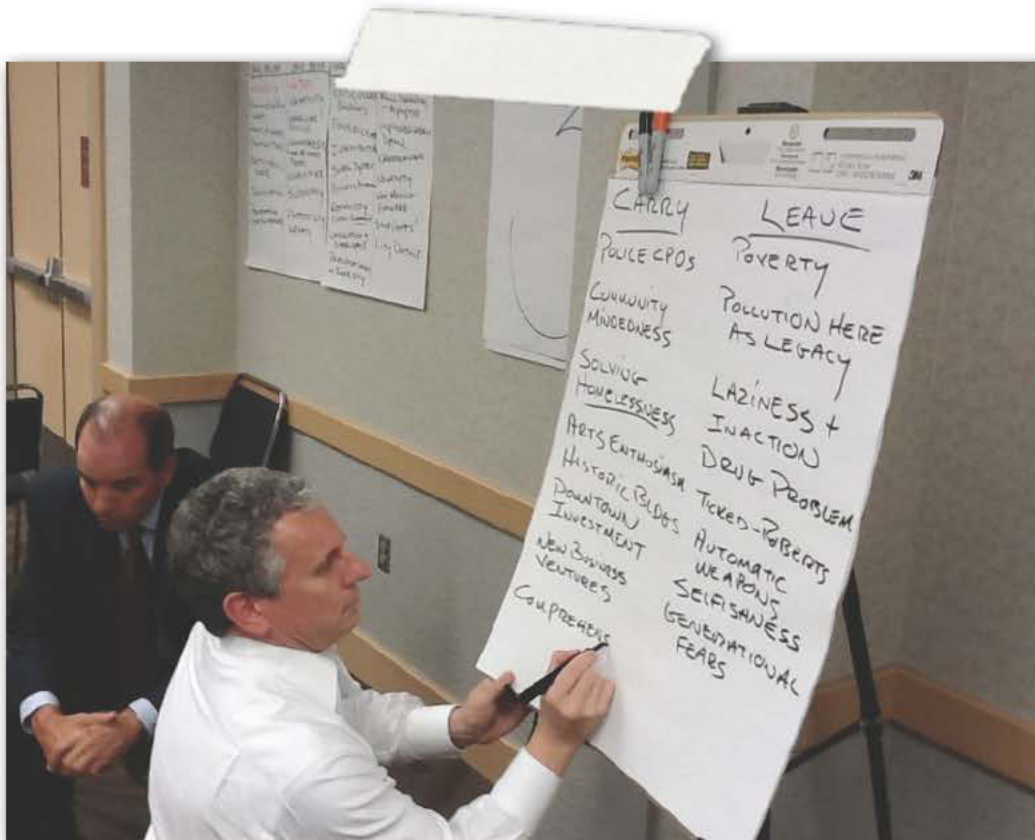
CARRY FORWARD	LEAVE BEHIND
get running and walking lanes on our streets like Champaign illinois	Negativity and pessimism about the community
parks and our wooded areas	decline in the urban core, need to address that issue.
beautification, landscaping, planting trees	negativity, unwillingness to look at other peoples ideas. Let your mind experience new thoughts
arts district and music scene, grow that culture more in this area	unhealthiness of the city - smoking and obesity rates that we carry
innovations	city bureaucracy
preventative health measures and education. Focus on prevention instead of Band-Aid solutions	leave behind the fattest legacy
efforts of the city to reuse and repurpose older facilities in town	vacancies and corridor neglect along Lloyd expressway, hwy 41 where we have older buildings that could be used for new business. We could find solutions to repurpose them
continue focus on center and downtown	unplanned unnecessary urban sprawl
design elements in the infrastructure and bridges	narrowed mindedness
great school system	constant negativity that we hear about our school system and other things
efforts to bring in business for filling vacancies, many retail and factory spaces vacant	negativity, just need to move forward. Reliving a decision already made, need to move on and not re-hash
environmental issues and keeping the city clean	undecided at this time
great deal in our community would be friendship, landscaping, where people can walk and run	right kind of lights on the expressway. Not too many, but right kind. Too many stoplights
reinforcing parenting skills in the inner city, parents and children have good opportunity like the children in the suburbs	city doesn't like change
police intervention, the CPOs that come to the neighborhood meetings	poverty issue, a lot of poverty in this city
community mindedness of this area. New to the area and has not seen a town and life that is involved in so many things	all the pollution still around from many years ago



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CARRY FORWARD	LEAVE BEHIND
try to solve the homeless problems	empty buildings, homes that need to be fixed up, leave the laziness behind and get up and work together to fix up the buildings that need to be fixed.
enthusiasm for the arts in the city. More public displays of sculptures and work	
historic buildings	the drug problem. Under discussed and addressed
reinvestment in downtown and neighborhoods	people still ticked off about Roberts stadium
homelessness prevention	ak 47 guns and ammo
business joint ventures	selfishness that you see around here. Many people are selfish
excellent work in our comprehensive plan it is a great thing for Evansville and so few know it exist	generational fears
regional planning organization	ancient planning and zoning codes and bring it up to be more modern. Based on 1960s buildings, needs to be modernized
spirit of volunteering	Evansville metropolitan planning organization
neighborhoods	people who take advantage of services
	hatred for our roads detours
	crimes drugs and guns
	sidewalks are real bad
	area planning commission
	40% of children are below the poverty line.



LARGE GROUP CLOSING

Recap of "What elements have you drawn into your Visions of Evansville's Preferred Future."



LARGE GROUP CLOSING - Group 1

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- Welcome to newcomers, how are you, friendly. No to hopelessness: abandoned houses, people are singing dancing, reading, smart people. Great ford centre, gift shops and cool stuff and rain.
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- Different religious traditions: spokes and hearts. Build an inner faith cooperative where we know things about our community.
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- Ford Center, Alhambra, beautiful homes that need to be renovated, river, expressway. All downtown revitalizations.
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- Additional children 's programs. Welcome to Evansville Indiana.
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- Greenway connecting all neighborhoods. Affordable housing, mets busses, early education center.
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- Lots of people saying hi and being friendly.
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- Vibrant downtown that is more upbeat and fun. Water slide, more people at the park and river. Eating downtown and it is an exciting area.
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- People in 80, 20, 40s live together and interact with each other and look out for each other.
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- New botanical garden, boyscout area, reptile house, great ape location, observation tower, 500 feet high with a rotating restaurant, river boat service between St. Louis and Evansville. Night cruises and day cruises. New airport tower and larger planes.
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- Revitalized inner city and downtown. Increased effort to ensure government is truly representative of diversity. Stop braindrain and keep people here. Focus on technology, focus on sustainability and green issues.
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- Community not divided by color, have parks, grocery stores no discrimination. All together as a community.
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- Better air quality, less inhalers. Improved health, more trees, vibrant activity downtown, good jobs no free or reduce lunches
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- Clean beautiful attractive flowers... fun, beautiful place to work and play.
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- Diverse families and providing the same resources for all people. Transportation. Sight seeing, what the community offers, Not being judgmental and not ...



focusing on music entertainment, jobs and entertainment, rainbow showing the beautify of people coming together at the end.

LARGE GROUP CLOSING - Group 1

Recap of "What elements have you drawn into your Visions of Evansville's Preferred Future."

- New technology.. solar panel in manufacturing use. Workers ,like children and dogs... good living wages. Trees. Munincipal government that has a bank of people that is considered city counselman and other people who hafve a direct line with direct representatives so their voices are heard. All voices are heard. Neighborhood with individual family houses and lakes, apartments and condos, school is populated by students of all kinds of colors and physical ailities, music sports baseball, and wonderful new emerging ideas like colde fusion. Leads to innovatiction ... making our community a more hospitability , efficient place to live.



LARGE GROUP CLOSING - Group 2

Recap of "What elements have you drawn into your Visions of Evansville's Preferred Future."

- Diverse housing on the river. Condos, homes, all economic levels. Diversity, green space and people out walking and moving.
- We used to know how to build refrigerators. Use solar energy to build things and partner with manufacturing companies to home grow an industry here in the city to general income tax and property tax.
- Utilize empty buildings with BMX, skate world, café where they can look at books and have free wi fi, game center, dancing. Move more businesses to West side and utilize empty buildings.
- Evansville is known for the river. The river should turn into more of an art place where kids can come and we can have artists down the street. Bring kids and allow them to use computers. Bring out LST more for people to visit.
- Trailmap. Show how comprehensive trail system for bikes, dog walking etc. Give people an easier way to get from place to place without using their cars.
- Greenspace, clean air, clean water, clean streets. Person walking, riding bikes---out and about. City park.
- Trees and birds in the sky.
- Bring everyone together and get rid of the East, West competition. Bring art, connecting no matter what economic status is. Free city wi fi.
- Sprawling art center that has trees, people, and singing, dancing, and sitting around watching foreign film. Abandon building turned into a theatre. Light rail system.
- Independent food carts, lots of trees providing shade. People going into the sunlight. Local music and people having a good time.
- Revitalization by the riverfront so it is active. Clean riverfront. Store shops, arts, hotel motel, showboats on the river. Fortunate to have a city that hinges on the river.
- Caring families, walking down the street and not afraid of getting hurt when walking at night. Music, bright colorful place. Colorful houses that would catch your eyes. Make people want to visit Evansville.
- Walk spaces, walking from one place to another without walking on a busy road. Neighborhoods with flowers, safe housing, affordable, sustainable. Neighborhoods parks, fountains, butterfly gardens. Spread out our advantages across the city. Mix all people of ages and not segregate seniors. Reconsider stop signs all over town; consider yield signs.
- Sail boating in the river. Regatta on the river. Green space and shade, rain gardens, ecological filtration of the rain so by the time it reaches the river it is clean so we can fish in the river. More criss crossing of Mets so there is more efficient bus system.



LARGE GROUP CLOSING - Group 3

Recap of "What elements have you drawn into your Visions of Evansville's Preferred Future."

- Environmental preservation, downtown revitalization with an emphasis on environmental sustainable living. Solar panels on top of business mainstreet. Businesses providing goods for the community...groceries, etc. Alternative transportation for the public and more bike paths.
- My wife and me walking down any street. City is clean, flowers, animals roaming, and we are happy.
- Surban style neighborhoods downtown; more modern type house to live in. More modern architecture downtown and across the city, A skyline that says look at that. Puducha wall tells the history. Outdoor sculptures. Greenway/ bikeway. Champaign Ill has it all over the site and we are as good as them.
- Came to Evv in 1997, drove into Hwy 41 from north.. most unattractive. Trees down middle of Lloyd, hwy 41 beautification project.
- City that brought the buildings toward the sidewalk to make more friendly, tall high rises, zeppelin, clean transportation, monorails, great fire department
- Welcomes you of people of color. Third largest city of the state. Don't think hear someone say let's go to EFVV for the day beautiful downtown with great restaurants downtown
- International airport with more than two airlines. More competitive rates where I don't have to drive several hours to afford to fly.
- Church with the word priority... lord is the priority. Unifying experience, joint ventures, good and services going to places globally, and here. Clean water source. No chemical treatments. Treating environments better. Locally grown. Buying from local farmers instead of large factory farms
- Urban core. Group certain buildings so they are compact and environmentally friendly. Want to see more of the green space. See the greenway is going through the entire town. Nice road infrastructure connected to the Ohio River. Less Billboards along the highway. Town is animal friendly, Biking trails, nice parks and green space. Planned development housing where they are centered around areas that will support them. Water sewer.
- Downtown: start with the heart of the community. Redevelopment efforts of neighborhoods around the downtown. Refurbish abandoned houses and replacing with other single family structures. Need larger apt buildings, town-homes. Needs to have commercial structures mixed in and small storefronts. Green space mixed in for trees. Arrows pointing in and out for connections between downtown and near urban neighborhoods.
- Neighborhoods connected by greenways or walkways. Homes to have porches so we get to know our neighbors and neighborhoods.
- Subways, train station, Feathers on the head. Landscaping, best environment like old days. Art areas,
- New businesses coming into down. Everyone has a nice home to live in. No more run down shacks.



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- Tackle drug problem in our city by getting to the root of the problem and come up with solutions with people who have that problem so people are motivated to come off drugs. Everyone work together and get along and loves one another and help one another and treat everyone with respect. Have peace with one another.
- International airport, cheaper flights



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

August 15



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

After listening to and seeing all the incredible visions, what three things stood out or moved you?

- Willingness to think big and bold
- Most of the people who came wanted to promote revitalization of Downtown Evansville
- People are beginning to think about integrated, sustainable communities rather than people moving to isolated homes in the suburbs
- People are hungry for change.
- People wanting to connect
- People want to experience diversity
- Abundance of VISION for a more vibrant and diverse community.
- Popularity of the Greenway; desire to expand it.
- Urgency for economic development.
- Passion about Greenway.
- Clean Water.
- Fill the empty buildings.
- Diversity
- Greenway
- Transportation
- Black and white, back in the OLD DAYS, we should still carry on.
- Fast pace work environment
- Schools/Bullies, enough money to get by - they're the ones whose 1/2 their bullies live will live in one area, enough money to get by on the other 1/2
- Arts
- Neighborhoods
- Trees
- Global imports jobs
- New transportation
- Solar, wind
- Better walking/biking trails throughout the city.
- More/better parks and green space.
- A more "sustainable" city.
- Loved the collective visions of people w/shared ideas.
- Happy to see the mayor attend the meeting.
- Great diversity of people who attended.
- Support for local arts.
- Support for Innovation.
- Support for local business.
- The desire to be better.
- Diversity of the Group.
- Energy/enthusiasm
- Vision for future.
- Love for community.
- Sprawling Arts Center
- Local Music
- Diversity
- Fill the empty buildings.
- More Arts <@ river>
- Do more for the riverfront
- Cultivate local expertise to develop solar energy



- Establish a vital and real arts district/community
- Improve public transportation

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- Centralized revitalization of "inner city"
- Expand pace of Greenway
- Diversity
- Increase curb appeal
- Entry to Evansville needs great improvement
- Support of Arts
- Support of pedestrian/biking connections
- People really care about future & share thoughts
- The # of people interested in green/healthy spaces
- Positivity toward the Ford Center
- Desire to bring activity to Downtown
- More riverfront development
- More national bands and acts
- More hotels and motels downtown
- Evansville Hospitality
- Forget East vs West
- Small businesses
- Downtown revitalization - riverfront - people
- Home grown industries
- Diversity - Respect



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

Does anything seem possible right now?

- More greenspace with "Destination" type support elements - especially Downtown
- Solar panels - promote them, make them tax deductible, along with other "green" technologies
- More inclusion and diversity. Interfaith cooperation
- Yes.
- Greenway; More businesses on the Westside
- We need to change our lights/we should have less light on the expressway just like out of towners have
- Drugs. - Area planning needs to be re-thought. Re-think inner city jobs. End the thinking of inside the box.
- All of it
- Adding a larger diversity of music & arts - including more diverse groups at the Ford Center & more local band venues.
- Funneling support into arts.
- Need more clarity.
- Better planning and communications.
- Citizen Concern Portal (See Click Fix)
- Maybe
- Don't know.
- Yes. - I needed to ride the bus today, but I couldn't figure out when the bus would stop at the location near my house. (I looked at the METS site.)
- Get METS signs that tell the bus schedules - EAZY
- Yes
- Reconsider stop signs being yield signs
- With a continued effort & an actionable plan w/champions to ensure execution - yes.
- Yes - clean -up Riverfront - (trash)
- Planning - planning - 2012-2013
- no
- Improve public transportation
- We'll do it through this visioning process



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

Does anything seem possible this year?

- Extend and complete the Greenway
- Plant more trees! Get on board on Arbor Day
- More recreational space!
- Only if there are strong leaders willing to take risks.
- No
- More architecture to add all around Evansville
- When Roberts Stadium is getting torn down, we need to get Roberts Stadium, have a water park and make our zoo a lot bigger. I know we have small town, but we CAN DO IT
- Take one idea - make it happen
- Side walks and bike lanes. Re-zoning to stop rural spread.
- #1 & 2 definitely - "More/better parks & green space; A more sustainable city."
- Improving roadways and streamlining drives across town by eliminating obstacles.
- Funding for and construction of greenways and walkability routes.
- Some projects seem to be in process.
- Yes - drawing up the framework & plans for growth.
- Yes.
- Yes
- Please make it easier for artists to create work in abandoned buildings.
- Yes
- Clean up campaigns - start committees to implement ideas - obviously arts is high priority
- Replace Roberts Stadium with a park - a park with paths, things to do, activities, etc.
- Planning - planning ok
- maybe
- We'll do it through this visioning process



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Does anything seem possible in several years?

- Riverfront aquarium, dutterfly garden, outdoor sculpture garden, bike lanes
- Create more underground parking and leave the architecturally-significant buldings standing
- Better entryway to city, attracting new business
- Only if there are strong leaders willing to take risks.
- Yes-all.
- Diversity Unification
- Train station, subway, trails for people to walk and run, maybe a waterpark that will be "awesome" to have. Etc: make lesser lights.
- Cleaner air
- Re-zoning. Aiport improvements. Improve the port.
- Growth of arts/music venues.
- Growth of downtown housing/affordable housing.
- Expanding our airport and adding greenspace.
- Stream-lining roads and traffic flows.
- Almost all of them. Need to prioritize on what can be done quickly.
- Yes.
- Yes I hope so.
- Anything is possible if we make it a priority.
- Yes
- Prioritize the greenway - clearly lots of support
- Yes - with sustained commitment to growth and change.
- yes - construction - retail shops - arts-on-riverfront
- yes
- We'll do it through this visioning process



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Is there anything you forgot to say or came to you later?

- High tech jobs - higher pay
- Think about bringing the E-W Amtrak from St. Louis all the way to New Harmony, Nesbit Station and on to go through N. Vanderburgh County + the Evansville Regional Airport
- Evansville needs to think about re-developing neighborhoods.
- We need to start aggressive campaign for passenger train service!
- More and better paying jobs would cure many of our ills.
- No
- We need to have a walkway, bicycle, roller blades, run to do exercise (etc.)
- Improving the vision of the zoo and botanical gardens insides.
- Think and improve the airport.
- Place for adults to display arts. A more modern museum - art museum only.
- More adult places to go.
- Improving the safeness of the community.
- I'll have to get back to you on that.
- City needs to implement citizen concern portal ASAP. SEE CLICK FIX
- Yes. So much.
- Fix roads faster and rail road tracks - some of them are bad.
- Please read the article from last Sunday's NY Times Magazine about solar energy PPAs. Why are private citizens expected to purchase solar panels? It can be a community effort.
- No
- Make a plan to save targetted building like Coliseum, Post Office, Court House - Plan in advance
- Encourage a diversity of businesses on Main St. "Require" them to be open when events are held Downtown. Walk/bike path throughout city - connecting all parts.
- no
- Do away with meth problem
- Botanical Gardens - stand alone; Upgrade zoo (aquarium, aviary, reptile house, great apes); WWII Park with WWII war planes, ships, museum; upgrade Marina to Boardwalk, cape cod; Enclosed, year-round Farmer's Market; new Baseball Stadium Downtown - upgrade Otters to AAA; Ripley's Wax Museum Downtown; Movie Theatre Downtown; Mixed use tower w/ Hotel, Condo's, businesses; Electric Trolleys; Upgrade Airport; Amtrak Station; more college presence Downtown.



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

Who else should we invite?

- County residents
- High school and college students.
- University students
- Business owners
- Just put flyers everywhere, especially places visited often everyday
- Our neighborhood watch people should come to it and explore more people to express their voice.
- More community - council commissioners
- Do we have anyone at the universities who are knowledgeable about city planning?
- USI and UE students.
- Prominent figures from zoning commission, the arts, local business, people with the means to help fund?
- Pastoral staff members, Fire and Police leaders.
- ALL elected & appointed officials and boards from local, state, and federal levels.
- Everyone.
- Business owners
- UE and USI
- UE, USI, Ivy Tech
- CAJE
- Non-profits (churches, housing authority)
- More 20 somethings - more teens
- Teachers
- Small business owners
- Entrepreneurs
- more church groups
- Everyone is invited
- Everyone



PARTICIPANT FEEDBACK SHEET REPORT

Did you like the process?

- Absolutely
- Yes. It was lovely.
- Yes.
- Yes.
- Yes. Very organized.
- "Not really," because it's so hard to get the other drivers to let people on to the expressway - "there's a lot of road rage"
- yes
- No. Too slow (too broken up!)
- Yes - but I think it might be more effective if people came to the session with more focussed ideas - give people a kind of assignment.
- yes
- Yes - but there is always room for improvement. :-)
- I found that we all had a pretty common goal and interests.
- For first session.
- Yes. A great start. I look forward to the future meetings & what progress is made on tonight's ideas.
- Yes.
- I understand why it is the way it is, but I leave no knowing how to actively contribute to the vision.
- Didn't expect as much interaction after working all day. No dinner, a diabetic.
- yes
- Thus far, yes.
- yes
- yes
- Yes



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Did you connect with the new people or ideas?

- Yes, several people and many ideas
- Yes, it was very encouraging.
- Yes.
- Yes.
- Yes. Very awesome hearing how people want to improve Evansville
- "Yes." Have different ideas to get Evansville beautiful and to grow more new things.
- yes
- Yes.
- Yes
- new ideas
- Yes. A lot of passion about the river.
- Yes. Saw some exciting ideas.
- Yes.
- More people in Evansville care about the arts than I thought.
- Definitely, enjoyed the networking and ideas.
- some
- Yes.
- Yes
- Yes
- yes - impressed with people's visioning sense



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How did you hear about today's meeting?

- Email form fellow citizen involved in city/county unification
- Twitter
- Courier
- Emails
- My internship at HOLA
- Channel 14 Midday with Mike Blake, afternoon news of the day with Lloyd W. "We need a big change in our environment, parks, recreation, train station, active river front to bring people in Evansville, just like bigger states, etc. "C'mon," people, have common sense and move right forward
- E-mail
- U.N.O.E.
- newspaper/friends
- Facebook
- Facebook
- Friend told me
- Verbal/email/internet/news
- Friend told me
- Facebook invite
- Radio - WEOA
- newspaper - post card
- Sunday paper
- TV 25
- TV. Newspaper
- Courier & press



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August 15, 2012

The Centre

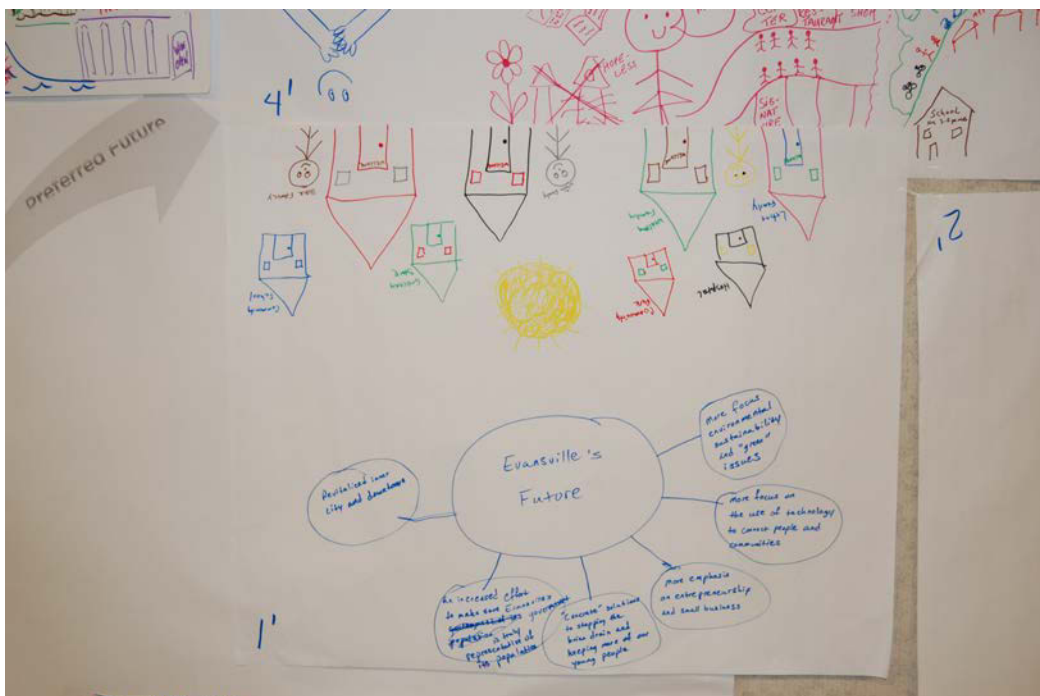






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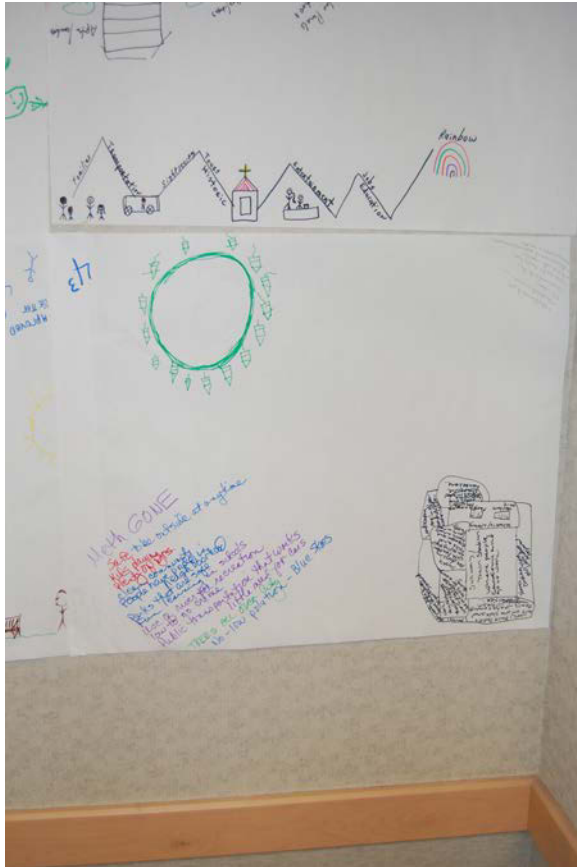
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ADDITIONAL VOICE DATES

AUGUST 25TH
HARRISON HIGH SCHOOL
FROM 10:00AM-12:PM

SEPTEMBER 5TH
CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER
FROM 6:00PM-8:00PM

SEPTEMBER 10TH
CENTRAL LIBRARY
FROM 10:00AM- 12:00PM

SEPTEMBER 26TH
POTTER'S WHEEL
FROM 5:30PM-7:30PM

SEPTEMBER 29TH
CAZE SCHOOL
FROM 2:00PM-4:00PM



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