

# November 15<sup>th</sup> Canby Vision Meeting Community Input

## COMMUNITY

### **THEME: ARTS AND CULTURE**

*Increasing and promoting art and events that can help build community cohesiveness and attract tourism to Canby*

#### **PRIOR ASSETS**

- **Artistic associations** including the Canby Arts Association, Allegro Dance, and the Canby Livability Coalition.
- **Cultural and Artistic events** such as the Cruise In, Dahlia Festival, County Fair, Slice of summer music festival, summer Drama, summer parades, and Flower Farmer.
- **Existing public art** such as the Vietnam War Memorial (Helicopter), artistic bike racks and downtown banners.
- **Art and culture venues**
  - **Buildings** such as Richard Brown Fine Arts Center, new library, St. Patrick's, Hope Village and Canby Adult Center
  - **Open spaces** such as Canby Gove, City parks such as Wait Park Fair Grounds, Art Park at Holly and Territorial, community gardens, and sports fields.
- **Artistic related businesses** such as **Wall Flowers Gallery, the Quilt Shop and Miss Adeline's**

#### **PRIOR GAPS**

- Public art space
- Need more art
- Funding
- **Communication and outreach:** about art and event opportunities including access, and schedule availability; to everyone including added focus on younger generations and the Latino community and across silos.
- **Additional events** such as outdoor movies, music opportunities and concert venues and celebrations of minority communities and culture.
- **Expanding existing events** such as a multicultural Slice of Summer, and movies in Spanish and other languages at the movie theater.

## **THEME: EDUCATION**

*Better partnership with the school district, homeschoolers, and the Canby community as a whole*

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Better outreach, access to information and technology for all ages, ethnicities and community members

### **PRIOR ASSETS**

- College Credit opportunities and Community education
- **Facilities** such as Ackerman Center, Canby Community Center and fine Arts Center, and athletic fields.
- Staff
- **Canby School District programs** including Career Technical and Education (CTE) programs, foreign language programs in Spanish and French, foreign exchange, trips, Canby Peace Program, athletic programs and extensive technology such as iPad and iPod use.
- **Other community programs** such as Canby Telcom computer classes, St. Patrick's Art Classes and Library Lecture series, Community Cable through OCTS.
- Support from the community and businesses

### **NEW GAPS**

- Not enough discussion with homeschooling community
- Community member as guest educators

### **PRIOR GAPS**

- College opportunities – CCC satellite campus in Canby
- Schools are declining
- Class size is increasing
- Continuing education
- Preschool
- Funding
- at risk communities and socioeconomically challenged
  - continued community support, open houses and access

## **THEME: DIVERSITY – CULTURE AND AGES**

*Embrace diversity through inclusive communication, events and arts.*

### **PRIOR ASSETS**

- Diverse community
- Social groups in place (Canby Center, Adult Center, Churches)
- Light the night
- Library
- Cutsforth - great ethnic food selection and diverse staff
- Shared family focus and other similar values like education
- Schools do a good job of connecting.

### **PRIOR GAPS**

- Diversity doesn't just mean ethnic
- More personal ambassadors and connectors
- Add Hispanic music groups to Slice of Summer
- Need a single organization or community resource that supports diversity as its sole mission
- Better communications needed – try getting the word out through churches, Canby Herald not an information source for Hispanics,
- Expand Bilingual program
- Need more adult non English speakers

## **THEME: SMALL TOWN ATTRIBUTES**

*Keep small town feel by promoting connectivity with community and business*

### **NEW ASSETS**

- Churches

### **PRIOR ASSETS**

- Strong community spirit
- Healthy downtown
- Activities include school sports and activities, athletic clubs, swimming pool, movie theater, pudding river, and Canby Rod and Gun Club
- Strong organizations such as churches and schools
- Diverse economy
- Growth control
- Zoning map

## **NEW GAPS**

- Support local businesses
- Supporting better neighborhood
- Connectivity (Communication – Block Party)

## **OTHER COMMUNITY:**

### **NEW ASSETS**

- Canby Main Street Newsletter
- City Newsletter
- Herald

### **NEW GAPS**

- Contact outside of Canby to draw people here?
- Action - General catch all for tourism and community to visit (website kiosk) and find all happening of community

### **PRIOR GAPS**

- Bowling
- Physical activities for youth
- YMCA
- Brew Pub
- Late night activities