

<p><i>for this area?</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Where and how should the Highlands fit into local and regional growth strategies?</i> • <i>What is the community's vision of a walk-able community?</i> • <i>What can be done to cooperatively develop the property north of NE 16th Street (owned by the City, the Renton School District, and the Renton Housing Authority) into a mixed use project with affordable housing and recreation?</i> • <i>How can business areas be improved and enhanced?</i> • <i>What is the community's vision for community space within the Highlands neighborhood?</i> 	<p><i>economic development plan for the improvement of the Highlands Business Areas in coordination with businesses, property owners, and the Chamber of Commerce. Include all business areas in the Highlands in the analysis to get an accurate picture of market conditions and opportunities.</i></p>		
<p><u><i>Specific: budget items, programs, projects</i></u></p> <p>Create a community "third place" in the Commercial Area.</p> <p>Create and manage a list of groups and organizations that serve Renton residents, with the purpose of publicizing information about those groups and their need for volunteers and community support.</p>	<p>Economic Development Staff should working with commercial business and property owners in the Highlands to investigate the possibility of creating a community "third place" within the commercial area. The idea is to create a multi-functional community space that could be used for formal or informal gatherings and meetings.</p> <p>City staff should partner with the Chamber of Commerce, Renton Community Foundation, and REACH (Renton Ecumenical Association of Churches) to develop a list of organizations and groups that serve Renton residents and then contact</p>	<p>Participate in planning efforts and public meetings.</p> <p>Assess the need for volunteers and other resources. Churches and neighborhood groups can put volunteer opportunities in their newsletters.</p>	<p>Participate in planning efforts and public meetings.</p> <p>Volunteer in your community.</p>

	these organizations to see if they need volunteers. Information about groups that need volunteers should be publicized in a variety of ways, including: print and television media, the City's website, and inserts within utility bills.		
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