**CSPS:** Community Services & Public Safety

#### Introduction

The Community Services and Public Safety Element Goals and Policies support the City's commitment to addressing the needs of underserved populations, creating and maintaining effective partnerships that improve security and public safety, and reducing the impact of disasters.

Additional information supporting these goals and policies can be found in the Community Services & Public Safety Element Background Analysis (Volume II), including:

- Providers of community and social services
- Background on public safety programs
- Background on emergency management programs



#### **Goals and Policies**



## Goal CS-1: Community Service Vision

#### A. Lake Forest Park is a sustainable, vibrant community in which all residents are welcome to live, work, and play.

Policy CS-1.1: Maintain spaces for residents to communicate and exchange ideas with each other and the City.

Policy CS-1.2: Encourage arts and cultural programs, and other active recreational activities to promote physical and mental health and social interaction.

Policy CS-1.3: Maintain adequate access to mental health support services for all residents.

Policy CS-1.4: Leverage the Town Center, other neighborhood center locations, and transit hubs to deliver community services and to foster a high quality of life for residents of all ages.

#### B. Address the needs of underserved populations within our community.

Policy CS-1.5: Promote adequate housing opportunities for low- and moderate-income residents, seniors, and special needs populations.

Policy CS-1.6: Increase access to opportunities for all people and communities through City policies, regulations, services, and community engagement.

Policy CS-1.7: Seek out and maintain regional partnerships to leverage resources, coordinate and deliver human services, and promote a full range of accessible human service programs, including the arts and other cultural opportunities.

Policy CS-1.8: Provide equitable planning, funding, and delivery of community services. Prioritize investment to address social, economic, and health disparities.

Policy CS-1.9: Protect and enhance the environment and public health and safety when providing community services.





## Goal CS-2: Quality of Life

#### Enhance and enliven the quality of life for all members of the community while meeting basic physical, economic, and social needs.

Policy CS-2.1: Promote a continuum of human services that meet immediate, preventive, and ongoing needs to enhance the quality of life for all families and individuals.

Policy CS-2.2: Ensure that equitable human services are available to Lake Forest Park residents and are provided in a non-discriminatory manner.

Policy CS-2.3: Maintain a coherent, culturally relevant program of care services that protects vulnerable populations and invests in human development.

Policy CS-2.4: Increase services that are accessible to all residents by removing physical, cultural, language, communication, accessibility, affordability, and other barriers.

Policy CS-2.5: Promote trainings for police and other public servants to support safe and positive interactions with community members across backgrounds.



## Promote health, caring, and responsibility among the city's youth.

**Policy CS-3.1:** Support existing community-based organizations that provide opportunities for youth to develop leadership skills that lead to positive outcomes in the community.

**Policy CS-3.2:** Maintain a partnership with local schools to engage youth in the planning processes.

Policy CS-3.3: Maintain a variety of positive, enriching activities for youth of all ages.

**Policy CS-3.4:** Help youth avoid the use of drugs, alcohol, and other dangerous substances, and provide support for resources to address challenges such as depression, anger, and physical and/or emotional abuse.

**Policy CS-3.5:** Support programs to increase academic achievement for students at schools with higher proportions of low-income families, students with disabilities, homeless students, and students excluded due to behavioral violations.

**Policy CS-3.6:** Increase opportunities for youth to learn fiscal responsibility through education and age-appropriate employment.

**Policy CS-3.7:** Facilitate opportunities for positive civic involvement between youth and public authorities.

Policy CS-3.8: Work with local organizations that provide services to youth.



#### Goal CS-4: Seniors

## Facilitate the physical and emotional well-being of seniors.

**Policy CS-4.1:** Support services and activities for seniors that encourage physical exercise, social interactions, and healthy lifestyles.

**Policy CS-4.2:** Promote land uses that encourage housing and neighborhood developments that enable seniors to remain in their homes.

**Policy CS-4.3:** Increase mobility options for seniors through the provision of vanpooling, neighborhood pick-up, and other such services.

Policy CS-4.4: Work with local organizations that provide services to seniors.

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## Encourage the health, self-sufficiency, and safety of families.

**Policy CS-5.1:** Support services that enhance parenting skills and lifestyles of multicultural and families of all compositions.

**Policy CS-5.2:** Advocate for quality, accessible childcare and early-childhood education programs that are affordable to families of all income levels.

**Policy CS-5.3:** Evaluate strategies for expanding domestic violence prevention and intervention services to include support and education.



## Goal CS-6: Residents

## Encourage all residents to participate in community activities, identify community needs, and develop ideas for resources and programs.

**Policy CS-6.1:** Promote community activities and events that encourage the participation of all residents.

**Policy CS-6.2:** Explore opportunities to learn about community needs and ways to meet those needs through connections with existing community groups and gathering spaces.

Policy CS-6.3: Encourage active recreational activities that promote health and social interaction.

**Policy CS-6.4:** Assess affordable and accessible housing needs, and advocate for emergency housing, transitional housing, and support services to meet the basic needs of diverse populations.

Policy CS-6.5: Promote multi-jurisdictional collaboration to increase community resilience.

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### Goal CS-7: Public Safety Vision

# Promote effective partnerships between Lake Forest Park residents, community resources, and emergency services (police, fire, and ambulance) to foster public health and safety and reduce the impact of disasters.

**Policy CS-7.1:** Proactively support programs, such as food banks and YouthCare, to aid in crime prevention and community wellness by building partnerships between neighborhoods, first responders, and the community.

**Policy CS-7.2:** Promote safer streets, walkways, and lighting by supporting Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design (CPTED) as well as reasonable use of traffic cameras and traffic enforcement.

See the discussion of **CPTED** in the Community Services & Public Safety Element Background Analysis.

**Policy CS-7.3:** Promote community education to address safety concerns and reduce the impact of disasters.



## Goal CS-8: Community Resilience

## Foster a friendly, caring, and mutually supportive community to improve climate resilience.

**Policy CS-8.1** Enhance partnerships between the City and community-based organizations to support equity in decision-making.

**Policy CS-8.2:** Support community stewardship of community resources to build strong social connections through service, such as events to clean up beaches and parks and restore riparian zones.

Policy CS-6.58.3: Promote multi-jurisdictional collaboration to increase community resilience.

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Consider something like: "Continue to support and seek sustainable funding for the city's community-and equity-oriented police department and court system."

Comment: Should we add something on public safety and speed limits on Bothell and Ballinger Ways? Consider: "Collaborate with State and regional partners to address pedestrian safety, multimodal mobility, and speed limits on the city's two major highways, Bothell and Ballinger Ways."

Comment: Should we add something like "Continue to evaluate and seek funding for a pedestrian overpass on Bothell Way for improved community connections, including to the Lakefront Park and Civic Club?"

Comment: Should we add something on our goals for ST and bus transit on Bothell Way? "Continue to support efficient bus routes for Lake Forest Park residents, while minimizing and mitigating the environmental, stormwater, and greenhouse emission impacts of bus lanes."

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**Commented [CH6]:** Comment: Agree with the SCJ recommendation; I can't imagine why someone would be against this.

**Commented [CH7]:** Comment: Well, if you're gonna pick on how repetitive some of these goals are, there's a lot more examples than this one. I like this one because it can promote how the city works with the LFP Stewardship Foundation, Streamkeepers and the Rotary's Interact youth organization in stream monitoring, as an example.

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