

Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

The Village of Caledonia is currently working on a **comprehensive plan update** which will help shape our community through 2050.

The Comprehensive Plan for the Village of Caledonia will outline **existing conditions**, describe **future goals and objectives**, and include an **action plan** on how to achieve these goals and objectives. Several topics will be addressed, some of which are reflected in the following sections.

We invite you to participate in our community's planning process!

Your responses will be a valuable resource and will help guide the plan's recommendations. Please read each question carefully and answer it as accurately as possible. To help ensure the accuracy of results, each person may only submit the survey once.

The questionnaire should take less than 20 minutes to complete. Participation is voluntary, and you may skip any question. You can exit the survey at any time; however, your responses will only be recorded if you click the **Submit** button.

About You

1. What is your connection to Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ I live in Caledonia (East of Douglas Ave)
- ☐ I live in Caledonia (West of Douglas Ave and South of 4 Mile Rd)
- ☐ I live in Caledonia (West of Douglas Ave and North of 4 Mile Rd)
- ☐ I work in Caledonia
- ☐ I regularly visit Caledonia (e.g., shopping, recreation, family)
- ☐ Other / None of the above

2. What is your age?

- ☐ Under 18
- ☐ 18-24
- ☐ 25-34
- ☐ 35-44
- ☐ 45-54
- ☐ 55-64
- ☐ 65 or older

3. How many people live in your household?

- ☐ One
- ☐ Two
- ☐ 3-4 people
- ☐ 5 or more people

4. What type of home do you currently live in?

- ☐ Single-family home
- ☐ Townhome or duplex
- ☐ Apartment
- ☐ Condo
- ☐ Mobile or manufactured home
- ☐ Other

5. Do you own or rent your home?

- ☐ Own
- ☐ Rent
- ☐ Other

Community Strengths and Challenges

6. What do you see as Caledonia's biggest strengths?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Access to parks or recreation
- ☐ Affordable cost of living
- ☐ Agricultural or rural character

- ☐ Environmental conservation
- ☐ Local businesses
- ☐ Quality public services (e.g., schools, fire and police protection)
- ☐ Small-town feel
- ☐ Walkability or bikeability

7. What are the biggest challenges facing Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Affordable housing availability
- ☐ Aging infrastructure (e.g., roads and bridges needing repair)
- ☐ Job opportunities and economic growth
- ☐ Limited bike and pedestrian facilities
- ☐ Loss of farmland or open space
- ☐ Retail and service options
- ☐ Traffic safety and street conditions
- ☐ Vacant or underused properties
- ☐ Variety of housing types

8. Are there other strengths or challenges not listed above that you feel are important to Caledonia?

Housing and Residential Neighborhoods

9. Do you feel that Caledonia has housing options to meet the future needs of residents?

- ☐ Yes
 ☐ No
 ☐ Not sure / Don't know

10. Which groups do you feel are most affected by housing challenges in Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Larger families
- ☐ Low- or fixed-income households
- ☐ People with disabilities
- ☐ People who work in the community but live elsewhere
- ☐ Senior
- ☐ Young adults or first-time buyers
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

10. How affordable do you consider your housing costs in Caledonia?

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
Very affordable Somewhat affordable Difficult to afford Not affordable at all Not sure / Don't know

11. Would you support or oppose the Village of Caledonia adopting the following strategies to address housing needs?

	Strongly support	Support	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure Don't Know
Encourage a variety of housing options	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Facilitate affordable housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage housing for early-career professionals	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage housing for young families	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage senior or age-restricted housing	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Limit new housing construction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

12. What types of homes would you prefer to see more of in Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Starter or “downsizing” houses (under 1,500 square feet)
- ☐ Mid- and large-sized single-family homes (1,500 square feet and above)
- ☐ Townhomes or duplexes
- ☐ Multi-unit apartments (4 or more units)
- ☐ Multi-unit condominiums (4 or more units)
- ☐ Accessory dwelling units (e.g. basement apartments, mother-in-law suites)
- ☐ Other

13. Where should new housing be encouraged in Caledonia?

Select up to 2

- ☐ Evenly throughout the Village
- ☐ In existing neighborhoods
- ☐ In rural areas
- ☐ Near existing commercial areas
- ☐ Other

14. Do you have any additional comments about housing and residential neighborhoods in Caledonia?

Economic Development

15. How would you rate the economic conditions in the Village of Caledonia in each of the following areas?

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not sure Don't Know
Access to a variety of businesses and services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Availability of jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Quality of jobs	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ease of starting and maintaining a business	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Impact of industries on the surrounding community	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities for new development	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strength of local economy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

16. How satisfied are you with Caledonia's commercial areas (shopping areas, dining and entertainment areas, etc.)

☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐
 Very satisfied Somewhat satisfied Neutral Somewhat dissatisfied Very dissatisfied

17. What would improve Caledonia's commercial areas?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Beautification or streetscaping improvements
- ☐ Events and activities
- ☐ More local or independent businesses
- ☐ More public places to gather and socialize
- ☐ More office space
- ☐ More street parking
- ☐ More restaurants or entertainment
- ☐ Safer streets and sidewalks

18. Would you support or oppose the following strategies for commercial development in Caledonia?

	Strongly support	Support	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure Don't Know
Allow a greater mix of uses (e.g., homes, offices, retail) when redeveloping commercial areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Encourage new suburban-style strip malls	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	Strongly support	Support	Oppose	Strongly oppose	Not sure Don't Know
Have the Village buy land to redevelop commercial areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Promote new commercial buildings on vacant commercial lots	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide support to small business owners	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Turn vacant commercial lots into public spaces with nearby shops and restaurants	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

19. Do you have any additional comments about commercial and industrial areas in Caledonia?

Community Facilities and Parks

20. Which of the following do you or other members of your household use?

Select all that apply

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Arts or cultural venues | <input type="checkbox"/> Child care | <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Libraries | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-use trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Parks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public schools | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreation centers | <input type="checkbox"/> Senior services |

21. How much should the Village of Caledonia prioritize the following goals?

	Highly	Moderately	Slightly	Not at all	Not sure / Don't know
Define a distinct character for different parts of Caledonia	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Expand the pedestrian and bike public trail network	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Offer a range of cultural activities and events	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preserve and protect environmentally sensitive areas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Preserve historically and architecturally significant sites and buildings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Provide more cultural, civil, and public gathering spaces (e.g., splash pad, botanical garden, beer gardens)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

22. Are there community facilities or services that you believe are missing from Caledonia?

Transportation and Mobility

23. In a typical week, how do you get around Caledonia?

Select all that apply

- ☐ Walk
- ☐ Bike
- ☐ Carpool
- ☐ Drive alone
- ☐ Public transit
- ☐ Taxi or rideshare (e.g., Uber, Lyft)

24. When considering existing transportation infrastructure in Caledonia, please rate each of the following.

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Not sure / Don't Know
Bike lanes or trails	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Crosswalk safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sidewalk availability and condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Public transit access	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Road maintenance and safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Winter accessibility for walking/biking	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

25. What transportation improvements are most needed in Caledonia?

Select up to 3

- ☐ Additional sidewalks
- ☐ Additional and improved bike lanes
- ☐ Additional off-street trails
- ☐ Better connections between neighborhoods and destinations
- ☐ Better lighting and visibility
- ☐ Better public transit service
- ☐ Improved safety for pedestrian crossings
- ☐ Improved traffic flow
- ☐ More street parking
- ☐ Traffic calming or speed reduction measures

26. If there were a safe sidewalk or trail, how likely would you be to walk to locations near (within 5 to 10 minutes) your home?

- ☐ Very likely
- ☐ Somewhat likely
- ☐ Somewhat unlikely
- ☐ Very unlikely
- ☐ Not sure / Don't know

27. Do you have any additional comments about transportation and mobility in Caledonia?

Final Thoughts

28. Are you satisfied with the overall quality of life in Caledonia?

☐ Very satisfied ☐ Somewhat satisfied ☐ Neutral ☐ Somewhat dissatisfied ☐ Very dissatisfied

29. What are your top 3 priorities for the future of Caledonia?

Select up to 3

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attract and support businesses | <input type="checkbox"/> Connect different parts of the Village with sidewalks and off-road trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Enhance parks and community spaces |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Expand housing options | <input type="checkbox"/> Improve housing affordability | <input type="checkbox"/> Improve streets and roads |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Make it easier to get around without a car | <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare for natural hazard resilience | <input type="checkbox"/> Preserve agricultural and rural lands |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Protect natural areas and resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Revitalize commercial areas | <input type="checkbox"/> Support schools and families |

30. Do you have any additional comments, concerns, or ideas you'd like to share?