

JOIN US IN MOVING CHEMUNG COUNTY FORWARD. Together, we can create a brighter future for our community.



THE CHEMUNG COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

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WHAT DOES A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN LOOK LIKE?

A good Comprehensive Plan starts with research, including lots of Community Engagement. With this in hand, a vision for the future of Chemung County is created with the goal to elevate the quality of life for all residents.

THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN COULD PROMOTE:

SUPPORT HEALTH & WELLNESS:

By expanding recreational options such as biking and hiking trails, and promoting arts and culture, we aim to foster a healthier, more active community.



STRENGTHEN CONNECTIONS

Easier access to neighboring towns and highlighting the natural beauty of our area will make Chemung County an even more attractive place to live and visit.



CELEBRATE HERITAGE

Elevate our historical and cultural heritage through new initiatives, ensuring that community input shapes an inclusive and representative approach.



BOOSTING ECONOMIC GROWTH FOR COUNTY & LOCAL GOVERNMENT

Investing in the comprehensive plan could offer significant economic benefits, like:

- ✓ **Economic Growth & Tourism:** Enhanced infrastructure and attractions will draw more visitors, boosting local businesses and increasing revenue streams.
- ✓ **Strategic Improvements:** Through public-private partnerships, we can improve transportation networks, housing, and amenities, supporting sustainable growth and revitalization efforts.

DRIVING INNOVATION FOR BUSINESS & INDUSTRY

Our comprehensive plan provides opportunities to benefit local businesses and industries, such as:

- ✓ **Retaining Talent:** New recreational and cultural attractions can help retain a skilled workforce, driving innovation and economic stability.
- ✓ **Increasing Customer Bases:** An influx of visitors to boost customer numbers for local shops, restaurants, and hotels, ensuring both direct and indirect benefits for businesses.

ADVANCING MISSIONS FOR NONPROFITS & ARTS GROUPS

The comprehensive plan provides unique opportunities for nonprofits and arts groups:

- ✓ **Engaging the Community:** Interactive public installations and new spaces could engage more people in arts, culture, and creativity.
- ✓ **Promoting Inclusion:** By showcasing diverse local stories and perspectives, we can foster a more inclusive community that celebrates its rich cultural heritage.



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WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN?

A Comprehensive Plan is a document that guides the policies and development of counties, cities, towns, and villages. **Plans work with a community's vision for the future of their community 5, 10, or even 50 years from now!** More than just a plan, a Comprehensive Plan has legal standing to act as a guide for future policy decisions made in the County.

WHY DO WE NEED COMPREHENSIVE PLANS?

A Comprehensive Plan acts as a guide to ensure that the policies, priorities, actions, and initiatives of Chemung County are in line with the vision of the community – it's a community's chance to shape the future! Comprehensive Plans also provide the County a framework to guide the community through economic and community development, and to ensure that the County's cities, towns, and villages are all working together to make Chemung County a better place.

A comprehensive plan is crucial for Chemung County because it:

- ✓ **Provides a Clear Vision:**
Establishes a cohesive vision and roadmap for future development, ensuring that growth is managed and beneficial for all residents.
- ✓ **Facilitates Coordinated Efforts:**
Encourages collaboration among government entities, businesses, and community groups, maximizing resources and achieving common goals.
- ✓ **Ensures Sustainable Development:**
Balances economic growth with environmental stewardship, preserving our natural spaces while enhancing infrastructure and amenities.

GET INVOLVED: SHAPE THE FUTURE OF CHEMUNG COUNTY

Your voice matters in the development of our comprehensive plan. Here's how you can get involved:

ATTEND PUBLIC MEETINGS

Join us at our scheduled public meetings to hear updates, share your thoughts, and engage with your neighbors.



PARTICIPATE IN SURVEYS

Fill out community surveys to provide valuable feedback on what you'd like to see in the plan.



STAY INFORMED

Follow our updates through the county website, social media channels, and newsletters to stay informed on progress and upcoming events.



Together, we can create a comprehensive plan that reflects the needs and aspirations of all Chemung County residents. Let's move forward together!

