

# Public Meeting 1

July 13, 2009



## Welcome and Introductions

- Ben Weiner, Project Manager
- Matt Brown, Planner
- Louis Clayton, Intern
  
- James Schimmer, Director
- Lee Brown, Planning Administrator
  
- What we do: Franklin County Planning
  - Development regulations
  - Long-range planning

## Working Committee

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- Representatives from community
- Help guide process
  
- Residents, property owners, business owners, township officials

## Tonight's meeting

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1. Presentation: About the Blendon Community Plan
2. Small groups
  - Specific feedback
  - Mapping exercises

## What is a plan?

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- Vision for a community's future
  - How land is used (houses, offices, shops, farms, factories)
  - What new buildings look like
  - Where the parks are
  - How people get around (car, foot, bike, bus)
- What you want the future to look like

## Kitchen example

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- Kitchen plan
  - What we want the kitchen to look like in the future

## Kitchen plan

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### ■ Ask questions-

- What do we like about the kitchen we have now?
- What *don't* we like?
- "I like my appliances"
- "I don't have enough counter space"
- "The floor is in bad shape"

## Kitchen plan

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### ■ Set vision

- "Appliances: current appliances, in good working order"
- "Counters: more counter space"
- "Floor: a new floor"

## Kitchen plan

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### ■ Vision

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### ■ Plan recommendations: steps we take to achieve the vision

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- Replace desk area with new counters
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## Kitchen plan

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### ■ Recommendations

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### ■ Carrying out recommendations (implementation)

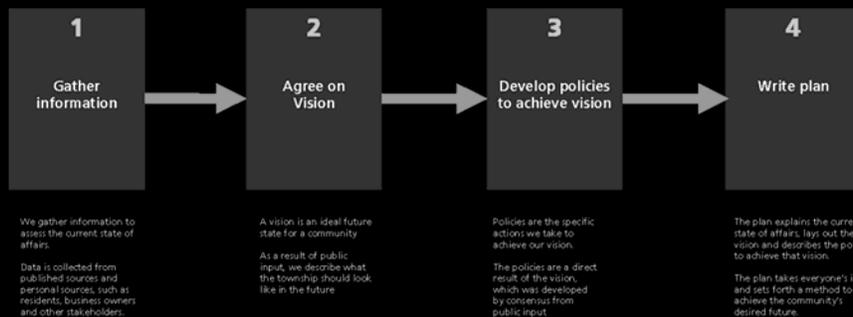
- Easier to do some, rather than others
- But- a plan is in place if resources become available

## Back to our Community Plan

- What we like, what we don't like
- Vision for the future
- Recommendations to achieve the vision
  
- Why it's important to have a plan
  - Community weighs in on new development
  - Gives predictability: residents, land owners, developers – Confidence in your investment
  - Communicates priorities to leaders

## How do we complete the plan?

### 4 phases



# How do we complete the plan?

## Public meetings



# Where are we planning?

## ■ Unincorporated Blendon Township

- Huber Ridge
- Sunbury Woods
- Cleveland Heights
- East of reservoir
- Small pockets



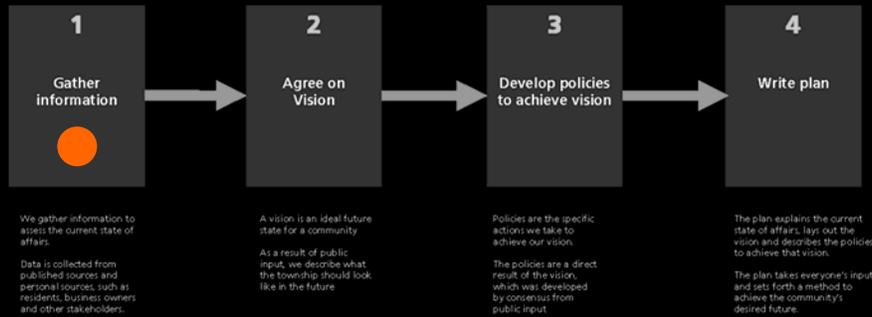


# Involvement and Transparency

- Materials on website
  - [www.franklincountyohio.gov/commissioners/edp/planning/blendon](http://www.franklincountyohio.gov/commissioners/edp/planning/blendon)
  - [tinyurl.com/blendon](http://tinyurl.com/blendon)

# How do we complete the plan?

## 4 phases



# Current Conditions Report

- Product of Information-gathering phase
  - Published data
  - Stakeholder interviews
- Overview of where the community is today
  - [tinyurl.com/blendon](http://tinyurl.com/blendon)

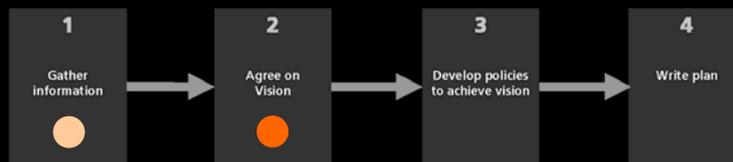


**CURRENT CONDITIONS REPORT**

## Next steps

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- Tonight: gather information
- Next meeting: Review vision
  - Monday, September 14 - 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
  - Blendon Township Senior Center



## Next

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- Small group feedback
  - Check your name tag
- This room: Yellow and Blue
- Other room: Red and Green

Thanks for coming!

