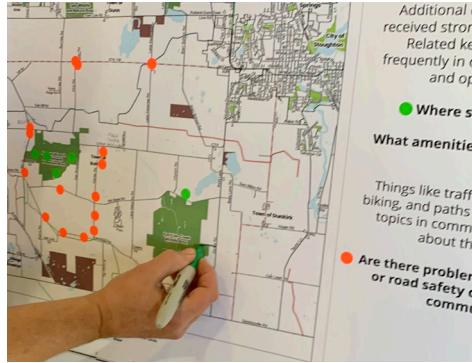




Community Assistance Services



OVERVIEW

The Capital Area Regional Planning Commission strengthens the region by engaging communities through planning, collaboration and assistance. In support of this mission, we offer professional planning and technical support to all Dane County cities, villages, and towns. We also partner with community organizations working toward regional climate resilience, access to opportunity and resource preservation.

The capabilities and past projects listed here provide a starting point, but we are always up for something new. Contact us to share your project ideas and discuss how CARPC may be able to assist.

COMPREHENSIVE PLANNING

Whether your community is looking to make small edits or completely change direction, CARPC can assist you with your comprehensive plan update. Work with our staff to develop a proposal for a minor, moderate, or major update, or request individual services as needed. We can support your planning process with services like:

- Map updates
- Data updates
- Resolutions
- Summary poster or brochure
- Community engagement, including public meetings, surveys, stakeholder interviews, workshops, presentations, and site modeling
- Plan update guidance, including planning commission consultations and growth factors assessment
- Ordinance review to assess consistency with community comprehensive planning goals, stormwater management, tree preservation overlay districts, and/or flooding concerns
- Regional Development Framework consultations

Examples

- [Village of Marshall Comprehensive Plan](#) (in partnership with MDRoffers)
- [Village of Mazomanie Comprehensive Plan Amendment 2020](#)
- Village of Blue Mounds Comprehensive Plan 2020-2050
- Village of Rockdale Comprehensive Master Plan
- Stoughton Design Workshop
- Cottage Grove Comprehensive Planning Open House

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MAPPING

CARPC can create printed maps (both regular and large format) as well as interactive web maps and story maps to illustrate a variety of topics. Commonly requested datasets include:

- Zoning
- School/special districts
- Elevation
- Future/existing land uses
- List of property owners within a certain distance
- Base maps
- Environmentally sensitive areas (floodplains, wetlands, steep slopes)
- Farmland preservation (for DATCP submittal)

Examples

- Town zoning maps: [Berry](#), [Blue Mounds](#), [Bristol](#), [Springfield](#), [Sun Prairie](#)
- [Town of Dunkirk Purchase of Development Rights Evaluation Map](#)
- [Town of Vienna Cemetery Web Map](#)

DATA SERVICES

As part of CARPC's role as a regional data repository, we can provide community-specific data to help you answer questions and solve problems. Depending on your needs, our abilities range from simply collecting and packaging raw data to analyzing, summarizing, and visualizing those data. We routinely work with the following data types:

- **Population:** Census/American Community Survey, Wisconsin Department of Administration
- **Economic modeling data:** economic impact analyses, assessments of consumer spending, workforce readiness, etc.
- **Housing:** construction, building permits, rental vacancy rates
- **Agricultural:** USDA Census of Agriculture, agriculture and groundwater contamination
- **Environmental resources:** United States Geological Survey (USGS) and Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR)
- **Performance indicators:** key indicators of progress towards goals, objectives, and strategies of the Regional Development Framework at regional and municipal level

A wide range of region-level geospatial data is also available through [CARPC's Open Data Portal](#), including datasets on nitrates in well water, environmental corridors, sewer and urban service areas, historic maps and aerial photos, and vegetation cover.

SPECIAL PLANS AND STUDIES

CARPC staff also have experience developing special plans and studies and coordinating collaborative interagency initiatives.

- Sustainability plans
- Hazard mitigation plans
- Watershed/green infrastructure plans
- Environmental condition reports
- Neighborhood/corridor/area plans
- Future Urban Development Area (FUDA) Planning
- Topical reports: housing studies, park and open space plans, resource management plans, wastewater collection system studies and evaluations

Examples

- [Shorewood Hills Comprehensive Outdoor Rec Plan](#)
- [Rock County Hazard Mitigation Plan](#)
- [Starkweather Creek Chloride Management Plan](#)
- [Black Earth Creek Watershed Green Infrastructure Plan](#)

PRESENTATIONS

Our staff is prepared to present to boards, commissions, staff, and community groups on a variety of topics. Past presentation topics include:

- CARPC's 2050 Regional Development Framework
- Housing
- Regional trends
- Flood resilience
- Tree canopy cover
- Green infrastructure
- Environmental preservation area planning



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