

PROGRAM GUIDE

WHAT IS THE PROGRAM GUIDE?

The Program Guide provides guidance for reading and understanding the Charlotte Future 2040 Community Area Plans (CAPs). It provides a brief overview of the Comprehensive Plan, 2040 Policy Map, and information about the CAP planning process. In addition, the Program Guide provides information about other city- and county-wide policies that support the CAPs.

HOW TO READ CAPS

The 14 CAPs are color coded and each document is organized into five sections:



West Inner	South Outer
West Middle	North Inner
West Outer	North Middle & Outer
Southwest Middle	Northeast Inner
Southwest Outer	Northeast Middle & Outer
South Inner	East Inner
South Middle	East Middle & Outer

LEVELS OF PLANNING



The Charlotte Future 2040 Comprehensive Plan includes a planning approach that ensures all policies align to support the city's vision. Community Area Plans (CAPs) provide one level of guidance, building on the Comprehensive Plan's vision and goals while aligning with citywide strategic plans. If needed, Specific Plans will be created to focus on smaller areas and guide implementation efforts.

CAP PLANNING PROCESS



Phase 1: Set the Stage: Identify community priorities using Equity Metrics.



Phase 2: Create Great Places: Review & refine Place Type designations within the 2040 Policy Map that address community priorities



Phase 3: Support the Vision: Identify projects and programs needed to support the community's priorities.



Phase 4: Plan for Action: Develop an implementation strategy to put the plans' recommendations into action.



Phase 5: Review & Adoption: Once adopted by City Council, the plans will provide guidance for decision makers.