

## DANIEL TOWN GENERAL PLAN 2009

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The purpose of this General Plan is to guide land use control and development in the Town of Daniel and to provide a stable basis of policy upon which elected and appointed officials can rely.

The General Plan is a blueprint for Health, Safety and Welfare and as such functions to promote prosperity and well-being, encourage high ethics, peace and good order, and improve the comfort, security, and aesthetics of the Town of Daniel and its present and future inhabitants and businesses. Its aim is to preserve a rural atmosphere, to foster agriculture and other rural industries, to protect and increase the tax base, to secure economy in governmental expenditures, to protect both urban and non-urban development, to protect the Town's natural resources, and to protect property values. To accomplish this purpose, the Town may enact ordinances, resolutions, rules, restrictive covenants, easements, and development agreements, governing uses, density, open spaces, structures, buildings, energy efficiency, public facilities, and height and locations of structures, vegetation, trees and landscaping, unless otherwise expressly prohibited by law.

The General Plan is a comprehensive approach, coordinating development, natural resources and open space in such a way as to provide a harmonious relationship that meets the needs for present and future residents and businesses of the Town of Daniel.

Specifically, the purposes for planning in the Town of Daniel are:

1. To promote the most appropriate type of development within each planning area of the town, while maintaining a rural atmosphere.
2. To insure orderly growth of urbanizing areas and reduce the haphazard scattering of development.
3. To foster commercial and light industrial development that will strengthen the economic base of the town.
4. To protect the natural and cultural resources of the town.
5. To ensure that geologic hazards, flood plains, wetlands, ridgelines, view sheds and other physical constraints are adequately identified and considered in each planning area.
6. To insure that local units of government can obtain the highest return per dollar spent in maintaining water and sewer facilities, storm drainage facilities, streets, parks and other types of public facilities and infrastructure.

7. To ensure that public safety personnel and facilities are available within a reasonable distance appropriate to the type of development within the planning area.
8. To promote the social and economic well-being of the residents of the town.
9. To insure that growth does not over tax the natural resources and degrade the clean air of the town.
10. To promote agricultural activities and to protect them from development and ensure a right to farm environment.