

Where are we now? Values

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Strong family influence

Decline in beliefs

Families living farther apart

Pride in community

Family traditions changing

Diverse community

Where are we now? Workforce

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Lots of retirees

Loss of Ficoso affecting families

No availability of jobs

No incentive to get a job

No jobs for visually impaired

Great location for industry

Have education, but don't have jobs for graduates

Lazy society, want instant gratification

Opportunities for education, great potential

Need support for visually impaired

Where are we now? Social

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Need convention facilities

Religion not as strong as even 5 years ago

Society as a whole more interested in other activities than church

Not as many things for kids to do

Addiction major problem every day

Drugs starting at an earlier age

Police/Justice Department working hard to combat drugs

Kids getting bored, so getting into trouble

Want a splash pad

Parents need help/skills for raising kids, even the best parents aren't perfect

Where are we now? Cultural

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Expectations for the most part are high, but there's a strong minority that don't have expectations and do not want to work

Lack of pride in their work

No respect for elected officials

Thrive on negativity

Negative websites/blogs are destructive

Where are we going? Values

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Stagnant

Stereotype of small town needs to change (uneducated and “redneck”)

Where are we going? Workforce

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Education increasing but needs job to employ graduates

Dress code declining

Where are we going? Social

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Kids are taught not to trust anyone (positive & negative)

Healthcare community needs more specialists locally

Transportation is an issue

Disturbed by CMC's poor reputation

Where are we going? Cultural

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Traditions changing because of population changes

Where do we want to be? Values

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Promote community for future generation; want it to be better for our kids

Safe neighborhoods

Where do we want to be? Workforce

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Bring businesses here

Diverse jobs

Teach children to serve their communities

Want opportunities for success, regardless of education level

Where do we want to be? Social

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Improved healthcare

Improved payscale

Learn processes, be patient and no dependent on technology to give an instant answer

Where do we want to be? Cultural

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Compassionate about others regardless of skin color, religion, etc.