



**Health, Safety and Social Services - Issues and Vision Ideas**

#	Issue	Issue Statements	Workshop Vision Idea - In the Year 2030...	Comments on Issues Statements and Vision Ideas
1	Homelessness	Homelessness is not acknowledged as a local problem; hence there is no coordinated response or plan.	The community has a workable plan that actively utilizes community resources to both meet emergency needs and to help individuals transition out of homelessness.	
2	Accessible health care	Accessible health care is not available to all community residents.	There is an active community voice in assessing community needs and services so duplication is avoided.	In 2030 all people in Tualatin will have access to basic health care.
3	Affordable health care	As a community, we have a reactive view of health care ("care for me") rather than a proactive ("care for myself--healthy lifestyle").	There is an ongoing, stable awareness of the importance of personal health and how to achieve it by integrating healthy lifestyles/habits in school, home and work.	Individuals and health care industry see health care as a combination of personal and societal responsibility and well being and not a commodity.
4	Poverty	There is a lack of awareness that poverty exists in Tualatin.	The problem of poverty has been acknowledged and the community has risen to the challenge and is responding.	Understand "culture of poverty" and address broader "conditions of poverty."
5	Crime	Crime appears to be rising and people are feeling less safe in this community.	No citizen will feel "very concerned" about being a victim of serious crime.	
6	Gang activity	Gang activity is on the rise.	Young people have sufficient opportunities so that gang affiliation is not attractive.	
7	Graffiti	Keeping it off the walls: 1) gangs; 2) mark territory; 3) route reasons why; 4) finding out why people do this-resource: identify; 5) activities	Positive way for youths to have positive ways / association to express their group affiliation-community involved in this. "Graffiti Free Tualatin." "Youth have positive ways to be involved in the community."	
8	Drug use	Illicit drug use and manufacture in Tualatin and lack of sufficient treatment and services.	Tualatin has the funding and programs to educate, treat and prevent the use of illicit drugs.	
9	Social services funding	1) Not enough funding for social services; 2) Accessibility is lacking; 3) Inadequate hours	There is adequate funding and accessibility to social services in our community.	1) Have a location with facilities all in one place: food pantry, clothes closet, medical and housing resources where volunteers can drive people to have needs met. 2) Housing that elderly or retired people can live to promote their well being so they can continue to contribute to society.

10	Service for non-English speaking population		Services available to non-English speaking persons. Advocates 1) volunteer listing; 2) be able to access services in their language.	
11	Outreach to hard-to-reach populations	Servicing the hard-to-reach population that are isolated due to lack of transportation, mental illness, low income, etc.	We have consolidated services for easy accessibility--providing transportation and services they need to the isolated population.	
12	Aging population	Rapidly growing aging population group	Ample affordable housing, health care, transportation, social services and cultural activities exist. Meanwhile this group is giving back to the community through volunteerism.	
13	Jail funding	Lack of stable funding--would citizens support increased taxes? Need an ongoing advocate group.	We want a safe community. The judicial system will work together to hold criminals accountable. Jail space funding is adequate and consistent. Adequate jail space in both counties and ability to accommodate population growth.	
14	Increasing income disparity	Increased disparity causes social economic problems.	Tualatin (and surrounding areas) provides employment opportunities for lower-income populations.	
15	Local medical facility	Non-insured don't have easy access.	Everyone (including non-insured) have open access to medical facilities. We have modern, state-of-the-art facilities.	
16	Law enforcement capacity		The Tualatin Police Department will be adequately staffed and equipped to reduce crime with proactive efforts--not just reactive efforts. 1)crime prevention & education officers; 2)countywide/regional task force; 3)narcotics officers; 4)domestic violence advocates.	
17	Police/fire performance standards	Need high clearance rates in crime. Reduce complaints and bad behavior.	The police and fire departments are meeting or exceeding professional standards for respective professions.	
18	Lack of family shelter	Tualatin does not have shelters for homeless or needy families.	There will be adequate access for emergency family shelters.	
19	Food provisions	People in Tualatin do not have enough to eat on a daily basis.	There will be an accessible, stable, well-supplied food pantry that people are aware of.	
20	Addiction treatment	Lack of awareness of addiction and knowledge of resources available.	People will understand more about addiction and know what resources are available to meet their needs locally.	
21	Neighborhood watch programs	Neighbors don't know each other.	People in neighborhoods take care of each other.	

22	Faith community involvement	1) communication and connection between faith groups and those who need support; 2) addressing boundaries between volunteers from faith-based organizations and non-faith-based community service organizations.	Faith-based groups and non-faith-based community organizations are working together to meet community needs.	
23	Mental health care	1) Lack of understanding about mental illness; 2) lack of resources and funding to address mental health care needs.	People understand mental illness and the mentally ill have adequate funding and facilities for their care.	