

Community Facilities

Goal:

Provide public services and facilities to Town residents, businesses, and visitors in a reliable, equitable, and cost-effective manner.

The Town of Luray should continue to deliver quality public services to its residents. Presently, Luray’s park system provides over 300 acres of areas for active and passive recreational opportunities for citizens to enjoy – far exceeding the amount of park lands for most towns its size in Virginia. Our public utilities systems are well-situated to handle future increased demand.

The Town should continue to build upon the successes of its community facilities. For instance, the Town’s greenway system has been an unmitigated success. It would be appropriate if the Town continued to look for opportunities to create new successes through wise and careful investments in additional community facilities.

Due to national demographic shifts, notably the aging U.S. population, Luray has the potential to capitalize on its prime location as a preferred location for retirees. Recognizing this, it would be advisable for Luray to seek to facilitate the expansion of healthcare and other associated industries.

Objective 1: Maintain and expand Luray’s superior park and recreation facilities; and actively seek to expand and improve these facilities for the benefit of all residents.

Strategies: a. Build a multi-use community center.

b. Continue to develop small “pocket parks” throughout the community; preferable within or close to residential areas.

c. Partner with Page

County to ensure an adequate number of recreation programs exist oriented for senior and youth populations.

d. Create a survey and seek direct feedback from previous recreation program participants on ways to serve them better.



This picture depicts a multi-use community center; many residents of Luray have expressed interest in such a facility.

e. Continue to promote and develop additional “niche” events that utilizing the Town’s recreational facilities.

Objective 2: Continue to provide for adequate water and wastewater treatment and solid waste collection that meet all regulatory requirements.

Strategies: a. Ensure that wastewater complies with all regulations related to the Chesapeake Bay Act.

b. Ensure that public utilities (water and sewer) comply with all relevant regulatory requirements.

c. Ensure that all developments in or within close proximity to the Town are connected to public water and sewer.

Objective 3: Ensure that an adequate supply of health care facilities, professionals, and related resources will be available to address an aging population.

Strategies: a. Work with Page Memorial Hospital to evaluate the need for additional medical resources.

b. Encourage development proposals that cater to the needs of the aged.

c. Work with local health care professionals and the Virginia Department of Labor and Industry to identify apprenticeship opportunities within local Health Care industry that will spawn greater training efforts for new health care workers.

Objective 4: Extend the Luray-Hawksbill Greenway to the Linden Avenue Bridge, and consider future expansions and connections when feasible.

a. Continue to seek grants and other funding opportunities in order to expand the Town’s greenway system.