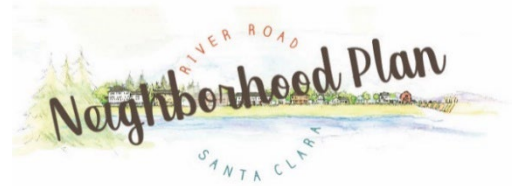


# COMMUNITY



The River Road and Santa Clara Neighborhoods exude a strong sense of place. They are welcoming and inclusive neighborhoods for people of all backgrounds. River Road and Santa Clara celebrate and nurture community unity and diverse cultures and honor the rich history of farming in the neighborhoods. The community recognizes the value of natural assets, such as the River and thriving shared spaces, such as parks, schools, and local businesses. Our neighborhoods are safe, resilient, and engaged, with strong social networks and reliable public services.

## Goal 15: Foster a welcoming and inclusive community.

**Policy 15.1 Welcoming and Inclusive:** Promote a welcoming environment and inclusive approach to the work of the River Road and Santa Clara Community Organizations in collaboration with the City, County, and other local service providers such as schools and non-profit organizations.

**Policy 15.2 Housing Affordability:** Show community support for affordable housing opportunities in the neighborhoods.

**Policy 15.3 The Unhoused Community:** Advocate for housing and provide information to community members about housing services and social services available for people without stable housing.

**Policy 15.4 Public Art:** Support public art through public programs and community advocacy.

## Goal 16: Foster collaborative relationships to build a stronger and more resilient community.

**Policy 16.1 Communication and Outreach:** Enhance communication and outreach capabilities of the River Road and Santa Clara Community Organizations by advocating for stable local funding to reach the entire neighborhoods.

**Policy 16.2 Gathering and Learning Spaces:** Enhance access to locations and opportunities for community gathering, sharing, and learning spaces for all residents in collaboration with neighborhood schools, businesses, and other community partners.

**Policy 16.3 Community Engagement:** Build and maintain resident engagement through neighborhood projects, outreach, empowering neighborhood volunteers, and applying for the City's Community and Neighborhood Matching Grants Program.

**Policy 16.4 Resilience Networks:** Build community support and participation in small scale resilience networks that help neighbors and businesses communicate, share resources, and prepare for emergencies.

## Goal 17: Provide comprehensive public services and community resources that address the evolving needs of the community.

**Policy 17.1 Address Present Confusion about Service Providers:** Assist River Road and Santa Clara residents by providing information about current services providers so there is clarity about which agencies provide services where and how to contact them.

**Policy 17.2 Essential Public Services (safety, water, fire):** As neighborhoods evolve, strive for equitable provision of essential public services if amalgamation and/or transition of service providers is considered.

**Policy 17.3 Community Resources:** Work to expand parks and recreation services as well as library and cultural services in the River Road and Santa Clara neighborhoods.

**Policy 17.4 Annexation:** Annexation of the River Road and Santa Clara areas will occur only through strict application of state laws and local policies (e.g., ability to extend key urban facilities and services in a timely manner). In each case, Eugene will make every reasonable attempt to provide for annexation only on a voluntary basis and according to prior individual property annexation agreements.

## Goal 18: Increase resilience in local food, water, and disaster preparedness systems necessary for human health and wellbeing.

**Policy 18.1 Green Infrastructure:** Invest in infrastructure development that is resilient to disasters, enhances food, water, energy stability and preserves ecosystem functions, as feasible.

**Policy 18.2 Food Production and Storage:** Promote home and neighborhood food production and storage through community education, outreach, programs, and legislative updates to local land use regulations.

**Policy 18.3 Renewable Resources and Energy:** Promote renewable resources and energy conservation to decrease reliance on public utility grid through community education, outreach, and incentives.

**Policy 18.4 Neighborhood-wide Emergency Preparedness:** Educate and prepare for natural disasters by increasing access to regular Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training and through community volunteer efforts.