

General Plan Goals

The Goals, Policies, and Action Items/ Implementation steps in this General Plan are organized as shown below. Each of the items in descending order provides more detail and specific information about how the City will implement the items above it.

"Vision"

The foundation of the Elk Grove General Plan is the **Vision Statement**, contained in the Preface to this General Plan

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Guiding Goal

A Guiding Goal is a broad statement of purpose and/or direction. The Guiding Goals implement the Vision Statement.

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Focused Goal

A Focused Goal clarifies and defines the Guiding Goal.

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Policy

A policy describes how the City will approach various situations, and is intended to guide future decision-making.

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Action Item/Implementation Steps

Action items and implementation steps describe specific actions the City will take to ensure that the Goals of the General Plan are achieved and its Policies implemented. Where possible, action items and implementation steps include a timing component.

The Elements also contain **Objectives** which provide measures of attainment for some Goals. For example, Objectives in the Noise Element define the sound levels which the City will seek to maintain in different areas; the Circulation Element contains objectives which define the level of traffic congestion the City will accept on various roadway types.

The Guiding Goals and Focused Goals support the General Plan Vision Statement and provide interconnections between the various General Plan Elements. The following table, Goals-A, lists the Goals and illustrates interconnections by showing which goals are applicable to which Elements. As shown, in most cases a given goal provides direction for more than one Element.

Note: The Table on the following pages illustrates the basic interrelationship between Goals and the Elements in which they are implemented; it does not show all possible ways in which policies in each Element may assist in the implementation of any given Goal.

**Table G-A
General Plan Goals and Elements**

Guiding Goals	Focused Goals	General Plan Elements									
		Land Use	Circulation	Housing	Economic Development	Public Facilities & Finance	Historic Resources	Parks, Recreation, and Open Space	Safety	Noise	Conservation and Air Quality
Guiding Goal 1: A High Quality of Life for All Residents <i>Note: Please see also the City's focused Housing Goals, following this table.</i>	Goal 1-1: A safe community, free from manmade and natural hazards	●							●	●	
	Goal 1-2: Outdoor recreation opportunities for all residents							●			
	Goal 1-3: A balanced and efficient transportation system		●								
	Goal 1-4: High quality public facilities and services					●			●		
	Goal 1-5: Excellence in the design of new development	●			●	●					
	Goal 1-6: Safe and affordable housing for all persons	●		●							

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	Goal 1-7: Active and passive park facilities and recreation programs that satisfy the leisure time and recreation needs of all residents							●			
	Goal 1-8: Creation and maintenance of a strong, positive community image for Elk Grove	●			●	●	●	●			

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	Goal 1-9: A pattern of land use which enhances the community character of Elk Grove, provides employment and shopping opportunities to serve residents and the region, provides for use of transit, and protects Elk Grove's unique historical and natural features	●						●			
Guiding Goal 2: Diversified Economic Base	Goal 2-1: A business community which includes a diversity of industrial and office uses, locally and regionally oriented retail and services, and a diversity of residential types	●		●	●						

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	Goal 2-2: A balance between the numbers and types of workers residing in Elk Grove and opportunities for employment in the city	●		●	●						
	Goal 2-3: A positive environment for business retention and expansion				●						
	Goal 2-4: Creation of Elk Grove as a desirable place to establish a business, particularly major employment-generating uses	●			●	●					

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	Goal 2-5: A current and comprehensive economic development plan outlining the City's strategy to strengthen the local economy				●						
	Goal 2-6: A balanced municipal budget which will allow the City to provide a high level of service to all residents and businesses				●						
Guiding Goal 3: Protection of the Natural Environment	Goal 3-1: Development which recognizes environmental constraints and is designed and operated to minimize impacts on the environment	●	●								●

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	Goal 3-2: Open space lands in proximity to Elk Grove that provide for agricultural use and habitat for native species	●						●			●
	Goal 3-3: Natural resources managed and protected for the use and enjoyment of current and future generations	●						●			●
	Goal 3-4: Preservation and enhancement of Elk Grove's natural areas, in particular the areas within the floodplain of the Cosumnes River	●						●			●

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Guiding Goal 4: Preservation and Enhancement of Elk Grove's Unique Historic and Natural Features	Goal 4-1: Preservation and enhancement of Elk Grove's historic structures and districts	●					●				
	Goal 4-2: Preservation of the large oak and other tree species which are an important part of the City's historic and aesthetic character	●	●				●	●			●

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Guiding Goal 5: Preservation of the Rural Character of Elk Grove	Goal 5-1: Retention of those areas identified for 2-acre and larger lots on the Land Use Map as a rural area through land use and infrastructure controls	●				●					
	Goal 5-2: Maintenance of those features that provide the character of Elk Grove's rural areas, including: large oak and other trees, small local roadways, animal keeping and raising, equestrians, agriculture, and limited commercial opportunities	●	●				●	●			●

Focused Housing Goals

The following are the City of Elk Grove's focused Housing Goals, as implemented in the Housing Element of this General Plan:

Housing Goal 1: Provide adequate sites, including land suitable for multifamily rental housing, manufactured housing, mobile homes, housing for agricultural employees, emergency shelters, and transitional housing, to accommodate the City's share of regional housing needs through appropriate zoning and development standards

Housing Goal 2: Assist in the development and provision of adequate housing stock to meet the needs of very low, low, and moderate-income households and special needs groups

Housing Goal 3: Identify and, where appropriate, remove governmental constraints to the maintenance, improvement, and development of housing, including housing for all income levels and special needs groups

Housing Goal 4: Conserve and improve the condition of existing affordable housing stock

Housing Goal 5: Promote housing opportunities for all persons, regardless of race, religion, sex, marital status, ancestry, national origin, color, familial status, or disability

Housing Goal 6: Preserve assisted (subsidized) housing developments for lower income households

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