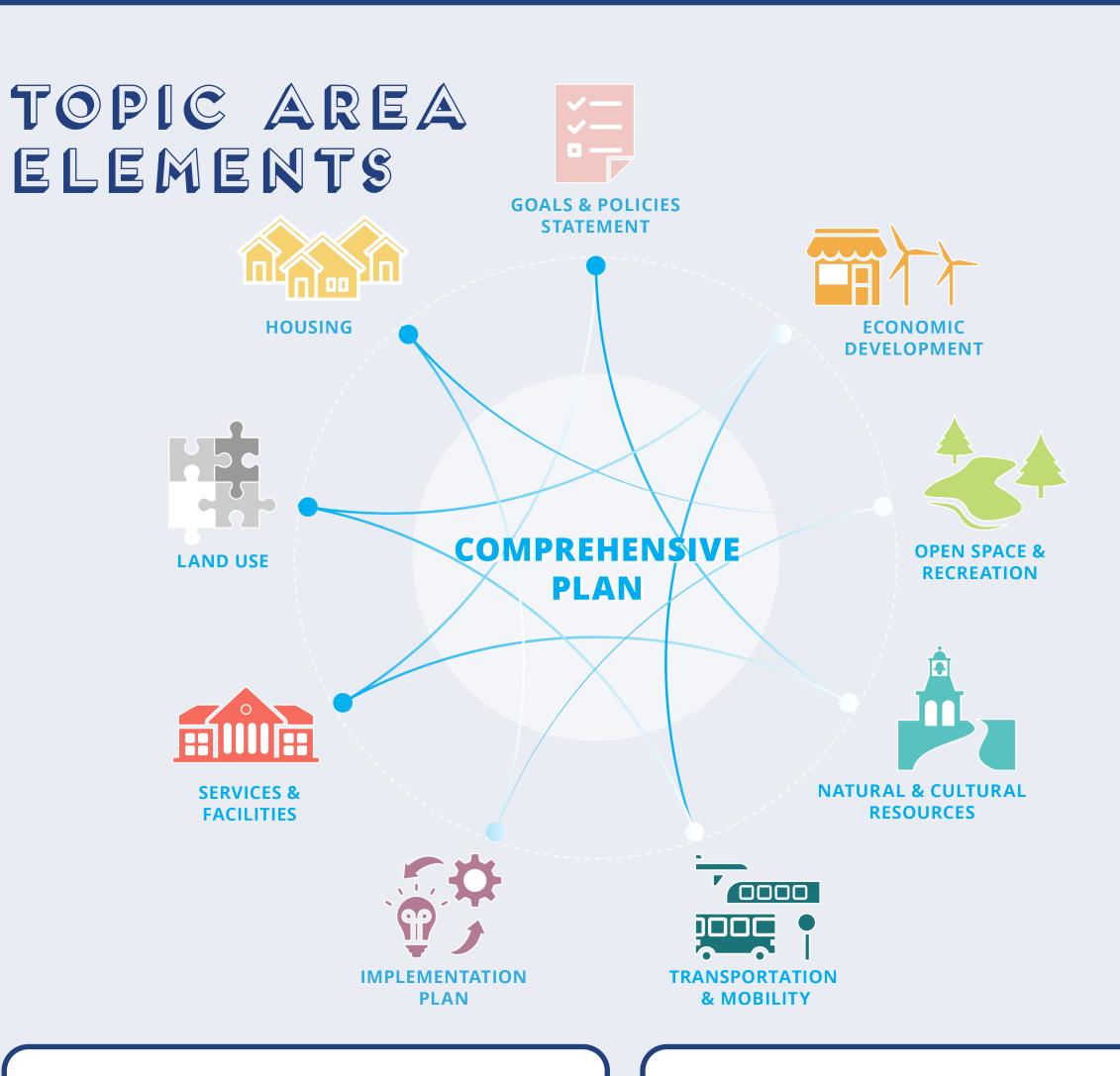
# WHAT IS A COMPREHENSIVE (OR MASTER) PLAN?



The Comprehensive Plan is a longterm guidance document for policy and decision-making in a variety of areas, including Land Use, Housing, Economic Development, Transportation & Mobility, Natural and Cultural Resources, Open Space & Recreation, Public Services & Facilities.

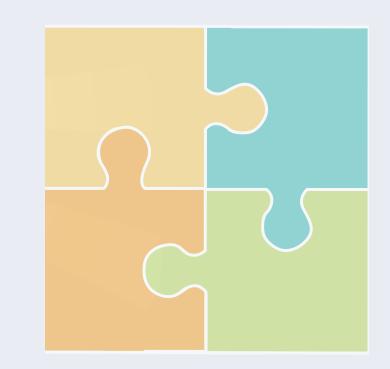
# COMPONENTS



PLAN

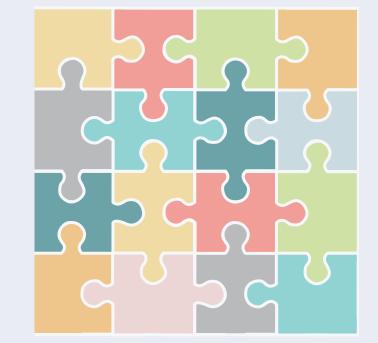
#### Vision: **Plan Framework**

A shared vision for the city and its neighborhoods



### Goals: **Your Aspirations**

**Community supported goals** that support the vision and address all plan elements



#### **Actions: Implementation Path**

Concrete programs, policies, and projects for policymaking and investments in the future

Under Massachusetts General Laws, master planning is governed by Chapter 41, Section 81D. This section requires that the plan address nine elements, including a goals and policies statement and an implementation plan.

Within that framework is a great deal of latitude to craft a master plan that fits the individual needs for the community.

### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Community participation is important to this process! Input from city residents will directly inform the goals and strategies that guide the next decade of New Bedford's development.

Stay involved on the project website using the QR Code or link on the right!

PROJECT WEBSITE

More information and ways to engage can be found on the project website!



www.newbedfordplan.com



WHAT'S NEXT?

## **Events**

Look for the planning team at upcoming events & meetings!

> Another Community Workshop in late Spring!

Engage online anytime at www.newbedfordplan.com



## TODAY'S EVENTS:

Hear from the City and the planning team in presentations at 11:15a.m and 12:15p.m





Share your ideas and vision for the future

Find us around the mapping table and show us areas you love and areas that could be improved





Share which topic areas are most important to you

Join us for family activities including games and coloring





Get your free raffle tickets!

Grab some food and drinks!





### MAPPING ACTIVITY INTRO

### IDENTIFYING PLACES

We want to hear from you about different places in New Bedford! Use the flags to tag specific locations:

1. Where are the places that you love and should be strengthened?

2. What areas would you change? Where are opportunities for improvement?

.

#### TYPES OF PLACES MIGHT INCLUDE...

CENTERS

RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS

COMMERCIAL CORRIDORS

OPEN SPACE/RECREATION SPACES

**ECONOMIC PRODUCTION AREAS** 

GATEWAYS/FIRST IMPRESSIONS

