

**2010 NEIGHBORHOOD SUMMIT
GOAL COMMENT SHEETS
HEALTH, ENVIRONMENT, & OPEN SPACE**

Goal #1: The City of Cincinnati promotes the health well-being of its residents.

- Very important. (1)
- More health promotion (2)
- This is the first step to quality of life and livability issues. (4)
- Extremely important. Most important to me = healthy food. (7)
- Goes without saying, have to pick a focus. Liked the follow-up critical questions; specifically access to food. All are worthy goals (9)
- Bike facilities for both commuter and recreational cyclists – covered bicycle parking areas, commuter-cyclist oriented trails in parks, not just recreational trails. (12)
- For certain neighborhoods, not all, not most. (19)
- There is a large group of adults 18 years and up without insurance or the money to get affordable health care. (25)

Goals #2: Cincinnati residents and businesses have access to clean affordable energy.

- Need more education, award incentives. (1)
- I am more interested in clean than affordable (energy) (4)
- Extremely important. (7)
- Reframe goal to show reduced energy usage, not assess. (9)
- Change energy mix. (17)
- Adopt the Hillside public view master plan now before city council. Other legislation to protect and enhance waterways, forests, and wildlife. (18)

Goal #3: Natural resources, including hillsides, views, wildlife, forests and waterways are protected.

- Humans need to be land stewards close to home and in their region. (4)
- Identify; understand their role in our city's history and environmental health. Collect and record and share stories, pictures. Service learning 0 stewardship thru youth programs K-12 (5)
- Extremely important. (7)
- Don't sell the assets. (9)
- Not just protected through legislation and acquisition through public funds, but also renaturalize brownfield sites. (12)
- The city should maintain public ownership of public parks. Develop partnership between public/private/community entities in the maintenance of parks. (13)
- The city in its eagerness to promote development allows people to build on steep hill.
- Zoning regulation – legislation – no littering public land. (17)
- Not enough (19)
- Enhancements activities should be part of the actions recommended not merely protection. (20)

Goal #4: Cincinnati minimizes the amount of waste sent to landfills.

- Setup compost! (2)
- All four options are worth
- All four options are worthy ones and complementary rather than contradictory. (3)
- I have been recycling and precycling since 1971 and will continue to do that no matter what happens around me. (4)
- All need to be investigated, combined impact. (6)
- Extremely important. (7)
- Extend city recycling to all residential and businesses (including large multi-dwelling units. (8)
- Pay as you throw initiative. Trace packaging/ extra waste back to businesses (10)
- Reduce cost of waster removal, divert recyclable resources to increase cash flow. (9)
- Implement “pay as you throw” and incentives recycling using funds collected from pay as you throw. (12)
- We should recycle and get different days for clean-up. (14)
- Recycle (17)
- Absolutely not we are big wasters. (19)
- Measurable goals should be included in these goals actions/ recommendations. (20)
- What percentage of waste is compostable? What is the feasibility of a citywide compost program, esp. in implemented in conjunction with a more comprehensive urban/ regional food production system. Certain measures may seem infeasible in isolation from other goals. However, we must ask ourselves how many functions and goals could be served by each measure. Example, when fused with health, nutrition, food access and local sustainable food production, composting becomes a much more feasible measure (potential for energy production too) (21)

Goal #5: An interconnected network of greenways and parks throughout the City.

- Promote active transport. (2)
- More emphasis on the land and less development of the green spaces. ‘God’ can manage the land. (4)
- Integrate with environmental systems, like stormwater treatment, bio-remediation, MSD, etc. (5)
- Extremely important. (7)
- 3 and 5 should be more combined new connections could have a naturalized focus. (12)
- nature education, zoning, conservation marketing. (17)
- This would be wonderful, however the city only pumps money into the wealthier neighborhoods. (19)
- Partner with regional municipalities and governments ensure participating group equal input in decision making process. (23)

Goal #6: Cincinnati is the hub of a regionally linked bicycle and pedestrian trail system.

- This should be transportation linked (4)

- Extremely important. (7)
- Admirable goal, Reduces VMT. (9)
- Create more trails, sharrows and bike lanes. (12)
- Trails presently are not interconnected making their use inconsistent and even dangerous. (15)
- Community support (17)

Goal #7: Neighborhood access to recreation centers and facilities is maintained and enhanced.

- Should be accessible from the greenspace transportation corridors.
- Extremely important. (7)
- Need to retain pools and other resources, essential for youth development. Incorporate user fees for certain programs. (9)
- Why are we closing recreation centers then. Why have centers not been updated in many, years. (19)

Goal #8: Health, environment and open space goals are a significant priority of government.

- For the funding questions, money (3)
- Health and environment are dually related and open space constitutes. (4)
- Extremely important. (7)
- Legislation (12)
- The city is quick to abandon health standards in order to accommodate economic development. (15)

General Comments:

- This overall goal needs to be addressed in as large and comprehensive a manner as possible because it can't happen at the household level. The air needs to be clean enough that I can hang my laundry out to dry. If it stinks up my laundry it's bad for my lungs.
- The parks should incorporate wheelchair swings and other designs to involve people with special needs, also the park restrooms should have more family restrooms and changing stations. Tables for people over 40lbs and require assistance of others for toileting. (11)
- Krohn Conservatory is a disappointment as compared to similar facilities in other cities and needs to be replaced. (15)
- Should give regional parks like Eden park to the county to maintain. (15)
- Goals 1,2,3, and 4 needs to be more specific. In their present form, they can be easily ignored. (16)
- It's very important that "health" includes emotional health and vibrant relationships within communities. (16)
- As one looks at these issues, I hope for a focus in the needs of an aging population though provision of more senior centers and partnerships with Y's and senior centers make sure all systems are connected. (22)

- Need allow and build mountain biking trails in city parks. Currently mountain biking is prohibited in city parks. (24)