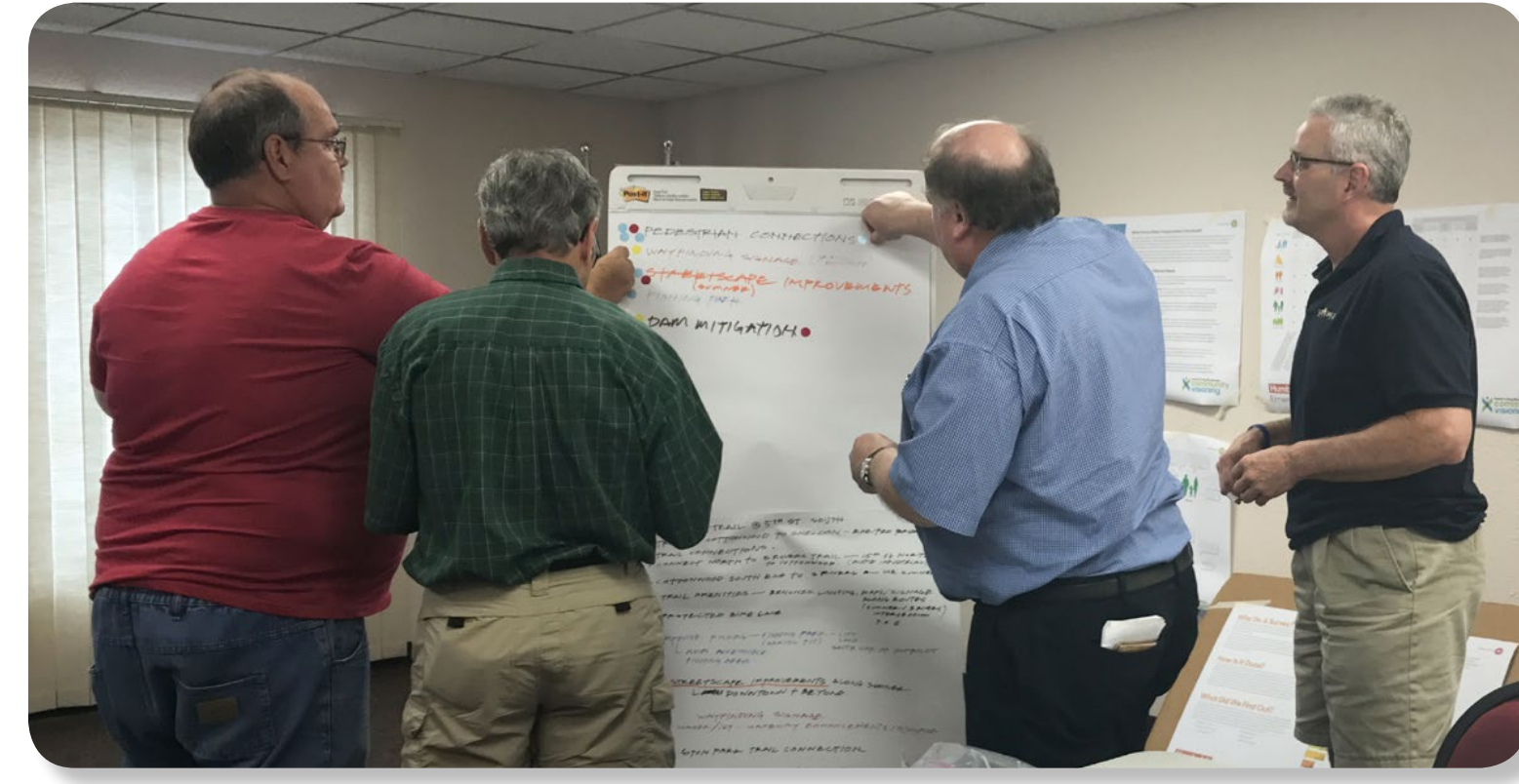




Transportation Meeting



Goal Setting Meeting



Community Design Workshop



Three Rivers Trail Entry

Program Overview

The city of Humboldt is one of 10 communities selected to participate in the 2017 Iowa's Living Roadways Community Visioning Program. The program, which selects communities through a competitive application process, provides professional planning and design assistance along transportation corridors to small Iowa communities (populations of fewer than 10,000).

Goals for the Visioning Program include:

- Developing a conceptual plan and implementation strategies with local communities
- Enhancing the natural, cultural and visual resources of communities
- Assisting local communities in using external funds as leverage for transportation corridor enhancement

Each visioning community works through a planning process consisting of four phases of concept development:

1. Program initiation
2. Needs assessment and goal setting
3. Development of a concept plan
4. Implementation and sustained action

Each visioning community is represented by a steering committee of local residents and stakeholders who take part in a series of meetings that are facilitated by field coordinators from Trees Forever. Iowa State University organizes design interns, and ISU faculty and staff. The program is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Community Goals

The Humboldt visioning committee identified a number of goals and priority areas during the visioning process.

- Improve pedestrian connections by establishing cohesive routes between Humboldt's existing trails
- Improve the downtown streetscape along Sumner Avenue and develop an identity/theme for downtown
- Include stormwater management practices such as permeable pavers and rain gardens along Sumner Avenue
- Strengthen wayfinding signage along roads and trails by building upon the community's current signage theme
- Alter the dam to include both environmental and recreational benefits

Capturing the Humboldt Vision

Based on the needs and desires of the local residents, as well as a detailed inventory of community resources, the design team developed a conceptual transportation enhancement plan, which is illustrated in the following set of presentation boards:

01. Program Overview
02. Bioregional Context
03. Transportation Assets and Barriers Assessments
04. Transportation Behavior and Needs Survey
05. Transportation Inventory
06. Goal Setting
07. Concept Overview
08. Pedestrian Connections
09. Sumner Ave Streetscape
10. Wayfinding Signage
11. Dam Mitigation



Dam Along the Des Moines River



Sumner Avenue Viewing East

Humboldt Program Overview

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