



Review of community analysis



Community tour during design workshop



Design presentation at the Hausbarn



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Community members at design presentation at the Hausbarn

Program Overview

The city of Manning is one of 10 communities selected to participate in the 2016 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 teams of professional landscape architects, design interns, and ISU faculty and staff. The program is sponsored by the Iowa Department of Transportation.

Community Goals

The Manning visioning committee identified a number of goals and priority areas during the visioning process, which are included below:

- Downtown Improvements
- Creation of a greenspace at the entrance of Main Street
- Signage and monument enhancements on Highway 141
- Signage enhancements and various park improvements to Great Western Park
- Creation of a park adjacent to the Trestle Bridge

Capturing the Manning 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. This plan, as well as the inventory information, is illustrated in the following set of presentation boards:

1. Program Overview
2. Local Geography
3. Bioregional Assessment
4. Transportation Assets and Barriers Assessment
5. Transportation Behavior and Needs Assessment
6. Transportation Inventory and Analysis
7. Concept Overview
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