
Josephine County Citizen Involvement Program (CIP)

CIC¹ A local group appointed by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners (BCC) for: assisting the BCC with the development of a program that promotes and enhances citizen involvement in land use planning; assisting in the implementation of the Josephine County Citizen Involvement Program (CIP); and evaluating the process being used for citizen involvement. A CIC differs from a citizen advisory committee (CAC) in that the former advises the local government only on matters pertaining to citizen involvement and Goal 1. A CAC, on the other hand, may deal with a broad range of planning and land use issues. Each city or county has only one CIC, whereas there may be several CACs.

Oregon Statewide Goal 1 - Citizen Involvement identifies the role of the CIC.² The CIC is responsible for three very important jobs.

- **Assisting the county with the development of a program that promotes and enhances citizen involvement in land use planning.**
- **Assisting in the implementation of the county's citizen involvement program.**
- **Evaluating the process being used in the county for citizen involvement.**

Josephine County has had a CIC since 1975. Has the CIC been successful in performing its three jobs during the last 31 years? In 2000 the Hugo Neighborhood filed a citizen enforcement order against the county, in part because it did not feel the CIC had the staff or funding to perform its mission.

1. Development Of CIP How has the CIC assisted the BCC with the establishment of the CIP³ that insures the involvement of the county's citizens in all activities that involve land use?

. How has the CIC involved the county's citizens in developing a CIP?

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2. Implementation of CIP How has the CIC assisted the county in the implementation of the CIP that insures the involvement of the county's citizens in all activities that involve land use? For example, has a "Citizens Handbook" or guide for CACs or neighborhood associations (NAs) been developed and implemented? What kind education or training program is there for citizens interested in the CAC program?



. How has the CIC assisted the BCC to ensure funding for the CIP?
. Has the CIC assisted the BCC in ensuring that adequate human, financial and informational resources are allocated for the CIP?
. How has the CIC assisted the BCC in ensuring that sufficient financial, human, and informational resources for the CIP become an integral component of the county's planning budget?
. How has the CIC assisted the BCC in being accountable for obtaining and providing ample human, financial, and educational resources to make citizen involvement happen?

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1. Definitions section of the Oregon state-wide goals; Josephine County Ordinance No. 93-13.
 2. Oregon Statewide Goal 1 - Citizen Involvement (OAR 660-015-0000(1); ORS 197.160).
 3. Hugo Neighborhood. 2000. Citizen Initiated Enforcement Order On Citizen Involvement (OAR Chapter 660, Division 045).
 4. Hugo Land Use Committee. 2002. Role Of JO CO's Citizen Involvement Committee. Hugo, OR.

More Information

3. Evaluating the CIP Has the CIC evaluated the effectiveness of how the process being used in the county for citizen involvement is working?

- . How has the CIC evaluated the effectiveness of its own approach for implementing the CIP?
- . Has the CIC assessed the adequacy of how the human, financial, and informational resources allocated for the CIP are being used?
- . Has the CIC measured the effectiveness of resources available to assist citizen involvement groups to perform organizational functions?
- . Has the CIC evaluated the effectiveness of how well the CAC and NA programs are working?
- . How has the CIC rated the trust citizens in the county have for its CIP?
- . How has the CIC evaluated the county's land use notification process? How has the CIC evaluated the effectiveness of the notification process in achieving the goal of "informed citizens" and "informed decision-making?"

In 2002 the Hugo Land Use Committee asked these exact same questions asked here today.⁴

More Information. Would you like to learn more? Contact a member of the Land Use Committee of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.



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Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (*Hugo Neighborhood*). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The *Hugo Neighborhood* is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Make checks to the *Hugo Neighborhood* and send them to our Treasurer. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

Hugo Neighborhood Association

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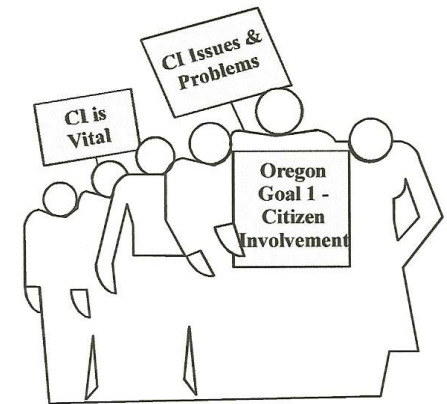
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