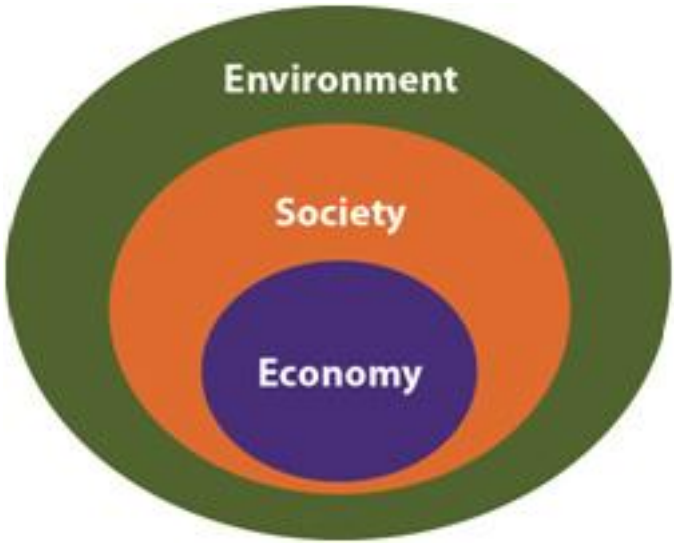
Sustainability Action Plan for City Operations



In March 2014 the City completed a review and update of its Sustainability Action Plan for City Operations (Plan). Focused on improving the sustainability of municipal operations, the Plan provides a framework and set of strategies and prioritized actions that support the continued provision of quality services to Lake Oswego citizens in a fiscally prudent, socially responsible, and environmentally sound way, ensuring that current needs are met without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs. Incorporating sustainability into the City's strategic decision making:

- Results in efficiencies that can save time and money
- Contributes to a healthy and supportive workplace and community
- Helps to protect and enhance the natural environment
- Prioritizes opportunities that increase revenue, reduce costs, mitigate economic, social, and environmental risks, and improve the City's brand image

The Plan was prepared with the input of a steering committee made up of staff from across the City organization, a member of the City's Sustainability Advisory Board, and a representative from Republic Services. The Plan's seven action areas, identified as the highest impact areas of City operations with the most opportunity for improvement, include:

- Fiscal Responsibility and Organizational Stability
- Quality Services
- Greenhouse Gas Emissions (energy, fuel, and other contributing sources)
- Water Conservation
- Waste Prevention
- Toxics Reduction
- Habitat Enhancement and Stormwater Management

The core of the Plan is an updated set of strategies and actions prioritized for implementation in the next five years. Informed by the results of past efforts, summarized in past sustainability progress reports, the strategies and actions outline the work needed to move toward the Plan's goals.

Progress reports, presentations, associated reports, and the 2007 Sustainability Plan are available here.

Supporting Documents

Sustainability Action Plan for City Operations 2014 Update
Sustainability Action Plan for City Operations 2014 Update Presentation to SAB

Web Links

Sustainability Plan Progress Updates

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