



How Will We Pay for It?

The Portland Plan is a strategic plan for the whole community.

Strategic plans are intended to prioritize actions and guide investments. As such, Portland Plan will guide the process of prioritizing our choices and deciding how to spend our public dollars for the next 25 years.

The Portland Plan means better coordination.

The City of Portland strives to be well-coordinated with other government and community partners. Together, public agencies spend \$9.7 billion a year on public services within the city limits.

As a framework to guide future budget decisions, the Portland Plan will help the City and partner agencies spend public resources in the smartest way possible, through improved alignment and coordination.

The Portland Plan reflects a shared statement of priorities.

As the City of Portland considers adoption of the Portland Plan, partner organizations will also be asked to adopt actions related to their mission. The Portland Plan will not be implemented as a “City of Portland” plan, but as a collection of commitments and agreements among a variety of public agencies and organizations.

Proposed actions are, in many cases, already being worked on by one agency or another; however, the draft strategies do include some new actions that are not yet funded. **New actions will be discussed with the community during the annual City budget process.**

The plan does not assume any new public revenue will be made available.

Instead, if a new action is implemented, funds will need to be redirected from somewhere else.

As Portlanders identify priority actions, we will also need to identify less effective programs and actions to stop doing. A focus of the Portland Plan has been gathering evidence and identifying programs and actions that can do the most good.

In a time of limited resources, we as a community must prioritize and do a better job coordinating how the public’s money is spent by aligning our efforts toward shared community goals.

Your feedback on the Portland Plan strategies and Equity Initiative is crucial to setting our priorities and making sure that the City and its partners make choices that reflect community values and best practices.

