

# TEXARKANA, AR 2040 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

## VISION AND GOALS



### VISION STATEMENT



The City of Texarkana, Arkansas is a **vibrant community** and the home to a **diverse economy**. This plan will **respect the city's history** and **unique neighborhood characteristics**, while allowing the city to thoughtfully **plan for safe and sustainable infill, growth and development**.



This plan encourages continued **city investment in public infrastructure** to foster **quality of life improvements** and provide a **foundation for ongoing economic growth and opportunity**. This plan creates a framework to facilitate the **management of appropriate development** and supporting infrastructure of all types in order to provide for a **high quality life and place enjoyed by current and future residents, organizations, and businesses within the city**.



### GOAL AREA ENDURING NEIGHBORHOODS AND PLACES



Texarkana, Arkansas will grow and develop in a smart way that meets the needs of its population. The city will effectively manage growth which respects the character of the existing neighborhoods and commerce areas within the city while planning for future growth and encouraging residential and commercial infill and redevelopment within the city.



The city will capitalize on existing assets, strive to preserve enduring historic areas, respond to changes in demographic trends and market preferences, foster economic vitality, respect the environment, and closely steward taxpayer dollars.

### GOAL AREA QUALITY OF LIFE AND IMAGE



Texarkana, Arkansas will become a model city in the region by striving to provide a high quality of life and built environment. The community will be a desirable destination for new residents with excellent social, economic, and recreational amenities.



The city will have a strong identity and community pride aided by development that creates attractive community gateways, corridors, and districts. The City will enhance its community and recreational assets to serve its diverse population. Pursuit of creative and strategic economic development, funding, and grant opportunities with a focus on quality of life should continue.

### GOAL AREA INFRASTRUCTURE AND FISCAL HEALTH



Texarkana, Arkansas will provide and maintain public infrastructure as a foundation for the city's economy and tax base.



The city will pursue policies, programs, and actions which coordinate growth, multi-modal transportation, and utilities in an efficient and effective manner.



Master planning of water, wastewater, stormwater, and transportation system infrastructure should be pursued and utilized in infrastructure decision-making to promote the fiscal health of the city and careful stewardship of tax dollars.