A Framework for the Future

The map below shows how we can address the three challenges identified in this Vision through our land use and transportation decisions.

The map illustrates specific strategies that will be necessary to create successful neighborhoods across the city. It shows the general locations of the institutions, job centers, and shopping areas that will help us increase access to education and jobs. Finally, it shows the boulevards, open spaces, and infrastructure that will play an important role in connecting the city.

Creating Successful Neighborhoods
- Neighborhoods across the city
- Transit oriented development areas
- New mixed income neighborhoods

Increasing Access to Education and Employment
- Government and Institutional areas
- Major employment centers
- Retail shopping and service centers
- Walkable shopping streets

Connecting the Whole City
- Major boulevards
- Highways
- Greenways and open spaces
- Water
A Vision for Growing an Inclusive City

WASHINGTON, DC

Working with the District of Columbia Office of Planning and Mayor Anthony Williams, the “Vision for Growing an Inclusive City” creates a vision and policy framework for the entire city, focusing on bridging social and physical divides and utilizing a highly participatory public engagement process.

The Vision for Growing an Inclusive City focuses on three major themes: Successful Neighborhoods, Access to Education and Employment, and Physically Connecting the Whole City. The Vision is oriented not to the National Mall and federal core, but to the surrounding neighborhoods, Downtown, and underutilized assets such as the Anacostia River and Fort Circle Parks. It offers an alternative view of the District, highlighting the extraordinary richness and potential that lies beyond the well-known monuments and memorials. The Vision was debated by over 3,000 people at the Citizens' Summit held in the Washington Convention Center, with the final plan adopted by the DC City Council. The elements of the plan continue to be implemented incrementally since it was adopted and have contributed to the revitalization of many previously undeveloped or economically depressed areas of the District.

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