

What do you like about Scappoose?

- The people
- Small town feel
- Great place to raise a family
- Heritage Park
- The setting / connection to wildlife
- Urban / rural divide
- The City is open to change
- Best commute in metro area
- Dog park
- Recreational opportunities
- Safety
- Recreational opportunities for kids
- Good schools / key part of community
- Forward looking
- Well kept city park strip
- Medical facilities
- History / heritage
- Low stress
- Good community police
- Crown-Zellerbach Trail
- Access to river
- Self-contained / Close to Portland

What do you want to see more of?

- Parks
- Recreational space for kids
- Expanded trails
- Community recreation center w/ pool
- Downtown core / main street
- Shopping / restaurants
- Trail along Scappoose Creek
- Family wage jobs
- Sidewalks
- Promotion / marketing
- Tourism
- More small business
- Official protection of wetlands and wild places
- Climate change focus
- Collaboration between developers and city
- More community involvement
- More things for teenagers
- Education for all ages
- Pedestrian friendly
- Beautification of Highway 30
- Beautification of storefronts
- Diverse and clean industry
- Communication on disaster preparation
- Safer rail corridor
- Pedestrian overpass
- More Christmas decorations
- Public transportation
- More bike friendly
- Educational capacity
- Traffic lights
- Code enforcement / remove junk cars
- Affordable housing
- Evacuation plans
- Stop oil trains
- More connection to regional axis
- Promotion of small businesses
- More festivals / Farmer's Market

What would you like to change?

- Development of downtown core
- Move middle school to other side of tracks
- Improve city customer service
- Upgrade Crown-Zellerbach Trail - more parking
- Adult education opportunities
- More police in parks
- More public information online
- More pedestrian friendly
- Services for elderly
- Traffic control on side streets
- Improve traffic near schools
- Regional cooperation
- More community volunteers
- More reliable bus service
- Synchronize lights
- Urgent care
- Improved community website / facebook
- Art on back of bi-mart
- more public art
- protection of water supply
- place for vets to gather
- more education of public officials
- more road repairs
- jobs for high schoolers
- economic development
- more jobs
- homeless
- rent control
- reduce vacant commercial space and empty buildings
- increase local ownership of business space
- address traffic problems due to growth
- eliminate vacant houses
- mission statement

Parks, Trails & Open Space

Strengths

- High community interest
- Currently have available land for expansion
- Tobacco free
- Great volunteers
- Parks are well used
- Dog parks well run & kept-up
- 2 existing quality parks

Weaknesses

- Lack of parks - not enough
- Cohesive parks system
- Not enough volunteers
- Enforcement
- Lack of comprehensive buffer for wetlands building
- Lack of sports recreation fields
- CZ Trail / Dog Park / Veterans Park lack ownership and cleaning up

Opportunities

- More park space
- More signage at trails and parks
- Stormwater management opportunities within the park system
- More recreational spaces
- More volunteers
- Discussion with police force about enforcement to make trails safer
- More off-road trails in town (bmx, mountain bikes)
- Chapman Landing development
- Changing building codes to include more parks spaces

Threats

- No trespassing (Weyerhaeuser)
- Vandalism / misuse
- Drug use in parks / trails
- Future health threats
- Growth of city - eminent domain

Local & Sustainable Economy

Strengths

- UGB expansion, industrial land
- Proximity to Portland
- “The sky's the limit”
- Highway 30
- Cheap to start businesses
- Growing population / available workforce
- Available land

Weaknesses

- Price of commercial space
- Lack of diversity in businesses
- No major employer
- Highway 30
- Lack of diverse ownership
- Population growth
- Lack of commercial space
- Not business friendly for start-ups

Opportunities

- Plan for growth and change
- Small business incentives
- More highway commercial development
- Mixed-use zoning
- UGB expansion
- Workforce training
- Collaboration between public / private sectors
- Train

Threats

- Opposition to progress / growth
- Traffic congestions / ODOT
- Capacity for population growth
- Lack of trained workforce
- High property taxes
- Train

Public Safety & Health

Strengths

- Current police force
- School resource officer
- SRFD
- Small community (knowing each other)
- Air park
- School nutrition program
- Athletic programs
- Wellness education
- Access to OHSU
- Outdoor recreation (bike trails)
- Senior center that promotes health
- Fitness centers
- Neighborhood groups
- HAM radio

Opportunities

- Create alternate route plan for when Highway 30 isn't accessible
- Streetscape redesign for Highway 30 (traffic calming)
- Improve neighborhood groups
- Life flight at Scappoose airport
- Protect drinking water supply
- National Guard can use airstrip during emergency

Weaknesses

- Lack of sidewalks
- State highway as Main St.
- Not enough things for kids to do after school
- Too many kids take the bus
- Poor emergency alert system
- Roads need improvement
- Railroad tracks
- OHSU isn't enough
- Outdoor recreation not accessible enough
- Not ready enough for emergencies
- Not enough knowledge of evacuation plans, backroad network

Threats

- Highway 30
- Rail cargo
- Flooding
- Earthquake
- New development could impact drinking water supply and quality

Transportation

Strengths

- Commute into Portland
- Small airport
- Public Works response rate to road and weather issues
- ODOT participation
- Interconnected back roads
- Highway 30

Weaknesses

- Lack of safe passage for students
- Poor public transportation
 - Affordability
 - Timing of schedule
 - Reliability
 - Senior-specific concerns
 - Dial-up-service
- Long trains through middle of town
- Disaster planning / detours
- Backed-up traffic during rush hour
- Lack of sidewalks
- Poor coordination of local transit with TriMet

Opportunities

- Build overpass for emergency vehicles
- Coordinate / streamline transfer passes for public transit systems
- Connection & tourism on CZ Trail
- Build pedestrian / bicycle overpass
- Sidewalk on east side of Highway 30
- Beautification
- Commuter air & rail
- Expand airport & services
- Enhance, promote, extend
- Seattle to Portland & Hood to Coast

Threats

- Trains full of explosive material
- Inadequate detours and alternative routes
- Long-term blockage of Highway 30
- Water pooling on road on east side
- Increasing highway traffic threatens intersection safety
- Inbound / outbound traffic

Development & Housing

Strengths

- Proximity to river, Portland, Metro
- Incoming development - residential
- Comparative affordability
- Lower density housing
- UGB expansion
- Airport

Weaknesses

- Lack of transit system development, improvement, financing
- Land zoning for commercial
- Uncertainty re: workforce skill set for business development, hiring, training
- Disjointed residential development
- Residential land
- Need for linking road systems
- Railroad
- East/West division
- Light pollution

Opportunities

- Opportunity with PCC
- Try to attract more amenities, things to do
- Planning for UGB expansion
- Master plan large tracts of land at once to maintain cohesiveness
- Housing needs analysis
- Finance transit for improved services
- Arts and culture development
- Railroad utilization
- Keeping up a sustained effort to carry through plans
- LED lighting

Threats

- Overlapping / duplicative efforts by related economic development groups
- General economic volatility
- Lack of commercial redevelopment opportunities (parcel size)
- High SDC charges may deter development
- Decisions and trends in Metro could creep out here?
- Lack of green space / parks close to houses, lack of development requirements

Education

Strengths

- Teachers care
- High value placed on PE & recreation
- Small class size
- New facilities
- Community involvement
- Quality
- Teachers live in community

Opportunities

- Increase local control of educational standards
- Increase attendance days for students
- Better communication & transparency
- Quality
- Increased parent involvement (board and classroom)
- Attract more talented educators

Weaknesses

- Lack of advanced education (PCC)
- Lack of preparedness for beyond HS (college)
- Lack of resources
- Inconsistent class sizes
- Quality
- Low standards

Threats

- Lack of space for growth
- Fear of doing better
- Slow rate of change
- Complacency
- Fear of acting and making decisions