### 2021-2031 TOWN OF PAXVILLE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN



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### Background

### Introduction

The Town of Paxville Comprehensive Plan is an advisory document that outlines aspirations for Paxville's future. The Comprehensive Plan includes a wide-ranging assessment of the current conditions in Paxville and a series of goals and objectives that will help make Paxville a more vibrant and livable place. The Comprehensive Plan provides policy guidance; facilitates, and coordinates local decision-making; and informs residents, landowners, business-owners, and developers about Paxville and its priorities. In this way, the Comprehensive Plan serves as an overall guide for Paxville's future development over the next decade.

This Plan is meant to be active and adaptable to changing conditions. The goals and strategies must be reviewed periodically and revised to reflect any changes in state and federal laws, funding sources, or local governance, as well as the impacts of past decisions, the effectiveness of current policies, and any changes in the community's vision.

### What is a Comprehensive Plan?

A comprehensive plan is a document adopted by a local government's legislative body that guides an area's future development. The comprehensive plan provides the basis for a zoning ordinance which is the legal mechanism used to guide and enforce land use decisions. The comprehensive plan documents current physical, social, and economic characteristics of a community and provides a vision and series of goals and objectives to guide community development in the future.

Why do communities develop Comprehensive Plans?

- To obtain an overarching view of the community
- To facilitate and coordinate local decision-making
- To inform residents about the community
- To involve residents and stakeholders in local decision making
- To guide landowners and developers about the community and its goals
- To comply with the South Carolina Local Government Comprehensive Planning Enabling Act of 1994

### **Regional Planning Influences**

### Santee-Lynches Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

The Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) is an assessment of economic development needs and corresponding goals and objectives to improve the economic prosperity of the Santee-Lynches region. The CEDS contributes to effective economic development in communities and regions through a locally based economic development planning process. It provides a foundation by which the public sector, working in conjunction with other economic actors (individuals, firms, industries), creates an environment for regional economic prosperity. Updated every five years, the CEDS reviews the strengths and weaknesses of the region, identifies opportunities to advance economic vitality, and encourages the development of new strategies through public and private partnerships. The CEDS can be found at http://www.santeelynchescog.org/economic-development.

### Clarendon Tomorrow 2018-2028 Comprehensive Plan

The 2018-2028 Comprehensive Plan for Clarendon County was adopted in 2018. This plan evaluates economic and labor shifts, technological advancements, natural disasters, as well as changes in federal and state policy that have impacted and continue to impact Clarendon County. The plan consists of topics and trends such as county finances, demographic shifts, rural character and history, transportation, health, economy, education, and changing lifestyles. Other sections include population, housing, environment, culture and community, transportation, economic development, land use, priority investment, and a strategic plan. The Clarendon Tomorrow Comprehensive Plan can be found at:

https://www.santeelynchescog.org/sites/default/files/uploads/services/clarendontomorrowcomprehensiveplan-finalweb.pdf

### Santee-Lynches Water Quality Management Plan

The Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments maintains a Regional Water Quality Management Plan to facilitate implementation of region wastewater systems. Authorized under Section 208 of the U.S. Clean Water Act, these requirements are carried out by 1) documenting current and future wastewater infrastructure needs; 2) identifying region policies that guide the wastewater infrastructure permitting process; and 3) tracking plan modifications to allow for transparency and public involvement. An Environmental Planning Advisory Committee meets regularly to review the plan and recommend adjustments and improvements to preserve and enhance the region's water quality. The Water Quality Management Plan can be found at http://www.santeelynchescog.org/environment.

### Santee-Lynches Green Infrastructure Inventory + Plan

The Green Infrastructure Inventory for the Santee-Lynches region provides an overview of the existing green infrastructure network consisting high quality habitats, wetlands, agricultural lands, forested lands, recreation resources, and cultural assets in the Santee-Lynches region. The Plan includes an array of strategies that would preserve the intact habitats, improve water quality, enhance outdoor recreational spaces, among various other strategies that align with local stakeholders' interests and concerns. The Green Infrastructure Inventory can be found at <a href="http://www.santeelynchescog.org/environment">http://www.santeelynchescog.org/environment</a>.

### Local Planning Factors

Paxville does not have an independent planning commission. The Clarendon County Planning Commission has been designated by ordinance to serve as planning commission for Paxville as well as Manning (county seat), Summerton, and Turbeville.



### History & Context

The town of Paxville is in western Clarendon county at the junction of US 15 and SC 261. Paxville is located north 14 miles to Sumter and south 9 miles from Summerton. South Carolina Highway 261 leads west 6 miles to Pinewood, and east 9 miles to Manning, the largest town in Clarendon County. The Town of Paxville lies on the western edge of the county on the border of Sumter County and is the smallest municipality. The town was originally named "Packsville" after Joseph Pack, who founded the town and was an extensive landowner of 10.000 acres in Carolina Low Country after coming to the United States from England in 1770. The town was renamed "Paxville" in 1902. Paxville is believed to be the oldest town in Clarendon County. The leading service industries in Paxville are construction, retail trade, and manufacturing.

### **Current Conditions Inventory**

### Introduction

The Current Conditions Inventory provides readers with information about the Town of Paxville's current conditions on a wide variety of topics. The information presented here was gathered from a variety of sources including the U.S. Census Bureau and county and regional planning documents. The information in this section informed the goals and objectives that will guide the town over the next ten years.

### Organization

The Current Conditions Inventory is divided by the following topics:

- Land Use
- Population
- Housing
- Economic Conditions
- Environment and Natural Resources
- Transportation
- Community Assets, Services, & Facilities



### Land Use

The primary use of land in Paxville is for residential and agricultural purposes, as seen in the current land use map to the left.



### Population

As of 2019, Paxville was at its lowest population in over 70 years with an estimated 179 people living in the town. Between 1980 and 2019, Paxville lost 59 residents, a 24.2% decline from the 1980 population of 244 people. This was in dramatic contrast to the whole of Clarendon County and the State of South Carolina which experienced growth rates of 22.7% and 70% during that same period, respectively. That trend has continued since 2010 with Paxville's population decreasing by another 6 individuals. More specific information on the current population estimate will be available once the results of the 2020 Census are made available.

There is a slight gender disparity with males making up an estimated 53.5% of Paxville's population in 2019. This gap has narrowed since 2010 when 58.7% of the population identified as male.



### Age

Paxville residents have been trending younger since 2010. The town has a median age of 28.8 down significantly from a median age of 43.4 in 2010. Following this trend, the percentage of population 65 and over has decreased from 21.8% in 2010 to 13.7% in 2019. The size of the 18 and under cohort has also increased since 2010 rising from 24% of the population to just under 26% in 2019.

Paxville's age distribution is unique. Many other small towns have top-heavy population pyramids (large older population) indicating a negative population growth rate, a low birth rate, and long-life expectancies. Paxville's age distribution is more varied with a significant young population under age 24. This type of distribution generally indicates a growing population and a high birth rate and reflects the decreasing median age. Moreover, to this point, there is also a relatively small population over the age of 65 as noted above. Also of note is the small number of people in the 30 to 39 age range at just 3.3% as seen in Figure 2. The Town's decline in population contradicts the typical knowledge that the given age demographics should lead to an increase in its population, and thus it is important to consider these age trends to determine who is leaving the community and when. The 25-39 population is typically an economically active population and it would generally benefit the town to attract and retain people in that stage of life. It may also benefit Paxville to explore what would encourage area youth to stay in Paxville or leave and then return to the Town. To understand the age demographics regionally, Table 1 provides an age comparison between Paxville and the county, state, and similar municipalities in the region.



Category	Paxville	Pinewood	newood Mayesville Summertor		Clarendon county	South Carolina
Median Age	28.8	32	45.5	52.4	45.1	39.4
% Under 18	16%	33.3%	21.4%	15.7%	18.9%	21.6%
% 65 and over	14.7%	17.1%	18.4%	19.2%	24.2%	18.2%

### Households

Paxville has approximately 98 households as of 2019. A household is defined as an occupied housing unit and includes all persons who occupy that unit. Occupants need not be related to form a household. Of those households, 63 are married couple households, meaning occupants are related. The average size of Paxville's household in 2.8 persons, slightly higher than Clarendon County's average household size of 2.47 persons.

### Race and Ethnicity

According to the 2019 American Community Survey, 39.5% of Paxville's population identified as Black or African American. This figure has increased since 2010 when 30.6% of the population identified as Black or African American. The population identifying as White decreased from 69.4% of the population in 2010 to 56% in 2019. Approximately 2.6% of Paxville's population identify as Hispanic or Latino. In Clarendon County in 2019, 49.3% identified as White, 47.5% identified as Black or African American. The remaining 3.2% comprised of those identifying as Asian, multi-racial, or another race, with 3.1% of those identifying as Hispanic or Latino.

### Education

According to the 2019 American Community Survey (ACS), the majority (83.8%) of Paxville's population over age 25 has at least a high school diploma or its equivalent. There is a slight disparity in educational attainment based on race: 85.8% of Paxville's White population has a high school diploma or higher while 78.8% of the town's Black or African American population has a high school diploma or higher. In terms of higher education, 8.9% of the town's population has an Associate's degree compared to 7.9% of Clarendon County's population. However, only 9.3% of Paxville's population has at least a Bachelor's degree compared to 15.5% of Clarendon County's population. Figure 3 shows a more detailed breakdown of Paxville residents' educational attainment.



### Housing

Housing is critical to any community's livability and success. As a basic human need, housing should be available, accessible, affordable, and in quality condition. The following information will guide future land use decisions, inform affordable housing needs, guide the town's redevelopment strategies, and ultimately ensure that the Paxville has the appropriate housing for its current and future residents.

Structures in Paxville consist of mobile homes, family units, and apartment complexes. There are a total of 108 housing units and about 91% (98) of these household are occupied. There are three apartment complexes in Paxville, while more than 80% of housing consists of single-family houses and about 12% mobile homes. There are 2.8 people on average per household and 65% of these households are married couples. Approximately 71% of occupied homes in the town are owner occupied, while the remaining 28.7% are occupied by renters.

Housing affordability does not generally appear to be an issue for owner-occupied units as well as renters. There are 10 homes in Paxville that are rent burdened (greater than 30% of the monthly income to housing cost). The median monthly costs are \$613 and the median gross rate in 2017 was \$650. The median rent price is \$758. The median home value is \$104,200 (ACS) and the median home age is about 31-40 years (ACS).



Category	Paxvill	Mayesvill 🞽	Pinewoo	Summerto	Clarendon Count	South Carolin 🗾
Total Housing Units		304	268	529	17,840	2,286,826
% of Occupied Units	91%	75.3%	72.0%	83.9%	73.8%	84%
% Renter Occupied units	19%	25.8%	36.3%	57.2%	23%	30.6%
Median Home Value	\$104,200	\$72,500	\$81,600	\$152,700	\$102,000	\$162,300
Median Gross Rent	\$758	\$540	\$379	\$326	\$606	\$894
Median Monthly housing costs (with mortgage)	\$850	\$1,048	\$957	\$1,046	\$1,012	\$1,246
Median Monthly housing costs (no mortgage)	\$420	\$428	\$434	\$415	\$361	\$375
% of Rental Units where Rental costs are greater than 30% of household Income	24.4%	38.9%	31.1%	43.1%	48.1%	49.1%
% of units where monthly housing costs are greater than 30% of household income (with mortgage)	0%	38.5%	26.1%	23.2%	31.5%	25.8%
% of units where monthly housing costs are greater than 30% of household income (no mortgage)	16.20%	5.7%	26.0%	19.8%	16.3%	11.4%

### Economic Condition

A small town's economy needs to be viewed through multiple lenses - as an individual economy and through its links to the region's economy. The following is an analysis of the local economy and its connections with the larger region including current data about the labor force, industry sectors, commuting patterns, and job earnings. This information will inform economic development goals and strategies to improve the economic outcomes for Paxville and the surrounding community.

### Income

Paxville's household median income of \$51,844 in 2019 is \$10,944 greater than Clarendon County's household median income of \$40,900. The median household income for Paxville has declined since 2010 when the median income was \$55,833. The median per capita income has also declined from 2010 to 2019 from \$31,719 to \$24,730. Additionally, as seen in Figure 5, the majority of Paxville households fall in the middle of identified income brackets with approximately 52% of the Town's households falling in the \$35,000-\$49,999 (17.3%) and \$50,000-\$74,999 (34.7%) bracket range. Just under 20% of the Town's households make less than \$25,000 annually and 14% bring in over \$100,000 annually.

		Paxville		Clarendon County			
	2000	2010	2019	2000	2010	2019	
Household Median Income	\$28,428	\$55,833	\$51,944	\$26,842	\$33,066	\$40,900	
Median Family Income	\$37,500	\$77,647	\$55,461	\$33,951	\$40,492	\$53,728	
Per Capita Income	\$16,390	\$34,091	\$23,640	\$13,998	\$17,131	\$22,824	
% of Pop below Poverty level	20.4%	15.9%	11.9%	32.1%	23%	22.9%	



### Employment

Paxville's employment opportunities and diversity of job types are limited. Jobs EQ, one of the leading firms in employment data identifies only 11 employment positions within the town. Of these 12 full-time and part-time jobs in the town, 55% (6) are in the Sales and Related Occupations industry with Transportation and Material Moving being the only other occupation sector with more than one position listed at just 2. The remaining 3 positions are split between the Management Occupations, Office and Administrative Support, and Installation, Maintenance, and Repair occupation sectors.



### Environment and Natural Resources

Paxville's environmental landscape is a critical component in developing a long-term plan for the future. Analysis of wetlands, soils, wetlands, topography, intact habitats, and unique natural assets is critical in identifying potential protected areas, developing land use regulations, mitigating natural disasters, and capitalizing upon the town's proximity to some of the region's most valuable assets.

### Natural and Recreational Assets

Paxville is in relatively close proximity to several natural assets including a state park, a state forest, multiple wildlife management areas, wetlands, the Palmetto Trail, and the largest lake in SC at 173.7 square feet and average depth of 13.1 feet. Each of these provides plentiful recreation opportunities and supports diverse wildlife.





### Flood Insurance Rate Map

Map 3 shows the flood hazard areas in Paxville as determined by the Federal **Emergency Management Agency** (FEMA). The flood zone is where flooding would be expected to occur during a 100-year storm. A 100year storm statistically has a 1% chance of occurring in any given year. The boundaries are the same for a 500-year storm, which statistically has a 0.2% change of occurring in any given year. These designations can affect flood insurance rates and design and construction of buildings. There are no areas identified within the town boundaries that fall within any FEMA designated 100- and 500year flood zone. This is beneficial, as there will not be limits to future development within the town based on flooding hazards.

### Wetlands

Wetlands are areas where water covers the land either permanently or seasonally. These areas are components essential of the ecosystem providing habitat for diverse species, protecting and enhancing water quality, mitigating flooding, and providing recreation spaces. There are 118.27 acres of designated wetlands in Paxville mostly comprised of Freshwater Forested/Shrub Wetlands. There is little to no existing development in designated wetlands.





### Soils

Paxville is situated in an area that contains a variety of soil types including soils that are poorly drained and can remain wet for long periods of time, soils that drain quickly, and soils that are generally prone to flooding. Major uses of these soils include forest, some pasture, and minimal cropland.

### **Prime Farmland**

Nearly all of the land in Paxville has been identified as prime agricultural farmland. Prime farmland, a designation by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), is land that has a good combination of physical and chemical characteristics for growing crops. The soil quality, moisture, and growing season make this land ideal for producing and sustaining high yield crops. While much of Paxville has been developed, there are still large tracts of land particularly in southeastern and northwestern Paxville that remain undeveloped. Most of the land is currently being cultivated for agriculture, but much of it particularly on the southern side of town remains forested.





### Intact Habitat Cores

There is minimal high quality intact habitat in Paxville's town limits apart from the forested land on the south side. Habitat cores are areas that are large enough to support multiple diverse species while corridors are connecting passages between cores that allow for species to safely move. Much of the Town's usable land has been developed cleared for or agricultural uses which detriments the viability of species within the Town's limits. While this negatively impacts the local wildlife, it does benefit the Town for potential future development, as this existing clearing and development allows fewer environmental for considerations when choosing new areas to develop.

### Transportation

Transportation is a broad category that covers road traffic, public transit, freight, and bicycle and pedestrian travel. All these aspects of the transportation system are critical in enhancing safety, access, community livability, and economic development. This information will help the town identify priorities that will enhance the transportation network in Paxville.





### Vehicular Travel

Paxville is at the intersection of SC-261 and US-15. These routes provide access to Sumter to the north, Columbia and Pinewood to the west, and Manning and I-95 to the east. US-15 also provides access to I-95 to the south via Summerton.

There are approximately 5.54 miles of roadways in Paxville, the majority of which are managed by the South Carolina Department of (SCDOT) Transportation or Clarendon County. The most heavily traveled road is US-15 heading north to Sumter with an average of 4,900 vehicles traveling the road daily: with SC-261 to Manning coming in a close second at 4,700 average vehicles per day. Additional details about average daily traffic can be seen on Map 8.

### **Pavement Condition**

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Pavement conditions in Paxville are generally poor based on SCDOT's rating method. Of the 3.5 miles of surveyed road in Paxville, 3.3 miles are in Poor condition, 0 miles are in Fair condition, and .2 miles are in Good condition as shown on Map 9.





### Safety

Based on SCDOT data, between January 2011 and December 2016, there was one serious crash on SC-261 near Harvin Circle, but no identified fatal crashes involving vehicles, pedestrians, or bicycles in Paxville town limits.

### **Bicycle and Pedestrian Travel**

Paxville only has sidewalks along SC-261 and a small portion of US-15in town. There are approximately 0.55 miles of sidewalk in Paxville. 0.07 miles of that sidewalk is located on US-15 between the Paxville Superette and Short Trip convenience stores. The remaining 0.48 miles are located along SC-261 between the Paxville CDC in the west and the apartment complex on the north side of the road to the east. There are currently no designated bike lanes in Paxville.



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### **Public Transit**

Despite 5.9% of Paxville households not having access to a car, there is limited public transit access. There are currently no public transit routes operated by Santee-Wateree Regional Transit Authority (SWRTA) that connect to Paxville. However, a route from Sumter to Manning via Paxville has been identified as a need in the most recent Transportation Needs Assessment conducted by SWRTA in conjunction with Santee-Lynches Regional Council of Governments.

### Freight

There are no railroads through the Town of Paxville. US-15 serves as a main thoroughfare for freight trucks seeking access to I-95 from Sumter.

### **Community Facilities**

A community's assets, services, and facilities can significantly impact livability, economic development, community sustainability and resilience, and community character. The following includes a brief description of Paxville's existing community assets, services, and facilities and will help inform changes and improvements in the town.

### Police

Paxville does not employ its own police officers. The Clarendon County Sheriffs' Department is responsible for the town and assigns officer(s) to patrol the area.

### Fire

Clarendon County Fire is the fire station located in Paxville and plays a crucial role in the community. This department has led a number of important projects to ensure the safety for households in the surrounding community. This location is manned by a group of local volunteers.

### **Community Park**

Paxville has one community park located at 10393 Paxville Highway (SC-261/Lewis Rd) that occupies an approximately 1.93-acre parcel on the western edge of town. This park serves as a center for recreation in the community. The facility has playground equipment, basketball and tennis courts, and a walking track.

### **Historic Assets**

### George Henry Curtis Home

The George Henry Curtis Home is a historic house located at 10183 Lewis Rd (SC-261) near Paxville Town Hall and the main building of the Paxville Community Development Corporation (CDC). The home was donated to and currently houses operations for the Paxville CDC.

### Resilience

The town of Paxville is one of the participating jurisdictions reviewed and incorporated in existing plans, studies, reports, and technical information in the Santee-Lynches Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020-2025 update as well as the 2018 South Carolina State Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Local policies, plans, codes, and programs are in place to minimize vulnerability of hazards in the town of Paxville and include flood damage prevention ordinance, international building code, and an emergency operations plan. The Paxville Fire Station located at 10279 Lewis Rd. serves as an essential and critical facility that can sustain damage during the occurrence of a hurricane. There is an emergency shelter at Manning High located at 2155 Paxville Hwy considered critical infrastructure that is essential for evacuation.

Paxville is considered at moderate risks given the unpredictable nature of tornadoes. Paxville does not have any assets that are at significant risk due to winter storms, and severe weather events as well as wildfire events that are not geographically specific and can occur anywhere in the town affecting any of the town's assets. Paxville is at minimal risks for earthquake occurrences and drought.

The goals presented in the Santee-Lynches Regional Hazard Mitigation Plan 2020-2025 include providing public education to increase awareness of hazards and publicize the effectiveness of mitigation by incorporating/developing web sites, pamphlets, radio, television, and print media. The plan also includes that all interested individuals will be encouraged to participate in hazard mitigation planning, training activities and educating the public about emergency shelters and evacuation procedures. It is also encouraged to enhance response capacity of the town fire, police, and emergency services personnel to at-risk populations as well as obtaining funding for new equipment and training in order to enhance response times and performance are goals for the town of Paxville.

### **Public Engagement**

### Process

Public engagement is a critical component of any planning process. The comprehensive plan should reflect the community's ideals and values while setting out policies that will move the community forward, making it a vibrant and livable place.

A community survey was disseminated throughout the town starting in February 2021 and circulated through April 30th. Results and conclusions from the survey responses will be detailed and discussed in the following section.

### Results

There were approximately <u>45</u> responses to the town survey submitted by its residents. The answers that these respondents have provided is detail below, and further in Appendix A. Insight taken from these responses has been incorporated throughout this document, and most importantly in the Goals and Objectives section to follow which lays out a path forward for growth and community maintenance within Paxville. Overarching themes found within the responses included: appreciation for and desire to maintain Paxville's small-town, non-urbanized character, desire to see cleanup of dilapidated structures and unkept properties within the Town's limits, improving roadway and pedestrian safety throughout the Town, and improving the local park to make it a desired destination for all the Town's residents. See charts and graphs below and to the right for more information.







### **Goals and Implementation Strategies**

This table shows overarching goals for the Town and some specific implementation strategies to achieve them identified through the comprehensive planning process. These can be short, medium, or long-term depending on a number of factors including but not limited to financial viability and annual application windows.

	Goal	Implementation Strategies	Topics Addressed	Comprehensive Plan Elements Addressed	
1	Enhance Community Character	<ul> <li>Enact town zoning ordinance for guiding future growth and development</li> <li>Update Town Code to include ordinances for excessive noise and property maintenance</li> <li>Seek out grant and funding opportunities to landscape and beautify area near center of town at intersection of SC-261 and US-15</li> <li>Engage with DOT regarding speed limit in and around town, including entry into town on west side of SC-261</li> <li>Maintain relationship with Clarendon County Planning Commission for assistance with the town's land development and planning needs</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Development</li> <li>Property maintenance</li> <li>Infrastructure improvement</li> <li>Historical preservation</li> <li>Noise</li> <li>Landscaping</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Housing</li> <li>Economic Development</li> <li>Priority Investment</li> <li>Land Use</li> </ul>	
2	Promote Recreation and Alternative Transportation Opportunities	<ul> <li>Partner with SLCOG and SCDOT to explore opportunities for greenways connecting town to local recreation areas and other towns (Pinewood, Poinsett State Park, etc.)</li> <li>Explore opportunities with Transportation Alternative Program (TAP) grant funding to provide safe and ADA compliant sidewalks on US-15 and SC-261 through extent of Town, including streetscaping to beautify and improved safety in pedestrian areas</li> <li>Seek out grant funding and partnership opportunities to upgrade existing and install new park amenities and maintain once in place</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Neighborhood assets</li> <li>Flooding</li> <li>Park beautification</li> <li>Alternative Transportation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Transportation</li> <li>Priority</li> <li>Investment</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Facilities</li> </ul>	
3	Facilitate Community Engagement and Communication	<ul> <li>Identify and hold signature event for Town, such as the Cucumber Festival, to attract new visitors to town and increase local business revenue</li> <li>Promote the park as a site for community gatherings and events</li> <li>Establish a newsletter put out by the Town to update citizens on events and topics in discussion at Town meetings</li> <li>Formalize an official web presence for the Town</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Signature event</li> <li>Park programming</li> <li>Newsletter and website</li> </ul>	- Cultural Resources	
4	Undertake a Capital Improvements Planning Process	<ul> <li>Establish 5-year capital improvement plan that will identify capital needs of Town and implement a plan to achieve goals</li> <li>Partner with SLCOG, Clarendon County, and other local entities to research and obtain funding that will help Town achieve its financial goals and objectives</li> </ul>	- Capital planning	<ul> <li>Priority         <ul> <li>Investment</li> <li>Economic</li> <li>Development</li> <li>Community</li> <li>Facilities</li> <li>Cultural</li> <li>Resources</li> <li>Transportation</li> <li>Resilience</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

### **Priority Investment**

The projects identified to the left, and any others identified during the next ten-year period, can be funded through a variety of federal and state sources. These include:

- The American Rescue Plan 2021
  - $\circ$  1<sup>st</sup> tranche summer 2021
  - $\circ$  2<sup>nd</sup> tranche one year after receipt of 1<sup>st</sup> tranche
- South Carolina Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)
  - Community Enrichment grants
- South Carolina Park and Recreation Development Fund (PARD)
- South Carolina Rural Infrastructure Authority

A combined \$2 million of funding could be available to the Town of Paxville from these sources. Additionally, as the Santee Lynches Regional Council of Governments continuously monitors grant opportunities and eligibility for local governments, a continued partnership will keep the Town informed of these prospects.

The following relevant jurisdictions have been notified of and given the opportunity to review the Town of Paxville Comprehensive Plan:

- Clarendon County Planning Department
- Town of Manning Administration
- Sumter City/County Planning Department

### Future Land Use

The map to the right shows an expected outlook for future land use in Paxville based on data surveyed throughout this plan. Residents overwhelmingly wish to see Paxville maintain its small-town, rural character in the coming years. As such, future land use characteristics will likely see little change. The majority of the town will continue to be agrucultural or residential uses with some public and private institutions interspersed that support the social and economic wellbeing of residents of Paxville. There are a few parcels along US-15 and SC-261 with opportunities for economic development in the form of attraction of new businesses other services on the parcels or highlighted in pink that will help the Town grow while also maintaining its close-knit nature.





### **Community Survey**

community. The plan collects and analyzes information about the features of the Town, The Paxville Comprehensive Plan serves as a guide for the development of the Paxville its people, and the issues it faces. The plan is designed to look ahead to the next ten years. By showing us where we are now, where we want to go, and what steps we can take to get there, the Comprehensive Plan is like a roadmap for the future. The community can refer to the Comprehensive Plan when making decisions about what comes next.

The enclosed **Community Survey** is an important way for the residents of Paxville to share their views of the Town and its future. The results of the survey will be incorporated into the Comprehensive Plan. By completing the survey, residents can express their likes, dislikes, opinions, and ideas transportation and recreation, and many others. Putting all the survey responses on important issues that affect the Town - from housing and businesses, to together gives us an image of the place we want Paxville to be.

Off Box located at Town Hall. Copies of the survey are also available at Short Trip and survey by April 30, 2021 to P.O. Box 1306, Manning, SC 29102 or place it in the Drop Please take a few minutes and complete the Community Survey below. Return your Paxville Superette on the corners of Lewis Road and US-15. Thank you for your participation!

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Please indicate your selection, or compose a brief response, to the questions below.

- 1. What is your age? (Circle one)
- Under 18
  18-24
  - 25-34
- 45-54
  - 55-64
- 65 or older
- Prefer not to answer
- 2. What is your race or ethnicity? (Circle one)
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Middle Eastern or North African
- Multi-race or multi-ethnic
- Native American or Alaska native
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- White
- Another race or ethnicity
  - Prefer not to answer
- 3. What is your gender? (Circle one)
- Male
- Female
- Prefer not to answer
- What has been the most influential factor in your decision to live in Paxville? (Circle two) 4.
  - Proximity to work
- Hometown/where you grew up
- Place to retire
  - Cost of living
- Safety and security
  - Rural character
    - Family
- Proximity to the lake/recreational opportunities
- Other (Compose your answer in the space below)

- What do you like most about Paxville? (Compose your answer in the space below) Ŀ.
- On a scale of 1 to 5, where 1 is "not important" and 5 is "very important," please rank each item listed below for the Paxville community? 6.
- Sidewalks and bicycle lanes
- Police service
- Fire/EMS service
  - Traffic safety \_
- Bus service
- - Community or cultural activities
    - Educational opportunities
       Parks and recreation
      - . . .
      - Housing \_\_\_\_\_
- Preserving agricultural land \_\_\_\_\_\_
   Water, sewer, and garbage collection \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Are any of the housing-related issues listed below a problem in Paxville? (Circle two) 7.
  - Limited supply of houses
- Lack of housing for older residents
  - Lack of rental housing
- Houses that are vacant, unmaintained, or overgrown
  - Unaffordable housing
- Apartment buildings
- There are no housing problems in Paxville
- Other (Compose your answer in the space below)
- What transportation improvements would most benefit Paxville? (Circle two) ø.
- Repave roads
- Improve sidewalks/bicycle lanes
- Public bus service
- Improve road safety
- Improve pedestrian safety
- There are no transportation problems in Paxville
- Other (Compose your answer in the space below)

- 9. What environmental concerns are present in Paxville? (Circle two)
  - Flooding
    Air pollution
    - Noise
- Not enough parks/recreation/green space
- Water pollution
- Litter
- Neglected buildings/houses
- There are no environmental problems in Paxville
- Other (Compose your answer in the space below)

10. How often do you visit the Paxville Park on SC-261/Lewis Rd? (Circle one)

- Once a month or more
- About every other month
  - A few times each year
    - Never
- 11. What would encourage you to visit the park more frequently? (Circle one)
  - Safety
- Cleanliness
- New/different equipment
- Other (Compose your answer in the space below)
- 12. What improvements would you like to see at Paxville Park? (Compose your answer in the space below)
- 13. What kinds of businesses would you like to see operating in Paxville? (Circle two)
- Retail stores and shops
  - Restaurants
    - Offices
- Grocery stores
- Industrial/manufacturing businesses
  - Health care
- Service-oriented businesses (auto mechanic, laundry/dry cleaners, etc.)
  - Other (Compose your answer below)

14. Which statement below best represents your vision for the future of Paxville? (Circle one)

- Ten years from now, I would like Paxville to be a rural community, with mostly homes, farmland, and open areas •
- mostly homes, some small stores or restaurants in the center of town, and a place Ten years from now, I would like Paxville to be a small-town community, with where people can gather .
- Ten years from now, I would like Paxville to be a developing community, with a variety of housing types, some brand-name retail stores and restaurants, some businesses, and more town services ٠
- 15. What is one thing the town could do that would improve your quality of life? (Compose your answer in the space below)
- 16. Please provide any other comments you wish to make about Paxville. (Compose your answer in the space below)

# Thank you for completing the Paxville Comprehensive Plan 2021 Community Survey!

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If you would like to stay informed of the progress of the Paxville Comprehensive Plan, please provide your preferred contact information here:













