

DRAFT Vision Statement

Candia residents value the community's historic and cultural resources; it's natural and pristine environment, and its small town character and charm. At the same time, residents recognize that Candia will change and grow and that the Town needs to carefully plan and prepare for the future. In looking to the future, Candia residents want to:

- establish a vibrant and walkable village center in the Four Corners area;
- encourage new commercial development within the community but to keep it in areas that are already developed; and
- encourage a greater diversity in housing choices and options to attract young families to the community and enable the town's older population to age in place.

Candia residents also want to make improvements in communicating town news within the community; they want to improve internet access at town facilities; and map and sign the town's important historic resources and recreation facilities and spaces. Candia residents also recognize the value and need for an economic development committee that can work to promote the Town of Candia and improve the economic resiliency and tax base of the community.

As part of this vision, the Town of Candia strives to be a unique and vibrant community recognized for:

- Exceptional quality of life and rural character;
- Valued natural, recreational and cultural resources;
- Excellent public facilities and services, such as library, town hall, police and fire services;
- Responsible growth and planning;
- A friendly and welcoming community toward visitors, residents and citizens;
- It's appeal as a rural, bedroom community;
- Commitment to preserving the health, safety and well-being of its citizens; and
- Commitment to fiscal health and low taxes.