

WHAT IS A TOOL?

TOOLS FOR IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

Upon the endorsement of Going Places' Concentrated Development Vision in April of 2012, the MVRPC Board of Directors hired a consultant, Wise Economy Workshop (WEW), to complete the implementation plan for Going Places.

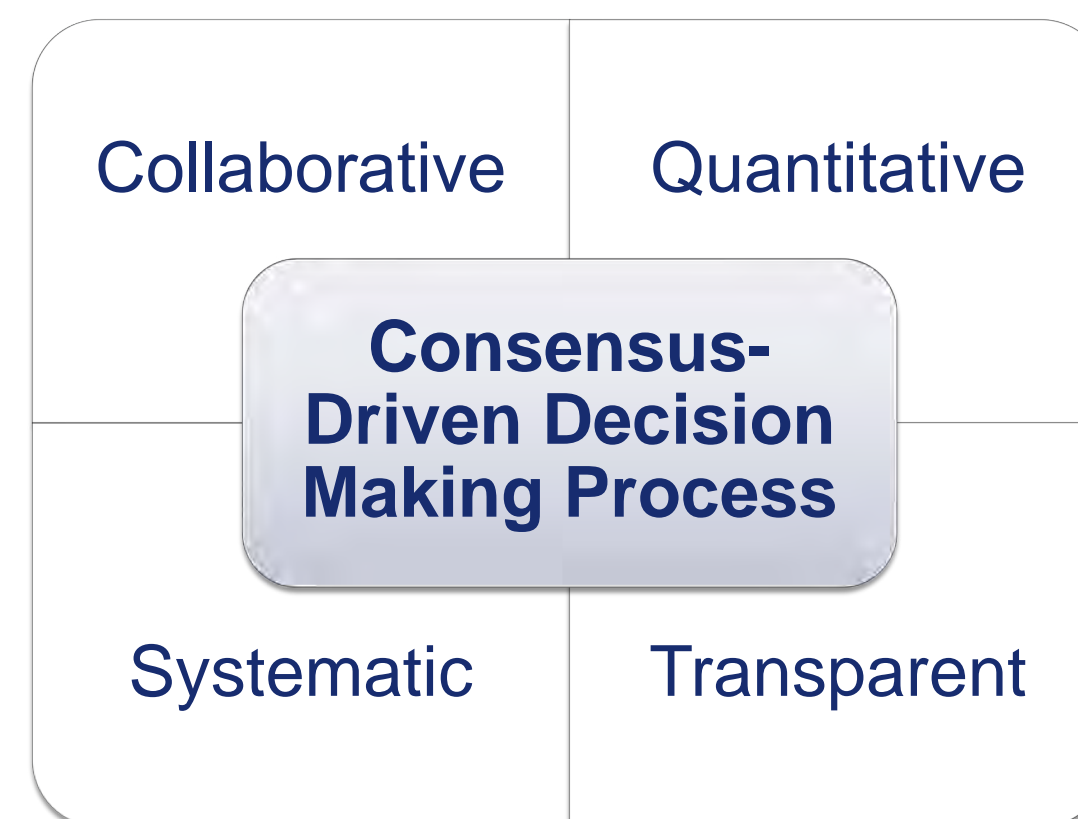
The implementation plan will consist of a set of "Tools—not Rules" that local governments and other organizations can use as a resource to enhance their planning capacity while maintaining a regional perspective on issues.

This plan will also outline a decision process that will be followed during the development of each tool to ensure it aligns with MVRPC's mission and goals.

FORUM CREATED FOR A CONSENSUS DRIVEN PROCESS

Between April and November 2013, the Going Places Steering Committee and Planning Advisory Committee (collectively, the "committees") met on a monthly basis to develop recommended tools through a consensus-driven process.

After reviewing and analyzing the results of the feedback provided by the committees, WEW has identified 11 primary tools that encompass all of the tools that demonstrated a relatively high level of committee support.



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To develop implementation strategies that have results, a variety of approaches are needed. During this process many types of Tools were considered and discussed. A tool can be:



WHAT WERE THE IMPORTANT FACTORS CONSIDERED DURING THE TOOL DEVELOPMENT PROCESS?

CONCENTRATED DEVELOPMENT VISION

Community members, businesses, local governments and organizations across the region were asked to share what they want this region to look like in the future. The input gathered led to the identification of a regional vision. In 2012, MVRPC Board of Directors endorsed the Concentrated Development Vision. The Tools were created with an eye toward carrying out the vision's 4 principles:

ASSETS - INFRASTRUCTURE - PRESERVATION - COOPERATION

MVRPC's MISSION

MVRPC promotes collaboration among communities, stakeholders, and residents to advance regional priorities. MVRPC is a forum and resource where the Board of Directors identifies priorities, develops public policy and collaborative strategies to improve quality of life throughout the Miami Valley Region. Recommended tools considered MVRPC's expertise and capacity.

MVRPC STRATEGIC PLAN

Though our Region is made up of diverse entities, each with unique qualities, we are united by our similarities. Together, we comprise one community – the Greater Miami Valley Region. Founded upon the principles of regional collaboration, cooperation, and consensus building, the Miami Valley Regional Planning Commission (MVRPC) serves as the common ground where area partners come together to work toward a shared vision across the Region.

Together, public and private partners develop and implement innovative and sustainable strategies that enhance the Region's quality of life and economic vitality.

STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS:

- Regional Stewardship
- Vibrant Communities
- Partnerships
- Sustainable Solutions and Environment

REGIONAL PRIORITIES

Priority #1: Better Information for Strong Decision Making

One of MVRPC's most important roles in the region is its unique capacity for improving access to information about regional and local land use and transportation.

Priority #2: Strengthen Regional Collaboration

The Region needs to pursue more proactive and targeted collaboration among local jurisdictions and among less traditional partners, including economic development agencies.

Priority #3: Build the Region's Capacity for Solutions

Build on MVRPC's strengths and regional role to increase awareness of effective land use, governance, transportation and economic improvement strategies, particularly through their ability to communicate with a broad cross section of the region.

RECOMMENDED TOOLS

WHAT'S NEXT?

MVRPC's DECISION MAKING PROCESS

The Going Places Implementation Plan summarizes the tools that are most likely to benefit the region. The best tools proceed to the next step of development. This entails an assessment of how each tool would be implemented, by which agency, and on what schedule. Each tool will undergo a thorough decision-making process before any action occurs. This process is displayed below. Based upon a discussion with partners, staff, and stakeholders during the assessment process, a decision will be made on how to proceed.

