

Changes to Kitsap County Mission and Vision From Kitsap Environmental Coalition¹

Statement	2016 Version	Proposed Revision for 2024
Mission	Mission - Kitsap County government exists to protect and promote the <u>safety, health and welfare of our citizens</u> in an <u>efficient, accessible and effective</u> manner.	Kitsap County government exists to protect and promote a <u>safe, healthy, fair, and sustainable relationship among the people, cultures, and natural environment</u> of Kitsap County for current and future <u>generations with attention to climate change and the limits of a healthy ecosystem</u> .
Vision: County Services	Effective and Efficient County Services - County government continuously assesses its purpose, promotes and <u>rewards innovation and improvement</u> , fosters employee development and uses effective methods and technologies to produce significant positive results and lasting benefits for <u>citizens</u> .	Effective, Just, and Efficient County Services – County government regularly assesses and adapts its services—and <u>fosters its employee capacities—to promote innovations, improvements, and its mission</u> . It uses effective methods and technologies to produce positive results and lasting benefits for the <u>county’s people, cultures, and natural environment</u> .
Vision: Economy	Thriving Local Economy - A well-educated workforce and strategic investment in county infrastructure <u>prompt businesses to expand or locate in Kitsap County, creating well-paying jobs</u> and enhancing our quality of life.	Responsible, Thriving Local Economy – Kitsap County government policies, practices, and infrastructure promote a <u>local economy that provides a living wage and quality of life for all; the ability to live and work in one’s community; and protects and rejuvenates our ecosystems</u> in the midst of climate change.
Vision: Communities	Safe and Healthy Communities - People are protected and secure, care about their neighborhoods and are <u>proud of where they live, work and play</u> .	Safe and Healthy Communities – Kitsap County government, <u>in partnership with other community organizations and with understanding of planetary limits</u> , ensures that all <u>people are treated equitably, protected, and secure</u> with clean (non-toxic) air, water, and land where they live, work, and play.
Vision: Government	Inclusive Government - County government conducts all activities in a manner that <u>encourages citizen involvement, enhances public trust and promotes understanding</u> .	Inclusive and Equitable Government – Kitsap County government policies, practices, and infrastructure are <u>designed with recognition of planetary limits to function effectively, equitably involve residents, enhance public trust, and promote understanding among the diverse entities of the county</u> .
Vision: Nature	Protected Natural Resources and Systems - Education, land use planning and coordinated efforts assure that the <u>forests, clean air and water that Kitsap is known for are sustained for the benefit of current and future generations</u> .	Protected Natural Resources and Systems – In education, land use planning and <u>in collaboration with other organizations</u> , Kitsap County government assures that the <u>county’s ecosystems (including forests, air, soil, water, streams, and wildlife) are protected, safe, healthy, and sustainable for current and future generations of Kitsap inhabitants, human and endemic forms of life</u> .

¹ The changes in the table were submitted as a [text amendment](#) for the 2024 updated Comprehensive Plan.