

Charting the Future of Our Community

Setting Our Course

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ABOUT THIS BOOK

Charting the Future of Our Community is a strategic visioning process designed to help communities plan for and control their future. It uses the broad diversity of viewpoints in a community to discover a common vision for the future, and to develop a plan of action to achieve that community vision. The *Charting* program is facilitated at the local level by trained facilitators (typically Penn State Cooperative Extension staff) and involves 25 to 40 participants (reflecting the wide range of and often conflicting perspectives in the community) in a series of four three-hour meetings.

This workbook is one of a series used to facilitate the *Charting* process. The workbooks include:

Charting Workbook 1: Setting Our Course

Charting Workbook 2: Where We Are

Charting Workbook 3: Where We Want to Be

Charting Workbook 4: Making the Trip

For more information, contact the Penn State Cooperative Extension office in your county, or visit the Penn State Cooperative Extension Charting Web site at <http://visioning.aers.psu.edu>

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