

VISIONEERING WICHITA

Vision Partner Adopt A Strategy Form

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As a Vision Partner, our organization/business/group supports **VISIONEERING WICHITA** and the future it describes for Wichita. How to adopt a strategy? It's easy....follow the steps below.

Step #1: Select a specific strategy or strategies from the **VISIONEERING WICHITA** document (i.e. Education,C.K-12.2.) and, if appropriate, list the other organization(s) you believe you could work with in an alliance to accomplish the strategy(ies). *Attach additional sheets if necessary.*

Foundation	Strategy (Number and Verbiage)	Other Alliance Team Members (Name of Organization & Contact Name & Number)
<i>For example</i> Education	C. K-12. 2. Expect parents to be involved in their schools and be accountable for the education and behavior of their children....provide mentoring and education opportunities for parents to fill this role.....	Parent Teacher Organization, XYZ School, John Doe, XXX.XXXX

Step #2: Identify a benchmark or outcome to measure your annual progress and develop Action Steps for implementation for each strategy adopted (see back for explanation). Submit your benchmark(s) and Action Steps to the **VISIONEERING WICHITA** office. At the end of each year, we as community citizens, will review our outcomes and celebrate our successes and progress.

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HOW TO DEVELOP A BENCHMARK AND ACTION STEPS FOR IMPLEMENTING VISION STRATEGIES

1. Discuss within your organization which strategy (ies) you desire to adopt. You may want to take the strategy to your organization's board/executive committee for their review and endorsement.
2. Identify the opportunity or challenge presented by the strategy. Do not change the strategy.
3. Establish a measurable benchmark and then think about the steps that would have to occur in order for your organization to be successful in meeting the benchmark. Remember, we want to annually measure our progress and if successful, celebrate, and if not, determine how can we review, revise and refocus our efforts in order to be successful.

Developing a measurable benchmark that aligns with our overall vision:

- a. A benchmark is an annual measurement for a particular strategy that aligns with our Key Benchmarks and Vision.
- b. For example, a Key Benchmark (page 12) in our vision is “**All pre-K-12 schools and districts meet the Kansas Adequate Yearly Progress Plan (AYP) each year.**” This means 100% of our students will be proficient in reading, writing and math by 2014.
- c. A strategy within our vision in the Education Foundation (page 17 - C. K-12.2) will help our schools meet their 2014 goal if we can secure 20,000 community citizen's active involvement in mentoring our young people.
- d. Your organization could adopt that Education strategy and decide to set your annual benchmark as : **Provide four (4) staff to volunteer as mentors on a weekly basis in a neighborhood school.**

Action Steps:

- a. Identify possible staff, assess their interest in mentoring and gain their commitment to mentor.
- b. Contact neighborhood school to understand their mentoring needs and how to get involved.
- c. Attend orientation/training session for mentor volunteers.
- d. Start mentoring!

Implementation:

- a. Implement your organization's mentoring program.
 - b. Analyze the progress on a regular basis and make any necessary changes.
 - c. Be persistent, don't quit; stick with the process until you have success.
4. Once you have identified your benchmark and action steps please forward this form to the Vision office. Contact information listed on the front.
 5. The Vision office will contact you at the end of the year for an annual progress update on your adopted strategies.