

Oak Harbor - 2036

A Vision for the future

Oak Harbor is Whidbey Island's premier waterfront community that takes pride in a diverse culture rooted in history, boasts a state of the art education system, robust economy, and recreational opportunities for the whole family.

Culture: The unique Garry Oak trees grace the skyline in a city that invests in its waterfront and beautiful views. A town rich in diverse culture, it fosters art, hosts world renowned races, annual concerts, exciting parades, and family friendly festivals. It promotes a diverse housing stock, and clean and safe neighborhoods through community watch and policing. It values the connection between the urban environment and natural areas. Here, the native landscapes are preserved and wild life is protected. Adopting innovative and environmentally sensitive development practices, Oak Harbor maintains its ecosystems while promoting green energy opportunities and growth.

Education: It's a place where education will remain at the forefront of our agenda. It values a school system that centers on cutting edge educational, art and sporting programs, and a community college constantly expanding and tailoring its programs to fit the community's needs.

Economy: Oak Harbor is a state of the art city with public transportation, great infrastructure and fast communication networks that allow local businesses to thrive and expand, while new diverse companies locate here, offering high paying, low impact jobs. Its multimodal street network emphasizes interconnectivity of roads, creative level of service delivery and accommodates intelligent transportation systems. Its downtown is vibrant with diverse businesses, quaint bars, outdoor cafes and street performers. Ultramodern Police and Fire departments along with local Hospitals provide safety, high quality health care, community services, and employment.

Recreation: Emphasizing outdoor recreation, it offers extensive exercise trails from its waterfront promenade to city parks, wildlife corridors, wetlands and state parks. It celebrates the unique ownership of a marina which serves local needs while inviting visitors, sporting events, seaplane transport and more. Safe pedestrian access and bicycle lanes are integrated into the transportation network facilitating easy access to recreational and fitness opportunities.

Home of Naval Air Station Whidbey Island and its proud military heritage, Oak Harbor maintains its small town atmosphere and lifestyle by respecting its history and diverse cultures, and sustaining an affordable cost of living, making it a place where the children of yesterday come back to raise their families today.

It is Whidbey Island's premier waterfront community, it is Oak Harbor.