

*"Silverthorne is attractive because of its size, appearance, ability to relax and enjoy life, and ease of living."*



# 3. Community Vision

Originally written in 2001 and revised with each Comprehensive Plan Update, the following statements describe Silverthorne’s community values as they relate to overall vision, land use, transportation, design, growth and economic development. The statements form the foundation for the goals, policies, and actions in the proceeding chapters.

## *Overall Vision*

**“Silverthorne, a vibrant mountain community of residences and businesses in the Lower Blue River Valley, is dedicated to protecting its spectacular natural resources, enhancing its sense of place, and creating a diverse, stable and sustainable economy.”**

## *Land Use*

A cohesive community of diverse residential neighborhoods, commercial and employment centers that include a walkable downtown, and recreational resources that serve local and regional needs, set within a beautiful and scenic mountain landscape.

## *Transportation*

An efficient multi-modal transportation system that serves the mobility needs of residents and visitors, providing safe, convenient connections between key destinations within a well-connected network of highways, roads, sidewalks, paths and trails.

## *Design*

A scenic town whose built environment blends authentic mountain character with contemporary, quality design. Attractive gateways and corridors, distinct residential, commercial and industrial districts, and integration of the natural environment promote its sense of place and small town identity.

## *Growth*

A cohesive pattern of development that reflects responsive and responsible growth, and is supported by adequate infrastructure and efficient intergovernmental services, to accommodate current and future residents and promote healthy economic expansion.

## *Economic Development*

Further establish Silverthorne as a regional economic and commercial hub with services for tourists and locals alike, through a series of commercial centers and including a vibrant, walkable downtown. Silverthorne will continue to become a diverse, well-rounded, self-sufficient, exciting community that capitalizes on its strategic location and year-round opportunities within its beautiful mountain surroundings.