

# Chapter 3: Community Vision

The following vision statements were originally written in 2001 and revised with each Comprehensive Plan Update, in 2014 and 2022. They 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 identified in the following chapters.



## Overall Vision

Silverthorne is a vibrant mountain community in the Lower Blue River Valley that is dedicated to protecting its spectacular natural resources, enhancing its sense of belonging, and creating a diverse, stable, and sustainable economy.

## Land Use

The town's land use pattern reflects a cohesive community with a vibrant and walkable downtown, diverse and complete neighborhoods, productive commercial and employment centers, and recreational resources that serve local and regional needs, set within a beautiful mountain landscape that provides real opportunity for locals' housing.

## Transportation

The transportation system is highly connected and accessible and serves the needs of residents and visitors by connecting key destinations with a safe and efficient network of multi-modal infrastructure and programming.

## Design

Silverthorne is a charming town whose built environment blends authentic mountain character with modern design. Attractive gateways and corridors, distinct neighborhoods and districts, abundant parks, trails, and open spaces, all integrated with the natural environment, promote its sense of place and community.

## Growth

Development follows a cohesive pattern that reflects responsive and responsible growth, supported by efficient infrastructure and effective intergovernmental services, that accommodates current and future residents with affordable options and a healthy economy.

## Economic Development

Silverthorne is a regional economic and commercial hub with services for locals and tourists alike, provided through industrial, commercial, and mixed-use centers, including a vibrant, walkable downtown. The town is a diverse, well-rounded, self-sufficient, artful, and creative community that capitalizes on its strategic location and year-round opportunities within its beautiful mountain surroundings.



