

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY MASTER PLAN, 2004

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Creating a Community Profile in Londonderry

A stakeholder forum was held in June 2003 to gain input into the Master Plan update. The steering committee saw the need for the broader community to aid in developing the vision for Londonderry and began planning for a Community Profile, led by UNH Cooperative Extension. The group decided to title the Profile the Londonderry Best Towns Process to guide citizens in thinking about how Londonderry should move forward in the future.

The event was catered by Jerome's Catering with financial support provided by the Town of Londonderry.

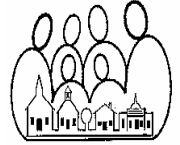
Best Towns Steering Committee

Tom Dolan, Reed Clark, Pollyann Winslow, Mark Cohen, Laurie Riedel, Madeline Heath-Demeule, Cindi Rice Conley, Andre Garron, David Caron, Tim Thompson, Joy O'Connor, Barbara Camm

To view the Londonderry Community Profile report in its entirety, visit the UNH Cooperative Extension website at <http://ceinfo.unh.edu> or at Londonderry's website at <http://www.londonderry.org>.



UNIVERSITY of NEW HAMPSHIRE
Cooperative Extension



Londonderry Best Towns Process

October 18, 2003
Matthew Thornton School

The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is an equal opportunity educator and employer. UNH, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture and New Hampshire counties cooperating.

The event began by breaking out into small groups to focus on the strengths, challenges and future of the following in Londonderry:

*Informed Citizen Participation and Community Leadership
Housing and Growth & Development
Lifelong Education & Learning and Fostering Healthy
Families, Individuals and Youth
Public Services, Facilities & Utilities and Transportation
Natural Resources, Conservation and the Environment;
Historic Preservation and Recreation
Business and Industry*

Participants were then asked to think about projects in the different theme areas that arose from the previous small group work. These themes were:

*Infrastructure and Economic Development
Balancing Preservation of Community Character with Growth
and Development
Citizen Participation
Sense of Community*

Finally, each participant received five adhesive dots to use to “vote” on the project in each theme they thought were important for Londonderry to work on right away. The list of project ideas follows in descending order:

1. Places to gather – easily accessible places for passive recreation, parks, pathways, safe bike trails, skating rinks, multi-purpose uses and performing arts theatre. **(37 votes)**
2. Refine and expand current open space plan including incentives to preserve agricultural land (including artificial green space around the airport). Identify external funding. **(34 votes)**

3. Build sidewalks in high demand areas for non motorized transportation and assess other opportunities track. **(33 votes)**
4. Expanded/interactive/user friendly web site and community calendar. **(32 votes)**
5. Create parks and recreation/community enrichment department. Continuing Education/Lifelong Learning – academic and recreational work with surrounding towns. Create partnerships to make it happen and hire staff. **(31 votes)**
6. Develop a plan for appropriate commercial and industrial development which includes identifying areas for commercial/industry growth and promoting appropriate commercial and industrial development. **(25 votes)**
7. Develop a plan to preserve, maintain and expand historic districts and structures (to include town common). **(20 votes)**
8. Improve mobility of citizens that cannot drive, through creation of shuttle service. **(13 votes)**
9. New resident packet. **(13 votes)**
10. Volunteer incentives tax (soft + hard) currency, compensation, awards, coordinated by part-time paid staffing. **(13 votes)**
11. Encourage adaptive re-use of existing buildings. **(6 votes)**
12. Fund roadway management program. **(6 votes)**

Action teams were formed as a result of the voting in each theme area. The groups will begin mapping out their goals and objectives at the facilitated follow-up meeting scheduled for November 19, 2003 at 7 pm.

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

UPDATE #1

LONDONDERRY MASTER
PLAN UPDATE 2003

AUGUST 2003

SPECIAL POINTS
OF INTEREST:

- Since 1990, the town has issued an average of 119 residential permits per year with the high of 187 occurring in 1998.
- During the 1990s, Londonderry became home to 3,455 new residents—a growth rate of 17% (higher than the county and state figures).
- Since 1997 the Londonderry school district grew by 758 students, representing a 15% increase. In comparison, total enrollment statewide was up only 4% during the same time period.

WHAT IS YOUR VISION OF LONDONDERRY?

Londonderry has gone through significant changes over the past few decades. In this relatively short period of time, Londonderry has grown from a small rural area to one of the largest towns in New Hampshire, and the town’s residents are now part of a vibrant suburban community and metropolitan area. The Master Plan process is an opportunity for Londonderry’s residents to reflect on these changes and move forward—to establish a vision for the future and have a say in the town’s development and character over the next 5 to 15 years and beyond.

Currently, the town is working on the preliminary aspects of plan development including data gathering and fact finding. Over the next several months the Master Plan Steering Committee will reach out to the public to present plan updates, gather community input, and listen to suggestions and comments to make sure the plan represents the vision and needs of the community. It is estimated that the plan will be complete by Spring of 2004.

Your voice counts! Community input and participation is an essential component of the planning process and will help identify the “critical issues” or primary concepts to be addressed in the plan. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to drop us a note in our suggestion box or call/email the town’s planning director, Andre Garron at 432-1100 (agarron@londonderry.org). More information regarding public participation is located on the second page of this update.

HOW IS LONDONDERRY CHANGING?



Londonderry continues to be one of the fastest growing towns in the area. In fact, population during the 1990s increased at a rate faster than both the county and state overall. In addition, by 2020 Londonderry’s population is projected to be almost 30,000 people, a 29% increase from today! One of the primary Master Plan objectives is to identify the character and timing of that growth, and determine how the town can better prepare for the needs of new and existing residents.

	1980	1990	2000	2010*	2020*
Londonderry Population	13,598	19,781	23,236	26,940	29,930
Source: US Census, New Hampshire Office of State Planning					
*Projections					

Watch the town's website for more updates!

www.londonderry.org

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HOW TO PARTICIPATE

The Londonderry Master Plan Update Steering Committee will sponsor several opportunities for public participation throughout the planning process. The tentative public outreach schedule is as follows:

September: Focus Group Workshops

October 17 and 18: Best Towns Initiative

January: Update and Public Comment Meeting

More information regarding these meetings and events is forthcoming. However, if you have any comments or suggestions at this time, please let us know by using the contact information provided on this page.

EMERGING ISSUES

What do you think are the most important issues facing Londonderry today and what will be our future challenges? The Master Plan Steering Committee has identified two preliminary "Emerging Issues" that will be the focus of initial public outreach efforts and planning. The two broad issues are: Growth and Livability.

Growth – focuses on economic development needs and potential as well as the possible side-effects associated with commercial and industrial growth.



Livability – looks at the characteristics of Londonderry that make the town a special place to live including history and culture, recreation, education, open space and agriculture, and natural resources such as streams and forests.



Over the next several months, as part of the Master Plan Update, the steering committee will work with the community to identify goals, objectives, and strategies. Your contribution will be essential to the success of this process!

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY,
NEW HAMPSHIRE

UPDATE #2

LONDONDERRY MASTER
PLAN UPDATE 2004

MARCH 2004

KEY COMPONENTS
OF A MASTER
PLAN:

- Should be used as a guide for the town to make sound decisions related to development and growth.
- Highlights and analyzes existing conditions such as demographics, growth patterns, and the natural environment.
- Includes a “vision” of what the town should be like in the future and outlines strategies and recommendations to make that vision a reality.
- Encourages the public to participate in development of the plan and its implementation.

COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR COMMENTS ON MASTER PLAN VISION!

The Town of Londonderry Master Plan Update Steering Committee recently developed six “Vision Statements” to be used in guiding the plan’s recommendations and implementation steps. The committee wants to know if you agree or disagree with these principals. Please take a look at each statement and let us know what you think! Master Plan Vision Statements:

Housing

Londonderry will strive to create a diverse housing stock to address the needs of all its residents and provide opportunity for residents to live, work, and recreate in the community.

Transportation

Londonderry will have a diverse, safe, and efficient transportation infrastructure that encourages the use of multi-mode travel, while meeting the daily needs of businesses and residents.

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THOROUGHFARE PLANNING INITIATIVE BEGINS

The Master Plan Update Steering Committee has scheduled a workshop, open to the public, to take a close look at two main thoroughfares in Londonderry. The event, to be held on April 21 at 6:30 p.m. at the Londonderry High School cafeteria, will focus on identifying a vision and potential land use and development scenarios for Routes 28 and 102.



Participants at the meeting will work with maps, photographs, and other planning tools in a series of hands-on exercises that will encourage them to consider

alternative development and growth patterns along each corridor. The outcomes and recommendations of this workshop will be integrated into the Master Plan after further discussion and analysis by the plan’s steering committee and consultants.

All Londonderry residents, businesspeople and interested persons are encouraged to attend.

Watch the town's website for more updates!

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The Town Center, one of Londonderry's most treasured resources, will be the focus of a workshop on March 17th.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION
SCHEDULE:**

The Londonderry Master Plan Update public outreach schedule is as follows:

Town Center Workshop: Wednesday, March 17th, 7:00 p.m. at the Londonderry High School Library

Thoroughfare Planning Initiative: Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m. at the Londonderry High School Cafeteria

Public Hearings: date, time and location to be announced

If you have any comments or suggestions, please let us know by using the contact information provided on this page.

VISION STATEMENTS (CONTINUED)

Public services

Londonderry will strive to maintain, expand, and create its high quality of efficient public services to meet the changing needs of the community.

Environment, open space, recreation

Londonderry will continue to create and protect a healthy natural environment for residents and wildlife, by pursuing opportunities for active and passive recreation, open space, parks, recreational facilities, and agriculture.

Business and economic development

Londonderry will experience balanced economic growth that takes full advantage of the Town's economic opportunities and maintains or reduces the town's residential tax rates without adversely impacting quality of life. Londonderry will be known as a business friendly town and the

diversity of businesses attracted here will be those most appropriate to the community's environment and character.

Sense of community

Londonderry will have a balance of cultural activities, resources, and facilities that meet the needs of residents and foster community spirit where residents are encouraged to be active in civic and community events. Londonderry's history will be promoted and preserved as an important component of the town's identity.

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Your voice counts! We want to know if you agree, disagree, or have comments regarding these guiding principles (or any other questions or comments related to the Master Plan). Please mail, call or send an email to the town's planning director, Andre Garron (contact information provided above).

TOWN OF LONDONDERRY
FOCUS GROUP WORKSHOP WITH KIDS
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 2003

Sign In:

Beau Darah
Brian Nutter
Greg Ralich
Alvin Sprowl
Laura Schuman
Katie Hepworth
Shelby Morissette
Robin Schanche

Things it would be great to have:

- Live music
- Continuing/community education (to encourage culture – very important)
 - Art classes
 - Yoga, etc. (community building/community center)
- Sidewalks
- Better trails
- Hang-out location for teens
 - Coffee shop
 - Open microphone
 - (we always go to Mack's)
- Need some sort of social hub besides LHS! Why:
 - Drug prevalence
 - Interactions between people without needing to go over to peoples' houses
 - Encourage interaction between people of different ages
- Karaoke
- Pool tables
- Vegetarian cafe

We need:

- More community spirit
- Cultural or intellectual centers
- Somewhere people just want to go with families, with friends, etc.
- Outdoorsy things to encourage exercise, appreciation of New Hampshire nature, etc.
- Sports – basketball, football
- Eat
- Inline skating/skateboarding
- Club

- Shopping – malls
- Apple picking
- Mini-golf
- Go-carts
- Batting cages
- Sledding
- Plaster house
- Movies
- Ice cream
- Swimming
- Bowling
- Arcade
- Need more fields!
- Ice skating

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- Coffeehouse -5
- Bowling alley, pool table, arcade - 8
- Mini-golf - 8
- Extend town commons/additional park - 5
- Restaurants (includes sushi/mom & pop restaurants) - 8
- Turf & field/artificial - 5
- Good baseball & football fields - 5
- Basketball courts/neighborhood courts - 5
- Not enough & poor quality seats in football stadium - 6
- Better scenic trails (safety & cleanliness important) - 5
- More trails for running/biking - 3
- Somewhere to exist separate from high school (not family oriented) - 8
- Drive in movie theatre - 7
- Roller rink - 3
- Route 102 main recreation area
- Get people outside - 7
- More culture - museum, poetry area (public supported) - 5
- Boxing area - 4
- Pain ball - 7
- Cross generation network - 1
- Bingo - 8
- Casino (under 21) - 3
- More old home day activities - 5
- Concerts on commons
- More activities on commons - 8
- Sidewalk down Route 128 (mammoth road) - 5
- Late bus should be every day - 8
- Local public transportation - 8
- Way too much of Londonderry is based on school - 8
- Neighborhood get-togethers - 1
- Performance space - 8

What would make you want to come back and live in Londonderry as an adult:

- Handle the redistricting better
- Sync up the vacations weeks
- Location of Londonderry would make some come back
- Londonderry more self-sufficient
- Limit growth of town to maintain character
- Too much construction
- Being able to live and work in town

**Town of Londonderry
Master Plan Update
Focus Group Summary Matrix
October, 2003**

Focus Group Workshops:

- Growth and Economic Development
- Livability

Workshop	Priority Area	Detail	Goals	Recommendations
Livability	Transportation: old and young non-motorized travel	- Need transportation for the elderly and youth. Also, crossing Route 102 is very difficult and a deterrent to quality of life and sense of community.	Improved non- motorized transport system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Support Londonderry Trailways. Follow the Trailways Master Plan - Encourage development of a bus service (potentially subsidize a private service). - Centralize services to make community more walkable - Reserve trails in new subdivisions - Improve ability to cross Route 102.
Livability	Vision	- No sense of community, commitment, etc. Not as many volunteers as in past and people are unfamiliar with "town govt."	Develop a strong sense of community, and ownership in the town among residents.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage residents to live and work in town (zoning or other development changes are likely needed to make this happen) - Enhance Londonderry Business to Business group or develop a Londonderry Chamber of Commerce

Livability	Open Space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 11% to 12% of the town is protected – there's a lot of other open land, but it's not protected. 	Maintain Londonderry's character.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Protect buildable land to slow/remove growth impacts - Spread out acquisitions around town (geographically) - Consider town-owned agriculture (saw mill) - Keep and open dialogue with landowners - Protect wildlife habitats - Protect land for water recharge - Address stewardship and monitoring needs of acquired lands. - Develop and updated open space map and a more refined open space plan
Livability	Water Quality	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Storm sewers ship recharge waters out of town - Old septic systems may be failing - What is our drinking water capacity? 	Better understand the town's drinking water issues, needs, and opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need to conduct an aquifer study
Livability	Historic Preservation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are a lot of historic buildings in Londonderry 	Protect the town's historic gems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provide incentives to protect historic structures - Consider an overlay district (for incentives) - Consider a demolition ordinance - Relieve taxes on barns

Livability	Noise (Airport and Airplanes)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Noise from engine is probably getting quieter. - Noise from lowering of flaps and landing gear is unchanged 	Reduce air traffic noise impacts on residential areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Don't allow new homes near the airport - Explore sound proofing options - Keep green strips around the airport (and major roads) as a noise buffer - Identify sources of noise and potential mitigations
Livability	Trucks on residential streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Impacts traffic - Damaging trees - Is worse when the weigh station is open 	Reduce impacts (or numbers of) of trucks on residential streets	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Disallow double trailers on residential streets
Livability	Culture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - There are many groups interested in culture (not just sports) - No place for theatre, plays, performances, 	Meet the cultural needs of the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Develop a culture and arts center (performance) - Facility should meet the needs of school, senior, and youth cultural groups, (not just one group).
Livability	Recreation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Kids go out of town for a lot of recreation - Existing facilities can sometimes be "cheap" here (e.g., hockey rink) 	Meet the recreational needs of the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Need a recreation director to help with recreation activities, facilities

Economic Development	Airport Area	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 1000 acres of undeveloped land to be made available through airport access road - Few landowners (they control the land and what happens) 	Take advantage of our biggest opportunity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expand the Foreign Trade Zone into this area - Market the town better
Economic Development	Transportation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Key to increasing the town's tax base is access. - Several properties along 102 but they have no access (restricted due to no curb cuts) - Exit 4a opportunities and at the airport - Route 28 is unsightly and a traffic problem - Litchfield road is trouble - Intersections in town are not safe 	Improve access to existing and future businesses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Expand Route 28 (buy land on both sides) - Develop an access road off of Route 102 so properties can have access (those that are restricted due to no curb cuts) - Improve Litchfield Road - Encourage development of Exit 4a and Airport Connector - Identify funding sources for transportation improvements - Strategically-placed sidewalks (Route 102 area) - Secondary access roads behind stores

Economic Development	Housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Housing in Londonderry is expensive - We're building more senior housing but are there any adverse impacts of too much? 	Encourage more affordable housing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Modify regulations to allow for more density - Encourage affordable housing and high density at the airport area land - Develop a model that shows the cost impact of various land use decisions (e.g., more affordable housing)
Economic Development	Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - What kind of businesses should we be attracting? - Town approval process is difficult - Too many comments late in approval process (need them in advance) - Town is not "business friendly" - We want clean, environmentally friendly businesses (maybe?) 	Identify the types of businesses we want and make sure they are encouraged to locate in Londonderry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Make the town more business friendly - Need a program to market the town - Use town staff to negotiate with businesses and property owners - Look at other southern NH towns and their project review process. See what is different and how we might learn from them. - Need coordination between landowners, new businesses, and the town to make the airport area work.

Economic Development and Livability	Town Government Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Will existing structure get us where we need to be - Very few people actually participate in our govt. - Derry switched and then switched back! - Several options available (board of selectmen, etc.) 	Make sure Londonderry is using the appropriate type of governmental structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Review options - Ensure we have the proper government structure
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TOWN OF LONDONDERRY: MASTER PLAN UPDATE

TOWN CENTER WORKSHOP

Wednesday, March 17th, 7:00 p.m.
Londonderry High School Library

Agenda:

7:00: Welcome, sign in, refreshments

7:15: Introduction and presentation

- Workshop goals
- Town center slide show

7:45: Composite mapping group exercise – where are we now?

- **Review maps of existing resources** in and around the town center.
Add missing features such as proposed projects, activities, amenities, historical resources, etc.
- Develop a mapped layer that shows **issues and concerns**
- Develop a mapped layer that **shows opportunities**

8:45: Town Center Visioning Exercise – what do we want?

- What are the components of a great town center, what do you want the area to be like in 5 years, 20 years, 50 years?

9:15: Summary, and conclusion

- Discuss ideas and priorities
- Consider next steps

**LONDONDERRY MASTER PLAN UPDATE
THOROUGHFARE PLANNING INITIATIVE WORKSHOP
ROUTES 102 AND 128
APRIL 21ST, 2004**

AGENDA AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. Introduction (20 minutes)

- Intro: Goals of this Meeting, role in the Master Plan process
- Existing conditions, trends, and planning concepts.

2. Image Survey: (20 minutes)

- Participants will review and rate images of “built form” focusing on design and context. Results will be presented at the end of the workshop.

3. Break-out groups: Areas of Change and Areas of Stability (60 minutes)

Participants will separate into groups, with each group focusing on one section of the corridors:

- Route 102 East from Derry town line to 128
- Route 102 West from 128 to Hudson town line

- Route 28 East from Derry town line to Exit 5
- Route 28 West from Exit 5 to Manchester city line

The primary goal of this exercise is to identify “areas of change” and “areas of stability” and then develop land use and planning recommendations for each area.

Areas of change: portions along the corridor where the group feels new development should occur. These could be areas where the group would like to see different land uses, general enhancements, infill, or other changes.

Areas of stability: areas where there should be no (or limited) change to the existing land use pattern and character of the corridor. These are areas the group generally likes the way they are in their current state.

Process:

Step 1 – Set-up (5 min.): The group should become familiar with the maps and other materials provided, take some time to get to know one another, designate one member as a scribe to take notes, and select one member to present the group’s findings to the other tables at the end of the meeting.

Step 2 – Likes (5 min.): The group will have a quick discussion highlighting areas or features of the corridor that each participant likes. Go around the table listing ideas as fast as possible and mark places on the map if needed. The scribe should write down each item on a sheet of paper labeled “likes” (if mapped, likes should be drawn in blue).

Step 3 – Dislikes (5 min.): Next, the group will discuss areas or aspects of the corridor that they do not like. What isn't working? Which areas need improvement? Again, go around the room as fast as possible. Write down each item on a separate piece of paper (if mapped, dislikes should be drawn or labeled in black).

Step 4 – Areas of Change/Stability (10 min.): Building off of likes and dislikes, the group should now discuss areas of change/areas of stability and draw these areas on the base map. (Areas of change should be drawn in red on your map, areas of stability should be drawn in green on your map)

Step 5 – Recommendations for Areas of Change (20 min.): Focusing on areas of change, each group should consider and answer the following questions:

- What types of land uses would you like to see in these areas?
- From that list, which land uses would be the best fit?
- What about the "intensity" of use? How would you categorize the density of each "change area?"
- How would you describe the character of these areas, what would these areas look like?
- What are the specific improvements and changes your group would like to see?

The goal of this step is to identify and discuss short- and long-term visions for these areas while providing as much specificity as possible.

Step 6 – Recommendations for Areas of Stability (20 min.): Finally, focusing on areas of stability each group should now discuss opportunities or concerns. For example, does the group feel that there is anything needed? Are there any enhancements or improvements warranted? Are there any areas in need of special protections? Be sure to make notes in areas of stability giving information on what aspects your group likes (e.g., keep wooded, no more growth here, continue industrial expansion as is already occurring, etc.).

4. Reporting (20 minutes)

- Groups present their ideas and concepts to others.

5. Conclusion (10 minutes)

Image Survey Results

- Participants will hear results and discuss their selections from the visual survey, taken at the beginning of the event.

Next Steps

- Integration into the plan, next opportunities for public participation, and where participants can see results of the workshop

Image Survey

Circle the image you like the best. If you can, include a comment describing why you selected each image.

Slide 1:

Image 1

Image 2

Image 3

Image 4

Comment:

Slide 2:

Image 1

Image 2

Image 3

Image 4

Comment:

Slide 3:

Image 1

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Slide 6:

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Slide 7:

Image 1

Image 2

Image 3

Image 4

Comment:

RECREATION FACILITIES INVENTORY

Existing as of May 1, 2003

	multi-purpose game fields	multi-purpose practice fields	soccer fields	softball fields	baseball fields	youth baseball fields	tennis courts	outdoor tracks	playgrounds	basketball courts	lacrosse fields	skateboard parks	gymnasiums
SCHOOL													
South School	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
North School	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1.5
Middle School	1	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
Matthew Thornton	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
High School	2	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Moose Hill School	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Sub-total	5	7	0	2	3	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	7.5
TOWN													
Nelson Park	0	1	0	1	0	0	4	0	1	2	0	1	0
Continental Park	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total	0	1	5	1	0	0	4	0	1	2	0	1	0
LAFB													
Nelson Park	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sub-total	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	5	8	5	3	3	8	4	1	5	2	0	1	7.5

Source: Recreation Facilities Planning Committee

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TOWN OF LONDONDERRY
RECREATION FACILITIES PLANNING COMMITTEE
FINAL REPORT 2003

Existing Park and Facility Needs

- 1) Recreation Budget
 - a) Create additional maintenance positions (Full / Seasonal)
 - b) Increase maintenance budget
 - c) Develop a prioritized capital improvement plan
- 2) Nelson Park
 - a) New park entrance sign
 - b) New park bleachers & benches
 - c) Construct dumpster and portable toilet pads
 - d) Improve general park appearance (landscaping, cleanliness, fencing, gates, signs, etc)
- 3) Nelson Adult Softball Field
 - a) Improve site drainage
 - b) Remove bleachers / benches and construct tiered concrete retaining walls
- 4) Nelson Tennis Courts (1 & 2)
 - a) Resurface asphalt base
 - b) Install lighting courts 1 & 2
- 5) Musquash Conservation Area
 - a) Install park entrance / directional signs
 - b) Construct main parking lot w/kiosk
 - c) Construct small neighborhood parking lots w/kiosk
- 6) Nelson Skate Park
 - a) Complete landscaping
 - b) Park lighting
 - c) Improve park access with stairs or paved walk
- 7) Nelson Basketball Courts
 - a) Resurface courts
 - b) Install court lighting
 - c) New hoops
- 8) Continental Park
 - a) Establish winter park activities
 - b) Construct small playground w/ covered picnic tables
 - c) Park expansion / purchase more land
 - d) Construct handicapped accessible paved trail system
 - e) Install field lighting

New Park & Facility Needs

1) NEIGHBORHOOD PARKS

a) Description

- i) Playground equipment
- ii) Green / open space
- iii) Court games
- iv) Walking trails

(1) Possible locations

- (a) Middle School Property (rear)
- (b) Auburn Road Property
- (c) Sanborn Road Property
- (d) Continental Park

2) ADDITIONAL PATHWAYS & OPEN SPACE

a) Description

- i) Open space / conservation land
- ii) Biking & walking
- iii) Cross country skiing
- iv) Horseback riding

(1) Possible Locations

- (a) Open space plan
- (b) Boston & Maine railroad
- (c) Musquash Conservation Area
- (d) Continental Park
- (e) Kendal Pond Conservation Area
- (f) Auburn Road Property

3) WINTER PARK

a) Description

- i) Tubing & sledding
- ii) Ice skating
- iii) Cross country skiing
- iv) Snowshoeing

(1) Possible Locations

- (a) Moosehill Orchards
- (b) Continental Park
- (c) Musquash Conservation Area
- (d) Auburn Road Property

New Park & Facility Needs

4) INDOOR ICE SKATING RINK

a) Description

- i) Permanent year round facility maybe public / private partnership

(1) Locations

- (a) Middle School Property – (rear)
- (b) Airport
- (c) YMCA
- (d) Private property

5) INDOOR / OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOL

a) Description

- i) Permanent year round facility maybe public / private partnership

(1) Locations

- (a) Middle School Property – (rear)
- (b) YMCA
- (c) Private property

6) MULTIPURPOSE PRACTICE AND GAME FIELDS

a) Description

- i) Create more fields for lacrosse, football & soccer

(1) Locations

- (a) Complete Continental Park
- (b) Support school artificial turf proposal
- (c) Install field lighting on all existing fields
- (d) Construct open green space at all future parks

7) AUDITORIUM / CULTURAL ARTS CENTER

a) Description

- i) Multi-purpose facility maybe public / private partnership
- ii) Senior center

(1) Locations

- (a) Middle School Property – (rear)

Economic Development - Appendix Data:

Specific business and employment growth in Londonderry has occurred in all sectors with particularly strong increases in transportation, communications and wholesale trade operations.

Table: Total number of establishments and jobs, Town of Londonderry, 1991, 1995, 2000 based on SIC code								
<i>Source: New Hampshire Department of Employment Security, ES-2 Data</i>								
	1991		1995		2000		% change 91-00	
Industry	Bus.	Jobs	Bus.	Jobs	Bus.	Jobs	Bus.	Jobs
Agriculture	12	116	13	131	20	171	67%	47%
Construction	54	409	56	558	72	696	33%	70%
Manufacturing	53	1,017	53	1,263	62	1,965	17%	93%
Transport/Comm*	26	711	37	1,163	51	1,432	96%	101%
Wholesale Trade	71	368	95	538	122	993	72%	170%
Retail Trade	72	1,315	96	1,964	90	1,989	25%	51%
F.I.R.E**	37	223	41	226	57	340	54%	52%
Services	190	2,065	228	2,326	298	3,422	57%	66%
Pub. Admin.	2	130	3	130	3	190	50%	46%
N.C.***	-	-	-	-	7	11	n/a	n/a
Total	517	6,354	622	8,299	782	11,209	51%	76%

Transportation and Communications, **Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, *Not Classified*

Note: SIC sector breakdown not available for years after 2000.

The overall business community make-up in Londonderry has remained relatively unchanged over the past decade. For example, services still comprise close to 40 percent of the businesses in town, with transportation, communications, and wholesale trade operations making up a slightly larger percentage today than in the early 1990s.

Table: Classification of total business establishments in Londonderry, 1991, 1995, 2000			
Source: New Hampshire Department of Employment Security, ES-2 Data			
	% of total 1991	% of total 1995	% of total 2000
Agriculture	2.3%	2.1%	2.6%
Construction	10.4%	9.0%	9.2%
Manufacturing	10.3%	8.5%	7.9%
Transport/Comm*	5.0%	5.9%	6.5%
Wholesale Trade	13.7%	15.3%	15.6%
Retail Trade	13.9%	15.4%	11.5%
F.I.R.E**	7.2%	6.6%	7.3%
Services	36.8%	36.7%	38.1%
Pub. Administration	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%
N.C.***	-	-	0.9%

**Transportation and Communications, **Finance, Insurance and
Real Estate, ***Not Classified*

Determining Affordability

As used in the HOME Program, affordability refers to the requirements of the HOME Program that relate to the cost of housing both at initial occupancy and over established timeframes, as prescribed in the HOME regulations. Affordability requirements vary depending on the nature of the HOME-assisted activity (i.e., homeownership or rental housing). Who Needs Affordable Housing? More people than you might realize. The economic expansion of the 1990s obscured certain trends and statistics that point to an increased, not decreased, need for affordable housing. The generally accepted definition of affordability is for a household to pay no more than 30 percent of its annual income on housing. Families who pay more than 30 percent of their income for housing are considered cost burdened and may have difficulty affording necessities such as food, clothing, transportation and medical care. An estimated 12 million renter and homeowner households now pay more than 50 percent of their annual incomes for housing, and a family with one full-time worker earning the minimum wage cannot afford the local fair-market rent for a two-bedroom apartment anywhere in the United States. The lack of affordable housing is a significant hardship for low-income households preventing them from meeting their other basic needs, such as nutrition and healthcare, or saving for their future and that of their families

Determining Low Income

A household whose income does not exceed 80 percent of the median income for the area, as determined by HUD, with adjustments for smaller or larger families. HUD may establish income ceilings higher or lower than 80 percent of the median for the area median on the basis of HUD's findings that such variations are necessary because of prevailing levels of construction costs or fair market rents, or unusually high or low family incomes.

Source: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/cpd/affordablehousing/index.cfm>

Affordable Housing

To determine whether housing is affordable in Londonderry, a unit must not exceed 30% of the annual income of a household earning 80% of the median income for the area. For example, the 2004 median income for the Manchester PMSA is \$69,800. A two-person household earning \$55,840 annually should not spend more than \$16,752 annually or \$1,400 monthly on housing costs (see table below).

Determining Local Affordability

Median Income for the PMSA	\$69,800
Low Income household (2-person): 80 Percent of Median Income	\$55,840
Affordable housing: 30 Percent of low-income household annual earnings	\$16,752 (\$1,400 per month)

Source: 2004 HUD Income Limits: www.huduser.org/datasets/il/il04/index.html

Please note, this data is presented as a guide only. For detailed figures based on current income levels, family sizes, etc., please contact HUD or the New Hampshire Housing Authority.