

Joint Village Strategic Planning Report to Hopi Tribal Commissions

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Joint Village
Strategic Planning

UMV, VML & YPC

Project Purpose

The purpose of Joint Village Strategic Planning (JVSP) is to address the impacts of the Bennett Freeze and Forced Relocation by planning for infrastructure, housing, community facilities, and economic development investments.

JVSP coordinates with the Hopi Tribal Council to advocate for such funding and investment.

Joint Village Strategic Planning (JVSP) has been active since 2017.

JVSP has held weekly meetings virtually every Tuesday morning at 10 am MST since the spring of 2020.

Hopi Tribe CEDS Update Project Underway

From its early beginnings, the Joint Village Strategic Planning (JVSP) effort has been based upon strategic planning. That is, Yuwehloo Pahki Community, Upper Moenkopi Village, and the Village of Moenkopi (Lower) have all completed economic development strategic plans as the basis for the federal request for funding to address the impacts of the Bennett Freeze and Forced Relocation.

Economic development strategic planning is a core competency of Building Communities.

Three years ago, Building Communities prepared the update of the Hopi Tribe Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The CEDS document is the official economic development strategy for the Hopi Tribe. The Hopi Office of Community Planning Economic Development and Land Information Services (OCPEDLIS) coordinates a minor update of the CEDS document every year. In the fifth year, the funder, the Economic Development Administration (EDA) expects the Tribe to provide a comprehensive update to the plan. Building Communities will be providing that comprehensive CEDS update.

The efforts of JVSP will be a subset of the CEDS update. Building Communities intends to engage the Villages, the Tribal Department Heads, and all Tribal leadership in the 2024 comprehensive update of the CEDS.