

## What Lincoln values

*Cross-check with themes and issue; town and resident resources and actions should support values*

People (children, families, seniors, singles, and town employees) **Vision Statement**

Health and safety of residents and town employees **Vision Statement; Goal TC-1; TC-2**

Land conservation/stewardship, the environment, rural/scenic landscapes **Goal NR-1; Goal OS-1; Goal OS-2**

Civic engagement, democratic process, town meeting, volunteerism, informed citizenry **Goal G-1; Goal G-2**

Diversity (cultural/ethnic, religious, age, racial, economic?) **Vision Statement**

Affordable housing options for low-income (struggling with middle-income options) **Goal H-1; Goal H-2**

Small, fiscally responsible government **Vision Statement; Goal SF-1**

## Common themes

Civic engagement

Need to get “newcomers” and “young families” involved in town

Democratic process

Foster a culture of respectful disagreement and compromise (old guard values vs. new?)

Informed, socially conscious, independent citizenry

Volunteers of all ages

Environment

Land conservation/preservation

Responsible use of resources (water campaign)

Roadside paths and trails (proper use and maintenance)

Lyme disease, “the dirty secret,” and the growing deer population

Mosquitoes (fear of spraying... so drain ditches, Board of Health domain)

Install benches and bicycle racks strategically

Seniors needing help (transportation, daily living needs, financial, medical)

Seniors and their families reluctant for senior to “downsize” or move to a care facility

Education/campaign needed to address sense of loss, fear of change, stigma of this life transition

End of life care/planning

Senior isolation, loneliness, hunger, property taxes

Family life and children

Over-scheduled, high-achieving, pressured kids (healthy outlets?)

Not unique to Lincoln but how will Lincoln respond to youth issues: alcohol, promiscuity, drugs, eating disorders, cutting, depression and anxiety, etc.

Hunger

Missed social opportunities

Need a place to gather socially, like a pub in the village center

Promote inter-generational activities