

## Thrive 2050 Written Testimony

Dear County Council Members,

I am in favor of the proposed Thrive 2050 General Plan and urge you to approve it. Thrive 2050 sets important goals for the County to achieve a more sustainable future. I am in favor of encouraging more inclusive, diverse communities with more housing choices centered around public transit. This will also help reduce the use of fossil fuels that negatively impact climate change. Zoning and land use need to be part of the climate action plan goals.

Thrive 2050 is just a general plan. There will be opportunity to address specific community concerns during the implementation process. Today's wants will need to be balanced with future needs. Some have expressed concern about the cost of Thrive. However, what will be the cost to the County's future if Thrive 2050 does not move forward now?

Sincerely,

Ellen Rader