

Blaine in 2036 - Our Vision of the Future

The City of Blaine is a friendly, open-minded community where new residents and visitors are welcomed with open arms. Nestled between Seattle, Washington and Vancouver, British Columbia, Blaine is a picturesque seaside community with a bustling downtown, a strong industrial sector, and diverse neighborhoods. The City of Blaine was born in industry; prominent for its fishing fleets, canneries and mills. More than a century later, Blaine continues to be a leader in commerce with pioneering companies responding to the opportunities of an international market.

Downtown Blaine is a captivating destination to visit and call home where life is enriched by frequent festivals and a growing variety of shops, galleries and dining establishments. Blaine's Old-fashioned 4th of July celebration is one of many dynamic, diverse events that draw thousands of visitors into the City. Downtown residents awake to the breeze off the bay and smells of fresh baked goods from the street-side cafes. Visitors and locals alike enjoy spectacular sunsets over Drayton Harbor, fresh local seafood and lively evening entertainment.

Blaine has become known for producing nationally recognized products with an innovative manufacturing sector. Capitalizing on affordable electricity, strong communication utilities and abundant water supplies; business parks, advanced manufacturing and transportation related industry flourishes. Through forward-thinking marketing and a resilient eco-tourism industry, business in Blaine is thriving. With more than three million Canadians just over the line in the lower British Columbia mainland, Blaine has developed a stout business sector focused on supplying services to our neighbors to the north.

Blaine's exceptional parks and robust trail system enhance the quality of life for its residents while encouraging visitors to stay and explore. With a modern school campus, Blaine is a highly desirable place to raise a family. Whatcom Community College's satellite campus offers traditional classes by day and career development programs by night. A state-of-the-art medical complex offers specialty procedures, provides the larger community family practice amenities and supports the economy with high-paying jobs.

In West Blaine, Semiahmoo continues to prosper as a resort community anchored by the Inn at Semiahmoo; a destination resort, golf course, and country club. Enlivened by top-shelf restaurants, trendy pubs, and a connection to the downtown district by the historic passenger ferry MV Plover, the Semiahmoo Spit resort district is a well-regarded international destination.

East Blaine continues to be a hot spot of residential growth as municipal services are extended. Key pedestrian and bicycle linkages make for easy access to downtown from the quiet, forested hilltop neighborhoods.

Blaine has a diverse economy that capitalizes on its border location but is not dependent upon it. The Chamber of Commerce is strong and the government is helpful and efficient. With a welcoming community and a can-do attitude, Blaine is a wonderful place to live and a great place to do business.