

**THE ROLE OF COMPATIBILITY**

When developing a plan for future land use, it is important to consider the zoning and land use practices of surrounding municipalities. One should determine whether the plans a municipality is drafting match or compliment the use of plans in adjacent areas; as well as the strategic plan for the local school district. Complimentary regional uses benefit the entire region economically, and enable adjacent municipalities to work together to attract businesses and residents. Tarentum is surrounded by five municipalities in Allegheny County, and two municipalities across the river in Westmoreland County. Tarentum is served exclusively by the Highlands School District.

Many of the municipalities share the same “fingerprint” as Tarentum – former industrial, densely developed communities which have experienced a decline in population and industry, but are currently making marked strides in their rebuilding efforts. Those rural municipalities which surround Tarentum would reap a residual benefit from any successful revitalization of their urban neighbors. While the urban areas may experience infill and redevelopment success, rural outlying areas may experience new development, such as the Galleria and Village at Pittsburgh Mills in Frazer Township.

MUNICIPALITY OR DISTRICT	COUNTY	COMPREHENSIVE OR STRATEGIC PLAN
Brackenridge Borough	Allegheny	Currently in progress
East Deer Township	Allegheny	Yes
Fawn Township	Allegheny	Yes
Frazer Township	Allegheny	Yes
Harrison Township	Allegheny	Yes
Lower Burrell Township	Westmoreland	Yes
The City of New Kensington	Westmoreland	Yes
Highlands School District	Allegheny	Strategic Plan

