If I Were Mayor, I Would ...

If I were mayor, I would bring more tourists to Salisbury. First, I would use an empty lot next to the marina to build a nice kid-friendly park. I would also work with the city council to use the empty firehouse across from the library as a museum. I would also work with the Wicomico Youth and Civic Center to host more events that attracts people from all over the Delmarva Peninsula. I would also work with the airport to get more destinations so people from other places could come and enjoy Salisbury and Ocean City. These initiatives would create new jobs for the city and create a better economy. To make the economy better, I could create new businesses in areas that have high demand, such as healthcare and retail services. These businesses would create jobs for unemployed citizens. I would also work with the council to construct more parks and dog parks in the area. I would also work with the council and the citizens of Salisbury to make the Wicomico River a healthy river. I would fund all of these things by creating a program that allows you to donate online. I would get this program in the supermarkets so citizens had the option to donate one dollar to the program. I would also put many donation boxes around the city so people could donate to this program to fund things to make Salisbury a better place to live. Finally, I would work with the police and fire departments to make Salisbury a safer and in general, a better place to live.

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If I were mayor, I would want the town to be safe and a clean place. I would make sure that people would clear the dirty roads. I would also do that so people would think that it's a nice place to live and they will stay here. I would want people to recycle so things can be reused. To keep people safe I would have police men and fire fighters ready to do their jobs. I also want more businesses so then more people would get what they need. I would build more businesses and then more people would come live here for the jobs and money. The people in the town will help recycle the trash to make the town clean. They will help pick up the trash from the roads and the parks. The schools will be safe and they will be kept very clean. I would have people come to the schools and help the kids out. I would make a program that if people want to help clean up they will sign up and they will help keep it a better environment. If I were mayor I would help my town be clean, healthy, and nice place to live and people would like to live there to. If I were mayor I would do the best to make my town a better place. I would want to be mayor for Ridgely because it's a nice place to live and I like it there a lot so if I make these changes it would be a better place to live in for people.
If I were mayor I would remodel schools. I would do this because some schools in Baltimore city are not very nice. Some of them do not have any security cameras, desks, book shelves, and no computers. If schools had these things the students would receive a better education. I would also build more malls. This will make it easier for people to go shopping because cars and sedans are expensive. If they were able to walk it wouldn’t cost people anything. I would put in more street cameras. Then the streets will be safer for everybody. Finally, I would plant more green for the environment. This is what I would do if I were mayor.

As a mayor I would go around Baltimore city and have people sign a petition. That way people can agree or disagree if they would like
to remodel schools. I could also raise taxes so I could money for the city to build more malls. Next, I could have more people to do community service to plant more green. Also, I could have a meeting with the council to discuss whether they think it's a good idea to install more street cameras and then create a budget. This is how I would make these changes.

As a mayor I would involve citizens by explaining to them why they would be doing things in the community. I would tell them they are doing this so they can have a safer and better place to live in the future. Also, I would give them a reward such as money, a car and more if they help out with the community. That is how I would involve the citizens to help make our community a better place.
My Vision for the Future

If I were Mayor, I would want to improve Chesapeake Beach by improving the environment and public safety.

I would start by proposing oyster beds in public parks on the Bay. The oysters would remove pollutants from the Bay and increase the amount of oysters. I would encourage children to adopt and grow their own oysters. To pay this, I would propose a small boat fee for tourists.

I would ask the town council to have experts do studies on wind and solar energy to see if we could convert the town's street lights and public buildings to a more environmentally friendly energy.

I would also propose an ordinance to control noise pollution. There would be a limit to the amount of noise any person or group could make. On week nights, the time for less noise would be 9:30 pm. On weekends, it would be 11 pm. Then the children could get enough sleep. Fines from violations would fund security patrols.

As Mayor, I would host a safety festival. There would be classes for adults to teach them how to protect children from people who might harm them. There would also be a CPR class. There would be self defense classes for everyone. Firefighters would do free car seat checks. The town could sponsor a kids' bike race. To enter, they would have to pass a bike and helmet check. There would be games and safety trivia. Grownups could get mental health screenings, blood pressure checks, and blood sugar tests.

My vision for the future for my municipality is a safer town and a cleaner environment.
Vision for the Future

If I were Mayor, I would

Be a leader. I would show my citizens that I am a leader by taking charge of my city. I would have reasonable solutions for my city's problems that are within the city's budget. Those problems I would solve with the help of my citizens.

If I were mayor, I would listen to the people who elected me and make sure to keep my community a safe place. I would listen to everybody's opinion. I would want to have a good police and fire department in case someone got hurt and needed quick assistance. I would also make sure that my community had safe drinking water.

If I were mayor, I would be dedicated. I would be dedicated to help my city grow. I would help my city grow by resolving issues regarding traffic, buildings, help grow local businesses, and recycling trash to keep my city clean. If I were mayor, I would be supportive. I would be supportive of all neighborhoods and communities in my city. I would go to school and work performances.
and business meetings and other engagements that prove important to the growth of the city. If I were mayor, I would put everybody's problems and need before mine, and I would make sure the people that need help get that before I added fun things into the community. I think the most important thing to do is try to get money that could help repair the buildings and houses for people who can't afford to hire someone else to repair them. This would improve the look of the town and the lives in it and I would fix the roads of some small towns too. Being a mayor would require lots of responsibility, but I would be up to the job.
Madeline Oliver
Mrs. Hicks
The Banner School

If I were Mayor, I would...

I would think about what is good for my city. I would encourage new businesses to come to my city. This is a good idea because it will bring in more people, bring in more tax money and create new jobs. This idea will help people in Frederick that do not have jobs to get one. More jobs will raise more tax money which will help the city’s budget. People will want to come to my city.

I would make these changes by working with the city council and the citizens of my city. I would meet with the city council and tell them the idea and ask them if they like my idea. I would speak with the citizens of my city and find out what type of business they want to have in their city. I would work with people who believe this is a good idea. I would put an ad in the newspaper asking for construction companies who are interested in building the new office/business space. I would meet with local business people to see if they are interested in expanding their business in the new area of the city. I would let them know they will get more customers. I would contact businesses and bring in new products and services that no one has in our city.

I would hold a special ceremony when the building is finished. This will get a lot of customers to come see the new businesses. That is what I would do if I were mayor.
Caitlin Rosenberger
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Mrs. Pressman

If I were Mayor, I would make several changes in our local government. One of the first things I would do would be to develop a working relationship between the Mayor and the elected City Council. Working together as a team would make my goals for our community easier to achieve.

One of the first things I want to accomplish would be to bring more local business to our area. It would generate more employment opportunities for our community. Until the employment increases, I would encourage the lowering of taxes. Our citizens are struggling to make “ends meet.” Once our employment opportunities increase, we will gradually increase the taxes in order to develop additional projects for our area.

Projects...what projects? Those projects will be determined by the new community relations committee. This committee would be responsible for holding “town meetings” with our citizens. Topics that will need to be handled by the group would be obtaining funding through grants for increasing police enforcement in our schools and community events. The goal would be to make our community safe for our children and their families.

Schools...We need to develop a committee comprised of local business representatives as well as representatives from the educational staff of our community. We want to obtain grants to increase the quality of education for our children. Grants for computers and books will be at the top of the list of goals.

I realize that this is a big undertaking. However, I feel if we encourage the participation of people in our community both adults and children we will be able to accomplish these goals.
If I were the mayor, I would change the town of Hancock because we need more farms. So this way we would have more farmers so they can provide food locally to all the people in Hancock.

As the mayor, I would talk to the citizens, Town Councilman, Town Manager, farmers, the previous mayor, and hold meetings to gather facts about farming in Hancock. Next, I would get ideas from all the citizens in Hancock. I would put farms in the outskirts of Hancock because we need more work with the animals. It would help people because it would give them food and jobs. Then they will have homes too.

I would have the town councilmen, the manager, workers and citizens help our community by taking care of the town. They can mow, pick up trash, and they could also recycle. This will help to keep the Earth clean and it will help to save everything. Like trash will be put in landfills and put dirt over it to help get rid of the smell and keep the Earth clean.

I would do these things if I were the mayor of Hancock because I would want to make more jobs and make it a better place to live.

Sent from my iPad
Yomyra Villatoro
Mrs. Oosterhous

If I were mayor I would help my community and make it a magnificent place for people who live in the community and also for visitors. Some sustainability in the community would be “going green”, cleaning up water (streams, lakes, watersheds), land pollution, finding ways to use solar power, wind power, and be more environmentally friendly, recycling, and making buildings more “eco-friendly”. To have public safety and gun control in the community I would make the streets safer, making this community friendlier for families, and getting rid of illegal guns, educating people on the dangers of guns. In our community I would like to make better transportation, so to do that I would eliminate traffic, make more public transportation (buses), carpool (eliminate air pollution from cars), have more sidewalks and streets that are safer to walk/ride bikes on, and more use of bikes instead of cars. Some ideas for schools in college park are raising money for schools, building new schools, and making more educational programs. To help other people in the community I could make public shelters and build more homes. If I were mayor it would be a big responsibility and I would have to take care of my community very well.
Abbie Joyce
Tome School
Mrs. Little

If I were mayor, I would make my town a better place for the future by involving the citizens in making the town safe and clean.

To keep the town safe, I would add more streetlamps and make sure they all work properly, so people aren’t afraid to be around town at night. To raise money for the streetlamps, I would organize a “Buy a Streetlamp” program. Each lamp would have a plaque at the base that would give the name of the person who bought it.

Keeping the town neat and clean is important, too. To reduce litter, I would decrease the use of flyers, and use banners as advertisements in town instead. I would also create a webpage to keep citizens informed on safety concerns and town events.

I would get my citizens involved by setting up a clean-up day where people work together to pick up trash, and clean public areas. On Earth Day, I would bring people together to plant trees, to make the town pretty and provide shade for people and animals. Another thing I’d like to do is set up a program where people can donate used household items and food, so people who need help can get some use out of them. This would help people who need it and get citizens more involved in the community.

As mayor, these are some of the ideas I would put in action to make my community a better place.
If I were mayor I would make many changes like lowering taxes, lowering gas prices, making alcohol illegal and building more parks and playgrounds for kids. To make alcohol illegal, lowering taxes and lowering gas prices, I would go to the government and tell them reasons to do the things. I would also have people who are on my side.

To build more parks and playgrounds I would first find places to build them and then hire people who are willing to help build the parks and playgrounds.

To involve citizens in making where we live a better place I would have a meeting in the town and convince everyone in the city to go so I could tell everyone about the changes once they were done. I would also tell everyone to recycle more and that there were going to be signs built about recycling.