Strategic Visioning (SV) is a uniquely flexible methodology for visually aided strategic analysis. It supports strategy development, alignment, and organization change for any kind of organization.

At the heart of the SV approach is a series of thoughtful conversations, visually supported, that bring key stakeholders into consensus about new directions. Hindsight is combined with foresight to create insight and clarify action plans. Active visual facilitation creates a high-engagement process that supports breakthrough thinking around strategy, vision, action plans, and design of organizational communications.

While preserving the best practices of traditional planning, Strategic Visioning adds the engagement, creativity and big-picture thinking that visual facilitation provides. The process is distinctive in using large visual templates, called Graphic Guides®, to support groups creating wall-sized, panoramic charts that capture conversations about their organization’s environment, current situation, vision of a desired future state and action plans for implementing their strategic vision.
STAGE 1: Preparing for the Journey

Our consultants will help customize a Strategic Visioning Process for your group. The Meeting Startup templates provide the outcomes, agenda, roles and rules for the journey.

STAGE 2: Exploring and Learning

Moving into the present, we create a snapshot of the current environment and help a group understand the factors, trends and forces impacting the organization.

STAGE 3: Agreeing on Current Realities

To make the case for change, we survey the organization’s strengths and problems in relation to the major opportunities and threats it faces.

STAGE 4: Opening to a Vision

We help cultivate opportunities by first looking at the past, present and future, and then engaging the group in developing its own vision.

STAGE 5: Creating Strategies

We focus the vision by clustering the themes found in the Cover Story. Commitment to the vision begins by identifying the key strategies that the group sees as necessary to realize it.

STAGE 6: Implementing Change

As strategies and goals become more clear, we guide you in developing action plans. This stage helps clarify what needs to be accomplished, by whom and when.

STAGE 7: Living Your Vision in Action

GROVE STORYMAP® Synthesize your visioning and strategy work into a Grove Storymap. These “big-picture” maps get your employees and other stakeholders on the same page and mobilized for action. For more information about Grove Storymaps, visit our website, www.thegrove.com, and look through our case studies.
Strategic Visioning Services, Training & Tools

Services

Meeting Facilitation Services
The Grove designs, facilitates and implements Strategic Visioning processes tailored to your needs and sense of urgency. Our consultants are skilled in group-process design and consensus-building facilitation to deliver a shared vision and goals for your organization.

Coaching Services
The Grove’s consultants are available to coach practitioners who need assistance designing and delivering a Strategic Visioning process.

Training

Strategic Visioning Workshop
This is an in-depth course in The Grove's Strategic Visioning™ Process and is recommended for all practitioners. This workshop and the accompanying materials will prepare you to lead Strategic Visioning processes either within your organization or as a consultant to organizations.

Tools

Graphic Guides®
These templates are the signature tools in The Grove's Visual Planning Systems. They work as both brainstorming and summarization tools. When mounted in a room, they create an instant decision-support environment. Complete step-by-step Leader’s Guides accompany each of the Graphic Guides.

Our Digital Graphic Guides® offer these same templates in Microsoft PowerPoint® format and provide a visual focus for web conferences and meeting follow-up.

Strategic Visioning Agenda Planning Kit
This card set includes sample agendas for one-day, two-day and virtual meetings. The accompanying best-practice cards explain each step in the agendas. These are used to plan your process.

For more information please contact us at info@thegrove.com.