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Youngwood Borough to hold final public meeting on community plan

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Greensburg, PA., May 9, 2016 – The Westmoreland County Department of Planning and Development, in partnership with Youngwood Borough, will hold a final public meeting for the development of a community plan. The meeting will be held on May 16th at 6:00 PM at the Youngwood Fire Hall at 104 S. 2nd Street, Youngwood, Pa.

Youngwood officials, along with the county's planning department, will review the community plan's process and unveil the final recommendations. Residents are encouraged to attend and offer their suggestions. In previous public engagement events, residents were asked to describe the things that make Youngwood a great place and also identify the challenges the community faces. Residents voted to highlight five critical issues, transportation, recreation, public safety, blight and downtown revitalization.

Specific recommendations for each of the five critical issues were developed with the help of the community plan steering committee, Youngwood Council and Westmoreland County's Planning Department. Some of the key implementation steps are already happening. Recognizing the importance of recreation to the community, Council is beginning to make specific upgrades and maintenance in the community's parks.

Also in the works are discussions with PennDOT District 12 for the reworking of 3rd and 4th streets, State Route 119. The goal is to improve the function, reduce speeding and beautify the two one-way roads that together see close to 20,000 vehicles on a daily basis. The roads are set to be reconstructed over the next several years and this represents an opportunity to improve the roadway for another generation.

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