

Press Release



For business and local editors

Westmoreland Plan Reaches More Than 2,000 Community Members

Greensburg, PA., Jan. 25, 2017 – The Westmoreland County Department of Planning and Development has received tremendous community response to the initial phases of the Comprehensive Plan update, [Reimagining Our Westmoreland](#). More than 2,000 community members have participated in outreach activities thus far, which have included nearly a dozen community workshops, online questionnaires, and an online, interactive mapping tool.

According to the project consultant, Houseal Lavigne Associates, the online outreach response received to date is nearly two and half times greater than projects of similar size and scope.

The surveys and information about future workshops are available on the Reimagining Our Westmoreland website. Those who live and work in the county, who have not done so already, are encouraged to participate in online surveys and upcoming community workshops. An additional four public workshops have been scheduled as part of the initial public outreach phase of the project.

Wednesday, January 25, 2017

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Regional Trail Corporation

111 Collinsburg Rd, West Newton, PA
15089

Monday, February 13, 2017

5:30 PM – 7:30 PM

Westmoreland County Historical Society
362 Sand Hill Rd – Suite 1, Greensburg,
PA 15601

Wednesday, February 1, 2017

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

Allegheny Township Municipal Building

136 Community Building
Rd, Leechburg, PA 15656

Wednesday, February 22, 2017

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Ligonier Town Hall

120 East Main St, Ligonier, PA 15658

Following this initial phase of community workshops and online outreach, the public will be invited for additional community input activities that will help shape the Plan. In the spring of 2017, the County will host a Priority Issues Workshop. This workshop will allow for more focused discussion and examination of the top issues, concerns, and priorities identified during the initial outreach process.

In the summer of 2017, the community will be invited back to weigh in on potential planning scenarios at the Alternative Strategies Workshop. This interactive workshop will present strategies developed in response to the priority issues and is designed to

allow for real-time public feedback using keypad polling technology. The alternative strategies workshop will also be available as an online tool.

About Reimagining Our Westmoreland

Reimagining Our Westmoreland will be a comprehensive strategy and policy guide for County officials, while also providing high-level strategic guidance to local governments, industry leaders, nonprofits, service providers, and many others. It represents an opportunity to think more regionally about solving critical policy issues that face us all. Some of the issues the plan may address include economic development, diversity, workforce competitiveness, housing, transportation, conservation and recreation, arts and culture, and infrastructure.

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