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Shape Our Tomorrow: Join the St. Mary's 2050 Community Engagement Team Community Engagement Meetings Scheduled for Comprehensive Plan Update

LEONARDTOWN, MD – St. Mary's County Government's Department of Land Use & Growth Management (LUGM) is seeking volunteers to serve on the **St. Mary's 2050 Community Engagement Team.** This team will be a vital part of the effort to update the St. Mary's County Comprehensive Plan, shaping our community's future for decades to come.

Team volunteers will help spread the word about the update to our Comprehensive Plan and will advise on the locations and format for future public events and activities to engage the public.

Interested individuals are encouraged to attend one of the following Community Engagement Team meetings to learn more and sign up:

- Tuesday, December 3, 2024, from 6 8 p.m. at the Loffler Senior Center located at 21905 Chancellors Run Road in Great Mills
- **Wednesday, December 4, 2024,** from 2 4 p.m. at the Leonardtown Library located at 23630 Hayden Farm Lane in Leonardtown
- Thursday, December 5, 2024, from 6 8 p.m. at the Northern Senior Center located at 29655 Charlotte Hall Road in Charlotte Hall.

"The success of this project depends on the voices of our residents," said Commissioner President Randy Guy. "Getting involved through the Community Engagement Team is a meaningful way to ensure this plan reflects the needs and aspirations of everyone in St. Mary's. We invite and encourage all to participate and shape our county's future."

Interested volunteers need only attend one of the three Community Engagement Team meetings. Please note: The purpose of these meetings is to solicit ideas for future in-person and online public engagement events and activities (projected to begin in mid-January); substantive Comprehensive Plan elements, such as identifying areas for growth or preservation, housing needs, economic development, will not be discussed at these meetings.

The community is encouraged to visit the project website to learn more and get involved: www.stmaryscountymd.gov/StMarys2050.

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About St. Mary's 2050

St. Mary's 2050: Charting Our Tomorrow is an update to the County's existing Comprehensive Plan, which will guide future land use in the County through 2050 and beyond. St. Mary's 2050 will chart the course for ensuring St. Mary's County continues to be a great place to live, work, and play. Visit https://www.stmaryscountymd.gov/StMarys2050 today to learn more, stay engaged, and use your voice to help shape the future of St. Mary's County.