



Westmoreland County Community Members Invited to Develop Goals for County

Greensburg, PA., May 10, 2017 – The Westmoreland County Department of Planning and Development is hosting a public workshop to gather input for the County’s Comprehensive Plan update, Reimagining Our Westmoreland. The Priority Issues Workshop is intended to gain an understanding of the potential goals and actions that Westmoreland County could undertake to address issues identified through previous outreach activities.

The Priority Issues Workshop is scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, May 31, 2017 at Westmoreland County Community College’s Science Hall, 145 Pavilion Ln, Youngwood, PA. The workshop will begin at 6:00 PM.

To date, 4,095 members of the community have participated in the Reimagining Our Westmoreland planning process through online surveys, an online mapping tool, interviews, and attendance at 32 community workshops.

While the public input process revealed a wide range of the issues and concerns that will be addressed in Reimagining Our Westmoreland, attendees of the Priority Issues Workshop will be given an opportunity to participate in a discussion and goal-setting activities involving one of seven topic areas. These topics were the most commonly cited and important concerns noted by the community. The topic areas include:

- Population Retention
- Transportation
- Business Retention & Attraction
- Main Streets & Neighborhoods
- Livability (Community Facilities, Parks, Recreation, Tourism)
- Land Use Regulations & Development
- Shared Services & Local Government Consolidation

The Priority Issues Workshop will be a fun and engaging way for community members to provide their thoughts about the future of Westmoreland County.

[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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