

## **Liberty Township, Delaware County**

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#### **LIBERTY TOWNSHIP EMBARKS ON DEVELOPING A COMPREHENSIVE PLAN, SEEKS PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*The Year-Long Process Will Include Various Public Forums and a Community Committee Comprised of Residents, Business Owners and Community Leaders*

LIBERTY TOWNSHIP-DELAWARE COUNTY, OH – Liberty Township will embark on updating the community's Comprehensive Plan – Liberty 2040 Community Plan – that will help prepare the Township for future generations. In working with a consultant, Crossroads Community Planning, the Township will develop the new plan that will include a series of goals, objectives, recommendations and actions steps that will help guide land use, housing, infrastructure, and policy decisions over the next few decades.

Various pre-planning activities have already taken place including an online survey with over 490 responses and an open house this past August.

“The residents of this community are passionate about its future,” said Holly Mattei, Owner/President, Crossroads Community Planning. “The data we captured from the online survey and open house is essential and sets a foundation as we build upon this feedback with future public outreach activities.”

Crossroads Community Planning has developed a broad, 12-month public participation plan that will kick off in January 2022, which will include a Community Committee comprised of residents, business owners, schools and representatives from other key community organizations. The Township will be identifying two residents from each quadrant of the community to represent their area and provide monthly input to the consultant. The Township is currently seeking applications from residents to serve on this committee with an application deadline of January 5. The Township will utilize a blind-review process to select the resident members, and the selected members will be announced on January 18.

Additionally, the public participation plan includes a series of neighborhood-level meetings to be held in each quadrant of the Township over the year-long planning process. These neighborhood meetings will provide a more intimate setting to allow the consultant to garner additional community insights. Crossroads Community Planning will also provide monthly updates to the Township Trustees and Zoning Commission and hold two additional community-wide open houses in 2022.

The final plan is expected in December 2022. If you are interested in learning more about the Liberty 2040 Community Plan or serving on the Community Committee, please visit

<https://www.libertytwp.org/442/Liberty-2040-Community-Plan>