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Flagler County launches 'Community Survey,' encourages residents to spend 15 minutes providing feedback to drive meaningful change

April 3, 2024 – Flagler County and its Board of County Commissioners are encouraging residents to provide direct input to its decision-making process with the launch of its first "Flagler County Community Survey."

"In the amount of time it takes to enjoy a cup of coffee, you can help impact our community," said Deputy County Administrator Jorge Salinas. "This survey is brief, confidential, and will play a pivotal role in crafting policies, enhancing services, and effectively addressing community needs. These include county public safety, growth management, public libraries, economic vitality, and more."

The Flagler County Community Survey, open to all residents aged 18 and older, plays a pivotal role in the county's commitment to community engagement and strategic planning. Residents are encouraged to invest about 15 minutes of their time to provide feedback on various aspects of Flagler County life.

"The data collected not only contributes to the ongoing Comprehensive Plan update, 'Flagler 2050,' but also serves as a benchmark for Flagler County against other communities that utilize similar surveys," Salinas said. "These insights are invaluable for informed strategic decision-making."

The Flagler County Board of County Commissioners rely upon resident feedback to shape strategic-planning efforts and establish priorities for the coming months and years. The data gathered will play a pivotal role in crafting policies, enhancing services, and effectively addressing community needs.

Residents are encouraged to visit this link <u>https://polco.us/Flagler24OP</u> to access the survey and share their perspectives. The survey will remain open until April 12, 2024. All responses will be treated confidentially by Flagler County's vendor, solely for the purpose of improving the Flagler County community.

"Feel free to share this link with other community members," Salinas said. "We greatly appreciate the time it takes to participate in this process."

Those with questions about the survey are asked to call the Flagler County Administrative Office at 386-313-4001.

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