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Lake County's First Comprehensive Plan in 65 Years!

PAINESVILLE, Ohio, July 2, 2025— Lake County is proud to announce the launch of “VISION 2050”, the county’s first comprehensive plan in over six decades. Led by the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the Lake County Planning Commission, and their consulting partner Envision, this forward-thinking plan aims to shape the future of Lake County through 2050.

As the region faces rapid changes and emerging challenges, VISION 2050 provides a strategic blueprint to guide sustainable growth while preserving the community’s unique character. The plan addresses critical areas including economic development, agriculture, housing, industry, office and retail spaces, transportation, parks, recreation, education, and environmental stewardship—focusing on our relationship with Lake Erie, the Grand River, Chagrin River, Mentor Marsh, and other vital natural features.

“This plan marks a new chapter for Lake County,” said Commission President Richard J. Regovich. “It’s about thoughtful planning for growth while protecting what makes our community special. Importantly, VISION 2050 is designed to be inclusive and community-focused—not top-down—empowering local communities to thrive.”

Commissioner John T. Plecnik emphasized, “In reviewing the comprehensive plans for Mentor and our other municipalities, I learned that Lake County had not published a new comprehensive plan in 65 years. To quote Benjamin Franklin, ‘If you fail to plan, you plan to fail.’ That is why I proposed a new comprehensive plan for Lake County, and with my colleagues’ support and leadership, that proposal will culminate in VISION 2050.”

Commissioner Morris W. Beverage III added, “VISION 2050 will help us make informed decisions today that will benefit generations to come.”

Public input is vital to shaping the future of Lake County. Over the coming months, planning staff, local officials, and stakeholders will be out at county fairs and festivals gathering community feedback. Additionally, residents can participate through an online survey available at <https://app.maptionnaire.com/q/vision2050-communitysurvey>.

For questions or comments, please contact David Radachy at Lake County Planning and Community Development at 440-350-2740 or via email at david.radachy@lakecountyohio.gov. More information and updates can be found at <https://app.maptionnaire.com/p/8z3392kfp2sa>.

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VISION 2050

Lake County's Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

VISION 2050 is Lake County's first comprehensive plan update in 60 years! The Plan will be used to guide future policy decisions and development throughout the county over the next 25 years. Lake County is encouraging residents to shape the future of the county by participating in this interactive community survey. Print copies are available at all Lake County Senior Centers.

Scan the QR Code to
Take the Community
Survey

