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**For Immediate Release**

**Livingston Township is Conducting a Community Survey for its Community Master Plan**

March 22, 2023 - Livingston Township is asking residents and landowners in the township to complete a community survey. The survey can be found at the following web link: [https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/LivingstonTownship](about:blank)

The community survey is being used to gather input from residents and landowners to help guide the update of the Township’s Master Plan. The online survey should take less than ten minutes.

Livingston Township, with assistance from the Northeast Michigan Council of Governments, is updating its Township Master Plan. The purpose of a Master Plan is to provide guidelines for future development while protecting natural resources, preserving the community’s character, and maintaining the sense of community. A Master Plan contains background studies on the population and housing characteristics, economic development, community services, natural resources, and existing land uses. The master plan provides guidance to township officials when dealing with land use and recreation facility planning in the township. Additionally, the master plan will give direction to township officials when participating in land use and zoning issues through the county zoning ordinance.

Information from the community survey will be used to update goals and objectives, and the future land use component of the Master Plan. Once the master plan is completed, Livingston Township will hold a legally required public hearing, prior to adopting the plan.