

Date: October 11, 2013

To: Village of Leawood residents

The Village of Leawood has contracted with the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council (HSTCC), a Regional Planning Commission to update Leawood's Comprehensive Plan.

The purpose of the Plan is to create a vision for the Village over the next 10-20 years and guide any new growth or development to fit that vision. The Plan will also identify opportunities to improve public services and infrastructure and other local amenities.

Attached is a questionnaire designed to survey your opinions of Leawood and to determine the future needs of your community. This questionnaire was designed by the Comprehensive Planning Committee and an advisory committee after in-depth discussions with village residents and stakeholders. It is part of our ongoing effort to improve our community and plan for the future.

Please take a few minutes to answer the questions in the survey and then return it to **HSTCC, ATTN: Jason Ray, 800 E Pennell, Carl Junction, MO 64834**. We ask that only one person per household fill out the questionnaire, but please feel free to consult with all members of your household in forming your opinions.

The responses of the questionnaire will be tabulated by HSTCC staff. No member of the Village will take part in this tabulation. Only the final results will be presented to the public at large, the Board of Trustees, and the Planning & Zoning Commission. We assure you that the original questionnaires will be kept from public view and eventually destroyed. The information provided to us in individual questionnaires is anonymous and there is no way that anyone participating can be identified.

The Comprehensive Plan is required to have citizen participation, so your response to this survey is very important. We ask that you return the survey, using the enclosed envelope, no later than **October 31st**.

We invite you to attend a public 'kick-off' meeting for the Comprehensive Plan on **October 22nd** from **6 to 8 pm** at the **Redings Mill Fire Station at 344 Redings Mill Road**. Come and go as you please and feel free to return your completed survey at that time.

Thank you for your participation!

Sincerely,

Denny Desmond, Village Chairman

Jason Ray, HSTCC - Project Manager

Leawood Comprehensive Planning Committee Members:

Adam Boyd	Steve Coats	Denny Desmond	Beverly Kiehl	Brad Long
Marcia Long	John Mitchell	Dale Owen	Fan Owen	Don Orban
Brenda Orban	Mitch Randles	Steve Stearns		

Anyone needing assistance completing the survey should contact the Harry S Truman Coordinating Council at 417-649-6400 or jray@hstcc.org.



Leawood 2013 Comprehensive Planning Survey

#	Statement	Agree	Disagree	Neutral	
1	I would like to see commercial and retail development in or around the village of Leawood				
2	I would like to see single-family residential development				
3	I would like to see multi-family residential development				
4	I would like to see mixed-use development				
5	I would like parks and/or recreational opportunities within the village				
6	Leawood needs bike routes, trails, and open space				
7	The village should do more with flood control measures				
8	I would like to see some beautification throughout the village				
9	The Village should have more attractive 'City Limits' signs and identify Village boundaries better				
10	Neighboring villages and Newton County should identify opportunities to work together toward shared goals				
11	Leawood should grow and annex additional areas into the incorporated village limits				
12	Leawood should consider annexation by the city of Joplin				
13	Leawood should keep a 'small town' feel				
14	Leawood should develop or re-establish a neighborhood watch program				
15	The Village should collect a retail sales tax to provide more or improved services				
16	I think the village should communicate with residents more frequently through emails and newsletters				
17	I would be willing to pay a slightly higher Property Tax Rate if it meant better village services				
18	I would like curbside recycling to be offered in Leawood				
		Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
19	In general the condition of village-maintained roads are:				
20	Overall the quality of Newton County Sherrif service is:				
21	Overall the quality of Redings Mill Fire Protection is:				
22	Overall the quality and cost of trash service is:				
23	Overall the stormwater management and drainage in the village is:				
24	Considering Leawood's current Property Tax Rate is 0.2225% I think it is:				
25	Overall the quality of life in Leawood is:				
26	Overall, I think the Leawood Board of Trustees' handling of village business is:				
27	I believe that Leawood's enforcement of its ordinances and regulations is:				
28	Overall, the quality of snow removal service is:				
29	Have you accessed www.leawoodvillage.com to stay current with Village information? Yes / No				
30	What other information would you like to see on the Village website?				
32	Additional Comments: (use back of page if more space is needed)				

Please return by October 31st to:
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