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Bowie Residents Generate 100 Ideas to Improve Sustainability in Bowie

#ImagineBowie

City of Bowie holds celebratory event to showcase community input for sustainability plan

BOWIE, MD – After six months, 14 events and input from over 800 Bowie residents, the City of Bowie, along with its partner, the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC), is hosting an event for residents to celebrate the community's participation, creativity, vision, and the 100 ideas community members came up with about sustainability in Bowie. The open house-style event, called the **ImagineBowie Celebration**, will be held on Tuesday, May 17th from 5-9pm in the lobby of City Hall, located at 15901 Excalibur Road, Bowie, MD, 20716.

The event will be fun, informative, and provide opportunities for residents to give additional feedback on the sustainability plan. Residents will be able to celebrate the journey by way of interactive exercises and visuals that highlight proposed sustainability initiatives. Activities will be organized according to Bowie's motto - Growth, Unity, and Progress. There will also be beautiful "then and now" photographs of Bowie sites as well as films that highlight Bowie's sustainability. Finally, each resident can make their mark on the plan by pledging their own sustainability actions on Bowie's digital "sustainability tree".

This celebration will be the last opportunity for residents to provide feedback on Bowie's sustainability plan before it is finalized in the summer. Registration is not required, but residents can see more information about the event and RSVP online at www.imaginebowiecelebration.eventbrite.com. Residents of ALL ages are encouraged to attend and celebrate the community's efforts to enhance Bowie's environmental, economic, and social aspects. Residents are also invited to continue the conversation on building a sustainable future for Bowie by using its online forum, www.greenbowie.mysidewalk.com.

Green Bowie is a part of the City's Department of Planning and Economic Development, which coordinates initiatives related to community sustainability. There is also a Green Team made up of citizen volunteers who coordinate many programs in the city with a focus on environmental education and outreach. The Environmental Advisory Committee advises the City Council on environmental policy.

The Prince George's Planning Department of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) is responsible for preserving, protecting, and

managing the County's resources through high-quality planning services and growth management guidance. Visit the website, www.pgplanning.org to learn how you can become engaged in shaping the future of your community.

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