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FAIRFIELD COUNTY BEGINS COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLANNING

Lancaster, Ohio - The Fairfield County Board of Commissioners received an update on the Strategic Planning Process which commenced during the summer of 2021.

Fairfield County has been working with RAMA Consulting to assist in the development of a realistic and action-oriented plan for short and mid-range priorities in alignment with the county's strategic vision, including evaluation for appropriate use of the American Rescue Plan Fiscal Recovery Funds.

The Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, February 10, 2022, along with other county leadership to receive an update by RAMA, in which the team gave a detailed explanation regarding the goals and areas of interest the county has marked as the most important.

The Strategic Plan includes a plan framework which is divided into six main pillars: Infrastructure, Social Services, Housing, Workforce Development, Economic Development, and County Operations. It will act as a guide for county leadership as they make decisions, invest resources, and realize county goals. Fairfield County will play various roles when executing the goals, priorities, and strategies outlined in the plan. In some instances, the county may play multiple roles depending on the scope of the work and the alignment of the tasks with the functions of county offices.

"The county has a robust and attainable plan, that incorporates information and feedback from community stakeholders, thanks to the help of RAMA Consulting, and the county is very excited to get to work on the plan," said Commissioner Jeff Fix.

Fairfield County is committed to strengthening and supporting residents and businesses through thoughtful and proactive planning efforts. The mission is to work to ensure high quality services, with outstanding customer service at an exceptional value to taxpayers.

County Administrator, Aundrea Cordle, added, "The items contained within the plan provide an excellent roadmap that helps guide and inform the initiatives and areas of support that the County pursues."

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