



Plan-it Allen!

A Plan for Land & Living In Allen County/Fort Wayne



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News Release

Comprehensive Plan Launches Speakers Bureau

Project experts available for presentations on countywide blueprint

(Sept. 21, 2004) – Community organizations now have yet another way to learn about the development of Allen County's first-ever countywide comprehensive plan.

The Plan-it Allen! project has launched a speaker's bureau that will provide planners and experts to explain the comprehensive plan and answer questions. Presentations are available to neighborhoods, clubs and any other community group that requests one.

"Plan-it Allen! is reaching across city and county lines to create a unified blueprint for our community's future," said Allen County Commissioner Marla Irving. "It is vital to our advancement as a community that all citizens of Allen County and Fort Wayne are engaged in this effort."

Plan-it Allen! will create a unified approach to infrastructure expansion and economic development. Its goals include preservation of the community's character and assets, improvements in quality of life and the promotion of actions that are in the best long-term interests of the community as a whole.

The plan will include Fort Wayne, Grabill, Huntertown, Monroeville, Woodburn and the unincorporated areas of Allen County. New Haven and Leo-Cedarville are operating under recently adopted comprehensive plans that will be blended into the new plan.

"This plan will set ambitious goals for our progress over the next 20 years," said Mark Becker, Director of the City of Fort Wayne's Division of Community Development. "When this project is complete next spring, community awareness and involvement will be extremely important."

Presentations can be scheduled by contacting Jody Ford at 427-2175. Letters were mailed this week to dozens of community organizations offering to provide the service.

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