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Help Shape the Future

Should that patch of farmland or open space in your town be developed for warehouses, homes or just left alone? Should municipal planners spend money on bigger highways or more trails, and how soon should we prepare for driverless cars?

The future of the Lehigh Valley is being shaped right now, and this is your chance to weigh in.

The Lehigh Valley Planning Commission is distributing a 24-question survey to get public input that can help the LVPC as it writes a new Regional Comprehensive Plan that is designed to guide how the Lehigh Valley should grow in the coming decades.

“This is another opportunity for residents of the Lehigh Valley to tell us what is important to them as we grow as a region,” said Amanda Raudenbush, LVPC Director of Community Planning. “It is vitally important that every voice is heard so that we can work to create policies that provide the future residents want.”

The survey addressing land use, transportation, housing, education, economy and social issues is being distributed in two forms. One is being delivered by mail to 7,500 residents randomly chosen to take the survey.

A second, but identical survey, is available to everyone at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FutureLV2018. The answers will be used by LVPC staff members as they draft a new comprehensive plan that aims to be a roadmap for issues ranging from where new homes should be built to what roads to improve to how mass transit should evolve.

Those who take the survey are eligible to win a $50 gift card. The survey will remain open through the end of March.