Foster Township
1540 Sunbury Road,
Pottsville, Pennsylvania 17901

YOUR OPINION COUNTS! As required by the Pennsylvania Municipal Planning Code, the Foster Township Supervisors are developing a 2020 Comprehensive Plan to outline the needs and direction of the Township for the next 10 years.

The information you provide will help the Comprehensive Plan Committee and Supervisors determine the needs for the Township. You are invited to be a part of the planning process by telling us how you and members of your household would grade the Township and other entities on services provided to you as a resident, and what direction you would like to see the Township move in the next 10 years. Your thoughts about the project are vital to the planning process. We appreciate you taking the time to complete this survey. The survey should take less than 10 minutes to complete.

The survey will be received by the Township until July 26, 2019

All survey results will be anonymous and are not identified by name.

1. How many years have you lived in your Foster Township?

a. 0-5 years .....☐
b. 6-10 years .....☐
c. 11-20 years ...☐
d. 21-30 years ...☐
e. 31-40 years ...☐
f. 41-50 years ...☐
g. 50+ .....☐

2. What is your current age?

a. 18-24.....☐
b. 25-34.....☐
c. 35-44.....☐
d. 45-54.....☐
e. 55-64.....☐
f. 65+ .....☐

3. How many people live in your household?

a. 1 ..... ☐
b. 2 ..... ☐
c. 3 ..... ☐
d. 4 ..... ☐
e. 5..... ☐
f. 6..... ☐
g. 7+..... ☐

4. Please indicate how many people of each age group currently live in your household?

	1	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**	**10**
a. Children under the age of 5 years	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
b. Children ages 6-12 years	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
c. Children ages 13-18 years	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

d. Adults ages 19-64 years ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

e. Adults ages 64+ years ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐ ☐

5. Where is your principle place of employment?

a. Foster Township ..... □
b. Schuylkill County..... □
c. Outside Schuylkill County ..... □
d. Retired/Not Employed..... □

6. EMERGENCY SERVICES: These are vital services in place to serve you and your neighbors in the event of an emergency. Please rate the following by how each is preforming to your expectation by circling a number on the increasing scale. (1 + Needs Vast Improvements … to 5 = Meets or Exceeds All Expectations)

a. Foster Township Police Department ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
b. Mount Pleasant Hose Company ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
c. Minersville Ambulance ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5

7. INFRASTRUCTURE NEEDS: These are the fundamental needs and services of a community essential to enable, sustain, or enhance societal life and mobility. Please rate the following as to its current condition vs. your expectation by circling a number on the increasing scale. (1 + Needs Vast Improvements … to 5 = Meets or Exceeds All Expectations)

a. Water System Quality ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
b. Water System Cost ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
c. Sewer System Condition ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
d. Sewer System Cost..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
e. Stormwater/Street Drainage ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
f. Streets Condition ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
g. Streets Summer Maintenance ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
h. Streets Winter Maintenance ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
i. Streets Marking and Traffic Signage ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
j. Streets Marking and Traffic Signage ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
k. High Speed Internet..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5

Comments (pro/con/suggestion)

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8. BASIC MUNICIPAL SERVICES: These are the fundamental services a municipality provides to residents, property owners, and businesses funded by taxes or specific fees. Please rate the following as to its current condition vs. your expectation by circling a number on the increasing scale. (1 + Needs Vast Improvements … to 5 = Meets or Exceeds All Expectations)

a. Trash Removal ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
b. Communication to Residents..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
c. Snow/Ice Removal ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5
d. Code Enforcement ..... 1 ..... 2 ..... 3 ..... 4 5

e.	Recreation	1	2	3	4	5
f.	Public School System (MASD)	1	2	3	4	5
g.	Recycling Programs (Schuykill County)	1	2	3	4	5
h.	Public Transportation (STS)	1	2	3	4	5
i.	Package/Mail Delivery (USPS, UPS,Fedex)	1	2	3	4	5
j.	Public Library (Minersville Library)	1	2	3	4	5

Comments (pro/con/suggestion)

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9. **QUALITY OF LIFE: Factors in your daily existence during work, play, and interaction with others affect your enjoyment, satisfaction, achievement, and wellbeing. These factors can certainly be different per individual. Which of the following add or take away from your Quality of Life in Foster Township? (Check those you value most or would value if available. Then of those, also check those to be added and where applicable, those needing improvement.)**

		I/We have and Value	**Service should be Added**	**Service Needs Improve**	**Service Not Needed**
a.	Outdoor Recreation (all ages)	□	□	□	□
b.	Children's Playground	□	□	□	□
c.	Children's Activities	□	□	□	□
d.	Teen Activities	□	□	□	□
e.	Young Adult/Activities	□	□	□	□
f.	Senior Center/Activities	□	□	□	□
g.	Dog Park	□	□	□	□
h.	Walking Jogging Paths	□	□	□	□
i.	Seasonal Decorations	□	□	□	□
j.	Decorative Streetlights	□	□	□	□
k.	Streetscaping/Curb Appeal	□	□	□	□
l.	Churches	□	□	□	□
m.	Pool/Splash Park	□	□	□	□
n.	Sports Fields	□	□	□	□
o.	ATV/UTV Park	□	□	□	□
p.	Convenience Store	□	□	□	□
q.	Gas Station	□	□	□	□
r.	Store/Shops Other	□	□	□	□
s.	Other	_____			
t.	Other	_____			
u.	Other	_____			

10. **FUTURE GROWTH: The current population of Foster Township is declining. The Township will need to plan for the future needs of the Township and future population. Check with items below you believe is needed and will benefit the future growth and economy of Foster Township.**

a.	Single Family Homes/Building Lots	☐
b.	Redevelopment of formally blighted areas	☐
c.	Townhomes/Apartments	☐
d.	Small Businesses	☐

e. Restaurants ..... ☐
f. Utility Upgrades ..... ☐
g. Façade/Streetscape improvements ..... ☐
h. Recreational Needs ..... ☐
i. Additional Community Services ..... ☐
j. Green Infrastructure ..... ☐
k. Stormwater Management ..... ☐
l. Other _____
m. Other _____
n. Other _____
o. Other _____
p. Other _____

11. **COMMUNICATION: Considerable effort is mode to inform residents and the general public of matters past, present and future that affect day-to-day life and improve the quality of that life through public meetings and flyers. The way people receive general information these days are varied.**

How do you, or would you like to find out about Foster Township matters? Indicate your Top 3 methods, #1 being preferred by writing 1, 2, and 3 beside your choices.

_____ Pottsville Republican
_____ Public Flyers
_____ Radio

Items that could be developed

_____ Township Newsletter Would you be willing to assist with Content **Yes*** ☐ **No** ☐
_____ Township Facebook Page
_____ Other Social media..... List Preferred_____
_____ Township Electronic Message Board

*If yes, please provide your contact information to the Township

12. **Do you see the current Township Zoning Ordinance as ? (Check all that Apply)**

Adequate	Not Adequate	Very Restrictive	Non Restrictive	Needs Updated
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

13. **Do you see the current Township Ordinances, other than zoning as ? (Check all that Apply)**

Adequate	Not Adequate	Very Restrictive	Non Restrictive	Needs Updated
☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

What modifications or ordinances would you like to see added, removed or amended, please note necessary actions?

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14. **The Foster Township Supervisors recently completed a Master Site Plan partially funded by DCNR towards the development of a large parcel of property in the Township into a large-scale park, which was to be phased out over a services or 20-30 years. A public presentation was held in May 2018. A copy of this Master Site Plan is on file at the Township Building. The project is currently tabled at this point.**

Did you attend the final presentation?

Yes	No
☐	☐

Do you support the Township future development of this park?

Yes	No
☐	☐

If you did not support the Township's FULL development of this park, did you partially support one or more of the proposed recreational activities to be completed at the proposed park?

Yes	No	Do Not Know
☐	☐	☐

If Yes, what Activities

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If No, what dissuaded your support?

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If No, what do you feel should be done with the Township Property?

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15. **We welcome any other comments or suggestion you have regarding current services, problem areas, and other needs you feel should be investigated by the Township and Comprehensive Planning Committee that would further enhance you Quality of Life as a resident or employee in the Township. Please feel free to provide your additional comments below. Use additional sheets if necessary.**

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR RESPONSES!

Optional

Names(s):_____

Address:_____

Phone Number/Email Address:_____

Please complete your survey online or return your completed paper survey to the Foster Township Municipal Building, 1540 Sunbury Road, Pottsville, Pennsylvania 17901 before July 26, 2019. We appreciate your helpful responses with the completion of the Foster Township 2020 Comprehensive Plan.

Questions and survey completed by:

