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**Feedback Sought to Help Birmingham Seniors Age in Place**

BIRMINGHAM, Mich., December 8, 2023 – Efforts are underway to help Birmingham seniors age comfortably in Birmingham. The City of Birmingham’s Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee (AIPC) is asking for feedback through surveys and public engagement opportunities as they develop an action plan to improve the health, safety and welfare of older adults in Birmingham.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention defines aging in place as “the ability to live in one’s own home and community safely, independently and comfortably, regardless of age, income or ability level.” The AIPC is inviting the community to share thoughts and ideas on how to make this a reality for Birmingham seniors.

The AIPC’s survey is for those of all ages, available to submit online via the City’s public engagement platform, Engage Birmingham, at [engage.bhamgov.org/aginginplace](https://engage.bhamgov.org/aginginplace). Respondents may also complete the survey in print form, available for download at [www.bhamgov.org/aginginplacesurvey](https://www.bhamgov.org/aginginplacesurvey), and mail it to the City or drop it off at City Hall (151 Martin Street), the Baldwin Public Library (300 West Merrill Street), The Birmingham Museum (556 West Maple Road) or Next (2121 Midvale Street). Print copies of the survey are also available at each of these locations, and a copy will be included in upcoming water bills.

“Households with seniors in Birmingham and surrounding areas are expected to increase by more than 50% by 2045, with a significant percentage of 65+ residents living alone,” said Assistant City Manager Mark Clemence. “This important initiative is part of the City’s strategic plan and we welcome all who wish to have input into developing a citywide Aging in Place Action Plan to complete the survey and be heard.”

Upcoming public engagement opportunities are as follows:

**Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee Meeting – Wednesday, December 13 at 6 p.m.**

On Wednesday, December 13, 2023, the Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee will hold their regular meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the Baldwin Public Library (300 West Merrill Street) to receive public input from residents as it relates to aging in place.

**Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee Meeting – Wednesday, February 28, 2024 at 1 p.m.**

On Wednesday, February 28, 2024, the Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee will hold their regular meeting at 1:00 p.m. at Next (2121 Midvale Street) to receive public input from residents as it relates to aging in place.

Learn more about the Ad Hoc Aging in Place Committee at [www.bhamgov.org/aginginplace](https://www.bhamgov.org/aginginplace).

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