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WAUKESHA SEEKS RESIDENT INPUT ON CITY PLANNING THROUGH SURVEYS AND FOCUS GROUPS

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The City of Waukesha is putting out the call to its residents, urging them to lend their voices to the future planning of their city.

Starting early this year, select households have been receiving mailed survey invitations as part of the National Community Survey (NCS), a comprehensive tool for gauging public sentiment on the livability of a community.

The NCS, developed by the National Research Center at Polco (NRC), will open to the broader public on February 9. In the words of the [city's announcement](#), "We want to hear from you! Find out how you can participate!"

Adding to the interactive approach, Waukesha invites locals to in-person focus groups, seeking to capture a

more nuanced understanding of the services and priorities held dear by its community.

Interested residents can pre-register to join these focus group sessions, slated for February 23 and March 3 at the Waukesha Public Library.

The city promises these discussions will provide valuable insights directly from the people most affected by city planning and budgetary decisions.

For those preferring the digital domain, the city is offering an innovative way to involve residents in the budgeting process. An online budget and prioritization tool - integrating real financial data - will be made available. According to the city's guidance, residents will "try your hand at balancing the City's budget" and determine how resources should be distributed, reflecting the needs and preferences of the community on the fiscal front. This tool is expected to be accessible by mid-February. To take part in the upcoming surveys and tools, or to learn more about these city-led initiatives, residents can visit [the City of Waukesha's official website](#) for further details.

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