



MEMO

To: Elected Officials of and within Orange County

From: Recovery and Transformation Planning Support Team (Hagerty Consulting, Inc.)

Date: October 29, 2020

Re: Recovery and Transformation Planning Status Update

In early November, the Recovery and Transformation Planning Support Team (Hagerty Consulting, Inc.) will conduct a series of briefings for the elected officials of and within Orange County. This memo provides an overview of what the Planning Support Team will cover in upcoming briefings.

The Long-Term Recovery Project is intended to help Orange County navigate long-term recovery from the Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic through the identification of community needs, establishment of recovery goals and initiatives, and promoting cost recovery best practices among county, municipal, and non-profit organizations.

Since the project kicked off in July, the Planning Support Team has completed several project milestones to help achieve recovery goals and objectives, including:

- Visioning Workshop on September 17, 2020;
- Community Values Survey closed on September 11, 2020;
- Recovery Website Launch on September 16, 2020;
- Finalization of the COVID-19 Impact Assessment on September 18, 2020;
- Recovery Support Function (RSF) Focus Group Meetings concluded October 16, 2020.

Through the collection and aggregation of independent research (COVID-19 Impact Assessment), input from recovery stakeholders (Visioning Workshop, Recovery Support Function Focus Groups), and a public-facing survey (Community Values Survey), five preliminary goals have been identified for the Recovery and Transformation Plan:

- Address fundamental needs of all residents;
- Create safe, stable, and affordable housing solutions;
- Promote a dynamic, equitable, and sustainable economic recovery;
- Streamline access to community-based resources; and
- Combat the negative effects of social distancing.

Upcoming planning activities include conducting a Cost Recovery Training for recovery stakeholders; engaging with Black, Indigenous, and people of color (BIPOC) community leaders to support plan development/refinement; prioritizing recovery initiatives; and developing the Recovery and Transformation Plan Framework. These activities will be discussed in greater detail during upcoming briefings, where we would like to hear your perspectives about what matters most for community recovery. We are also interested to know what you think would strengthen the Plan and help each elected body champion its implementation in early 2021.

Urgent questions can be directed to ocncrecovery@hagertyconsulting.com, and more information is available online at www.orangencforward.org.