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**Public Asked to Complete Survey  
On Priority Services and Initiatives**  
*COVID-19 Cases Rising Again in Frederick County*

FREDERICK, Md. –People who live or work in Frederick County are asked to share their priorities and ideas for services or programs that might help them, their families, and their businesses to recover from the COVID-19 pandemic. Frederick County Executive Jan Gardner announced the launch of the #LoveFrederick online survey. Results of the survey will help to determine priority areas for investing \$50 million allocated to Frederick County through the federal American Rescue Plan Act.

“The goal of the American Rescue Plan is to help communities build back stronger after COVID,” Executive Gardner said. “We can make a real difference in people’s lives with this funding. That could mean improved access to child care, health care, jobs, broadband, or more. I want to hear from the public where their priorities lie.”

The #LoveFrederick survey, which is available at [FrederickCountyMD.gov/LoveFrederick](https://FrederickCountyMD.gov/LoveFrederick), will remain open through August 24. The questions can be translated into more than 100 languages.

COVID-19 remains a threat to unvaccinated people, with the Delta variant now the dominant variant in Frederick County. The number of new cases in Frederick County last week was double the previous week. EMS transports and hospitalizations remain lower than pre-vaccine levels. As of today, 58.4% of the county’s population is fully vaccinated, or 68.1% of those who are eligible (ages 12 and up). There have been 20,032 confirmed cases of the virus among county residents. So far in July, three residents have died from COVID, bringing the total number of deaths to 335. Over the past four weeks, the county’s positivity rate has steadily climbed to 2.97%. The seven-day case rate stands at 4.95 per 100,000 residents.

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