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Commissioners of St. Mary's County Announce 2025 Public Forum Schedule

LEONARDTOWN, MD – The Commissioners of St. Mary's County (CSMC) are pleased to announce the following **Public Forums for 2025**:

- January 14, 2025 (note: rescheduled from January 7 due to severe weather)
- May 6, 2025
- July 29, 2025
- November 4, 2025

All Public Forums begin at 6:30 p.m. and are held in the CSMC Meeting Room, located in the Chesapeake Building at 41770 Baldridge Street in Leonardtown.

Public Forums allow residents to speak directly to the Commissioners on topics of their choosing. Residents may offer appreciation, questions, or suggestions in a mutually respectful format. Those wishing to speak at the forum will receive up to three minutes to address the Commissioners.

For those unable to attend in person, feedback can also be submitted to the CSMC at any time via:

- Email to: <u>CSMC@stmaryscountymd.gov</u>
- Mai to: Commissioners of St. Mary's County, PO Box 653, Leonardtown, MD, 20650

The CSMC are dedicated to ensuring equal access and participation for all residents. Individuals requiring accommodation for disabilities, special needs, or language support services are encouraged to contact the Public Information Office at (301) 475-4200 ext. 1340 at least three days in advance of the forum, so that arrangements can be made.

Public Forums are broadcast live on St. Mary's County Government (SMCG) TV Channel 95 and streamed online at <u>YouTube.com/@StMarysCoGov</u> for those wishing to watch remotely.

In addition to these Public Forums, the annual **Budget Public Hearing** is scheduled for **April 22**, **2025, at Leonardtown High School**, focusing specifically on the county's annual budget process. Residents are encouraged to attend and provide input on the budget at that time. Visit <u>https://bit.ly/SMCG-FY26-Budget</u> to view the budget schedule, watch meeting videos, and more!

The Commissioners encourage all community members to take advantage of these opportunities to engage in meaningful discussions and contribute to the betterment of St. Mary's County. For more information on the CSMC, visit: <u>www.stmaryscountymd.gov/csmc</u>.

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