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## Transylvania County Partners with TPMA on Housing Strategic Plan

(Transylvania County, North Carolina) – Transylvania County has hired consulting firm, TPMA, to begin the creation of a comprehensive housing study that will help identify community housing gaps, needs, and barriers. County staff will work with TPMA to align the activities of this study with other current planning efforts. TPMA will work with county staff to perform economic research and analyses, conduct key stakeholder and community engagement, and suggest recommendations.

"Our community is well aware of the housing challenges that our county faces, specifically to serve our workforce, and those challenges exist from county line to county line," said Jaime Laughter, Transylvania County Manager. "This plan will facilitate a unified approach by identifying strategies that address the complex root causes of our housing supply deficit."

"It is truly commendable that Transylvania County is fully dedicated to addressing the urgent housing needs of their community by involving community stakeholders and citizens right from the outset. Through community engagement facilitated by TPMA, we aim to capture diverse perspectives, needs, and desires of residents, coupled with data analysis, to develop a strategic comprehensive housing study. This collaborative effort will pave the way for housing solutions that cater to the needs of all," said Melanie Thompson, Senior Housing Consultant and Project Lead for TPMA.

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For more information on this initiative, you may reach out to:

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