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COMMUNITY NEEDS SURVEY SHAPING SHARPSBURG

SHARPSBURG, PA – Sharpsburg Community Library is currently conducting a Community Needs Survey to identify service preferences for future operations.

Sharpsburg Community Library Branch Manager Sara Mariacher said all residents of the Fox Chapel School District's six municipalities and neighboring communities are invited to participate for a chance to win a variety of prizes.

"This survey asks residents about how they use the library and what days or times they are most likely to frequent it. Based on the data we receive, we hope to be able to create an ideal schedule for Sharpsburg with the needs of our residents in mind," Mariacher said. "To ensure we are serving our entire community, it's imperative that we receive feedback from everyone – whether they're frequent library users, folks who visit a few times a year, or not at all; and whether they're traditional library users, program attendees, or folks using our technical and social services."

Patrons have multiple options to complete the survey, including online at www.surveymonkey.com/r/Cooper-SiegelCommunityLibraryStudySpring2025 or www.sharpsburgborough.com.

Paper surveys are available at the Sharpsburg Borough Building, 1611 Main Street; and Sharpsburg Community Library, 1212 Main Street. All completed paper surveys should be returned to the library.

Surveys will also be available at the library's booth during upcoming community events, including Fox Chapel Community Day, 12 to 4 p.m. June 14 at McCahill Park; Sharpsburg Juneteenth Celebration, 12 to 4 p.m. June 21 at Kennedy Park; and Aspinwall's Pride in the Park, 3 to 7 p.m. June 29 at Allegheny RiverTrail Park.

Those who take the survey will be entered into a raffle for the chance to win a variety of library-themed prizes. The winners will be selected via random drawing and contacted after the survey closes June 30.

Mariacher said she hopes every resident and community member will take the survey, because "everyone's voice matters."

"The 21st century library is so much more than books," she said. "We offer countless educational and enrichment programs for people of all ages; provide access to computers,

internet and printing; assist with social services through our social work interns and Little Free Pantry; and serve as a third space where folks can socialize, play and relax."

For more information about Sharpsburg Community Library, including upcoming programming, visit www.coopersiegelcommunitylibrary.org/sharpsburg/.

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