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Noble County is Poised for Housing Growth & Wants Community Input on Next Steps

Noble County, IN - The Housing Coalition of Noble County hosted a Housing Symposium on April 21, 2023 to share the housing market potential results from a recently completed analysis.

The results show that 2,295 households of all incomes are looking to move within and to Noble County every year. If communities take action and support new housing development, Noble County can expect to absorb 1,130 - 1,526 new housing units over the next 5 years.

"Housing is widely recognized as the biggest barrier to growing our population and workforce," explained Melanie Kellogg, Executive Director for Noble County's local economic development organization, Be Noble Inc. "Unlike our neighbors, Noble is experiencing a clear population decline. This symposium is a critical step in identifying what the market wants and what barriers we face in attracting developers to build it. We are excited about the next steps to develop and strategy and market the opportunities."

The Symposium is part of a Housing Strategy that Be Noble Inc. is leading on behalf of the Housing Coalition of Noble County, a group of committed community leaders, in partnership with the Housing Resource Hub, a 501c3 nonprofit housing development organization with a mission to help communities accomplish their housing dreams through dynamic and exciting homebuyer and housing development programs.

"So much housing market potential exists for Noble County," says Heather Presley-Cowen, CEO and President of the Housing Resource Hub. "It takes committed leadership to take the bold next step to begin to understand what's keeping housing development from happening, and more importantly to then do something about it. That's where this community is headed and it's very exciting!"

The Housing Coalition of Noble County is asking community stakeholders, including residents and commuters to share their housing dreams, as well as local governments, developers, builders, banks and lenders to request support for their housing development plans, either envisioned or underway, by visiting the community's housing strategy web page at www.yourhousingresource.org/noble.

For more information about this initiative, please visit https://onenobleco.com/housing/.