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Mayor Vivian Flowers Invites Residents to Serve on Transition Committees

Pine Bluff, AR—In its first meeting on Saturday, Jan. 11, Mayor Vivian Flowers' Transition Advisory Board convened to outline their roles in shaping the administration's priorities for Pine Bluff's future. The Board, representing diverse expertise and community engagement, invites Pine Bluff residents to actively participate in the transition process. Residents can apply for positions on the administration's board committees via paper copy or weblink. **Applications will be accepted January 13– January 23.**

The Transition Advisory Board is organized into committees, each tasked with addressing a specific priority area under a designated leader. The committees and leadership assignments are as follows:

- **Transition Advisory Board Chair: Dr. Calvin Johnson**
- **Transition Advisory Board Co- Chair: LaTasha McNeely Randle**
- **Infrastructure & Economic Development – Leader: Tom Bennett**
- **Budget & Finance - Leader: Ted Davis**
- **Faith & Community Engagement - Leader: Pastor James Murry**
- **Public Safety - Leader: Susie Powell**
- **Tourism & Nature - Leader: Carlton Saffa**
- **Social Impact & Sustainability - Leader: Kymara Seals**
- **Governance Transformation - Leader: Hank Wilkins, V**
- **Education & Workforce - Leader: Dr. Tyrone Jackson**
- **Youth Investment - Leader: Aareyon Wallace**
- **Senior Outreach & Advocacy- Leader: James Word**

Residents are encouraged to bring their expertise, passion, and unique perspectives to these discussions. The committees will work closely with city leaders and provide recommendations that reflect the diverse needs and aspirations of Pine Bluff residents.

How to Apply

Residents interested in serving on the transition committee are encouraged to apply by completing the online application form available on the City of Pine Bluff's website at www.cityofpinebluff-ar.gov/boards-and-commissions. Paper applications are also available at the Mayor's Office on the second floor of City Hall. All applications must be submitted by 5:00 PM on January 23rd. Don't miss this opportunity to get involved!

Mayor Flowers emphasized the importance of community input in shaping her administration's vision: "These committees are the foundation of a collaborative, inclusive approach to governance. Together, we will transform Pine Bluff by listening to and working alongside our residents."

Next Steps

Following the application period, committee members will be selected and announced the week of January 27th. The committees begin meeting shortly thereafter to help create recommendations culminating in a comprehensive report to guide the new administration.

For more information, please contact the Mayor's Office at 870-730-2000.