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### **Harford County Executive Barry Glassman Welcomes Citizen Input at Virtual Town Hall Budget Meeting**

**BEL AIR, Md.**, (Jan. 30, 2015) - Welcoming citizens live and online, Harford County Executive Barry Glassman hosted the county's first-ever virtual town hall meeting Tuesday to gather public input on the budget for next year. Mr. Glassman and members of his new administration heard comments from attendees at Harford Community College's high-tech Darlington Hall, and from citizens who called in or sent online messages through email and social media. The event was also streamed live and available for viewing on the county website and at all public library branches countywide.

"I want to thank everyone involved for the success of this event, which used technology to give our citizens more opportunities than ever before to participate in local government," County Executive Glassman said. "I especially want to thank those of you who reached out in person or online to let me know your budget priorities for next year."

Citizen input on the budget for the fiscal year 2016 included support for public education, law enforcement, the public library, public health initiatives and efforts to promote economic development.

At the Tuesday event, Mr. Glassman also said that his administration planned to host virtual town hall meetings on other subjects , establishing a model for engaging people of all ages in Harford County's future. He concluded by thanking staff members, including those at Harford Community College, Harford Cable Network and Harford County Public Library, for their collaboration in producing and broadcasting the event.

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