Montana DPHHS, in partnership with the 10 Area Agencies on Aging, is conducting a Community Assessment Survey for Older Adults to help learn the priorities of Montanans related to services provided by the state. This valuable information shall feed into each of the ten Area Plans covering their planning and service areas as well as the State Plan on Aging for the time period, October 1, 2023 – September 30, 2027.

This is the first time DPHHS has conducted a survey of this type. The survey will include questions about quality of life, important community characteristics, services provided and priorities for the future.

A random sample of participants was selected from each county throughout the state to take the survey beginning in late March.

For those who received a survey invitation in the mail, it is important they complete that version and access the survey using the URL provided in the mailed materials rather than responding to the Open Participation survey.

For those not selected, the survey is now open to all Montanans 55 and older online here https://polco.us/2022montana [polco.us]. A paper survey may be requested by reaching out to one of the 10 Area Agencies on Aging or by emailing Kerrie Reidelbach at kreidelbach@mt.gov.

The survey is open until June 8, 2022.

Survey results are expected to be available on the DPHHS website in August and will be presented at the Annual Governor’s Conference on Aging in early October.

Thanks for your participation!
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