



Kane County

KC Strategic Plan Subcommittee

Agenda

Government Center
719 S. Batavia Ave., Bldg. A
Geneva, IL 60134

STRATHMANN, Bates, Gripe, Linder, Molina, Surges and Pierog (ex-officio)

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

12:00 PM

County Boardroom

- 1. Call To Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Remote Attendance Requests**
- 4. Approval Minutes: September 24, 2025**
- 5. Public Comment**
- 6. Discussion Items:**
 - A. Review of Survey Questions**
 - B. Review of Stakeholder List**
 - C. Locations for Community Meetings and Forums**
- 7. Adjournment**

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COUNTY OF KANE)

PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION NO. TMP-25-1170

REVIEW OF SURVEY QUESTIONS

County Priorities

[perhaps put a paragraph here giving context about county government vs municipal]

1. Kane County is facing significant budget challenges. Which of the following areas do you believe should be **highest priorities for limited County resources**? (select up to 5)
 - Access to County services
 - Environment (energy efficiency & cost saving measures, waste & recycling)
 - Housing and land use
 - Transportation (Maintenance of county roads and bridges)
 - Jobs & economic development
 - Judicial and legal services (State's Attorney, Public Defender, Court operations)
 - Public health (disease prevention, behavioral health, addiction services)
 - Public safety (Sheriff, Jail, Coroner, Emergency Management)
 - Seeking state and federal funding to deliver supportive services
 - Supportive services (Job training assistance, transit subsidies, county wellbeing, veterans' assistance)
 - Water protection (water quality & pollution reduction, reduced flooding, drought management, long term sustainable drinking water supply)
 - Other (please specify)
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County Performance

2. Which County services do you think Kane County currently provides **most effectively**? (check all that apply)
 - Criminal prosecutions
 - Correctional facilities & rehabilitation services
 - Elections and voter services
 - Environment/Recycling
 - Infrastructure maintenance (roads, bridges, traffic safety)
 - Judicial/court services
 - Land use and environmental planning and management
 - Property tax assessment and collection
 - Public health programs (vaccinations, clinics, emergency preparedness)
 - Sheriff law enforcement
 - Water protection
 - Other (please specify)

3. Which County services do you believe need the **most improvement**? (check all that apply)
- ☐ Criminal prosecutions
 - ☐ Correctional facilities & rehabilitation services
 - ☐ Elections and voter services
 - ☐ Infrastructure maintenance (roads, bridges, traffic safety)
 - ☐ Judicial/court services
 - ☐ Land use and environmental planning and management
 - ☐ Property tax assessment and collection
 - ☐ Public health programs (vaccinations, clinics, emergency preparedness)
 - ☐ Sheriff law enforcement
 - ☐ Other (please specify)
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Fiscal Responsibility

4. How should the County respond to a budget deficit? (check all that apply)
- ☐ Increase property taxes
 - ☐ Increase sales or other local taxes
 - ☐ Increase user fees (e.g., court, jail, permit fees)
 - ☐ Partner with municipalities/other counties to share services
 - ☐ Reduce/eliminate lower-priority programs
 - ☐ Seek additional state/federal funding
 - ☐ Other (please specify)
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Criminal Justice & Public Safety

5. How satisfied are you with the following County-provided public safety and court services? (scale 1–5)
- ☐ Coroner's services
 - ☐ County Sheriff patrol and emergency response
 - ☐ Court operations
 - ☐ Emergency preparedness
 - ☐ Jail operations and rehabilitation services
 - ☐ Public Defender services
 - ☐ State's Attorney prosecutions
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Public Health & Supportive Services

6. How important are the following County Public Health and Supportive Services to you and your family? (scale 1–5)
- Affordable housing support and homelessness response
 - Behavioral health and substance use programs
 - Disease prevention programs
 - Food safety inspections
 - Transportation for low-income, senior citizens and people with disabilities
 - Veterans' services
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Infrastructure

7. How would you rate Kane County's performance in maintaining: (scale 1–5)
- County roads and bridges
 - Environmental protections (open space, water quality)
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Future Challenges

8. What County services would benefit you, your family, or your business the most in the next 5 years? (select up to 5)
- Affordable housing and homelessness prevention
 - Animal welfare services
 - Behavioral health and substance use programs
 - Community growth and development
 - Court and legal services
 - Energy efficiency and ways to reduce utility bills
 - Land and water resources protection & sustainability
 - Mental health and substance use service referrals
 - Public safety/crime prevention
 - Road and bridge improvements and maintenance
 - Recycling
 - Transportation for low-income, senior citizens, and people with disabilities
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Open-Ended (optional)

9. If the County could accomplish one thing in the next 5 years that would improve your quality of life, what would it be?

10. What characteristics of the community make you proud to call Kane County home?
11. What is one program or service you believe the County could reduce or do differently to save money?

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REVIEW OF STAKEHOLDER LIST

Stakeholder	Title	Contact Name	Email	Preferred Interaction Type	Priority	Special Instructions
		Corinne Pierog Myrna Molina Dale Berman Anita Lewis Mavis Bates Bill Lenert Sonia Garcia Alex Arroyo Michelle Gumz Gary Daugherty Bill Tarver Leslie Juby Bill Roth Michael Linder Jon Gripe David Young Ted Penesis Deborah Allan Rick Williams Mohammad "Mo" Iqbal Cherry Fritz Strathmann Clifford Surges Verner (Vern) Tepe Chris Kious Jarett Sanchez	County board emails follow the pattern: Firstinitiallastname@kanecoboard.org, e.g. cpierog@kanecoboard.org			
Elected official	Elected official			Individual Interview	High	Kane County Board members
Jurisdiction leadership	Elected official	Jeff Schielke	planningstaff@co.kane.il.us	Individual Interview	Medium	Kane Kendall Council of Mayors (KKCOM)
Jurisdiction leadership	Jurisdiction leadership	Township Highway Commissioners		Group Interview	Medium	Group interview or conversation with 1-2 commissioners
Elected official	Elected official	Sen. Don Dewitte	https://senatordewitte.com/contact/	Individual Interview	Medium	
Business		Tony Lucenko	tlucenko@elgindevelopment.com	Group Interview	Medium	Elgin Development Group

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Business		Marc Falk				South Elgin Economic Development Council (SEED)
Business		Michael Cassa	mcassa@sugargroveil.gov			Sugar Grove Economic Development Corporation
Business		Melissa Stocker	mstocker@huntley.il.us			Huntley First
Business		Krisilee Murphy	Krisilee@ExploreElginArea.com			Elgin Area Convention and Visitors Bureau
Business		Cort Carlson	cort@enjoyaurora.com			Aurora Area Convention and Visitors Bureau
Business		Jenna Sawicki	jsawicki@stcalliance.org			St. Charles Business Alliance
Business		Kathy Gilmore	KathyGilmore@VIAasn.org			Valley Industrial Association
Education		Dr. Brian Knetl	bknetl@waubonsee.edu	Group Interview	Medium	Waubonsee CC
Education		Dr. Jamal J. Scott	jscott@waubonsee.edu			Waubonsee CC
Education		Peggy Heinrich	pheinrich@elgin.edu			Elgin CC
Education		Paula Amenta	pamenta@elgin.edu			Elgin CC
Education		Cathy Taylor	CTaylor@elgin.edu			Elgin CC
Education		Dr. Gina DeRosier-Cook	gderosiercook@elgin.edu			Elgin CC
Education		Harriet Parker	hparker@waubonsee.edu			Waubonsee CC
Business		Renee Erling	info@ALChamber.com	site	Medium	Algonquin/Lake-in-the-Hills Chamber of Commerce
Business		Karina Garcia	ceo@ahcc-il.com			Aurora Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Business		Jessica Linder Gallo	jlindergallo@aurora-chamber.com			Aurora Regional Chamber of Commerce
Business		Margaret Perreault	margaret@bataviachamber.org			Batavia Chamber of Commerce
Business		Dr. Kenneth E. Baumruck	kenjuel@aol.com			Elburn Chamber of Commerce
Business		Carol Gieske	cgieske@elginchamber.com			Elgin Area Chamber of Commerce
Business		William Germanetti	info@foxvalleychamber.org			Fox Valley Chamber of Commerce
Business		Paula Schmidt	pschmidt@genevachamber.com			Geneva Chamber of Commerce
Business		Jennifer Jones Sinnott	jjonessinnott@feltesinsurance.com			Greater Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce
Business		Jeanie Mayer	Hampshirechamber@gmail.com			Hampshire Chamber of Commerce
Business		Tricia O'Brien	info@hechamber.com			Hoffman Estates Chamber of Commerce and Industry
Business		Larry Cornett	info@huntleychamber.org			Huntley Chamber of Commerce
Business		Melissa Hernandez	melissa@nkcchamber.com			Northern Kane County Chamber of Commerce
Business		Sherman Jenkins	sjenkins105@me.com			Quad County African America Chamber of Commerce
Business		Janet Roman	jroman@stcareachamber.com			St. Charles Chamber of Commerce
Business		Beth Goncher	info@sugargrovechamber.org			Sugar Grove Chamber of Commerce
Business		Mario Farfan				Northwest Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
Jurisdiction leadership		Mary Wlezen	mkwlezen@aol.com	site	Medium	Burlington, Village
Jurisdiction leadership		Mike Tyrell	mtyrrell@camptonhills.illinois.gov			Campton Hills, Village
Jurisdiction leadership		John Laesch	mayoroffice@aurora-il.org			City of Aurora
Jurisdiction leadership		Jeffery Schielke	mayor@cityofbatavia.net			City of Batavia
Jurisdiction leadership		David Kaptain	mayor@cityofelgin.org			City of Elgin
Jurisdiction leadership		Kevin Burns	mayorburns@geneva.il.us			City of Geneva
Jurisdiction leadership		Lora Vitek	lvitek@stcharlesil.gov			City of St. Charles
Jurisdiction leadership		Debby Sosine	debbysosine@algonquin.org			Village of Algonquin
Jurisdiction leadership		Kevin Wallace	kwallace@vbartlett.org			Village of Bartlett
Jurisdiction leadership		Dean Hummell	dean.hummell@villageofbigrock.us			Village of Big Rock
Jurisdiction leadership		Mary Kay Wlezen	electedofficials@vil.burlington.il.us			Village of Burlington
Jurisdiction leadership		Mike Tyrell	mtyrrell@villageofcamptonhills.org			Village of Campton Hills
Jurisdiction leadership		John Skillman	jmskillman@cville.org			Village of Carpentersville
Jurisdiction leadership		Jeffrey Lynam	jlynam@eastdundee.net			Village of East Dundee
Jurisdiction leadership		Jeffrey Walter	jwalter@elburn.il.us			Village of Elburn
Jurisdiction leadership		Guy Zambetti	gzambetti@villageofgilberts.com			Village of Gilberts

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Jurisdiction leadership		Mike Reid	mreid@hampshireil.org			Village of Hampshire
Jurisdiction leadership		William McLeod	bill.mcleod@hoffmanestates.org			Village of Hoffman Estates
Jurisdiction leadership		Timothy Hoeft	tjhoeft@huntley.il.us			Village of Huntley
Jurisdiction leadership		Jesse Heffernan	clerk@villageoflilylake.org			Village of Lily Lake
Jurisdiction leadership		Chris Rebone	crebone@villageofmaplepark.com			Village of Maple Park
Jurisdiction leadership		Matthew Brolley	brolley@ci.montgomery.il.us			Village of Montgomery
Jurisdiction leadership		Steve Wiedmeyer	swiedmeyer@pingreegrove.org			Village of Pingree Grove
Jurisdiction leadership		Stephan K. Pickett	spickett@sleepyhollowil.org			Village of Sleepy Hollow
Jurisdiction leadership		Steve Ward	sward@southelgin.com			Village of South Elgin
Jurisdiction leadership		Jennifer Konen	jkonen@sugargroveil.gov			Village of Sugar Grove
Jurisdiction leadership		Daniela LeBlanc	Clerk@VillageOfVirgil.net			Village of Virgil
Jurisdiction leadership		Eileen Phipps	e.phipps@villageofwayne.org			Village of Wayne
Jurisdiction leadership		Christopher Nelson	cnelson@wdundee.org			Village of West Dundee
Education		School Districts				
		Libraries				
Social services and community-based organizations		Food pantries/banks				
		Homeless shelters				
		Social service organizations				
Residents		Seniors				
		Youth				
		Families				