City conducting feasibility study for small business incubator

The City of Bristol is evaluating the feasibility of creating a small business incubator in this area. An incubator is a set of facilities, programs, and services that collectively support development and growth of small businesses. It typically helps start-up firms during their early phases of development, as well as existing small businesses that want to grow and prosper.

The feasibility study will determine if an incubator would be viable in the Bristol area. A big component of viability is whether there is an adequate market to support a business incubator in the Bristol area. As part of the market assessment for this incubator, a market survey is being distributed in the area to solicit responses from small and start-up businesses, as well as the general public.

The City wants to hear from those who have opinions, pro and con, regarding an incubator in the Bristol area. It particularly wants to learn from small business owners and budding entrepreneurs whether a business incubator would benefit them, and whether they would want to be part of the incubator. Anyone interested in responding to the survey may do so on-line by going to www.bristoltn.org, scroll to Surveys and click. The survey may also be downloaded and completed, then may be mailed to the address at the bottom of the page. If you have any questions call the City at 423-652-0184 to request a paper copy of the survey that can be mailed or faxed back.

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