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## **Carroll County 2047 Presentation**

**WESTMINSTER, MD, Friday, October 20, 2017** - The Board of Carroll County Commissioners are hosting an event on Thursday, October 26, 2017, which will highlight how future trends may impact Carroll County. Futurist Dr. Jay Herson will address citizens and elected officials at an event called 'Carroll County, 2047' at Carroll Community College. The free event, originated by the Carroll County Board of Commissioner's Long Term Advisory Council will begin at 3:00 p.m. in room K100. The event will have limited seating open to the public.

Dr. Herson's presentation will include:

- Several scenarios of what it will be like to be living in Carroll County in 2047.
- Popular movies and science fiction novels attempts at making 30-year predictions.
- Trends in the areas of social/demographic, health, technology/science, environment and public safety, education and learning, economics/business, politics and government.
- The mega trends of the future will be seen to be: irrelevance of federal government, changes in nature of employment, climate change, urbanization, demographic change, surveillance and automation.
- Challenges and opportunities for Carroll County presented by the trends.

In 2047, the political leaders in Annapolis and Westminster and voters in Carroll County and statewide, will be post-millennials, those born after 2000. This cohort is alive today just entering post-secondary education. A profile of what factors will develop for this group between now and 2047 and the implications for the future of the county will be presented along with four scenarios for Carroll County in 2047.

The presentation will be live streamed on the <u>county Facebook page</u> and will eventually be available for viewing on the <u>Carroll County Government Meeting Portal</u>.

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