Thrive Montgomery 2050

A dialogue with diverse voices about how we will guide our county through the next 30 years.

- African Affairs Advisory Group
- Audubon Naturalist Society
- Arts on the Block
- Burtonsville Placemaking participants
- CASA
- First Lego League
- Gandhi Brigade
- Long Branch Week participants
- Latin American Youth Center
- Street Outreach Network
- Middle Eastern American Advisory Group
- Students (USG, MC, Middle School and High School)
- Wheaton Arts Parade participants
I-495 & I-270 Managed Lanes Study
Introducing
M-NCPCC’s
Wheaton Headquarters
The first LEED Platinum Government Building in Maryland
Engagement During COVID-19

- 41,797 Planning Board Meeting Views
- 1,056 New eLetter Subscribers
- 30+ Events
- 1,100+ Virtual Meeting Participants

*From March 26 to November 9, 2020*
Join us today starting at 10 a.m. for #ThriveHousingDay! Housing Planner Lisa Govoni is taking over our twitter to answer your questions on housing in Montgomery County and how the Thrive Montgomery 2050 plan will address housing.
I just completed the survey but wanted to also thank you for a well-done and engaging session. I've been trying to attend more of these and more public meetings that impact Silver Spring and housing across MoCo, and as virtual experiences, they can be hit-or-miss; this was a hit. If there is an upside to all-virtual meetings, it's the breakout rooms feature. I think small group discussions now feel more intimate and make it more appealing to speak in a casual and conversational way that facilitates back-and-forth discussion. Mine was really well facilitated.

- Community Member
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*From March 26 to October 14, 2020*
Focus on Equity

- Planning Board briefing
- Staff training
- Street + Parks Facilities Renaming Project
- Equitable engagement
- Vision Zero
- Equity in Master Planning Framework/Action Agenda

EQUITY

PLANNING WITH AN EQUITY LENS: BUILDING AN EQUITY TOOL

How are residents who have been historically excluded from planning processes being authentically included in this effort?
Thrive Montgomery 2050

Upcoming Schedule:

- **Public Hearing**
  November 19, 2020

- **Planning Board Work Sessions**
  December 2020 through January 2021

- **Planning Board Review and Transmittal**
  October 2020-March 2021

- **Council Transmittal and Review**
  April 2021
Growth and Infrastructure Policy

- Eliminating the Housing Moratorium
- Utilization Premium Payments (UPP)
- School Impact Areas
- Updated Transportation Policy Areas
- Vision Zero-enhanced Transportation Adequacy Tests
- Updated Impact Tax Calculations and Exemptions
- Recordation Tax Changes
Regulatory Projects

- St. Elmo Apartments
- Metro Tower
- Wilgus
- Cedar Ridge Solar Project
- Fieldcrest Community Solar Project
Plans and Projects

• Complete Streets Design Guidelines
• Corridor Forward: I-270 Transit Plan
• Pedestrian Master Plan
• Rustic Roads Functional Master Plan
• Ashton Village Center Sector Plan
• Shady Grove Minor Master Plan Amendment
• Silver Spring Downtown & Adjacent Communities Plan
• Takoma Park Minor Master Plan Amendment
• GSSC Minor Master Plan Amendment
• Fairland/Briggs Chaney Minor Master Plan Amendment
• Advancing the Pike District Study
• Mixed-Use Development Study
• Retail in Diverse Communities Study
FY22 Proposed Master Plan and Major Projects Schedule

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- E - Planning Board Draft
- C - CE Review & Council Noticing Period
- P - Public Hearing
- A - Commission Adoption, SMA
- M - Montgomery County Elections

Montgomery Planning Semiannual Presentation
COVID – Closing & Reopening
Re-Opening Facilities & Programs

What’s Open

Archery
Brookside Gardens Visitor Center (16 am-2pm daily)
Campsites, Cabins & Yurts
Dog Parks
Driving Range
Event Centers Booking Now
Gardens
Ice Rinks for Athlete Training
Inline Skating Rinks With Permit
Nature Center Programs
Online Programs
Outdoor In-Person Programs
Parks & Trails
Permitting Athletic Fields for Low & Medium risk Sports
“Picnic in the Park” Order Takeout @ Select Locations
Picnic Shelters With Permit
Playgrounds
Skate Parks
Stand-alone Restrooms
Tennis Centers, Tennis & Pickleball Courts

What’s Closed

Basketball Courts
Carousel
Nature Center Facilities
Park Activity Buildings
Trains

MontgomeryParks.org

November 13, 2020
Re-Opening Facilities

Stand Here
Párese aquí
Thank you for practicing safe physical distancing. Le agradecemos por practicar el distanciamiento social de manera segura.

COVID-19: Be Smart. Do Your Part.
Boating is Open
Face Masks Required
Physical Distance 6 feet or more
Only Family Members Allowed on Same Boat
No Group Gatherings

COVID-19: Be Smart. Do Your Part.
Cabin John Ice Rink
Wheaton Ice Arena
Limited Opening July 6
Face Coverings Required
Wear Face Coverings
Enter facility by 10:15 am maximum 1 hour
Leave immediately following

COVID-19: Be Smart. Do Your Part.
Wear Face Coverings
Face covering required when unable to physically distance

Playgrounds Are Opening
Wear face coverings.
Stay 6 feet apart.
Clean your hands before and after use.

COVID-19: Sean listos.
Hagan su parte.
Face Coverings Required for all guests and staff inside the building and outside when near other people.
Stay 6 feet apart
Clean your hands before and after use
Gathering in Large Groups Prohibited

Montgomery Parks’ facilities and programs are taking precautionary measures which are in accordance with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention as well as state and county guidelines.
Les instalaciones y programas de Montgomery Parks han adoptado medidas de precaución conforme a las directrices de los Centros de Control y Prevención de Enfermedades, así como a las del estado y del condado.
https://www.maryland.gov/covid19/
Adaptable Programming

Weddings

Movie Nights

Haunted Hustle
My family and I are very excited about the new Playstreet on Newell Street in Silver Spring. I live nearby and am always looking for space for my toddler to play. I walk by the Playstreet every day and love seeing people using the space. Eating meals at the picnic tables, playing frisbee, kids riding bikes and scooters. I’ve never seen the community come together like this to celebrate a space and it makes me really happy to live in Downtown Silver Spring.

—Marnay Meyer
Online Programming

Pawpaw and Pollinators Festival
Plant Sales
Urban Tree Summit
GreenScapes Symposium
Parks Speaker Series
Mindful Mondays
Yoga at Brookside Gardens
Summer Camps
Maryland Emancipation Day Celebration
Virtual Storytime with Councilmember Jawando
I want to compliment you and your team and instructors and special guests. This has been a fabulous class. Honestly, my daughter’s two summer Montgomery County Parks classes have been the most interactive, interesting and engaging classes she has taken in the online era.

You are all creative and deliver wonderful content.

Thanks for all you do!
Stephanie Flack
HarvestShare
Supporting Local Business

Rent Abatement

COVID-19 Forbearance Amount by Type
April–November 3, 2020
18 Tenants/Partners
Total $240,547

- $69,314 Tennis: 1
- $74,523 Ballfield: 2
- $2,310 Hair Salon: 1
- $2,555 Golf: 1
- $21,495 Equestrian: 4
- $6,758 Childcare: 3
- $1,355 Church parking: 1
- $54,215 Dance: 3
- $8,022 Dive practice: 1
Supporting Local Businesses

Picnic in the Park

- Partnership with Visit Montgomery / MoCo Eats
- Support local restaurants
- Nine park locations
- Close proximity to restaurants
- Delivery and alcohol zones
Racial Equity Lens

- Used in prioritization of FY 21-26 Parks CIP
- Added prioritization of investment high deficit areas w/ highest non-white lower income residents.
- Studying Park & Recreation equity plans in major cities across the U.S.
- Parks play a major role in advancing the County’s Racial Equity & Social Justice Policy

EPS DEFICITS + RACE/INCOME AREAS

- High Deficit + Fewest Non-White Lower Income Residents
- Higher + Fewest Non-White Lower Income Residents
- Highest + Fewest Non-White Lower Income Residents
Major Park Systems Across the Country Have Developed Equity Plans
Athletic Field Improvements

Infield Maintenance
Greenwood Local Park - Before and After

Bermuda Grass Conversion
Buck Branch Neighborhood Park – Before and After

Field Renovation
White Oak Rec Center
Athletic Field Improvements

Bowie Mill Local Park
Before and After

Rock Creek Forest Elementary
Before and After
Athletic Field Improvements

Glen Haven Elementary School
Before and After

Lois P Rockwell Elementary School
Before and After

Martin Luther King, Jr. Local Park
Before and After
Dewey Local Park Refresher
Josiah Henson Museum

Josiah Henson

Born in slavery in 1789, Josiah Henson was purchased as a child and sold at auction to a slave trader in the Ohio River valley in 1808. The trade, which continued for over 50 years, left scars on his psyche and left him feeling disconnected from his family. Henson's life was one of struggle and hard work, but he found solace in his faith and the support of the Free African Society, which helped him escape slavery.

Henson and Uncle Tom's Cabin

Henson’s experiences inspired his narrative, the novel Uncle Tom's Cabin, which became a sensation and helped bring attention to the plight of enslaved people. The novel's themes of slavery and freedom resonated with many Americans and contributed to the abolitionist movement.

In 1822, Henson founded the Free African Society, which provided education and support to those seeking freedom. He established the Henson Institute, which offered classes in reading, writing, and mathematics. Henson's legacy continued to inspire others, including Frederick Douglass, who studied with Henson and was influenced by his writings and teachings.

Today, the Josiah Henson Museum tells the story of Henson's life and the impact he had on the abolition movement. The museum features exhibits that showcase Henson's life, as well as other stories of slavery and freedom in the region. Visitors can explore the Henson Cabin, a replica of the one in which Henson lived, and see how he lived and worked during his time in slavery.

The museum is a powerful reminder of the struggle for freedom and the importance of education and support for those seeking to escape slavery. It is a place where visitors can learn about the past and be inspired by the courage and resilience of those who fought for justice and equality.
Boat Launch at Seneca Landing

- Fully ADA accessible gangway and floating kayak/canoe launch
- Accessible and expanded picnic area, new walkways and drop off lane, and accessible parking
- Only fully accessible launch on the upper reaches of the upper Potomac River
- Improves safety and capacity
### Community Engagement: Shape the Future of Wheaton Regional Park

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[MontgomeryParks.org/WRP](https://MontgomeryParks.org/WRP)  #WRPTakeTheSurvey
Pickleball

Temporary Pickleball Court at Bauer Drive Park

Pickleball Court Overlay Specification on Tennis Court
Pickleball

Temporary Pickleball Court at East Norbeck Local Park

Staff Installing Tape to Create Temporary Court in East Norbeck Local Park
Trails Program Update

Built or renovated trails in:
- Lower Paint Branch Stream Valley Park
- Cabin John Stream Valley Park
- Little Bennett Regional Park
- Lois Y Green Community Park
- Woodstock Special Park trail

Major Trail Projects Underway:
- Paint Branch Bridge
- Upper Paint Branch Trails

Upcoming:
- Provide trails enhancements
- Bike rack need assessments and implementation

Trail-Use Increases

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Parks converted a hiking-only trail that was in a floodplain into a multi-use trail that will stay drier and require less maintenance.
Open Parkways

480,000 visits to Open Parkways
April – early November 2020

Little Falls Parkway, April 19, 2020
Gates: Old Carroll Before
Gates: Old Carroll After
THANK YOU!