Planning Board Meeting Participation

Planning Board In-Person Participation
March 1, 2019 to March 12, 2020

- Government...
- Community: 300
- Applicants: -200

Planning Board Virtual Participation
March 26, 2020 to April 1, 2021

- Government...
- Community: 500
- Applicants: 800
Development Applications Submitted
March 13, 2020 – March 8, 2021

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Engagement During COVID-19

- 60,256 Planning Board meeting views
- 1,546 new eLetter subscribers
  \( \text{Current total: 13,583} \)
- 40+ virtual events
- 1,400+ virtual meeting participants

*From March 16, 2020 to March 30, 2021*
Re-Opening Facilities & Programs

What’s Open

- Archery
- Basketball Courts
- Campsites, Cabins & Yurts
- Carousel
- Dog Parks
- Driving Range
- Event Centers
- Gardens & Community Gardens
- Inline Skating Rinks With Permit
- Nature Center Programs
- Online Programs
- Outdoor In-Person Programs
- Parks & Trails
- Permitting Athletic Fields
- “Picnic in the Park” Order Takeout @ Select Locations
- Picnic Shelters With Permit
- Playgrounds
- Skate Parks
- Stand-alone Restrooms
- Tennis Centers, Tennis & Pickleball Courts
- Trains

Opening Soon
Nature Center Facilities
Park Activity Buildings

Mon-Sat 8am-5pm
Customer Service 301-495-2305

MontgomeryParks.org

April 9, 2021
Open Parkways
Open Parkways

**Sligo Creek Parkway**
Old Carroll Avenue to Piney Branch Road
Forest Glen Road to University Boulevard
(2.6 miles)

**Beach Drive**
Connecticut Avenue to Knowles Avenue
(2.7 miles)

**Little Falls Parkway**
River Rd. to Arlington Rd.
(1 mile)
Build Your Own Guide Tool

Active Guide PDF Demo

Step 1 - Choose your categories

- Building (Select All)
- Events (Select All)
- Horticultural Programs (Select All)
- Nature & Outdoors (Select All)
- Nature Competitions
- Nature TIPs
- Nature Hikes
- Nature Trips
- Special Events
- Virtual (Select All)
- Specify Your Programs

CONTINUE
Program Access

Adaptive Equipment Usage Guide

montgomeryparks.org/accessibility

Nature for All
New Inclusive and Therapeutic Recreation Program Offerings at Black Hill Visitor Center

Shine Brighter Together
AUTISM ACCEPTANCE MONTH

MoCoParks.org/ShineBrighter
Park Visitation Project

Black Hill Regional Park

- Most common activities hiking, walking, and water activities
- Average length of stay: **1.56 Hours**
- Peak trend: **2pm-6pm**
- Average daily visitors: **839**
Street Light Visitation: 50.2% change from 2019 to 2020
Park Acquisitions - Legacy Urban Space

Concept: Willett Branch Greenway and Westbard Urban Recreational Park

Silver Spring CBD, New Park Recommendations, EPS FMP (2018)

Bethesda Capital Crescent Civic Green

Concept: Wheaton Urban Recreational Park next to future Affordable Housing
Stream Restoration

Edith Throckmorton Outfall Rehabilitation

Before

After

Grosvenor Stream Restoration
Ken-Gar Soccer Field & Wetland Restoration
Nolte Community Garden
Plants Grown by the Native Plant Program for Montgomery Parks Increased Every Fiscal Year from FY17 to FY21
Athletic Fields

White Oak Recreation Center

MCPS Field Renovations

Before

After
Thanks a ton from @MdYouthCricket to @MontgomeryParks Casey Anderson, Mike Riley and @driver_cliff for supporting youth cricket in Montgomery and building this awesome cricket field for our youth. Our kids are looking forward to playing cricket here and future grounds.
Maintenance and Renovation
Trails

South Germantown Bike Park Expansion

Today was one of those days where the stars align, and you realize how lucky you are. ****Gushing post warning****

Community. I mention it a lot. It means something to me. It actually means a lot to me. I love building it. I love sharing my passions with the members of my community.

Today we had a HUGE day out at the South Germantown Bike Park. I can’t thank everyone who pitched in to help enough. Two generations of MoCO sMORE’s were
Natural Surface Trails

200 Miles of Natural Surface Trails!

The most active growth has been in Montgomery County, Maryland, just outside of D.C., which boasts over 200 miles of natural surface trails. The county has hired full-time trail building staff, and will lend equipment to efforts, for instance, to expand pump tracks.
Foundation Success

Increased total giving to Parks by 25%

Increased first-time donors by 23%

Added five new community leaders to Board of Trustees
Parks Partnerships

Meadowbrook Stables Covered Arena

Povich Field Walter Johnson Statue Plaza (Artist: Toby Mendez)
Program Open Space

Dewey Local Park

Battery Lane Urban Park

Pinecrest Local Park

$213 Million to Montgomery County since 1970
Bond Bills and Grants

Capital Grant Award: $1,625,000

- Long Branch Stream Valley
  Signature Bridge Installation

- Wheaton Regional Park
  Trail Rehabilitation

- Fox Chapel Neighborhood Park
  Playground Replacement

- Damascus Recreation Park
  Athletic Field Lighting

- South Germantown Rec Park
  Bike Skills Area Parking Lot

- Willet Branch Greenway
  Land Acquisition

- Randolph Hill Local Park
  Bridge and Trail Rehabilitation

Powerline Trail Grant: $10,000,000
Volunteers

Valeria Espinoza, New Park Volunteer Cleanup Coordinator, started in Jan. 2021

Volunteer Hours July – Dec 2020

- Community Garden Liaisons: 278 hours
- Trail Work and Inspections: 1,773 hours
- Park and Stream Cleanups: 404 hours
- Gardeners at BG and Nature Centers: 440 hours
- Park Police Volunteer Patrol: 1,112 hours
- Weed Warriors: 2,527 hours

Total Hours: 6,534
THANK YOU!
Thrive Montgomery 2050

• Planning Board final vote on April 8.
• Transmitted to Council on schedule.

• Three overarching objectives:
  o economic competitiveness
  o racial and social equity
  o environmental sustainability
Thrive Montgomery 2050
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- **166** Meetings with the community
- **68,139** Webpage views
- **2,686** On-Demand video views
- **85** Residents testified at public hearing
- **10** Planning Board work sessions
Thriving Plans
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• Fairland and Briggs Chaney Master Plan
  • creating a complete community and building on new BRT - Flash
  • preserving and providing attainable housing for all income levels.
  • looking at ways to improve safety for walking and rolling with Vision Zero principles.
  • emphasis on racial equity and social justice.
  • University of Maryland PALS program
  • Spring Speakers Series Focus on Equity
Attainable Housing Strategies

Attainable Housing Strategies will study ways to spur the development of more diverse types of housing, including Missing Middle Housing, in Montgomery County.

The Attainable Housing Strategies initiative will identify viable policy options for creating more housing choices for existing and new residents at the right size, location, and price point for their needs. This will include ways for young people to enter the real estate market and for older people to have options for downsizing.
Equity Agenda for Planning

- Equity Peer Review Group
- Staff training
- Equity Focus Areas and Equity Opportunity Index
- Coordination with OLO on RESJ Impact Statements
- Street and Parks Facilities Renaming Review
- Vision Zero
Regional Transportation

• Corridor Forward: I-270 Transit Functional Plan
- Monorail or Light Rail between Shady Grove and Frederick
- Corridor Cities Transitway
- MARC station and service upgrades along the Brunswick Line
- Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) running along I-270 from Frederick to Northern Virginia and Corridor Cities enhancements
- WMATA Red Line extension to Germantown
- Purple Line extension to Tysons, Virginia
I-495 & I-270 Managed Lanes Study
Regulatory Projects
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Work Program Items (Budgeted and Unbudgeted)

- Pedestrian Master Plan
- Silver Spring Downtown and Adjacent Comm.
- Takoma Park Minor Master Plan Amendment
- GSSC Minor Master Plan Amendment
- Corridor Forward: I-270 Transit Plan
- Rustic Roads Functional Master Plan
- Fairland/Briggs Chaney Master Plan
- Complete Streets Design Guidelines
- Predictive Safety Analysis
- Retail in Diverse Communities
- Mixed-Use Development Study
- Equity Opportunity Index
- Urban Loading Study
- Street Renaming Review (unbudgeted)
- Attainable Housing Strategies (unbudgeted)
- I-495 & I-270 Managed Lanes (unbudgeted)
## FY22 Proposed Master Plan and Major Projects Schedule

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- **M:** Mid-Year Review
- **F:** Finalized
- **S:** Staff Review
- **C:** Council Review
- **D:** Draft

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**Montgomery Planning Semiannual Presentation**