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# NPC22: New Heroes: Renaming Montgomery County's Streets



# Agenda

Introduction to Montgomery County, MD

Legacy of Slavery in Maryland

Naming Authorities

Implementing the Charge: Street & Park  
Facilities Renaming Project

Lessons Learned

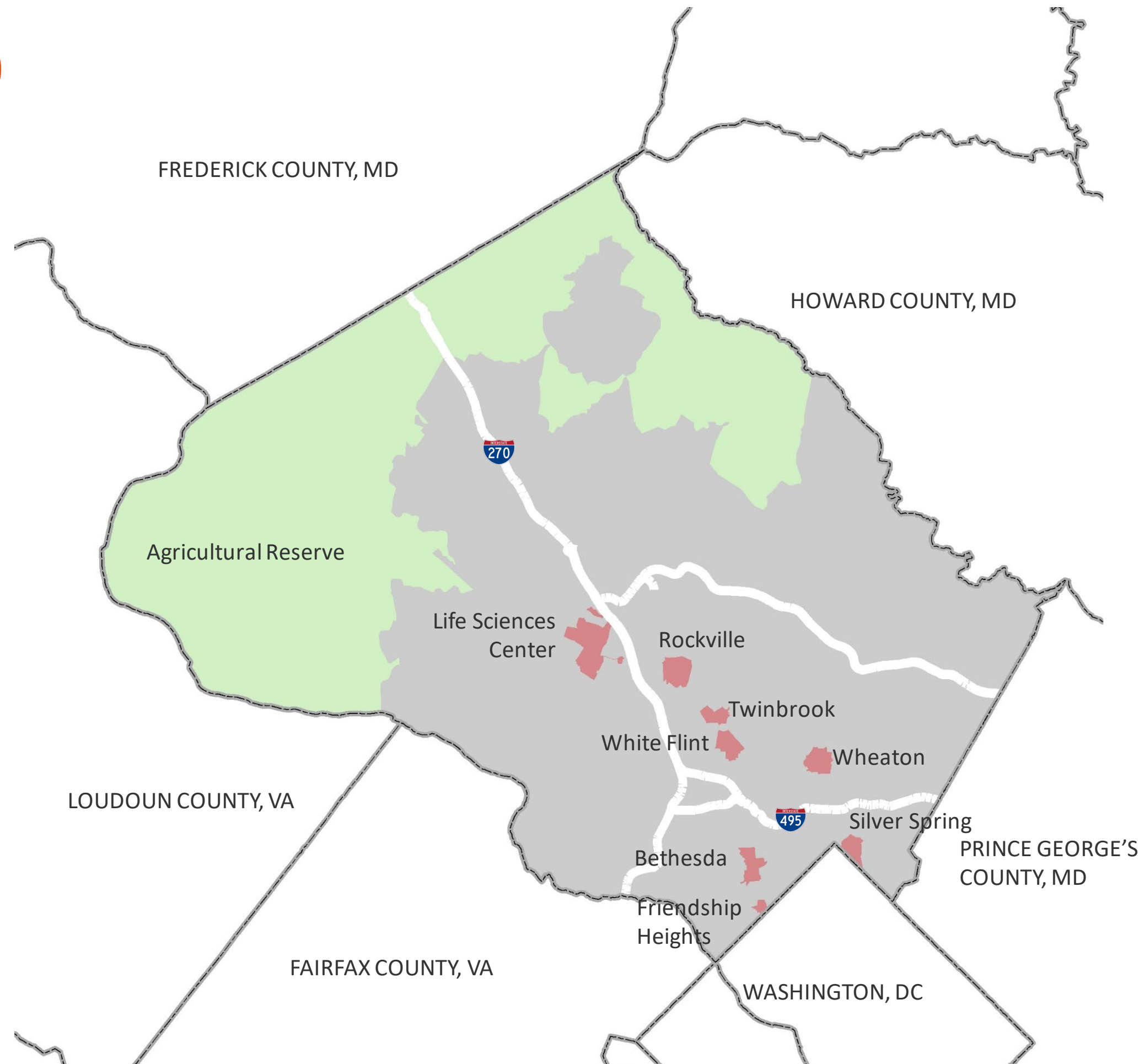
Q&A—Questions To Consider

# Montgomery County, MD

## **Context & Decision-Making Authority**

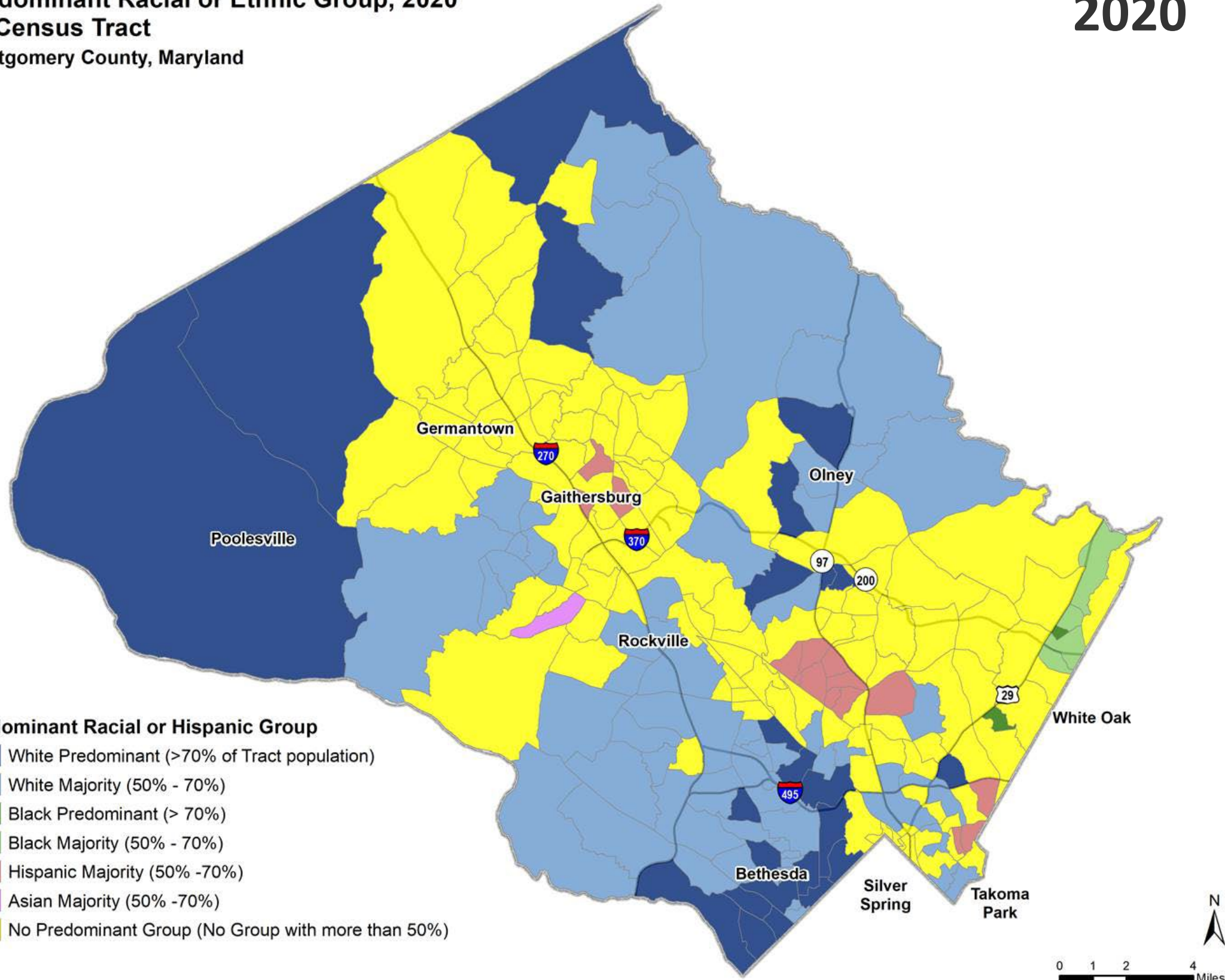
# Montgomery County, MD

- Founded in 1776
- 507 square miles
- Over 1 million residents
- 19 independent Cities/Towns/Villages
- Diverse population
  - 59.4% are people of color
  - Over 30% are foreign-born
  - Largest Jewish population in Maryland



**Predominant Racial or Ethnic Group, 2020  
by Census Tract  
Montgomery County, Maryland**

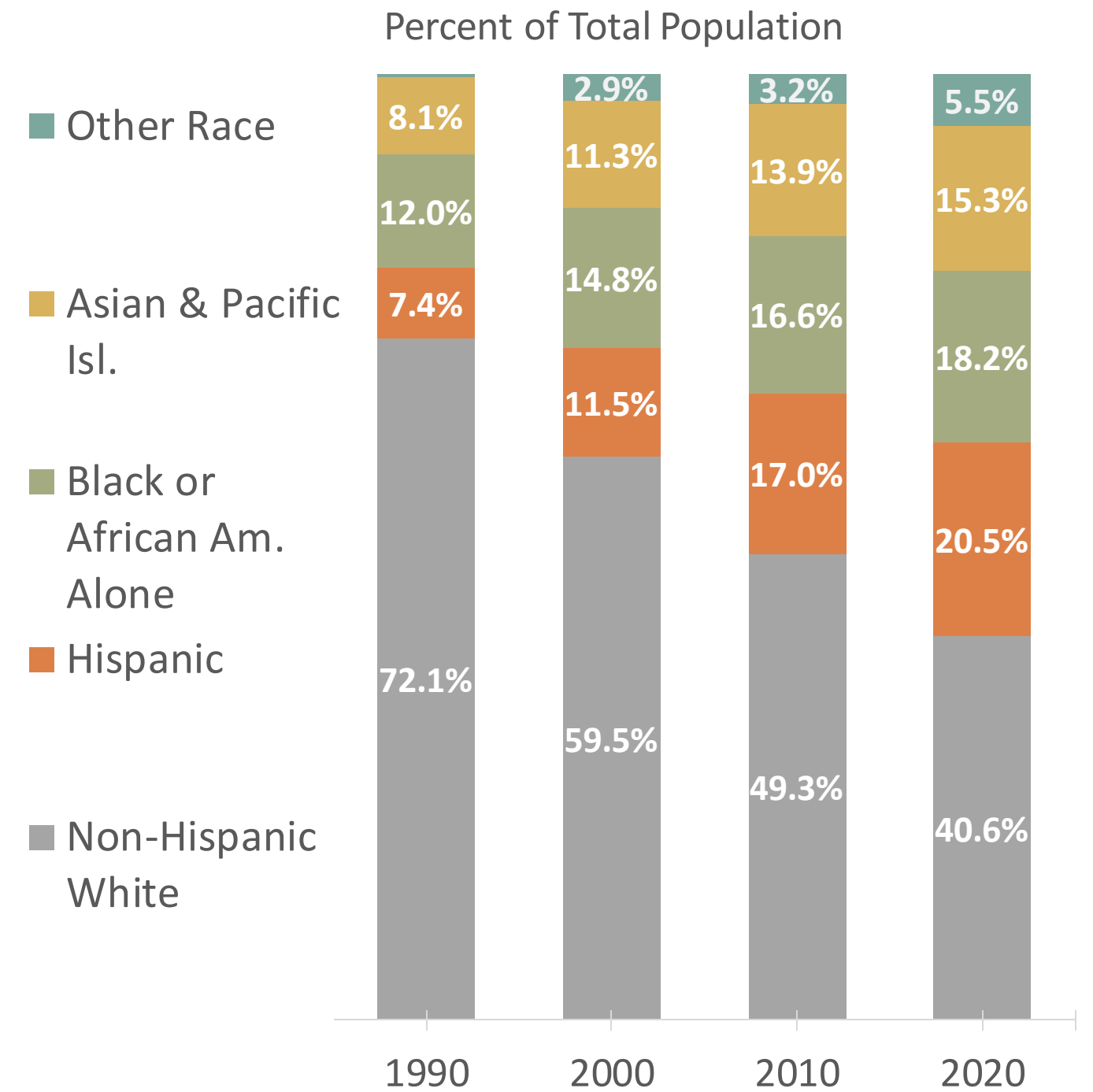
**2020**



- Predominant Racial or Hispanic Group**
- White Predominant (>70% of Tract population)
  - White Majority (50% - 70%)
  - Black Predominant (> 70%)
  - Black Majority (50% - 70%)
  - Hispanic Majority (50% -70%)
  - Asian Majority (50% -70%)
  - No Predominant Group (No Group with more than 50%)

Source: 2020 U.S. Decennial Census. Created by: M-NCPPC, Research and Strategic Projects Division

**Population by Race and  
Hispanic Origin, 1990-2020**



# Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission (M-NCPPC)

**Bi-County Regional Planning Agency for Montgomery & Prince George's Counties**

Chartered by the State of Maryland; established in 1927

**Responsible for Planning, Zoning & Parks Management;**  
5 departments in total

Two Council-appointed **Planning Boards** for Montgomery and Prince George's Counties—comprise the 10-member Full Commission

Do **not** have land use control over five (5) independent municipalities in Montgomery County

- *City of Rockville, City of Gaithersburg, Town of Poolesville, Town of Laytonsville, Town of Brookeville*



# Authorities in Montgomery County—Land Use & Facilities



## M-NCPPC

- Led by 5-member appointed **Planning Board** in Mont. Co.
- **Decision-making authority** over development proposals, street naming & parks facilities
- **Land use advisors** to Montgomery County Council on planning & zoning
- **Oversees** Montgomery County **Planning Department & Parks Department**



## Montgomery County Government

- Executive branch led by **elected County Executive**
- Agencies under CE oversight include Department of General Services, Department of Recreation, Libraries, County Department of Transportation



## Montgomery County Public Schools (MCPS)

- **Led by independent School Board & Superintendent**
- Authority over School & School-support facilities
- Authority over School & Mascot names

# Legacy of Slavery in Montgomery County



# Maryland's Enslaved Legacy

- Maryland was a border state where it was legal to own slaves.
- In 1860, over 27 percent of the population in Montgomery County was enslaved by 762 known slaveholders.



Bacon's Military Map of the United States (1862). The states shaded yellow (blue arrow) represented the border states.

# Maryland's Enslaved Legacy

- 1861, hundreds of Montgomery County citizens joined the Confederacy.
- Many Montgomery County plantation owners and farmers sympathized with the Confederacy and continued using forced labor.
- After the Civil War, subsequent generations remained enamored with the Confederacy and Lost Cause ideology.



# Implementing the Charge: Street & Park Facilities Renaming Project

# Council Request: June 15, 2020



MONTGOMERY COUNTY COUNCIL  
ROCKVILLE, MARYLAND

The Honorable Marc Elrich  
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Office of the County Executive  
101 Monroe Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Rockville, MD 20850

The Honorable Casey Anderson  
Chair, Montgomery County Planning Board  
Montgomery County Planning Department  
8787 Georgia Avenue  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

June 15, 2020

Dear County Executive Elrich and Chair Anderson,

We are at an inflection point in our country and in our county. The brutal murder of George Floyd in Minneapolis represents not just a singular tragedy of one man, but another grotesque manifestation of generations of structural racism that permeate our society. Addressing institutional problems require institutional solutions, and we appreciate your shared efforts as we begin that critical work together in Montgomery County. But as we work to dismantle the structures that perpetuate racism, we must also target the symbols that normalize and legitimize it. The names of public streets and buildings are not merely a reminder of the past; they are a very clear indication of who and what we value today.

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Per the Montgomery County Council to County Executive Marc Elrich & Planning Board Chairman Casey Anderson:

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# Council Request: Applies to all County Agencies



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Council's Letter of June 15, 2020 addressed to County Executive & Planning Board Chair, with expectation that all County agencies would undertake the renaming effort.

Montgomery Planning & Parks Departments initiated M-NCPPC's renaming project in June 2020.

MCPS has initiated renaming efforts, beginning with renaming E. Brooke Lee Middle School to Odessa Shannon Middle School.

Montgomery County renamed Silver Spring Library after Tuskegee Airman Brig. Gen. Charles E. McGee (2022)



## M-NCPPC

### *Resolution on Solidarity with National Movement to End Injustice and Violence against African Americans*

June 17, 2020

. . . the Commission also hereby declares and affirms that it squarely subscribes to the indisputable principle that Black lives do matter, and they must matter, in all civic endeavors in order for our agency and our nation to achieve the cardinal promises of our government – that ALL people will be treated fairly and equally.

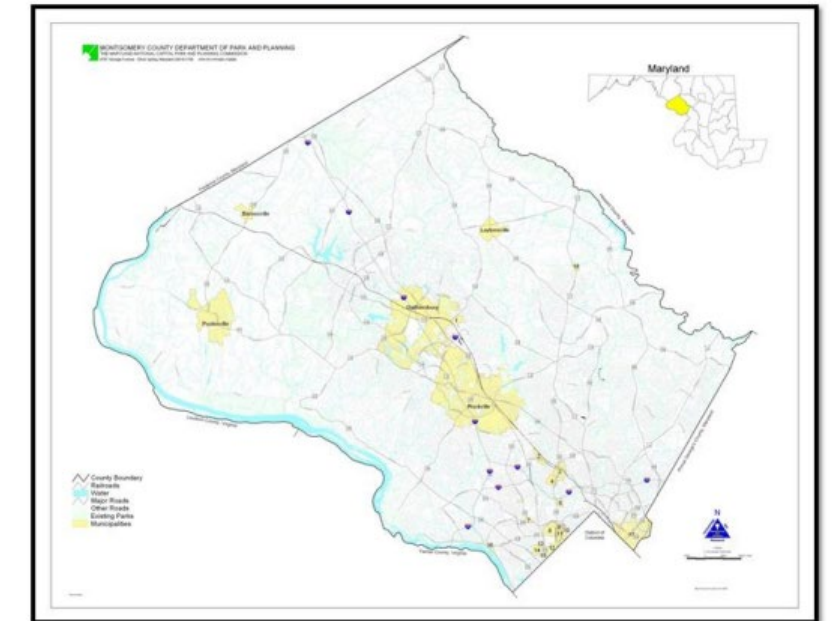
# M-NCPPC Street/Park Naming Authority

Under Maryland law, **M-NCPPC is sole entity authorized with naming or renaming streets in Montgomery County**, except within certain independent municipalities.

**Planning Board has sole approval authority (delegated to Planning Director) over street renaming.**

- M-NCPPC *Addressing and Street Naming Manual* (2014) & Street Renaming Policy (2017) available at [montgomeryplanning.org](http://montgomeryplanning.org)
- Property owner or developer can request a street name or Planning Board can initiate street naming
- Many streets with an historical basis were named prior to the 1950s, when M-NCPPC's street naming authority began
- **M-NCPPC Park Assets naming policy** strongly encourages names based on geographical/ecological features, neighborhoods, or nearby public facilities. Planning Board has sole authority to commemoratively name park assets after individuals.

## Addressing and Street Naming



Guidelines and Procedures Manual for  
Montgomery County, Maryland

# M-NCPPC Street & Park Renaming Project Team

- **M-NCPPC**

- Montgomery Parks & Planning Information Technology & Information Division—GIS
- Legal Department

- **Montgomery Planning**

- Leadership
- Historic Preservation Section, Countywide Planning & Policy Division
- Intake & Regulatory Coordination Division
- Communications Division

- **Montgomery Parks**

- Leadership
- Cultural Resources Stewardship Section, Park Planning and Stewardship Division
- Public Affairs and Community Partnerships





# M-NCPPC Renaming Summer-Fall 2020 Public Outreach

- Created email address for community questions/concerns/ideas on potential renamings: [Renaming@montgomeryplanning.org](mailto:Renaming@montgomeryplanning.org)
- Planning Director Gwen Wright sent letters to municipalities. Further discussions held with four.
- Coordination with MCPS, MCDOT, 911/Emergency Services, DGS

The screenshot shows the website for the Montgomery Planning Board. The header includes the text "The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission" and navigation tabs for "Parks", "Planning", and "Planning Board". The main header features the "Montgomery County, MD" logo and "Montgomery Planning Board" text, along with social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, YouTube, and RSS. There are also language options for "Español", "中文", and "Other", and a "Text Size" link.

The main navigation bar includes links for "Media Center", "Meet The Board", "Meetings", and "Agendas". The main content area has a large orange banner with the text "M-NCPPC Montgomery County Street and Parks Facilities Naming Review". Below this banner, there is a section titled "Montgomery Parks and Montgomery Planning working together to meet the County Council's June 15 request". The "Background:" section states: "On June 15, 2020, the Montgomery County Council sent a letter to County Executive Marc Elrich and Montgomery Planning Board Chair Casey Anderson asking for 'a comprehensive review of all County owned and maintained street names and public facilities to determine all those named for Confederate soldiers or those who otherwise do not reflect Montgomery County values.'" A URL is provided: <https://montgomeryplanningboard.org/meet-the-board/> as oversight over the Montgomery County Planning Department and

A "Contact" box is located on the right side of the page, containing the text: "Contact. For questions and comments, please contact us by [email](#) or by filling out the form on this page."

Project website  
with FAQs at  
launch,  
Summer 2020

# Research Methodology and Sources

- Digitized local newspapers
- Burials of Confederate veterans
- Men from Montgomery County identified in Daniel Hartzler's *Marylanders in the Confederacy* (1986) based largely on C.S.A. records at the National Archives
- Fact checking names against the National Park Service Civil War Soldiers and Sailors Database
- Data transfer from Maryland State Archives' Legacy of Slavery database, including census records, manumission documents, and runaway ads
- Tax assessment records from 1793 to 1864 (preliminary review only)

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Special Schedule  
SPECIAL SCHEDULE  
SURVIVING SOLDIERS, SAILORS, AND MARINES, AND WIDOWS, ETC.

Persons who served in the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States during the war of the rebellion (who are survivors), and widows of such persons, in \_\_\_\_\_, County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_, enumerated in June, 1890.

No.	Name of Surviving Soldier, Sailor, and Marine, and Widow.	Rank.	Company.	Place of Enrollment.	Date of Enrollment.	Date of Discharge.	Length of Service.
19 21	William H. M. Williams & A. Brown	Private	9	30	1861	1865	4
23 64	James H. Longstreng	Private	6	10	1861	1865	4
60 84	James G. Johnson	Private	6	51	1861	1865	4
66 70	James G. Johnson	Private	6	48	1861	1865	4
112 118	Charles M. Robinson	Private	11	11	1861	1865	4
154 154	Charles M. Robinson	Private	11	11	1861	1865	4
155 176	Abraham Davis	Capt.	6	11	1861	1865	4
174 178	William B. White	Private	1	1	1861	1865	4
177 177	Robert A. Brown	Private	6	37	1861	1865	4
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**Ex-Confederates at Rockville.**  
*The Washington Post (1877-1922); Feb 3, 1896; ProQuest Historical Newspaper pg. 7*

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The third annual meeting of the Ridge-ly Brown Camp of Confederate Veterans of Montgomery County was held Saturday at the Rockville court house. Officers for the ensuing year were elected, as follows: Capt. E. J. Chiswell, Commander; Capt. Thomas Griffith, Lieutenant Commander; E. L. Amiss, Adjutant; E. L. Tschiffely, Treasurer; Frank B. Horner, Spencer C. Jones, John P. Sellman, and D. H. Horner, executive committee. The following were elected delegates to the general encampment: Spencer C. Jones and John P. Sellman; alternates, Cooke D. Luckett and E. L. Tschiffely.

Delegates to the Baltimore convention, which will convene for the purpose of organizing a State division of Confederate Veterans, were elected as follows: James Anderson, Robert M. Mackall, and David Griffith.

An appropriation of \$10 was made to the Jefferson Davis monument fund.

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(Confederate.)  
 No. 11 Cav. Va.  
 Phil. A. Meyer  
 1st Lt., 11 Reg. Virginia Cavalry.

Appears on \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company Master Roll  
 of the organization named above,  
 for \_\_\_\_\_, 1863.

Enlisted: \_\_\_\_\_  
 When: \_\_\_\_\_, 1863  
 Where: *Newmarket*  
 By whom: *Capt. M. Donald*  
 Period: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Last paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
 By whom: *Capt. Taylor*  
 To what time: \_\_\_\_\_, 1863

Present or absent: *absent*  
 Remarks: *absent without leave*

Book mark: \_\_\_\_\_  
*H. A. Rodey*



# Confederate Documentation

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**RECORD OF SLAVES IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY,**

At the Time of the Adoption of the Constitution in 1864.

DATE	NAME OF OWNER	NAME OF SLAVE	SEX	AGE	PHYSICAL CONDITION	TERM OF SERVITUDE	Left with or Taken by the Military		Enlisted in U.S. Service		REGIMENT	Compensation Received	BY WHOM TAKEN OR OWNERSHIP PROVED
							Dep.	Month	Year	Dep.			
11/7/45	B. Small, Healy as legal representative of Charles Healy	Leon White	male	17	Healthy	To life						A. F. Healy	
		Leon	"	55	"	"						Edward M. Lewis	
		Annora Bonds	female	25	"	"						Thomas Spalding	
		Edith	female	10	"	"							
		John	male	9	"	"							
		Leon	male	6	"	"							
		Lucy	female	4	"	"							
		Henry	male	15	"	"							
	Anderson Morgan	George Brown	male	26	Healthy	To life						Anderson Morgan	
		Henry	male	24	"	"						Samuel Holladay	
		Joseph	male	15	"	To life						Thomas Jones	
		Ann	female	10	"	"							
	John Adams for Robert S. Adams his legal representative	Spain Moore	female	30	Healthy	To life						Robert S. Adams	
		John	male	35	"	"						A. H. Jones	
		Mary	female	31	"	"						John Jones	
		Robert	male	19	"	"							
		Leon	male	17	"	"							
		John	male	15	"	"							
		Edith	female	11	"	"							
		Ann	female	18	"	"							
	Charles Bondurant for George A. J. Bondurant	Frank	male	30	Healthy	To life						A. F. Bondurant (owner)	
												George Jones	
												M. Fields	
	Thomas Bondurant	Thomas Bondurant	male	30	Healthy	To life						Thomas Bondurant, John S. Bondurant	
		Ann Bondurant	female	35	"	"						John S. Bondurant	
	John S. Bondurant for Thomas Bondurant	Robert Bondurant	male	14	Healthy	To life						Thomas Bondurant, John S. Bondurant	
		John Bondurant	male	12	"	"						John S. Bondurant	

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4th & 5th Male Slaves under 10 years of age

1853	Name	Age	Value	Name	Age	Value	Name	Age	Value
	Oncale Ann			Charles	23	400			
	Oncale Eleanor			John	33	400			
	Brother William W. 1857			Hansen	42				
				Anderson	28	800			
	Henry Peter D	Thomas	6	75	William	18	350	Hansen	25
								Alexander	21
								Abraham	35
								Frank	30
	Peter Rachel	Thomas	1	Henry	16	350	Brother	40	400
		John	3						
	Peter William H			John	18	350	John	21	400
	Henry N. B. T. 1853	James	9	75					
	Henry Samuel	Joseph	8	George	20		Oliver	28	400
		Charles	1	William	14				
				Henry	16				
				Washington	15				
				Harriet	12	1350			
	Oncale Ann R								

**RAN AWAY**

From the subscriber, living about two miles from Rockville, Montgomery County, Maryland, on the night of the 2d May, a negro man named CHARLES, about five feet six inches high, very spare made; and will probably attempt to pass by the name of Charles Butler. He took with him only what clothes he had on, which were made of country cloth. Whoever takes up the said negro shall receive a reward of ten dollars if taken in Montgomery, or twenty dollars if out of the county.

**SAMUEL MIDDLETON,**  
 May 6 1851

# Slaveholding Documentation

# Preliminary Findings

## Confederates/Slaveholders in Montgomery County

- **5,826 known slaveholders** from 1790 to 1864
- **269 residents** of Montgomery County fought for or materially supported the Confederate Army
- **440 senior officers** of the Confederate Army

## Confederate Surnames and Full Names

- **137 Streets** matching local Confederate surnames
- **325 Streets** matching all Confederate surnames
- **30 parks and 6 trails** matching Confederate surnames

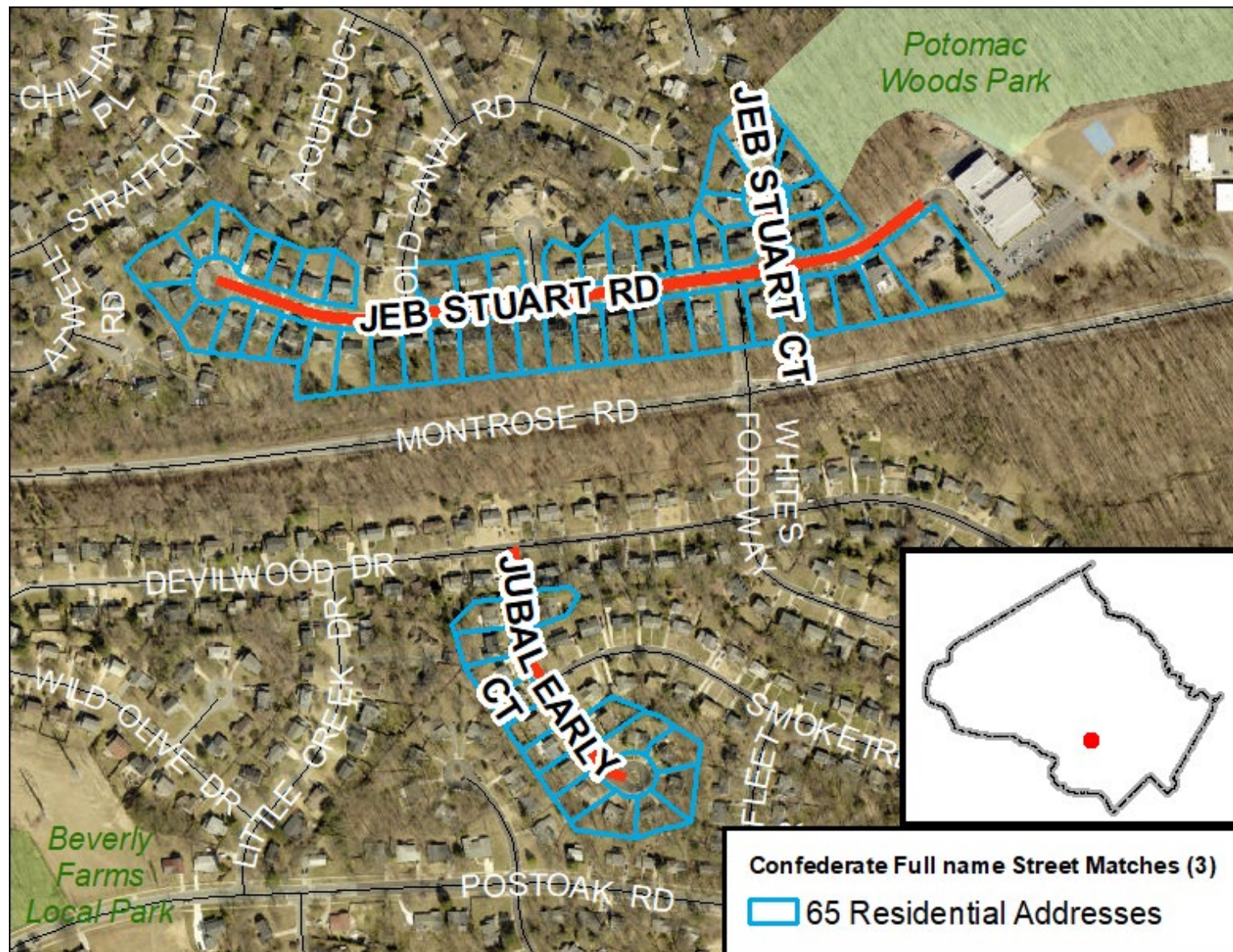
## New Information

- Names of over **3,300 enslaved individuals** who were held in bondage in Montgomery County.

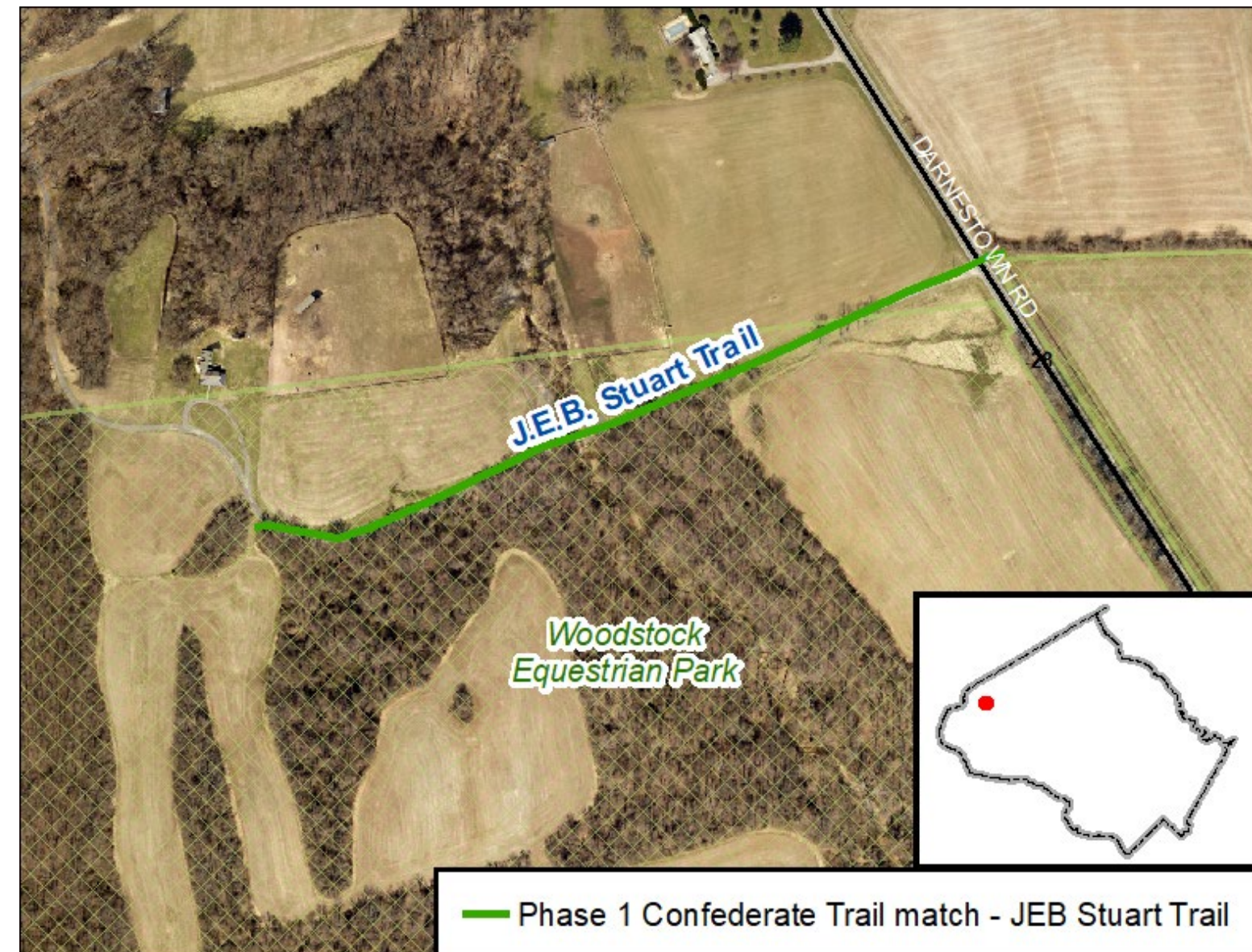
# Phase 1 implementation:

**3 streets & 1 park trail**—full-name matches to *nationally known Confederates*

JEB Stuart Court & JEB Stuart Road  
Jubal Early Court



J.E.B. Stuart Trail  
at Woodstock Equestrian Park



# Planning Board Resolution—January 14, 2021



**MONTGOMERY COUNTY PLANNING BOARD**  
THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION

**MCPB No. 21-005**

## **RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, by virtue of the authority vested upon it in Sections 17-212 and 20-202 of the Land Use Article of the Annotated Code of Maryland, is the exclusive street naming and re-naming authority within that portion of the Regional District lying situate within Montgomery County; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Planning Board has delegated said authority to the Montgomery County Planning Department; and

WHEREAS, on June 15, 2020, the County Council of Montgomery County made the following request of the Chair of The Montgomery County Planning Board and of the County Executive:

[a]s stewards of Montgomery County's public assets, we are calling on you to initiate a comprehensive review of all County owned and maintained street names and public facilities to determine all those named for Confederate soldiers or those who otherwise do not reflect Montgomery County values. Following that review, we hereby request a public process to rename these county streets and facilities in a manner that more appropriately reflects the community to which they belong . . . ; and

WHEREAS, The Montgomery County Planning Department timely conducted said review and determined, in consultation with the County Council, that the following streets within that portion of the Regional District lying situate within Montgomery County should immediately be subject to re-naming, to wit, Jubal Early Court, J.E.B Stuart Road, and J.E.B Stuart Court.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that The Montgomery County Planning Board of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission does hereby direct the Montgomery County Planning Department to immediately initiate the process of renaming Jubal Early Court, J.E.B. Stuart Road, and J.E.B. Stuart Court.

Approved as to  
Legal Sufficiency:

M-NCPPC Legal Department

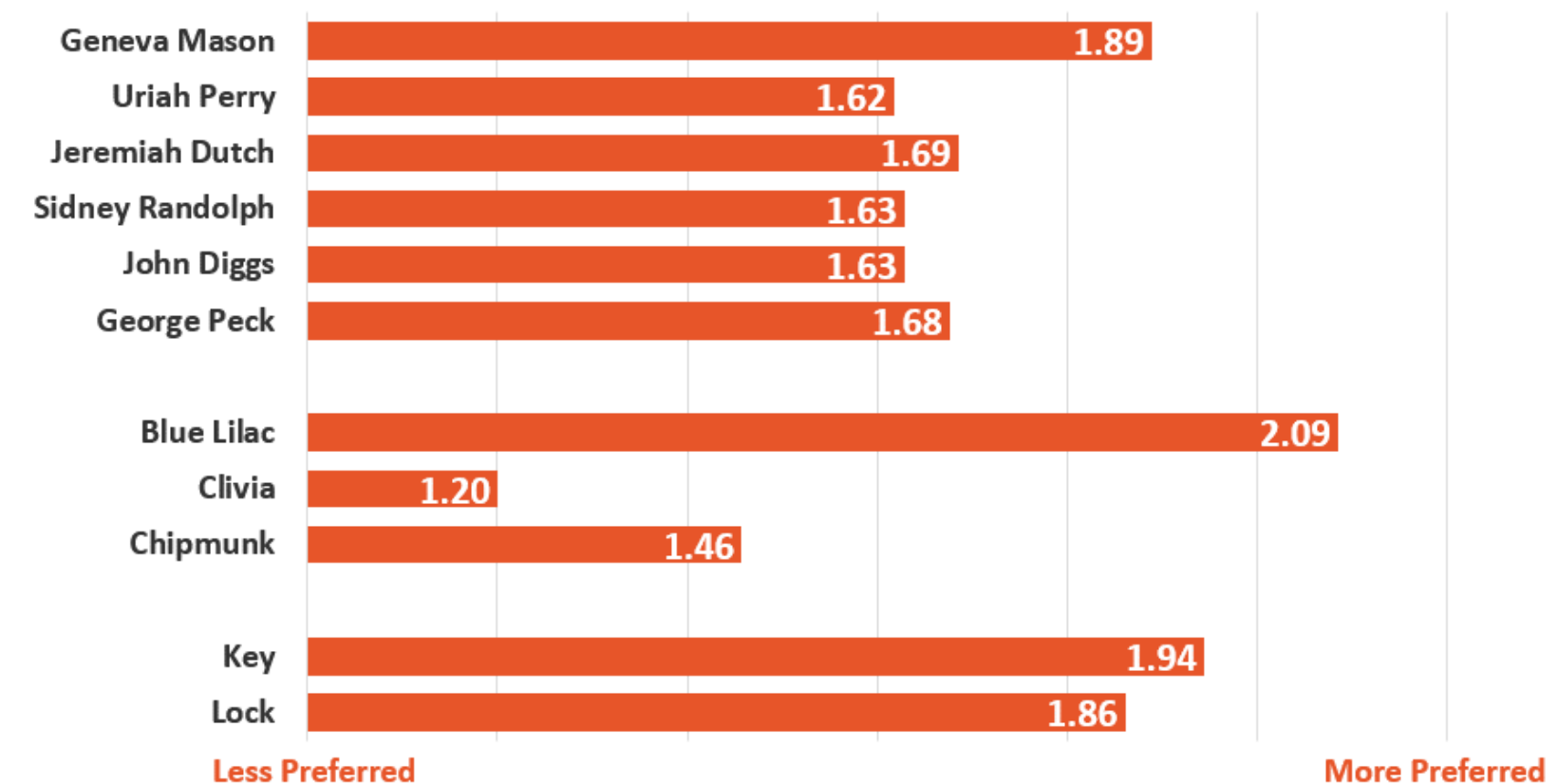
- Planning Board adopted a Resolution to initiate the process of **renaming Jubal Early Court, J.E.B. Stuart Road, and J.E.B. Stuart Court**
- Letter sent to 70 owners/residents in early February announcing Feb. 22, 2021 community meeting.

# Phase 1 Streets Renaming: Community Engagement

## Feb. 22, 2021 Virtual Community Meeting

- Briefed affected residents on renaming project & pending street renaming process
- Invitations sent only to property owners on 3 affected streets
- Sought feedback on new name options through Q&A and poll during/after meeting
- Montgomery Planning identified potential street names: African American history of Mont. County, natural features & place names
- Noted that Planning Director makes final decision

## Initial Street Name Ratings



*Results from live poll during the meeting*



# Process to Rename Streets

## **Montgomery County Planning Dept.**

- Notify affected residents of street name changes.
- Coordinate with Montgomery County DOT, Fire & Emergency Services, DTS, DPS, and SDAT.
- Notify U.S. Postal Service of the address change.
- Closely monitor transition to new street name, ensuring all public databases (SDAT, USPS, MC emergency services) reflect the correct information.

## **Montgomery County Dept. of Transportation**

- Remove and replace street signs
- Responsible for costs of labor and materials

## **Residents**

- Complete a Change-of-Address form with the U.S. Postal Service.
- Update all personal records and contacts regarding the new address, including with banks, schools, the MVA, subscriptions, any pertinent federal agency.



# Street Renaming Ceremony, July 2021

- Streets named for Confederate Generals renamed to honor local African American activists and elders **Geneva Mason** and **William Dove**.
- New sign installation celebration held July 2021.
- Mason and Dove descendants from the Scotland community attended.



THE MARYLAND-NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION  
**MONTGOMERY COUNTY STREET & PARK  
FACILITIES NAMING REVIEW PROJECT**



# Street & Park Renaming Process to date

- **Summer 2020:** Joint Montgomery Planning & Parks Departments research project
- **Fall 2020:** Montgomery Parks renames J.E.B. Stuart Trail
- **October 1, 2020:** Planning Board briefing; received concurrence with research methodology & authorization to seek guidance from County Council
- **December 7, 2020:** Briefing for County Council's Planning, Housing & Economic Development Committee: Proceed with renaming of three streets identified in Phase 1
- **January 12, 2021:** Briefing for full County Council
- **January 14, 2021:** Planning Board resolution to rename Phase 1 streets
- **February-July 2021:** Montgomery Planning implementation to rename Phase 1 streets, including community engagement

***Future phases—***  
*Dependent on budget & work program capacity:*

- Vetting of additional street names identified through research & community requests
- Coordination with City of Takoma Park
- QC & release of research database

# Six Lessons Learned from Montgomery County Street Renamings

# Lesson #1:

It's complicated—  
to accurately identify places &  
associations

# Last Names are Not Enough



*The Howard-Holland reunion of 1992. (Photo: [Sandy Spring Museum](#))*

# Last Names are Not Enough

The Fifty - Ninth Annual Union

## CAMP MEETING

EMORY GROVE - NEAR GAITHERSBURG, MD.  
**AUGUST 13, 20 & 27, 1950**  
 The Methodist Church, Wash. District  
 AT THE MINERAL GROVE CAMP GROUNDS

*Order of Services*

SUNDAY AUGUST 18th  
 10:00 A.M. Church School . . . . . E. U. Taylor, Superintendent  
 3 P.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. T. H. Reed  
 Brook Grove Charge  
 Accompanied by Choir and Prof. C. E. Ross' Sacred Band

SUNDAY AUGUST 20th  
 10:00 A.M. . . . . Church School  
 11:00 A.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. Moses Prather  
 3:00 P.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. Richard H. Johnson  
 District Superintendent  
 8 P.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. Edwin Prather  
 Accompanied by the male Chorus of Laytonsville and Stewardtown  
 Admission Free

SUNDAY AUGUST 27th  
 10:00 A.M. . . . . Church School  
 11:00 A.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. I. H. Gray  
 Accompanied by Choir  
 3:00 P.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. J. J. Barnes  
 of Baltimore, Md.  
 8 P.M. Sermon by . . . . . Rev. Wm. H. Tyler

All Sister Churches, Singing Bands and Pastors are Invited.

COMMITTEE of ARRANGEMENTS

Edward Johnson	William Ridgley
Nathan Duvall	Samuel Hollman
Frank Duvall	Pearl B. Green
Sarah Braxton	Ruize Tyler
John Braxton	Esther Myles
Henry Braxton	

Rev. Joseph Stemley, Pastor      Rev. R. H. Johnson, Dist. Supt.

**Admission Adults 25c - Children 10c**

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## Lesson #2:

Interpreting the renaming scope to make it **actionable** is key.

# Distilling the Charge

## Council Request

*...to determine all those named for Confederate soldiers or those who otherwise do not reflect Montgomery County values...*

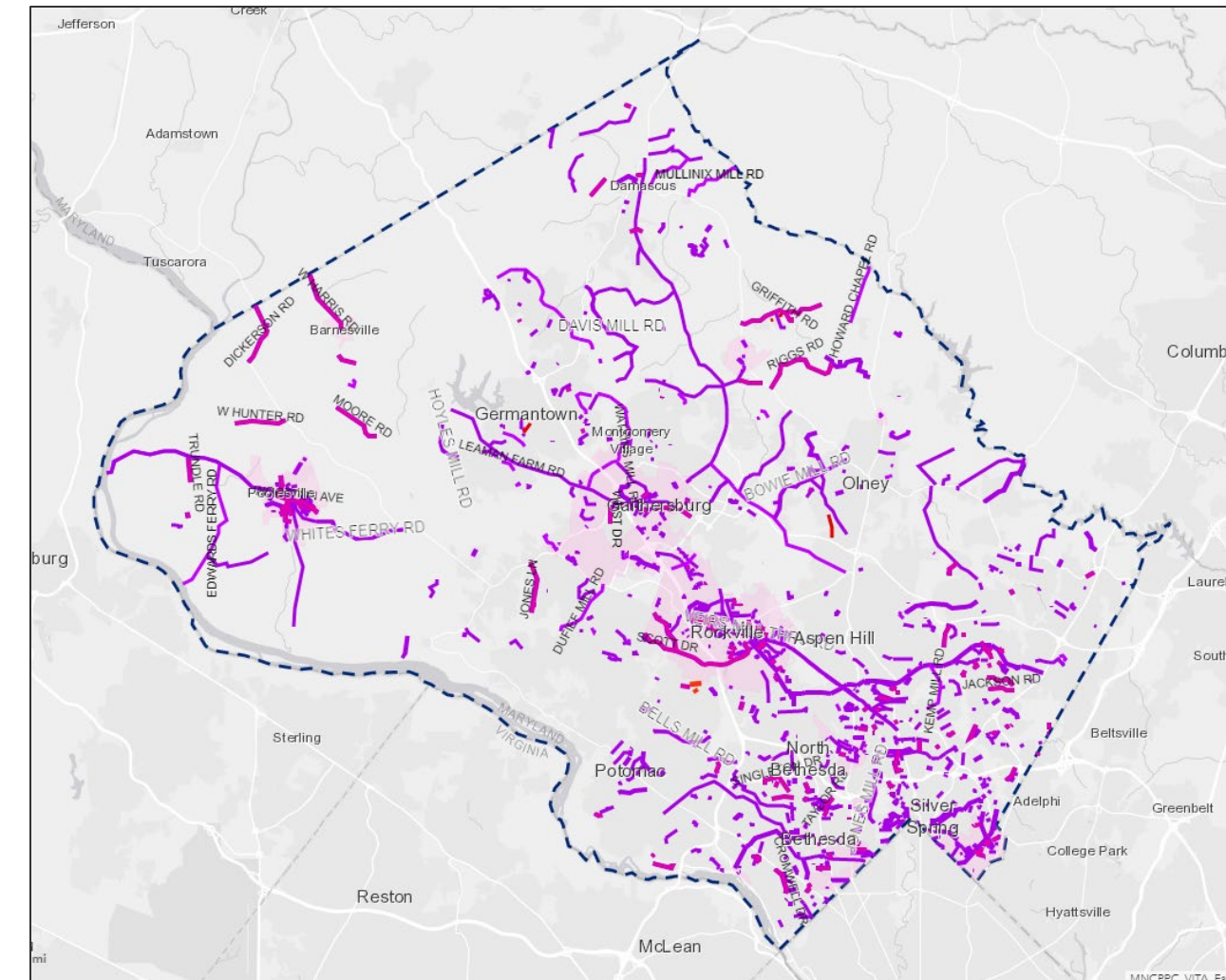
## Who does this encompass?

- Nationally-known Confederates
- Local Confederates
- Confederate Sympathizers
- Slaveholders
- Segregationists
- Others?

## Confederates & Slaveholders

Created a GIS map that included **Place Names, Surnames, Full Names**

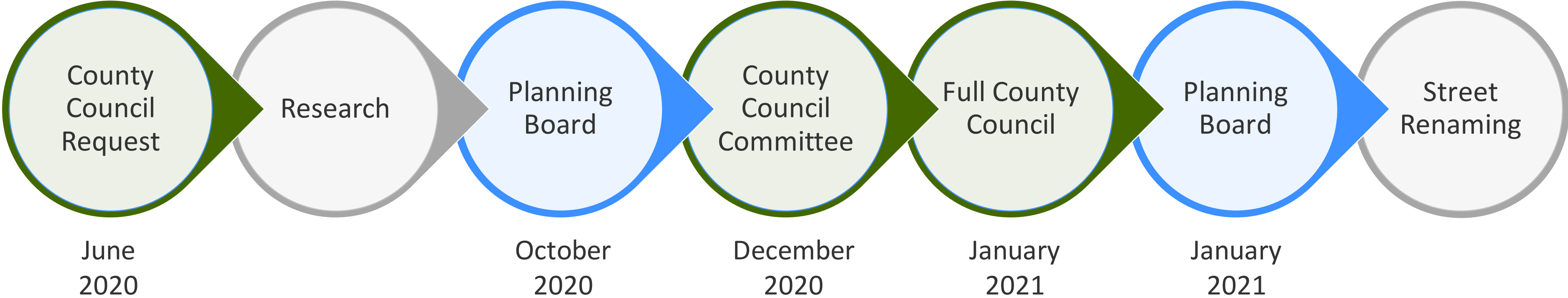
Preliminary Total of **1241 streets** with 1000s of properties potentially impacted



## Lesson #3:

Getting officials' buy-in on the process early & often is critical.

# Multiple touchpoints with decision-making officials for renaming process guidance & buy-in



# Montgomery County Council Direction

“Village of Dickerson”	Look for names not tied to an established geographic location.
“Wilson Orchard Road”	Look for names that are not associated with property owners or farms.
“Jeb Stuart Road”	Look for names & associations that represent a <i>deliberate choice</i> to send message as to who is welcome and who is not in certain communities and associations tied to Lost Cause efforts.

## Lesson #4:

Renamings provide opportunity to do **original research**—leverage for future efforts

# Manumissions Records



Age	County	Date	Document	First Name	Last Name	Sex	First Name	Last Name
	Montgomery	May 22, 1860		Basil	Beall	F	Hester	
	Montgomery	February 26, 1856		Thomas	Bowie	F	N/A	N/A
	Montgomery	August 24, 1845		Nicholas	Gassaway	M	Harry	
	Montgomery	October 21, 1859		Sarah	Griffith	M	Elijah	Hacket
	Montgomery	May 22, 1860		Basil	Beall	F	Hester	
	Montgomery	August 15, 1864		Anna	Forrest	M	Thomas	Sedgwick
	Montgomery	May 25, 1840		Nathan	Holland	M	Jeffrey	Richardson
	Montgomery	August 26, 1844		Isaac	Moore	M	Negro Evan	
	Montgomery	August 26, 1844		Isaac	Moore	F	Negro Mary	
	Montgomery	August 26, 1844		Isaac	Moore	M	Negro Lawson	
	Montgomery	June 9, 1807		James	Spencer	M	Negro Phillip	
	Montgomery	June 9, 1807		James	Spencer	F	Negro Mary	
	Montgomery	June 9, 1807		James	Spencer	F	Negro Caroline	
	Montgomery	January 13, 1815		Anna	Slater	F	Negro Suck	
	Montgomery	January 13, 1815		Anna	Slater	M	Arnold	Thomas
	Montgomery	January 13, 1815		Anna	Slater	M	George	Edwards
1	Montgomery	August 12, 1839		Thomas	Lyles	F	Nancy	Lyles
1	Montgomery	June 5, 1843		Martha	Ford	F	Amanda	Brown
1	Montgomery	April 30, 1851		Allen	Bowman	M	Otho	Dorsey
2	Montgomery	April 30, 1851		Allen	Bowman	F	Leah	Dorsey
2	Montgomery	April 24, 1855		William	Gaither	F	Isabella	
2	Montgomery	July 26, 1859		William	Gaither	F	Eliza	
2	Montgomery	January 3, 1854		William	Bowen	F	Juliana	Edwards

# Lesson #5:

New Names bring New  
Opportunities and Challenges



# Lessons Learned: New Names

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What is the role of Commemoration in your Community?

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Name Options—A Person, Place, Thing, Attribute?

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Vetting—Standards in your Community?

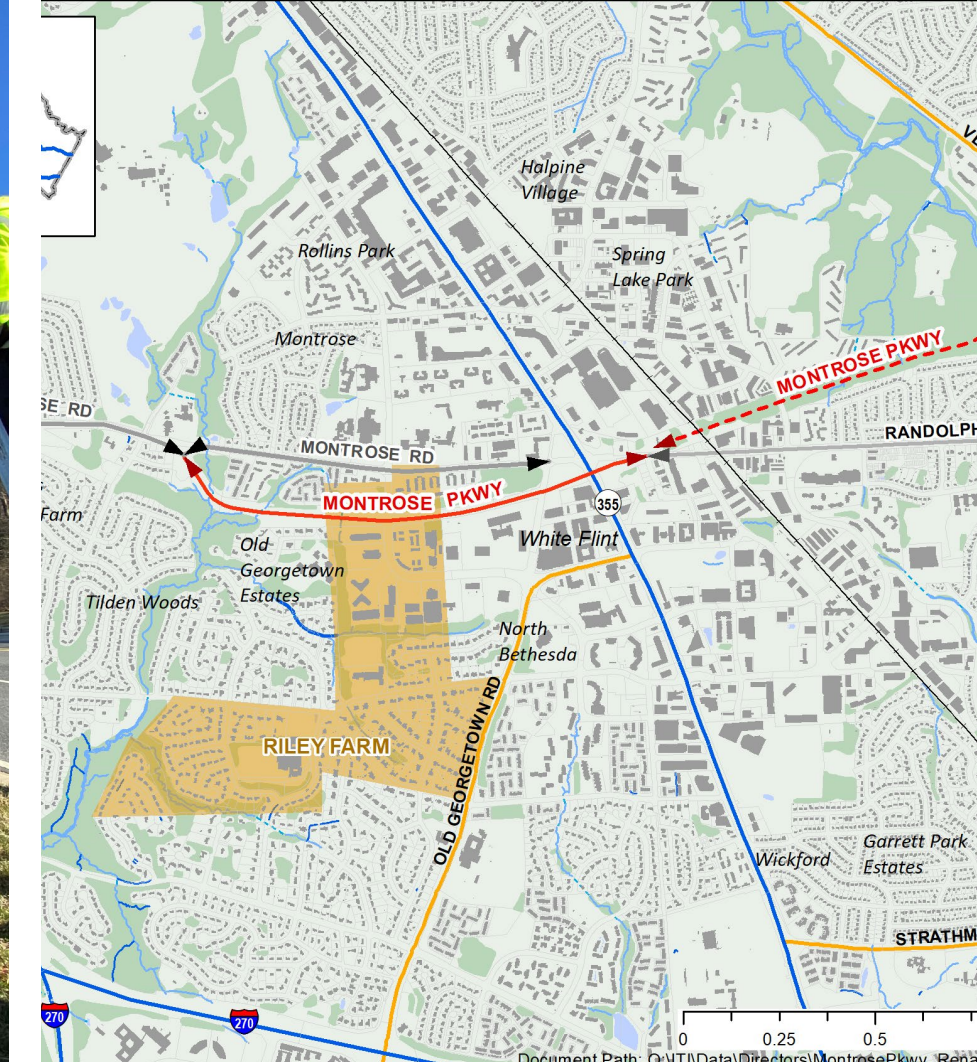
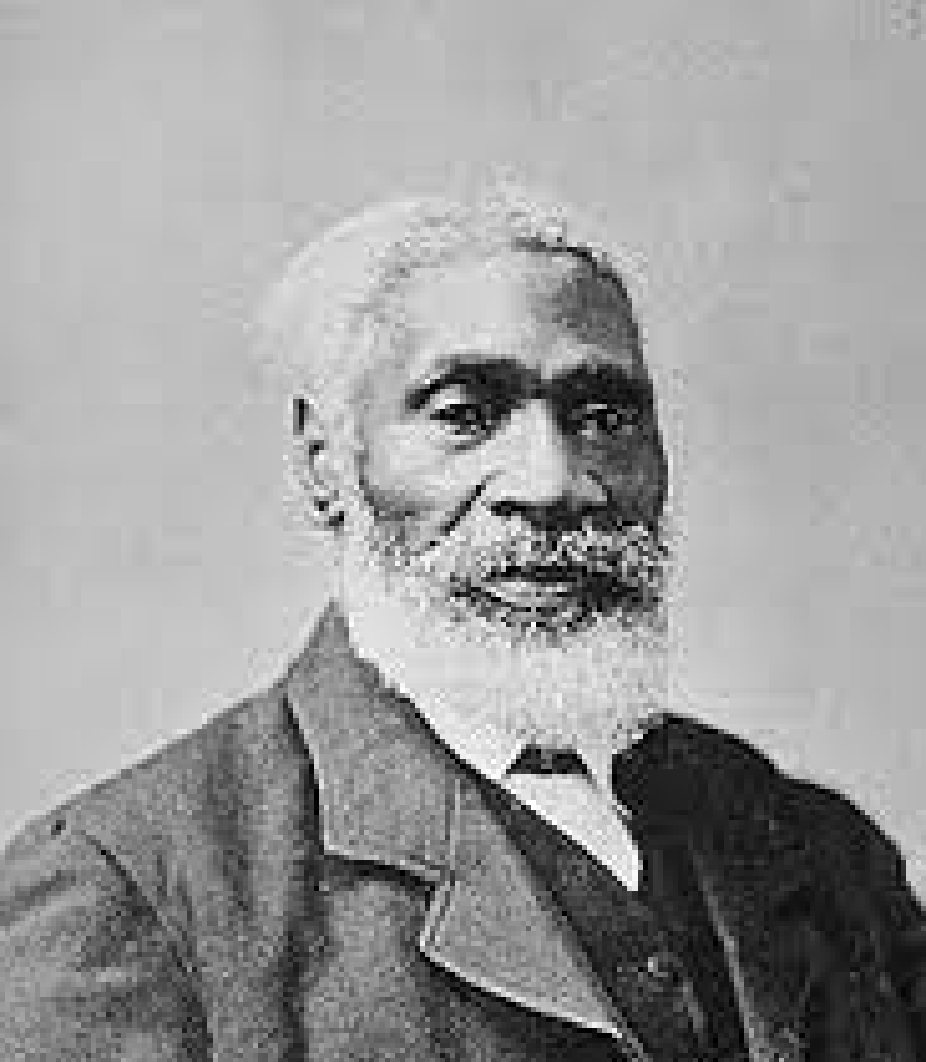
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Who decides & What is the role of community engagement?

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## Lesson #6:

Renamings—a way to elevate local African-American history, outside of museums & classrooms



**Recognizing another Mont. County Hero:**

**Josiah Henson Parkway Renaming**

**March 2022**

*Result of separate County Council request to rename Montrose Parkway (not named after a Confederate) after Rev. Josiah Henson*

# Connect | Questions

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- **Q1:** Public spaces such as parks & streets were frequently named to memorialize events & individuals associated with racism, slavery, colonialism, & other forms of discrimination. Has your community made efforts to address and/or atone for this memorialization within the public realm?
- **Q2:** Are there any streets or public facilities that have been renamed or are being considered for renaming in your community?
- **Q3:** How has your community responded to the potential renaming of public spaces?