

MARYLAND



BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Friday July 25, 2025, 9:00-11:00 am ET

Hosted by the Maryland-National Capital Park & Planning Commission





I. ROLL CALL & NEW MDOT STAFF

STATE AGENCIES:

Kandese Holford, Maryland Department Of Transportation
Ali Macstudy, Maryland Department Of Health
Lt. Laura Beck, Maryland State Police
Cindy Miller, Department Of Tourism
Brooks Phelps, Maryland Department Of Planning
Gabriel Rose, Maryland State Department Of Education
Sandi Olek, Maryland Department Of Natural Resources
Bong Delrosario, Maryland Department Of Disabilities
Michael Jackson, Maryland National Park & Planning Commission

CITIZENS:

Jon Morrison, Chairperson
Kristy Daphnis, Member At Large
Matthew Hendrickson, Baltimore Metropolitan
Ndegwa Kamau, Washington Metropolitan
Andrew Lingelbach, Visually Impaired
Sarah Myers, Western Maryland
Nigel Samaroo, Member At Large
Patti Stevens, Eastern Shore
James Titus, Washington Metropolitan
Marian Vessels, Mobility Impaired
Antoine RJ Wright, Member At Large
VACANT, Baltimore Metropolitan
VACANT, Southern Maryland

I. ROLL CALL & NEW MDOT STAFF



Welcome: Quinn Wallace, MDOT's new Active Transportation Planner

About Quinn: Quinn Wallace is joining MDOT as an Active Transportation Planner. She previously worked as a planner for the Federal Transit Administration, the City of Oakland (CA) Department of Transportation, and Kittelson & Associates. Quinn holds a Master's degree in Planning from the University of Southern California and a Bachelor's in Geography from Mount Holyoke College.

Main Responsibilities:

- MBPAC staffing and coordination
- Bikeways and federal funding pipeline for multimodal projects
- Bike Standards adoptions and updates
- BPMP Tracking and new projects as assigned



Agenda

- I. Roll Call & Welcome
- II. Agenda Review & Approval of Minutes
- III. Go! Prince George's
- IV. VRU Safety and MDOT Programs
- V. State Agency Updates
- VI. Old Business, Engagement Opportunities,
& Public Comment
- VII. MBPAC Subcommittee Reports
- VIII. Closing Reminders and Adjournment



II. MBPAC Minutes

- April 25, 2025, Draft Minutes: Emailed on July 3, 2025, for review. Names and attendance corrected since draft was sent.
- Highlights: Federal funding updates, legislative session recap, Maryland Department of Health SRTS Walk Audit grant
- Today: Any final corrections & vote



Friday April 25, 2025
TEAMS meeting
9:00 AM

Meeting Minutes

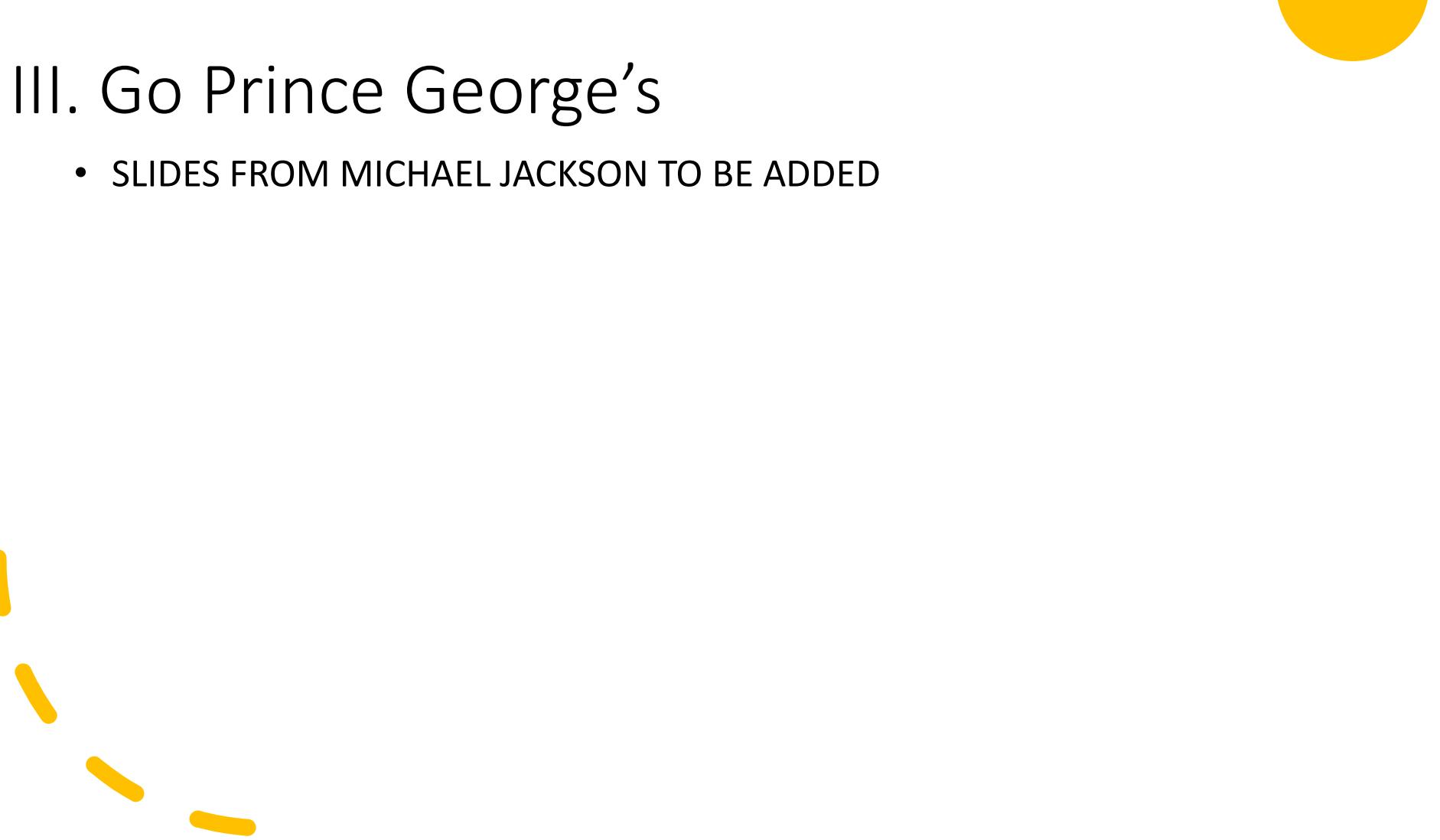
Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, Quarterly Meeting

Friday April 25, 2025

9-11:00am, This meeting was held online through Microsoft Teams

Attendees:

Members:	Absent Members:	Non-Members:	
Jon Morrison, Chair	Sandi Olek	Aviva Klugh	Daniel Paschall
Ali Macstudy	Cindy Miller	Budischak, Katrina	Deron Lovaas
Kristy Daphnis	Ndegwa Kamau	Charlene Mingus	Drew Morrison
Bong Delrosario	Andrew Lingelbach	Heather Grant	Francine Waters
Brooks Phelps		Jon Korin	Marycella Dumlao
Gabriel Rose		Daniel Paschall	Melissa Williams
Matt Hendrickson	Meg Young	Jim Hock	Shane Sarver
Kandese Holford		14433363739	Sean Winkler
Michael Jackson		13016025421	
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Sarah Myers			



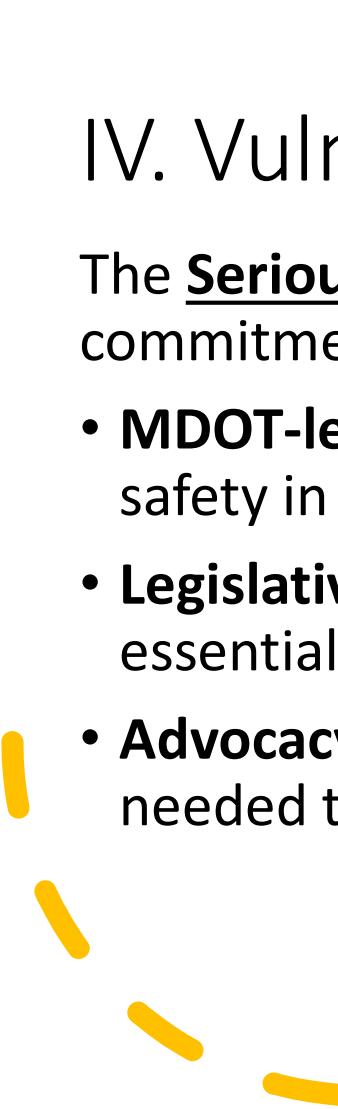
III. Go Prince George's

- SLIDES FROM MICHAEL JACKSON TO BE ADDED

IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

The **Serious About Safety** program is at the heart of MDOT's commitment to safety, emphasizing three key pillars:

- **MDOT-led Initiatives:** Transforming our business practices to prioritize safety in every project, policy, and standard we implement.
- **Legislative Action:** Championing and collaborating on legislation essential for enhancing safety outcomes across the state.
- **Advocacy + Engagement:** Leading and partnering to deliver bold action needed to improve safety outcomes.



Serious About Safety



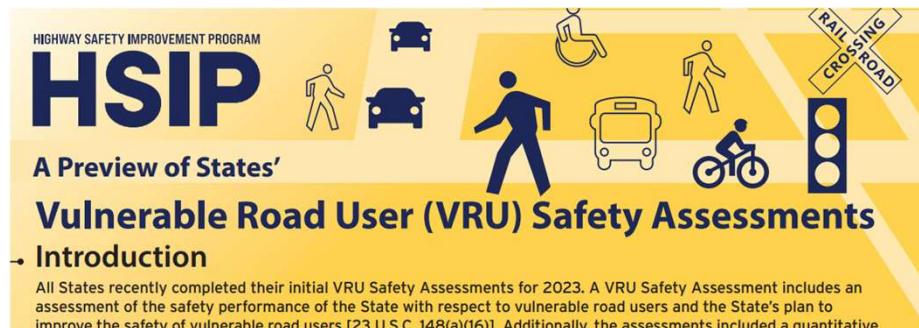
IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

Purpose of the VRU Safety Assessment Update

In 2023, the Federal Highway Administration required all states to develop a Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Safety Assessment, as mandated by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (also known as the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law).

The VRU Safety Assessment, aligned with FHWA guidelines, is a **data-driven analysis that identifies local and state roadways with elevated risks** for people walking, biking, or using personal mobility devices.

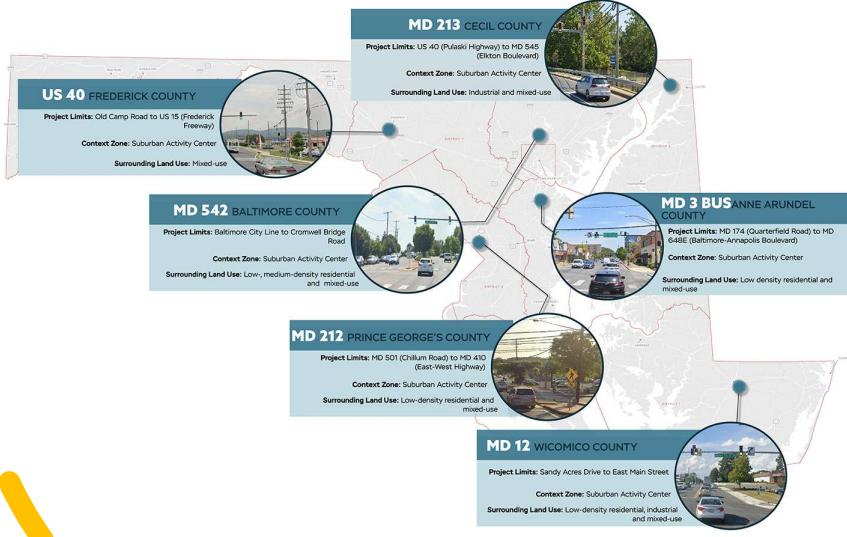
As Appendix C to the 2021-2025 MD Strategic Highway Safety Plan (SHSP). Updates are required in conjunction with the state's SHSP every five years. State highway Administration has now aligned these two processes for the first time.



Screenshot: FHWA's HSIP and VRU program flyer, FHWA-SA-24-034

IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

Vulnerable Road User CORRIDORS



- The Vulnerable Road User (VRU) Safety Assessment is a comprehensive statewide examination aimed at understanding the transportation safety challenges faced by VRUs.
- Improvements are expected to be implemented within a 1 - 2 year timeframe to improve VRU safety and mobility.
- The first six corridors have projects that are underway.



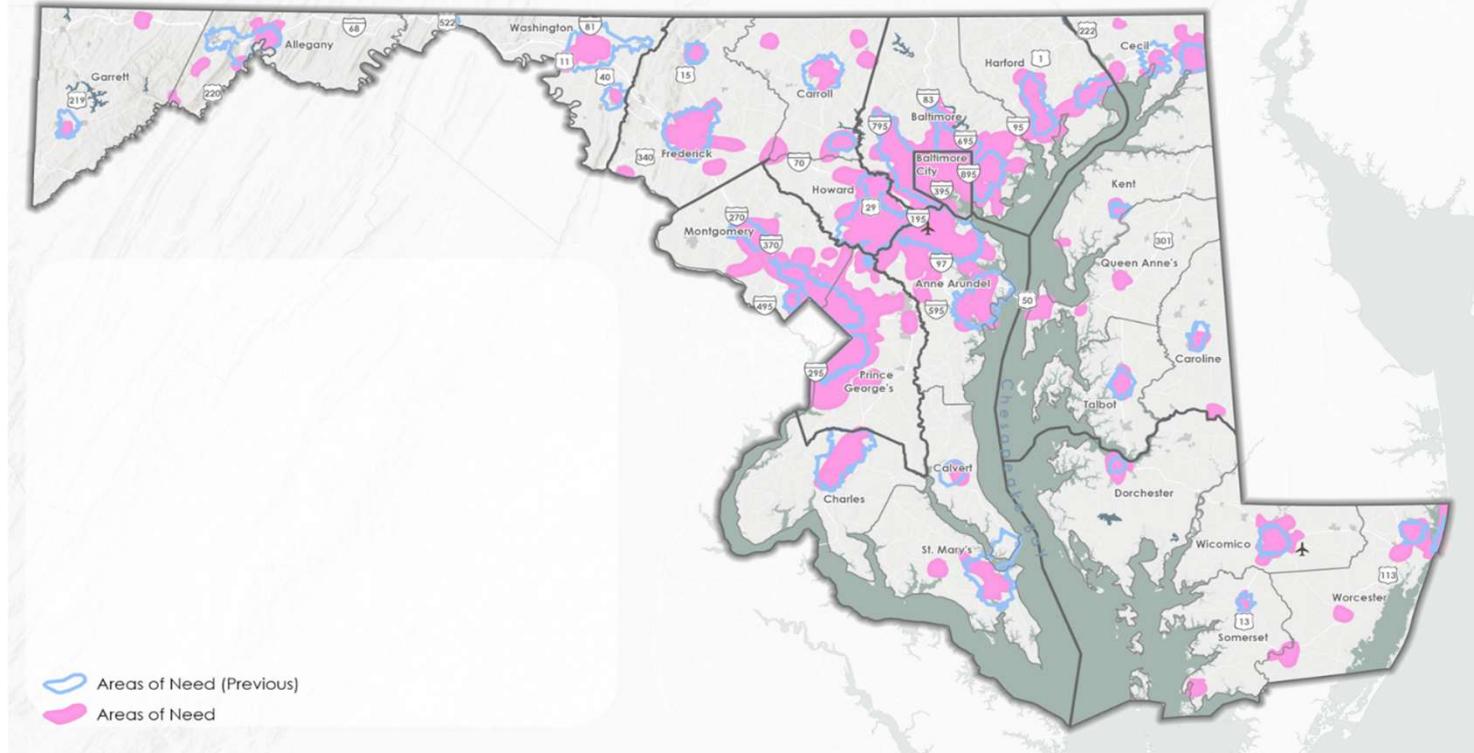
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PRIOTITIZATION METHODOLOGY INVOLVES:

- Fatal non-motorized crashes per mile (Above District Average)
- Serious Injury Non-Motorized crashes per mile (Above District Average)
- Other non-motorized crashes per mile (Above District Average)
- Public comment Density (Conducted in December of 2024 and January 2025)
- Community Factors
- Destinations and connections:
 - Rail Station within ½ miles
 - MDOT SHA Bike Spine
 - Bus stops (Above District Average)
 - Schools
 - Candidate Safety Improvement Intersections(CSII)- All crashes
 - Candidate Safety Improvement Sections(CSIS)- All crashes
 - Short Trip Opportunity Areas (STOA)

IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

AREAS OF NEED





IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

HIGH RISK CORRIDORS

- In each District, the VRU Assessment revealed where there were roadway segments with a high-risk to VRUs, or VRU corridors.
- Each district has a different number of VRU Corridors.
- Some corridors overlap with those from the previous round, as this update occurs just two years after the last one.
- Corridors were weighted based on factors outlined in the previous slide.
- During these consultation meetings and through an online survey, SHA is gathering input from stakeholders and interested parties.
- Input focuses on concerns and desired improvements for the identified High-Risk, or VRU corridors.
- Collected feedback will be summarized and included in the upcoming 2026 – 2030 MD SHSP.

MD SHSP

IV. Vulnerable Road Users & MDOT programs

MDOT-led programs and a range of funding sources which have the direct intent of improving safety for the areas of need and high-risk corridors that are identified through the VRU Safety Assessment:

- **Programs:**
 - Pedestrian Safety Action Plan (PSAP)
 - Complete Streets Quick Build Program
 - *Will be referenced in updated Complete Streets Decision making processes*
- **Funding Sources*:**
 - SHA System Preservation Funds
 - Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP)
 - Multimodal Grants
 - Transportation Alternatives
 - Recreational Trails Program
 - Climate Reduction Program
 - Kim Lamphier Bikeways
 - Bicycle Pedestrian Priority Area (BPPA) Program

**Governor Moore's budget increases the CTP's investment in MDOT's CS program by over \$38M over the six-year capital program period. It supports system preservation and safety projects across the State, including active transportation and micromobility projects.*

IV. VRU Assessment and Adopted Plans

The updated Complete Streets policy requires updates to decision making processes to review plans and local context like being identified as a high-risk corridor for VRUs

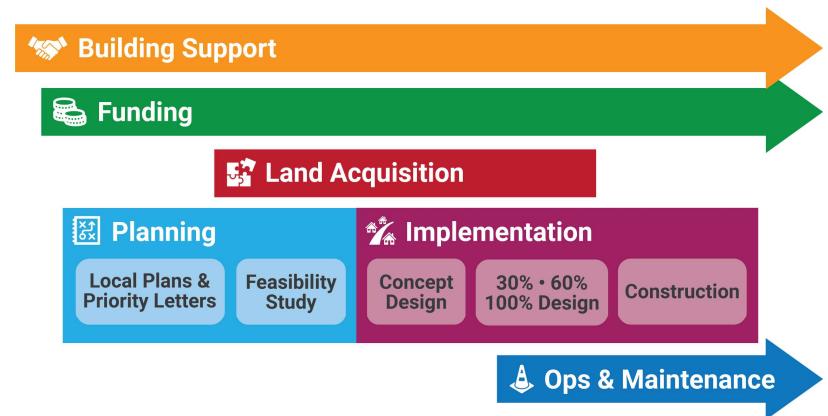
Project Initiation Steps for Roadway Projects in MDOT Right-of-Way



IV. VRU Assessment and Adopted Plans

State and locally-adopted plans can include preferred treatments (i.e. shared use path, sidewalk and bike lane, etc) within VRU areas of need and the high-risk corridors, which demonstrate documented need. Including a preferred treatment in a local plan will make it more competitive for any MDOT administered funding. Example plans include:

- State Plans:
 - Maryland Statewide Transportation Trails Strategic Plan
 - Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Master Plan
 - Maryland Strategic Highway Safety Plan
- Local Plans:
 - Local Bicycle and Pedestrian Plans
 - Local Transportation Master Plans
 - Local Safety Plans
 - Sustainable Community Plans
 - Priority Letters



V. Agency Updates

Maryland National Park and Planning Commission:

- **Parking lot Design Study:** Montgomery Planning has kicked off a Parking Lot Design Study with Toole Design funded by a USDOT Safe Streets for All grant. The project will identify design best practices for mitigating multimodal conflicts in parking lots and structures as part of the county's effort to achieve Vision Zero.
- **Prince George's Welcomes New Chairperson of the Planning Board:** The Honorable Darryl Barnes
- **WB&A Trail Bridge Opening:** In mid-May the WB&A Trail bridge over the Patuxent River, connecting trail segments in Prince George's and Anne Arundel counties, was opened to traffic. This fulfills a long awaited dream of trail advocates and transportation planners for over 25 years. An official grand opening ceremony is scheduled for September 16.





Maryland Department of Health Updates

Ali MacStudy
Prevention and Health Promotion Administration
Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Control

July 25, 2025

MDH Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety Project

MDH issued a competitive application to implement a Bike and Pedestrian Safety Project, thereby improving pedestrian and bicycling safety in elementary, middle, and high schools in Maryland counties. This project includes developing a school workshop or community event focused on bicycle safety, building partnerships with community organizations committed to pedestrian safety, Safe Routes to School programming, or providing education to families and children who walk, roll, or bike to school.

Specifically, funds will be used to support grantees in completing the following core project activities:

1. Host at least one (1) bike and pedestrian safety event by the end of the project period.
2. Collaborate with at least one (1) local school, community organization, or business to implement the project successfully.
3. Develop a sustainability plan for continued program implementation after the School Bike and Pedestrian Project or other pedestrian safety projects, after funding ends.



Washington County SRTS Project Plans

- Target Area: South End School District of Hagerstown
 - Bester Elementary School
 - South Hagerstown High School
- Interdisciplinary team
 - Recruit community partners and volunteers living or working in the South End Area
 - Key Partners: Local Public Works, LHIC Healthy Washington County, School Staff

Looking Ahead

- MDH is planning to release a rolling application for a Walk Maryland Day Planning grant
 - 5 LHDs
 - 3 Strategy choices
 - \$5-\$10,000 for planning and preparation
 - Continued funding in the next Block Grant fiscal year (Oct 1, 25-Sep 30, 26)
- Walk With Ease

V. Agency Updates - Maryland State Department of Education



Photo courtesy of Montgomery County Public Schools

Recent Events:

- Received a Governor's Proclamation for World Bicycle Day and attended a World Bicycle Day celebration event at Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Middle School in Germantown.
- Local Education Agencies (LEAs) are re-evaluating the non-transported distance around schools to assist with increasing costs for student transportation and more demanding route times.
 - Howard county is revising bus stop locations for some students as well as adjusting the "non-transported distance" policy back to prior standards from 2023 for this upcoming school year.

Current work:

Our team (within the Division of Instructional Programs) will be presenting the revised physical education standards and frameworks to the State Board of Education in September. The revised framework continues to allow LEAs that have access to bicycles and safe riding areas to create lessons that promote cycling and active transportation.

V. Agency Updates - Maryland State Department of Education

Today: Vote to provide a letter of support from MBPAC to the State Board of Education regarding the revised physical education standards and frameworks. The revised framework continues to allow LEAs that have access to bicycles and safe riding areas to create lessons that promote cycling and active transportation.

Dear President Michael and Members of the Board,

On behalf of the Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council (MBPAC), I am writing to express our strong support for the Maryland State Department of Education's revised *Physical Education Standards and Framework*. We commend the Department and the dedicated educators and stakeholders who contributed to this comprehensive and forward-thinking update.

We are especially pleased that the revised standards explicitly providing local education agencies with the flexibility to integrate active transportation education—such as walking and biking for transportation—into physical education instruction at all grade levels. This approach aligns with Maryland's ongoing commitment to improving health, safety, and environmental stewardship through multimodal transportation options. It also reflects growing national recognition of the value of equipping students with lifelong skills that promote physical activity and independent mobility.

By encouraging the incorporation of walking and bicycling education into physical education programs, MSDE supports cross-sector goals that benefit student wellness, community connectivity, and local sustainability efforts. These revisions represent a significant step toward creating healthier, more engaged, and better-prepared youth across the state.

MBPAC fully supports the implementation of the revised standards and framework, and we look forward to working collaboratively with MSDE, local education agencies, and community partners to ensure that Maryland students are given every opportunity to thrive—physically, academically, and civically.

Thank you for your leadership and commitment to student well-being.

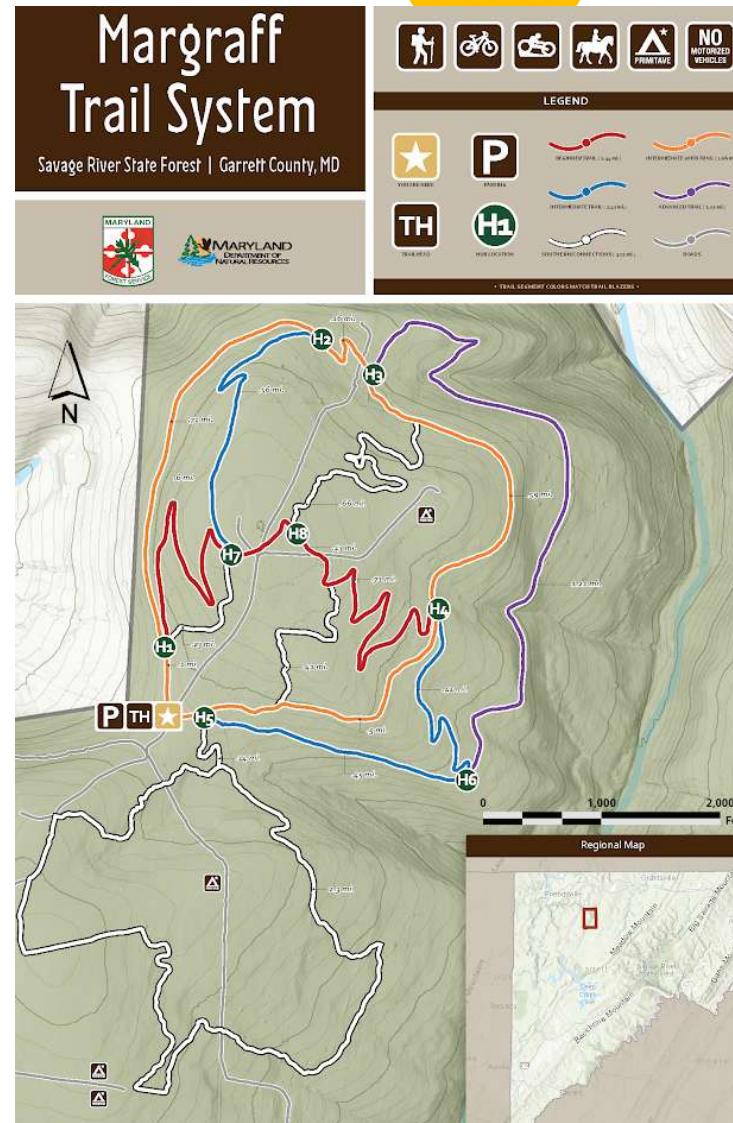
Sincerely,

[Name]
Chair
Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Council

V. Agency Updates

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

- DNR hosted a ribbon cutting at Margraff Plantation on Savage River State Forest to celebrate the 6 miles of updated and expanded trails - including a 2-mile adaptive loop!



V. Agency Updates

Maryland Department of Natural Resources

- E-bike regulations will be available for public review and comment on the next register, from August 22 through September 22, 2025
- Outdoor Rec Summit – October 28-30 at the Royal Sonesta in Baltimore City





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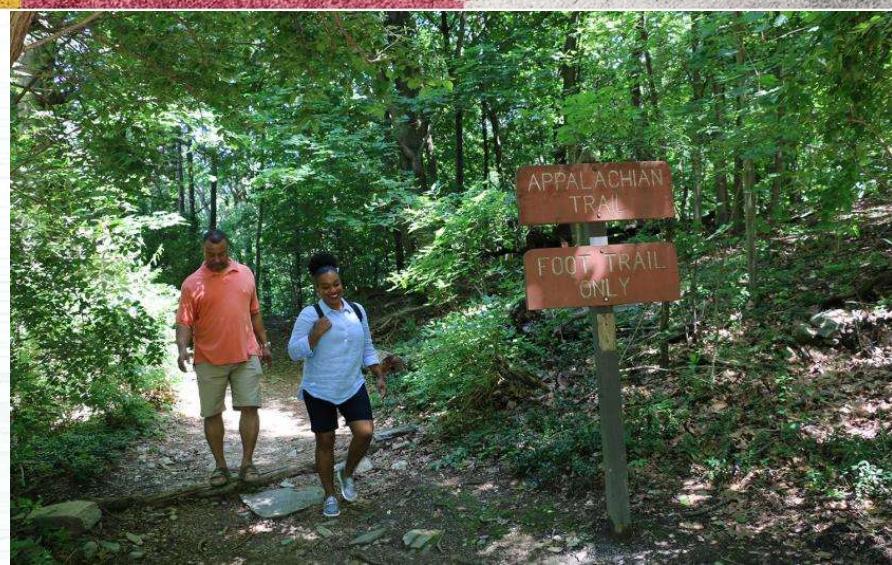
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Maryland Bicycle & Pedestrian Advisory Committee Presentation

July 25, 2025

**Cynthia D. Miller
Director, Strategic
Partnerships and Public
Relations**



OTD Bicycle and Pedestrian Initiatives

- **18 Scenic Byways**
 - Criteria
 - All American Roads
 - EDA Grant (videos, photos, digital, print collateral)
 - Media company partners
 - Off roading opportunities
 - Women athletes
 - Electric car charging stations
- **National Road Museum**
 - Museum opened June 2025
 - www.nationalrdfoundation.org
 - Appalachian Trail at Old South Mountain Inn

OTD Bicycle and Pedestrian Initiatives

- **Horse Industry Board**
 - **Maryland Horse Month**
 - **Riding Trails**
 - **Horses and Hounds Byways in Baltimore County**
 - **Pimlico/Laurel (walking paths)**
- **Accessible Maryland**
 - **Margraff Trail System in Western Maryland**
 - [**https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/2025/07/18/new-margraff-trail-system-in-western-maryland-offers-easy-intermediate-advanced-and-adaptive-options-for-hikers-and-bikers/**](https://news.maryland.gov/dnr/2025/07/18/new-margraff-trail-system-in-western-maryland-offers-easy-intermediate-advanced-and-adaptive-options-for-hikers-and-bikers/)

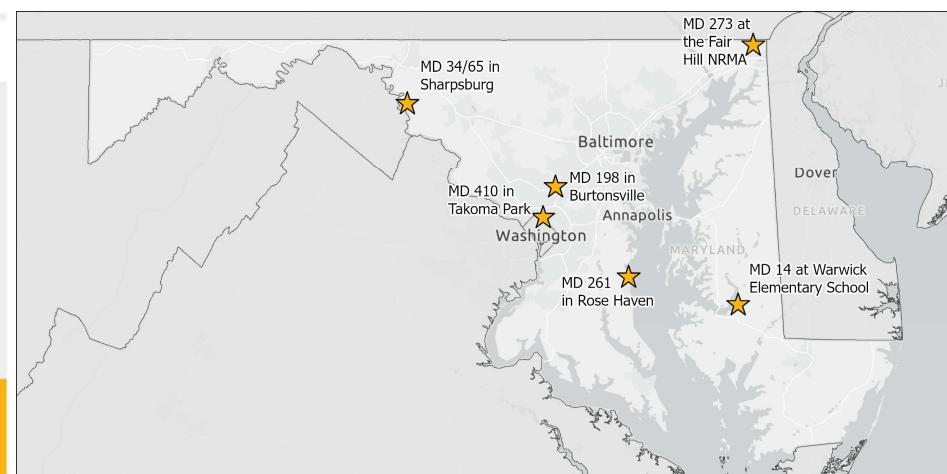
V. Agency Updates - MDOT

State Highway Administration

- Bicycle and Pedestrians Priority Area (BPPA) application expected to open mid-September
- SHA is in the process of updating the SHA Bicycle Policy and Design Guidelines by December 2025 to align with the MDOT Complete Streets Policy and the latest industry standards for bicycle design, including references to the AASHTO Guide for the Development of Bicycle Facilities, 5th Edition.
- 6 Quick Build Locations announced, a continuation of the Complete Streets Leadership Academy

March/April	May-June	July	August	September	Oct./Nov.
Project Selection	Check-in calls	Check-in calls	Check-in calls	Check-in calls	Start development of Case Studies
Project Team kick-off calls				Local Coordination about project feedback	

	Data collection and project design	Installation	Project Monitoring & Data Collection	Project Monitoring & Data Collection	Project removal
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V. Agency Updates - MDOT

MDOT Breaks Ground on first PSAP Project



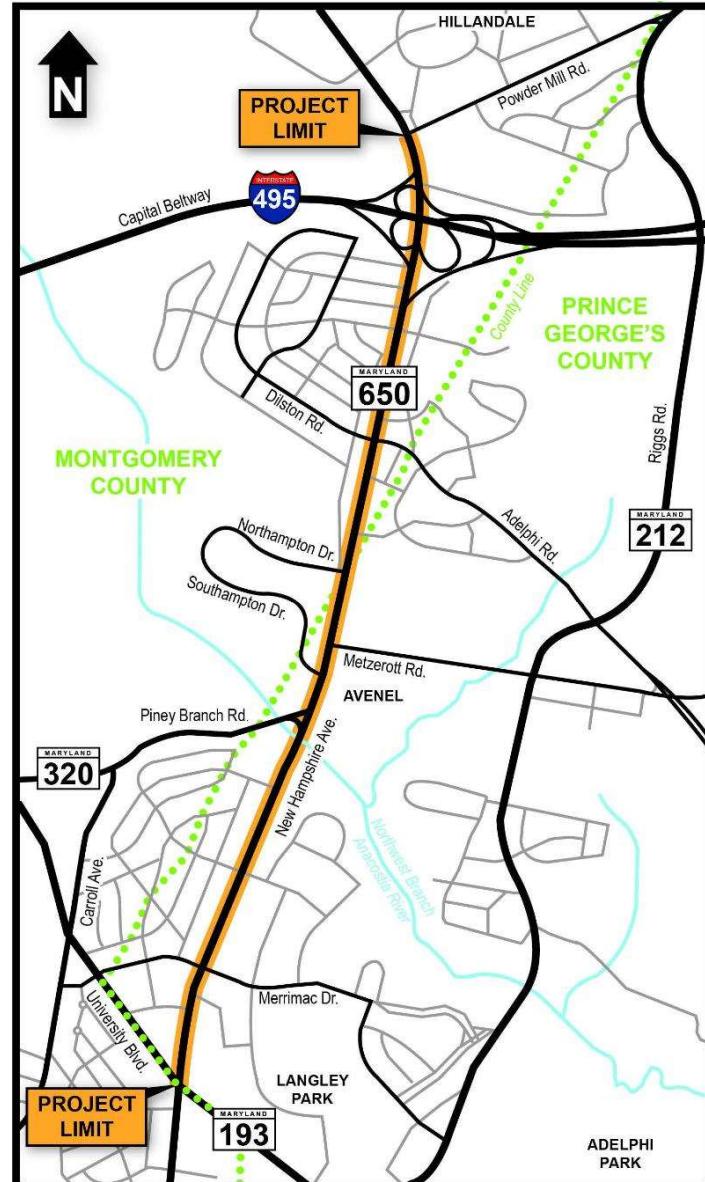
V. Agency Updates - MDOT

MDOT Breaks Ground on first PSAP Project

State Highway Administration announced the start of construction on Maryland's first Pedestrian Safety Action Plan project

- \$15 million in pedestrian, bicycle and multi-modal improvements along nearly 2.5 miles of MD 650 (New Hampshire Avenue) from University Boulevard to Powder Mill Road in Prince George's and Montgomery counties.
- The MD 650 PSAP project reinforces MDOT's [Serious About Safety](#) initiative – an enhanced, department-wide initiative to drive safety goals and save lives.
- Components also follow the department's [Complete Streets](#) policy ensuring state roadways are convenient, reliable and accessible for all users. For more information, visit the [Project Portal page](#).
- More than a dozen other PSAP corridors across Maryland are in various stages of project planning, study and public outreach.

www.roads.maryland.gov/psap



V. Agency Updates - MDOT

Maryland Highway Safety Office

- State safety grants awarded: Distribution of helmets and bike lights through BMC and WABA with the assistance of Bike Maryland.
 - Seeking partners or organization in need
- LifeSavers Conference comes to Baltimore next year! Here's our time to shine on a National stage.
 - They are accepting workshop proposals through September 5th. Reach out to Cynthia Spriggs with any questions. Home - Lifesavers Conference on Roadway Safety



V. Agency Updates - MDOT

Office of Active Transportation and Micromobility

- New planner: Quinn Wallace
- Sidewalk Data: New intern Nasim Samadi
- Upcoming Awards: bikeways, SRTS
- Upcoming MDOT in Motion:
 - August – Back to School Safety
 - September – Transportation Trails
 - October - Walktober
- Award: MDOT's Model Complete Streets Initiative – a department-wide effort to ensure accessible, equitable and safe options for all users across the state's transportation network – was honored this week with a 2025 America's Transportation Award presented by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO). The Complete Streets initiative captured the regional award in the "Safety, Small Project" category.





MDOT in Motion: Back to School Safety

The August 7, webinar from 12-1pm will explore back to school safety and actions anyone can take to ensure the safety of children traveling to and from school. MDOT's renewed Safe Routes to School (SRTS) initiative includes a state agency working group and a focus on both non-infrastructure and infrastructure improvements across the state. Guest speaker Duwan Morris will showcase [Montgomery County SRTS](#) engagement and what a PTA or community member can do in preparation for a new school year. [WABA](#) Youth Ambassadors will discuss safety precautions students can take to be safe travelling to school and what students can do to make a difference at their schools.

MDOT in Motion is a series of webinars, interactive sessions, and educational opportunities offered by the Maryland Department of Transportation's (MDOT) Office of Active Transportation and Micromobility. The series highlights multi-modal projects and programs that are designed to get Marylanders moving safely, and to connect them to opportunities and to each other. In Maryland, Complete Streets is the deliberate approach to planning and designing streets for all users, MDOT in Motion demonstrates opportunities to make options like walking, biking, and transit more accessible. **Please note that webinars are capped at 1000 registrations, so if you do not plan to attend in real time, please do not register. The recording of the webinar will be made available after for viewing.**



V. Agency Updates - MDOT

Coming Soon:

- August 7 - MDOT in Motion: Back to School Safety
- Early September- Grant Announcements for Transportation Alternatives, Recreational Trails Programs, Kim Lamphier Bikeways Network Program
- September 4 - MDOT in Motion: Maryland Statewide Transportation Trails Strategic Plan
- Mid-September - October – CTP Tour Meetings; Bicycle and Pedestrian Priority Area applications open
- October – WALKTOBER
- By the end of the year
 - Updated Strategic Highway Safety Plan
 - Updated SHA Bicycle Policy and Design Guidelines
 - Complete Streets Implementation Update
 - Sidewalk Data Collection milestones



V. Agency Updates

- **Maryland State Police** – no update
- **Maryland Department of Planning** – no updates
- **Maryland Department of Disabilities** – no update





VI. Old Business, Engagement, & Public Comment

MBPAC Inbox

- Event invitations

Open Seats

- Awaiting Governor's Appointments Office, post legislative session (April- May)
 - Baltimore Metropolitan Area -Three applicants
 - Southern Maryland - Two applicants

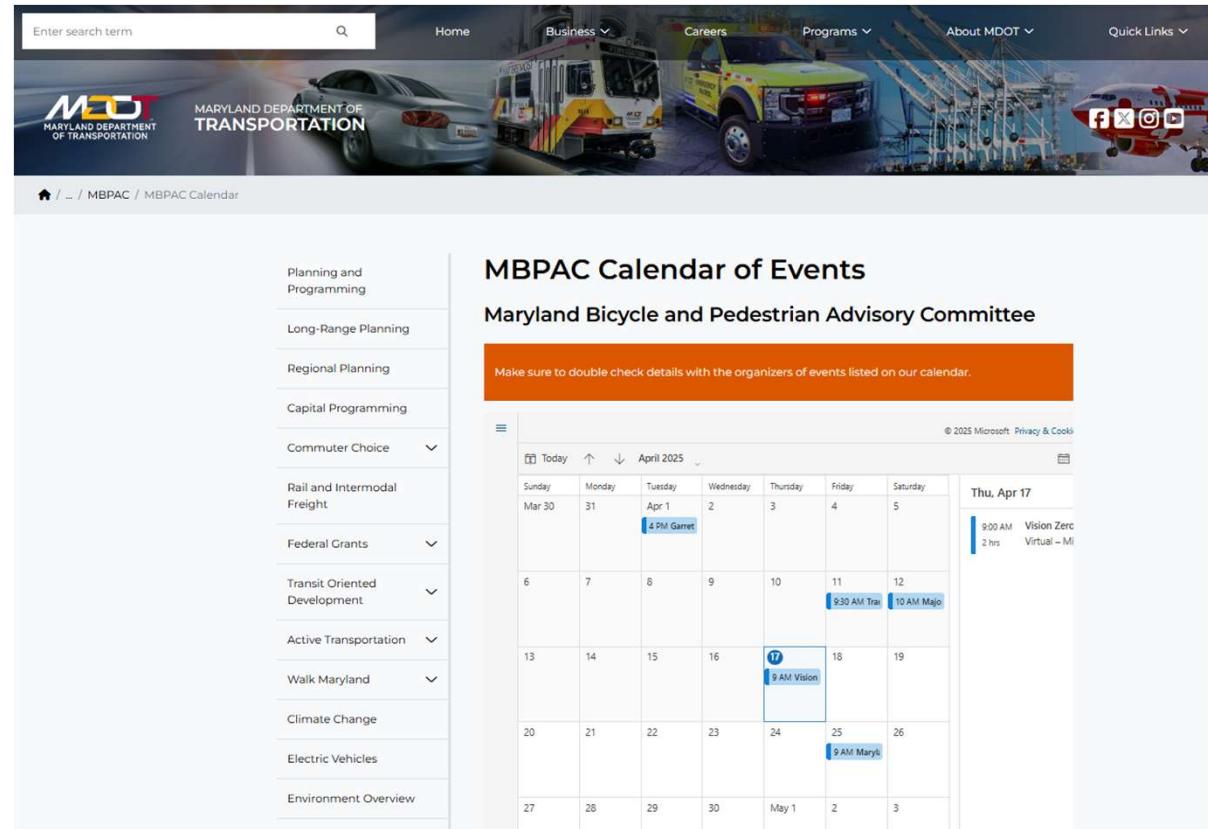
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MBPAC Calendar

The Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee calendar is a place for events and meetings related to walking, biking, and rolling in Maryland:

- State and local agencies are invited to share public engagement opportunities
- MBPAC citizen members and participants are invited to share events open to the public

All events submitted are subject to review by MDOT staff and the MBPAC Chair



The screenshot shows the MDOT website with a banner featuring a car, a bus, a truck, and an airplane. The navigation bar includes links for Home, Business, Careers, Programs, About MDOT, and Quick Links. The main content area is titled "MBPAC Calendar of Events" for the "Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee". A message encourages users to double-check event details with organizers. The calendar for April 2025 shows several events, including "4 PM Garrett", "9:30 AM Trail", "10 AM Major", "9 AM Vision", and "5 AM Maryland". The footer includes a copyright notice for 2025 Microsoft and links for Privacy & Cookies and a calendar icon.

VI. Old Business, Engagement, & Public Comment

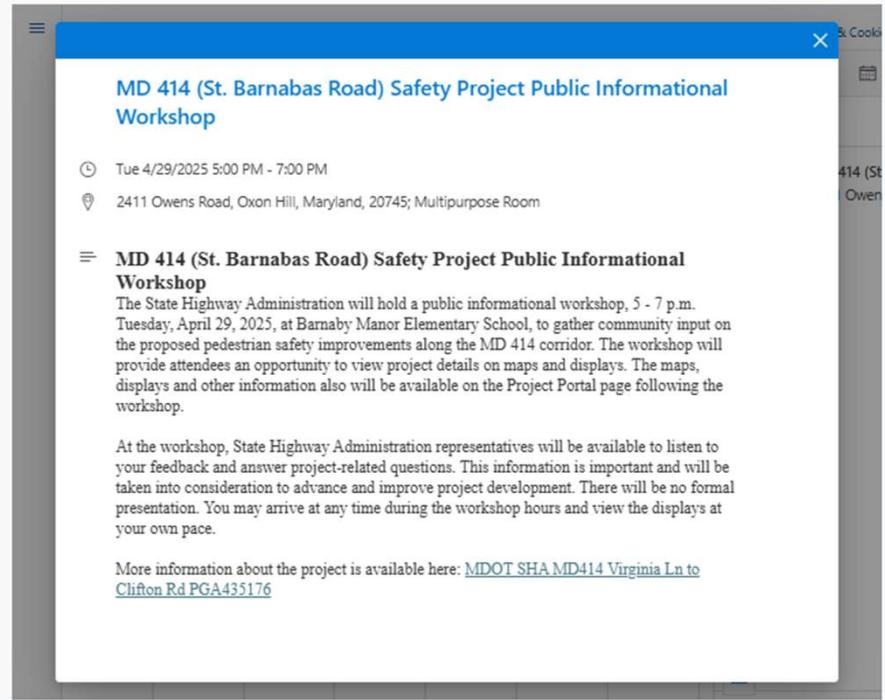
MBPAC Calendar

- Create a calendar event with time, location, links, and any relevant information. *Meeting “organizer” is not displayed so any contact information should be put in the meeting text box*
- Invite mbpac@mdot.Maryland.gov to the calendar event
- *All events submitted are subject to review by MDOT staff and the MBPAC Chair*

MBPAC Calendar of Events

Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee

Make sure to double check details with the organizers of events listed on our calendar.



The screenshot shows a calendar application window. At the top, there is a blue header bar with the title 'MD 414 (St. Barnabas Road) Safety Project Public Informational Workshop'. Below the header, there is a list of event details:

- Time: Tue 4/29/2025 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
- Location: 2411 Owens Road, Oxon Hill, Maryland, 20745; Multipurpose Room

Below the event details, there is a section titled 'MD 414 (St. Barnabas Road) Safety Project Public Informational Workshop' with a description of the workshop's purpose and structure. At the bottom of the window, there is a link: 'More information about the project is available here: [MDOT SHA MD414 Virginia Ln to Clifton Rd PGA435176](#)'.

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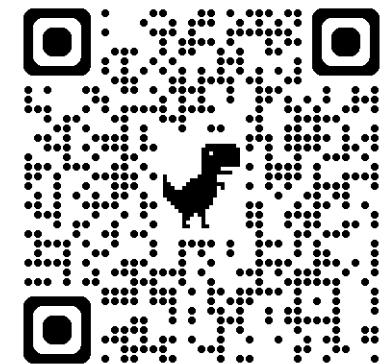
MBPAC Calendar

August 6 – Worcester County Bike and Pedestrian Coalition
Quarterly Meeting

September 5 – Virtual State of the Trail

September 6 – Maryland Cycling Classic

September 17 – BRTB Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Group



*Add and view events
[here!](#)*

VI. Old Business, Engagement, & Public Comment

- Public Comment - Up to 5 minutes per person



VII. Subcommittee Membership, Schedule, Report Out

Eastern Shore Subcommittee – Patti Stevens Chair

Maryland Eastern Shore Trails Network - Discussions continue on several rail-banking opportunities and potential rail with trail possibilities. Thanks to Thomas McKay for assistance and advocacy. Challenges-- Berlin Reconnecting Neighborhoods Communities grant phase 2 award (\$950K) was rescinded.

Recent and Upcoming Events:

- July 11-20 Art in Motion - hosted by Talbot Thrive - Regional artists exhibit at Easton's Plein Air Celebration
- August 6th-- Worcester County Bike and Ped Coalition Quarterly meeting - Sandi Olek , DNR Outdoor Recreation Guest, Trail of Change First walk with Ranger Marc Heim at Pocomoke River State Forest- Shad Landing
- August 23 – Iron Furnace Fifty in Snow Hill, Md
- November 4th- Regional Trails Workshop at Chesapeake College, Best Practices, Tools, Charter Signing for MESTN new organizational structure and governing body



VII. Subcommittee Membership, Schedule, Report Out

Pedestrian Subcommittee – Bong Delrosario, *new chair!*

- **Mission:** Promote pedestrian access, welcome guest speakers on pedestrian focused projects
- **Schedule:** Quarterly meetings with guest presentation, month before MBPAC meeting.
 - Last meeting: June 12, 2025
 - Next Meeting: September 18, 2025

Take-aways from June 12, 2025 Pedestrians Sub-Committee Meeting:

- Judy Shanley, Easter Seals- Presentation on **A Holistic Approach to Accessible and Safe Community Navigation.** Some resources that came out from that discussion were.
 1. [One Maryland One Centerline](#)
 2. [Maryland Complete Streets](#)
 3. [Waymap](#) (low vision and blind)
 4. [Maryland Vision Zero](#)
 5. Judy Shanley contact - jshanley@easterseals.com
 6. [Maryland Sidewalk Data Collaboration](#)
- Merium Sultan from Baltimore Metropolitan Council (BMC) shared their [Transportation Improvement Plan](#) information (TIP) and link for open comment which has since ended.
- Meg Young shared [MBPAC Website](#) and MBPAC [Calendar of Bicycle and Pedestrian Events](#)

VII. Subcommittee Membership, Schedule, Report Out

Legislative Subcommittee – Nigel Samaroo Chair, Jon Korin reporting

- **Mission:** Promote pedestrian access, welcome guest speakers on pedestrian focused projects and research
- **Meeting Schedule:** Dependent on legislative session

2025 Legislative Recap available through Bike Maryland





VII. Subcommittee Membership, Schedule, Report Out

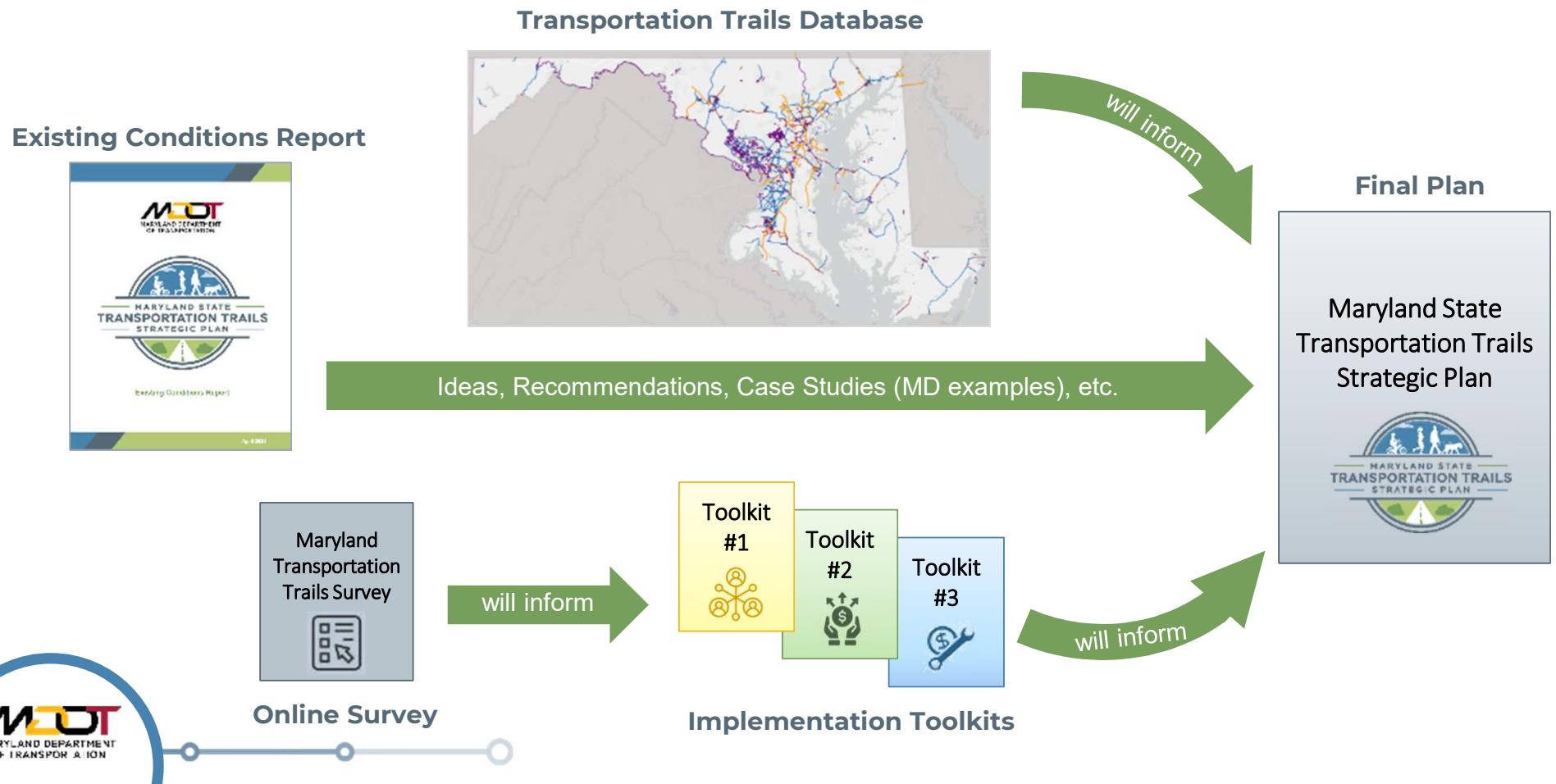
Trails Subcommittee – Meg Young

- **Mission:** Advise on the MDOT Strategic Trails Plan and support trail projects across the state
- **Membership:** 74 members, statewide coverage, representatives for major trail projects, local and national advocates
 - Past Meetings: September 13, October 9, December 13, February 7, April 11, July 11
 - Public Webinar: September 4, 2025



Photos: Easton, Frederick, and Garrett County TAC Meetings

Our Process



Vision & Goals

The vision for the Maryland State Transportation Trails Strategic Plan is to create:

a safe and accessible transportation trail network that connects Marylanders to opportunities across their communities, towns, and the state

- Complete a **high-quality statewide transportation trail network** that connects Maryland's regions.
- Empower local communities to **plan, fund, build, and maintain locally significant transportation trails** in partnership with MDOT.
- Systematically prioritize and build transportation trail projects that will **reduce pedestrian and bicyclist fatalities and injuries**.
- Support vibrant communities through transportation trail projects that **connect visitors and residents to Maryland's opportunities**.
- **Coordinate state agencies and resources** to leverage resources and funding that advance connectivity and quality of life for all Marylanders.

Toolkits for Transportation Trails



“Making the Case: Building Support”

Identifying important planning steps, outline potential allies, and case studies and resources that convey the economic benefits of transportation trails



“Aligning Funding Opportunities”

Tips to leverage local, state, and federal funding and technical assistance opportunities to execute transportation trail projects



“Maintaining Transportation Trails”

Including strategies, costs, examples from Maryland, and best practices for maintenance of transportation trails



Policy Recs: Building Support Phase

Identified Need	Recommendations	Timeframe	Responsibility
Stronger coordination across State agencies relevant to transportation trails.	Make the TAC a permanent subcommittee of the Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee (MBPAC) Trails with quarterly meetings to ensure cross-agency collaboration.	Short-term (<2 years), continuous	MDOT TSO, MBPAC
	The sub-committee should lead State participation in national initiatives such as the Trail Town Program and National Trails Day.	Medium-term (2-5 years)	MBPAC Trails
	Dedicate MDOT resources to facilitate cross-agency coordination on transportation trail initiatives.	Medium-term (2-5 years)	MDOT TSO, SHA
Guidance for local trail sponsors to build support for transportation trails in their communities.	Publicize the Building Support for Trails Toolkit and task the MBPAC Trails sub-committee with recommending more guidance materials.	Short-term (<2 years)	MBPAC Trails
	Develop a trails program area within the DNR's Outdoor Recreation Summit.	Medium-term (2-5 years)	MDOT TSO, SHA, DNR Office of Outdoor Recreation



VIII. Closing Reminders and Adjournment

Next Meetings:

Pedestrian Committee: September 18, 2025

Eastern Shore Committee: TBA

Legislative Committee: TBA

Trails Committee: Webinar, September 4, 2025

Next Full Committee Meeting: October 24, 2025



Following the meeting from 11-12, in-person attendees are invited to walk the campus to audit and discuss opportunities and challenges to multimodal connectivity.