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Welcome

GHC Monthly Meeting
January 2024

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Please Welcome GHC's New Members



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Please Welcome Prospective Members



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Please Welcome Today's Special Guest

WELCOME

We're Glad
You're Here



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Please Welcome Today's Speaker

Washington County Circuit Court

County Administrative Judge

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Announcements and Upcoming GHC Events

Update on Advocacy Efforts:



After overcoming delays, MSO, GHC, and Chamber met with NPS for Salute to Independence discussions. New NPS policies for events on national park property will be officially implemented in January. While the meeting covered event components like logistics, portable bathrooms, and safety measures, specific NPS requirements remain unknown until MSO submits a formal application to hold the event at Antietam and NPS can review their request.

Notably, NPS will no longer cover event expenses, requiring MSO to cover or reimburse \$25-\$30k of in-kind support. Despite expressing commitment to a 2024 event, internal discussions suggest 2024 is unlikely due to logistical constraints and existing commitments with HCC. MSO plans to submit an application in the coming weeks and go through the NPS review process. Internal planning leans toward another year at HCC in 2024, with a potential return to the Battlefield in 2025, contingent on logistics and funding.

Visit: [Change.org/SaveOurSalute](https://www.change.org/saveoursalute)

Washington County Community Coalition Highlights

The Herald-Mail

'Day in Annapolis'



At left, Hagerstown Mayor Tekisha Martinez, a Democrat, and at right, Washington County Commission President Jo Jo Baitt, a Republican, stand on the House of Delegates floor in Annapolis on Jan. 23, 2024, the Washington County Day in Annapolis. PHOTO BY DWIGHT A. WEINGARTEN FOR THE HERALD-MAIL.

Washington County comes to capital for annual event

Dwight A. Weingarten The Herald-Mail/USA TODAY NETWORK

A contingent of community leaders and elected officials from Washington County took seats on the floor of the Maryland House of Delegates Tuesday afternoon to hear from the state's top lawmakers, bringing the jurisdiction's priorities to Annapolis.



Maryland House of Delegates Speaker Adrienne Jones, D-Baltimore County, stands on the Speaker's rostrum with Jim Karchovsk, the executive director of the Greater Hagerstown Committee, during the Washington County Day in Annapolis on Jan. 23, 2024.

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Large Group Speakers:

- Bill Ferguson, Senate President
- Adriene Jones, House Speaker
- Sen. Guy Guzzone, Chair B&T, TRAIN Commission
- Eric Luedke, Chief Legislative Officer
- Sen. Steve Hershey, Minority Leader, TRAIN Commission
- Frank Principe, Chair TRAIN Commission
- Molly Byron, Director Intergovernmental Affairs
- Dylan Goldberg, Dep. Director Intergovernmental Affairs
- Washington County Delegation Members

Small Group Meetings with:

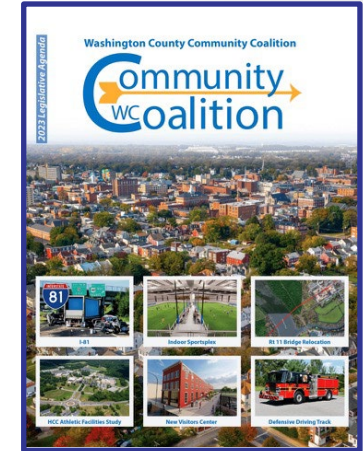
- Del. Mark Chang, Chair Capital Budget Subcommittee
- Del. Courtney Watson, Chair Transportation Subcommittee
- Sen. Craig Zucker, Chair Capital Budget Subcommittee

Informal contacts with Delegation Members, Comptroller Brook Lierman, and Governor Moore

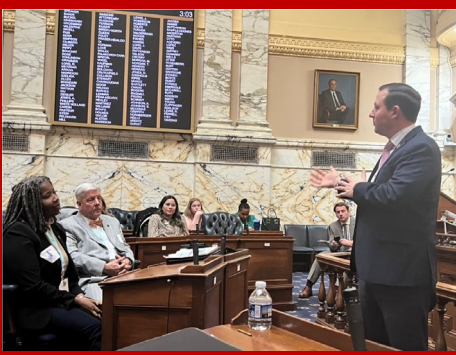
Reception:

30 Local Vendors showcased our community
Over 100 community members incl. Leadership Wash. County
Over 120 State Officials: Delegates (67), Senators (14), Other (41)

Articles in the [Herald Mail](#) and [Maryland Reporter](#)



Washington County Community Coalition Large Group Meetings



Washington County Community Coalition Reception





Adjourned

Thank You for Coming

Stay Well