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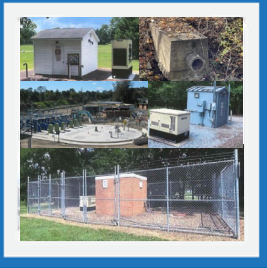
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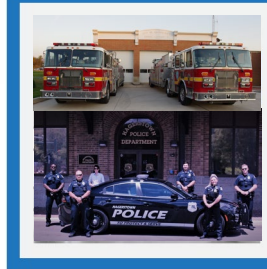
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Session Agenda Summary



2025 Community Coalition Agenda

Transportation

I-81 is a nationally significant freight corridor, adding commerce in the region and providing economic stability. I-81 serves freight from coast, corridor areas, and other projected high employment growth areas including our regional airport, making it vital to regional commerce and economic development. I-81 corridor improvements are desperately needed to improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes.

Phase 2 includes adding a lane to 4 additional miles from Williamsport to just south of the new dangerous section. Phase 2 design was awarded on funding (PH) was set by MDOT to FY 24 and the money to finish the design (PT) 25 CFP. Funding restoration is essential for this project to stay on schedule. Improvements are needed for Phase 2 and 3 to address the increasing truck traffic and congestion along I-81. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes.

Health and Public Safety

Sanctuary Sewer Pump Station Upgrade and Replacement
The Town of Williamsport is seeking financial assistance to offset the \$4 million for critical upgrades to its aging sewer pump station - City of Williamsport, Williamsport High School - which are currently 50 years old. These facilities are vital to the community and the environment. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes.

Public Safety Training Building, Phase 2
The continued construction and holdout of a tactical village are training/Storage Building to support the Public Safety Training Center would assist in the hiring of additional firefighters and EMS responders, while also providing additional training support to our dedicated volunteers. In cooperation with our sector funding and provide an adequate training facility properly evaluate new candidates and continue to provide the necessary certification and assess our volunteer and career staff. Funding previously trained firefighters and EMS to provide to be a moving forward. It is now expected that in 2025 Washington County will have to consider a tactical village, which is now a much more intense firefighter training academy. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes.

City of Hagerstown Public Safety Complex
Currently, the Hagerstown Police Department operates out of a 100-year-old station which is no longer suitable for modern law enforcement. Hagerstown Fire Department has personnel temporarily housed in leased space. The station is currently in use. A study is needed to evaluate new facility, infrastructure, and resource considerations to ensure the new center meets operational requirements and allows for strategic deployment of the apparatus. It will also assess growth potential, response times, and community needs, optimizing resources and emergency coverage. The study will further explore opportunities with other public safety agencies, enhancing overall efficiency and safety in the region. State bond financing is being sought to begin the development of this critical project for Hagerstown. Request: Hagerstown is seeking \$250,000 in funding to support a Site Analysis and Market Analysis (SAMA) study for a proposed public safety center that would house both the Hagerstown Police Department (HPD) and the Fire Department (HFD).

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Drug House Ordinance Legislation
The City is proposing a new ordinance aimed at addressing repeated illegal activity such as drug manufacturing, distribution, possession, and illegal gambling, occurring in residential and commercial properties. Under this ordinance, property owners or managers who fail to address two or more offenses within a 12-month period could face penalties from \$100 for the first offense, \$750 for the second, and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense. This ordinance is designed to reduce the strain on law enforcement, improve quality of life in high-crime areas, and encourage property owners to take proactive measures to prevent illegal activity. It also offers a mechanism for the city to hold landlords accountable for neglecting their responsibility to the community by allowing repeated criminal behavior on their properties. Request: Implementation a mechanism allowing local governments to impose landlord penalties on property owners who permit prostitution, illegal gambling, or drug-related activity on their premises. If a property is involved in two or more offenses within 12 months, it is possible for a property owner or manager to be fined \$100 for the first offense, \$750 for the second, and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense. This ordinance is designed to reduce the strain on law enforcement, improve quality of life in high-crime areas, and encourage property owners to take proactive measures to prevent illegal activity. It also offers a mechanism for the city to hold landlords accountable for neglecting their responsibility to the community by allowing repeated criminal behavior on their properties. Request: Implementation a mechanism allowing local governments to impose landlord penalties on property owners who permit prostitution, illegal gambling, or drug-related activity on their premises. If a property is involved in two or more offenses within 12 months, it is possible for a property owner or manager to be fined \$100 for the first offense, \$750 for the second, and \$1,000 for each subsequent offense.

Advanced Technology Center
Hagerstown Community College (HCC) is seeking \$8.3 million to complete renovations to its Advanced Technology Center building, originally constructed in 1990. The building is currently in poor condition and requires extensive repairs to ensure safety and functionality. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes. The Maryland section of I-81 has experienced high crash and fatality rates due to the growing amount of truck traffic along a 12-mile stretch of I-81 interchange with Phase 2 and 3. The project will improve safety and reduce congestion related to high truck volumes.

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Libraries statewide working together on a plan to increase library funding based on population-specific details to come out before the session.

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Highway Revenue Restoration
State funding of 6-12 education - MD Department for Education - monitor effects on our County.

Changes in association or tax differential laws between counties and municipalities
Higher Education Funding (HED) Formula and MDN Materials CARE Funding - monitor effects on our County.

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2025 Day in Annapolis - Wednesday, January 22nd, 2024

(Coalition travels to Annapolis to meet with General Assembly officials)

Agenda:

- Lunch with Western MD Delegation at Galaxy Bay Irish Restaurant (11:30am - 1:00pm)
- Large and Small Group Meetings with Legislators and other State Officials (1:00pm - 4:00pm)
- and Washington County Legislative Reception - 6:30pm - 8:30pm at The Calvert House, Annapolis, MD

2025 Community Coalition Agenda Items:

Transportation Projects:

- Widening of I-81 Phase 2
- Rt 11 Bridge Relocation and Replacement

Capital Projects:

- New Downtown Visitors Welcome Center
- Hagerstown Community College's Advanced Technology Center
- Smithsburg Sewer Pump Station Upgrades and Replacements
- Public Safety Training Building Phase 3 (Propane Firefighting Props)
- New Circuit Court House
- City of Hagerstown New Public Safety Office Complex

Legislative Requests:

- Drug House Ordinance Legislation
- Lift Cap on Funding of MD Heritage Area Funding

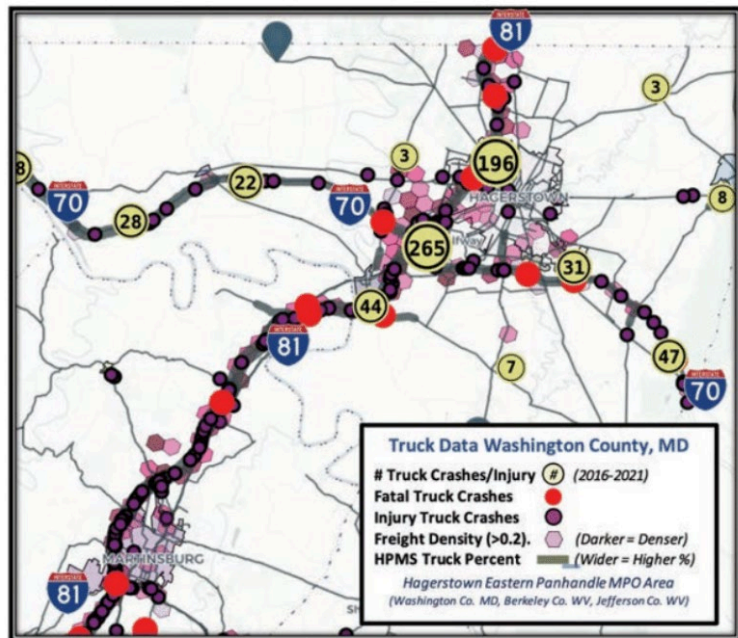
Transportation:



Widening of I-81

Key Safety Concerns:

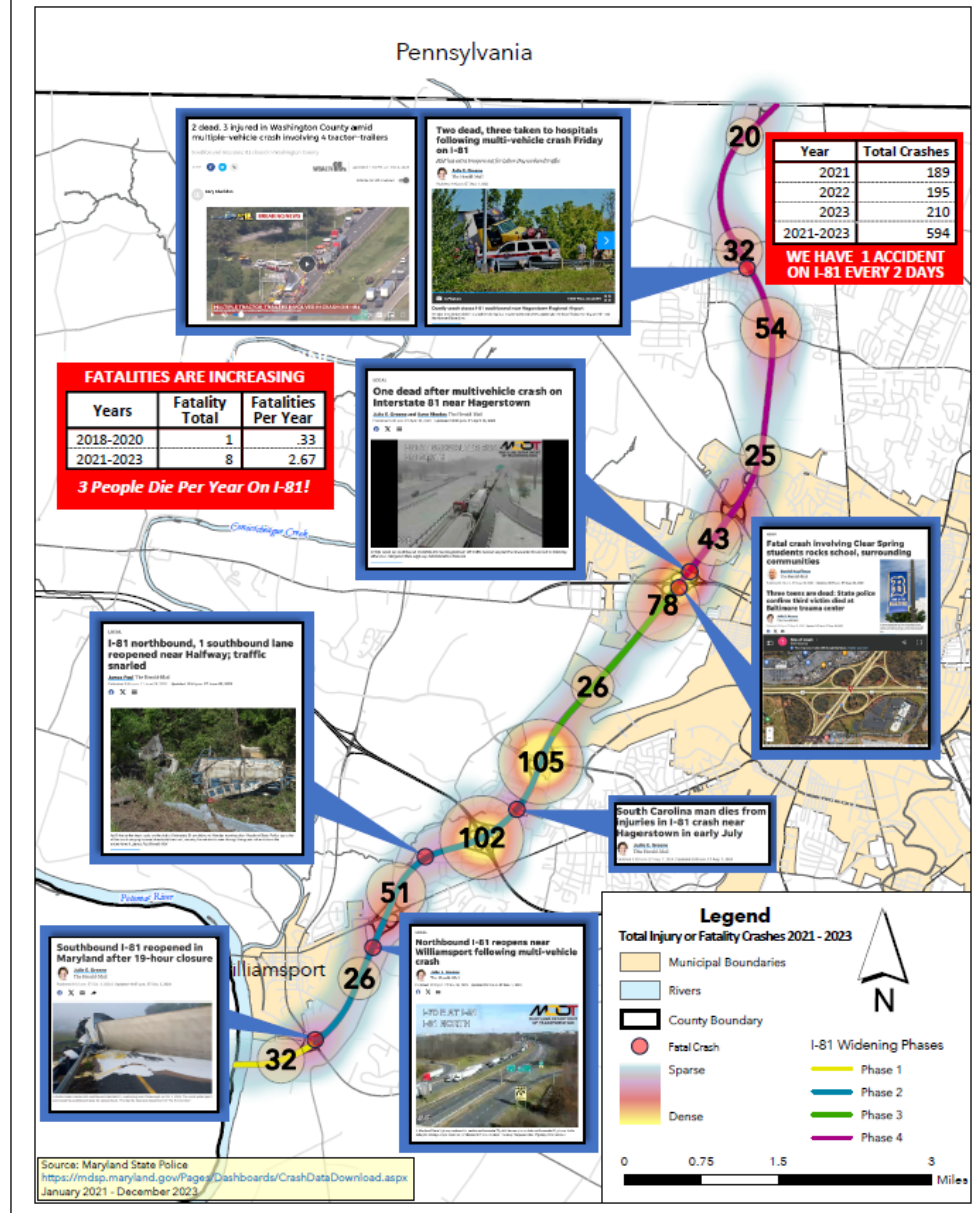
- Maryland's I-81 section has unsafe merging and weaving due to 10 interchanges in 12 miles.
- High truck volumes (34% of daily traffic) exacerbate risks.



- Fatalities on I-81 in Maryland have risen sharply, averaging 3 deaths annually from 2021–2023.
- Congestion and truck-related crashes occur every 2 days on average.

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Interstate 81 Incident Map



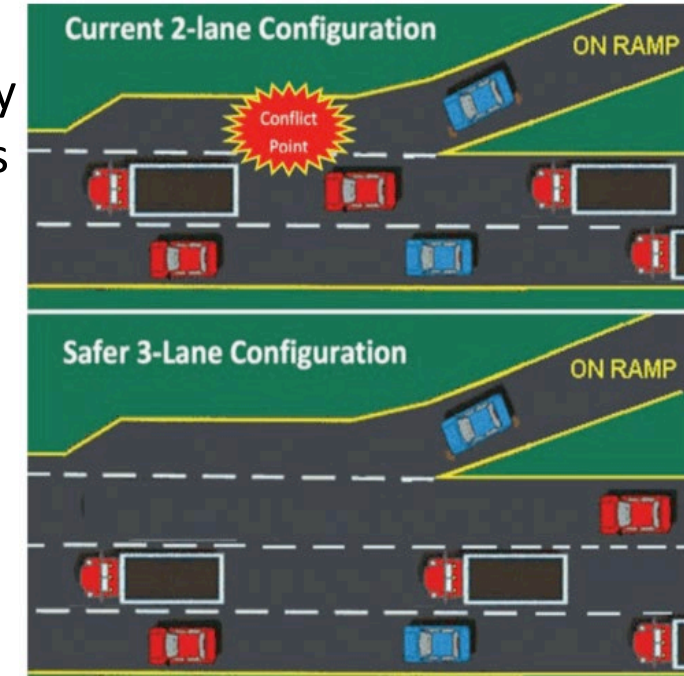


Widening of I-81 (continued)

Key Safety Concerns:

- 20,000 trucks per day use I-81 in MD and it's growing rapidly
 - Currently, over 1 out of 3 vehicles on I-81 are Tractor Trailers
 - I-81 has 10 Exits across 12 miles creating numerous car/truck conflicts
- This year MD Drivers will contribute \$21B to the MD Transportation Trust Fund but CTP has only \$1.4B in state funding for state capital projects. (2023 CTP drivers contributed \$19B. Only \$2.2B of state funding for roads/bridges)

REQUEST: Restore funding to complete the engineering/design for Phase 2 (\$1.5M) in the FY25 CTP and reinstate Phase 2 construction funding as soon as possible. Allocate preliminary engineering funding for Phase 3 (\$9.5M) and Phase 4 (\$14.5M) in the next CTP to finish widening I-81 to the Pennsylvania line. In addition, plan for construction funding for the remainder of this project.



For more information on highway projects contact:

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INEQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION FUNDING:

Based on FY 2025-2030 Draft MD Capital Improvement Plan
Only Includes State Revenues/Expenses

Trucks/Cars



What Drivers Contribute:

\$21.2 Billion

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|-------------------------|--------------------------|
| Motor Fuel Taxes | \$ 8,100,000,000 |
| Vehicle Titling Tax | \$ 7,000,000,000 |
| Registration & MVA Fees | \$ 6,100,000,000 |
| TOTAL | \$ 21,200,000,000 |

Funding Going to Roads/Bridges:

\$ 1.30 B Capital State
\$ 2.33 B Capital Local
\$ 2.31 B Operational
\$ 5.93 B TOTAL

Light Rail/Buses



What Transit Riders Contribute:

\$ 0.62 Billion

Fares & Fees

Funding Going to Transit

\$ 2.31 B Capital
\$11.51 B Operational
\$13.82 B TOTAL



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Aviation



What Air Users Contribute:

\$2.1 Billion

*Flight Activities, Rent and User Fees,
Parking, and Concessions*

Funding Going to Airports

\$ 0.33 B Capital

\$ 1.48 B Operational

\$ 2.81 B TOTAL

Maritime/Port



What Port Users Contribute:

\$0.34 Billion

*Port and Terminal Operation Fees and
Rent*

Funding For Ports

\$ 1.15 B Capital

\$ 1.48 B Operational

\$ 2.63 B TOTAL

Corporate Income Tax

\$2.50 Billion

Other State Funds

\$1.80 Billion

Bonds

\$3.00 Billion

INEQUITY IN TRANSPORTATION FUNDING:

Based on FY 2025-2030 Draft MD Capital Improvement Plan

Federal Aid



\$8.00 Billion

\$4.01 B Roads/Bridges

\$2.31 B Transit Capital Funding

\$0.95 B Transit Operational Funds

\$3.26 B Total Transit Funds

\$0.13 B Port Capital Funding

\$0.31 B Aviation Capital Funding

\$0.02 B Other Funding (TSO)

- *Nearly all Federal Aid comes from the Federal Fuel Tax (drivers)*
- *Much of federal money comes to the state by way of matching funds.*
- *Road/Bridge projects qualify for a 70+% match, while Transit projects only qualify for a 50% match*
- *Current allocation policy favoring transit over roads for state funds leaves federal money “on the table” by using state money to leverage a lessor amount of federal money.*
- *\$1B of state funding spent on a transit projects generates \$333M less federal money.*



US Route 11 Bridge Relocation

Project Overview: The US Route 11 Bridge spans the C & O Canal, Riverbottom Park, and the Potomac River in Williamsport, MD, connecting Washington County to eastern West Virginia. Built in 1909 and last overhauled in the 1980s, the nearly 1,800-foot bridge now requires significant rehabilitation or replacement due to its deteriorating condition. It currently handles over 15,000 vehicles daily, a significant increase from its 2009 traffic assessment.

Safety Issues and the Need for the Project: The US 11 Bridge is in poor condition, with sinking footers and structural deterioration. Frequent accidents on I-81 reroute traffic through town streets, damaging infrastructure. The town would prefer the bridge to be shifted North to bypass town streets and MDOT commissioned a PEL study in 2023 to provide details and the feasibility of the bridge's relocation. That PEL study should be completed by the end of this year and the Town hopes to discuss the study results with MDOT officials next session.

Benefits of the Project: The project will improve pedestrian safety, traffic flow, and reduce traffic impact on the Town Center. It supports \$30 million in enhancements to the C & O Canal Park, boosting tourism and economic development, and will promote growth in southeastern Washington County.

REQUEST: Town of Williamsport will be seeking pre-authorized funding to support outcomes for this project pending recommendations of a fully completed PEL study by SHA.



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Circuit Court Replacement

Project Overview: The existing courthouse, located at 95 West Washington Street in Hagerstown, is a historic building constructed in 1872, with an annex added in 1963. The building is nearly 150 years old and faces significant space constraints, security deficiencies, and limitations in functionality. A new courthouse would address these issues by providing a safer, more efficient facility, with separation of inmates and criminal defendants from other court participants, and full ADA compliance. The historic structure would be repurposed as part of the project.

Need for the Project:

- The new facility would improve safety by addressing security concerns that cannot be resolved in the current courthouse.
- The tragic loss of Circuit Court Judge Andrew F. Wilkinson in October 2023 highlighted the urgent need for these enhancements, as he was a strong advocate for a new courthouse.
- The existing courthouse was recently dedicated to Judge Wilkinson in recognition of his service.

Project Status: The project is currently in the early planning stage and looking at several options. A cost estimate has yet to be determined.

REQUEST: Support efforts to secure state capital funding to assist with this project to relocate the Andrew F. Wilkinson Courthouse to a new facility.



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Public Safety Training Building: Phase 3

Project Overview: Construction of a High Bay Training/Storage Building to support the Public Safety Training Center (PSTC). Project provides a local training facility for police, fire, and emergency service personnel in Washington County offering indoor spaces for training in varied conditions and apparatus storage, along with space for Candidate Physical Abilities Testing (CPAT) for firefighters.

Project Progress: Phase 1 of the PSTC is complete; Phase 2 (defensive driving track and tactical village) is underway. Phase 3, which includes the High Bay Training/Storage Building and technical rescue props, is in preliminary engineering and expected to be designed by 2026. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2027, with an expected cost of \$5 million (funding dependent).

Safety Considerations:

- The High Bay Building will provide controlled environments for training, ensuring safety while presenting realistic, high-risk scenarios in spaces similar to our many warehouses.

REQUEST: Support the County's effort to develop the Public Safety Training Center through Phase 3 including a \$2.5 Million investment to bridge the gap between requested funding and local funding for construction of the High Bay Training and Storage Building.



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Drug House Ordinance Legislation



Background: Repeated illegal activity in neighborhoods creates significant quality-of-life issues and anxiety for residents. Current state laws are insufficient to address persistent issues caused by negligent property owners or managers. The City is working on drafting an ordinance based on one currently used in Martinsburg, WV, and has meetings scheduled with members of our delegation later this month. The ordinance would require any person who owns, manages, or controls a property and who encourages or permits such illegal activity on the property to abate the nuisance or tenants of the property within 30 days or face fines and/or other penalties. More details should be available before the start of session.

Need: Empower law enforcement with additional tools to address illegal drug activity and repeated nuisance issues across all municipalities and unincorporated areas of Washington County. Reduce the burden of repeated calls for service, which strain law enforcement resources and negatively impact property

Benefits: Encouraging property owners and managers to prevent and address illegal activity promotes stricter tenant screening, helping to avoid recurring problems. This approach frees up law enforcement resources for broader public safety efforts while enhancing security and quality of life in high-crime neighborhoods and reducing the potential for properties to become hubs for illegal activities.

REQUEST: *REQUEST: Provide a mechanism for local government to place harsher penalties towards property owners who allow a property to be used for prostitution, illegal gambling, illegal possession, storage, delivery of, or trafficking in controlled substances or other illegal drug activity where the property is used for two or more offenses or incidents within any 12-month period OR the offense for which the property is used is punishable by imprisonment for one year or more.*

**For more information
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City of Hagerstown Public Safety Complex

Background: HPD operates from a 100-year-old former train station unsuitable for modern law enforcement. HFD HQ has temporarily moved from its historic Market House to leased space that is not designed for fire operations. Two fire halls in South Hagerstown are over 75 years old and inadequate for current needs.

Need: A joint public safety center is required to provide modern facilities for HPD and HFD. Relocation will improve efficiency, coverage, and operational effectiveness for both departments.

Current Status: HPD's facility cannot accommodate modern needs, and HFD HQ must find a permanent location within 5–7 years. Feasibility studies are needed to guide site selection and planning.

Benefits:

- Provides data for strategic decision-making on site selection, investments, and operational efficiencies.
- Evaluates infrastructure, zoning, and response times to optimize accessibility and functionality.
- Identifies potential risks, operational costs, and growth opportunities to ensure long-term suitability.
- Engages stakeholders for community input and fosters collaboration with other public safety agencies.

REQUEST: Support Hagerstown's effort to conduct a site analysis and market analysis (SAMA) study for a public safety center to house the operations of HPD as well as HFD and potentially 3 engines and equipment, including consideration of State bond financing to aid in delivering this project to our citizens. Amount of Funding Requested: \$250,000

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Smithsburg Sewer Pump Station Upgrades and Replacements

Background: Smithsburg's three sewer pump stations (Chip's Meadow, Henrietta, and Smithsburg High School) are nearly 50 years old with outdated and worn equipment. Previous improvements addressed some issues, but safety risks and environmental hazards remain. RK&K Engineering Services has been contracted for critical upgrades.

Need:

- Severely worn components (impellers, motors, piping) and lack of security for generators and electric panels.
- Facilities fail to meet modern safety standards, exposing employees to dangerous conditions.
- Environmental risks from exposed discharge pipes.
- Jointly servicing Smithsburg and Washington County residents, the project has received \$137K from County ARPA funds, \$234.4K from Town ARPA funds, and \$50K budgeted funds to cover engineering costs.

REQUEST: *Smithsburg is requesting financial assistance to help offset the projected \$4 million needed for these vital upgrades. These improvements are essential to ensure the long-term functionality of the wastewater infrastructure, enhance safety for workers, and accommodate future growth in Smithsburg and Washington County.*

Current Status: \$1.7M invested in water and sewer infrastructure for FY24 from various sources, including ARPA funds. Tours of the stations have been conducted to emphasize urgency. RK&K Engineering is progressing with plans for upgrades.

Safety:

- Existing facilities pose significant risks to workers, requiring cranes and manual labor to access pumps.
- Planned upgrades will modernize the facilities, meet safety standards, and reduce reliance on unsafe practices.

For more information on this project contact:

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HCC Advanced Technology Center

Background: Built in 1967 as HCC's original gym, the Advanced Technology Center (ATC) now houses key programs like computer science, cybersecurity, and electronics technology.

Need: Renovation costs have risen from \$10M to \$14.7M due to inflationary impacts. The building suffers from severe disrepair, including outdated systems, ADA non-compliant lighting, accessibility issues, and a leaking roof.

Current Status:

- Maryland General Assembly has appropriated \$1.2M for design and construction over two years.
- The Maryland Association of Community Colleges (MACC) prioritizes ATC as #6 out of 14 projects.
- HCC advanced design using local funds to ensure the project is shovel-ready, but full state funding is overdue.

Benefits: Renovation will modernize the building, improve flexibility, and enhance programs vital to high-wage/high-demand fields in Washington County and Maryland.

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REQUEST: HCC and the Washington County Community Coalition request that the General Assembly fully fund the ATC Renovation project with the \$8,311,000 requested by MACC in its FY26 capital prioritization.



CVB's New Visitors Center *(Antietam paper building)*

Background: Visit Hagerstown operated a downtown visitor center for 20 years but has been without one since 2020, following its closure during the pandemic.

Need: A new visitor center is planned near key attractions, including a new stadium, event center, parking deck, Arts and Entertainment District, Cultural Trail, and City Park—ideal for showcasing Washington County's experiences and driving visitor spending.

Current Status: Operational funding is available in Visit Hagerstown's budget. A \$1M grant for interpretive exhibits is secured through state and Appalachian Regional Commission funds, but construction funding is still needed.

Benefits:

- Centralized information on attractions, lodging, dining, shopping, and entertainment.
- Enhances the local economy by inspiring exploration and visitor spending.
- Strengthens tourism impact through accessible, high-value resources.



REQUEST: Visit Hagerstown is requesting \$1.5 million in Capital Improvement Funds to construct a new Washington County, Maryland Visitor Welcome Center.

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Lift the Cap on MD Heritage Area Funding

Background: Governed by MHAA and administered by the Maryland Historical Trust, the program funds preservation and heritage tourism in 13 designated areas, including Washington County's Civil War-focused Heart of the Civil War Heritage Area.

Need: An \$8M annual gap between grant requests and available funds limits projects and risks historic resources. Inflation further erodes grant spending power.

Current Funding: \$6M distributed annually, including \$100K per heritage area for management, \$50K for marketing/mini-grants, and \$600K for state grant management. Local funding hasn't increased in nearly 30 years.

Economic Impact:

- \$7 ROI for every \$1 invested.
- Annual heritage tourism has \$2.4B impact.
- Generates \$319.8M in state/local taxes annually.
- Sustains tourism jobs statewide.

REQUEST: *Legislation is needed to lift the cap on Heritage Area funding and make some adjustments to limits within the program.*

- *Authorize transferring up to \$12M from Program Open Space to the Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) Financing Fund.*
- *Clarify and set MHAA administration grants at \$300K with a 20% match, extending the same match requirement to all other MHAA grant types (currently confusing, as statute references 50%, but practice requires 100%).*
- *Adjust administrative costs to "up to 7%" of funds transferred, increasing MHAA's funding from \$600K (10% of \$6M) to \$840K (7% of \$12M) to support staffing and higher grant activity.*

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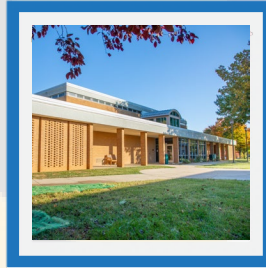


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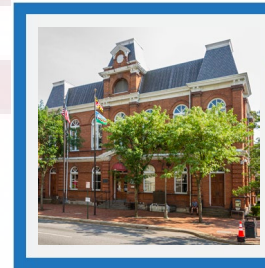
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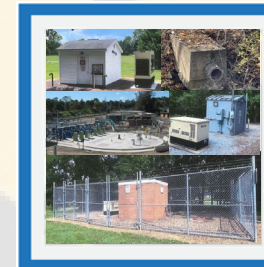
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WCCC Day in Annapolis and Legislative Reception

Food, Craft Beer/Wine, 30+ Local Vendors showcase all that is great in our community

2025

Day in Annapolis:

Wednesday

January 22, 2025

Reception:

**Governor Calvert
House**

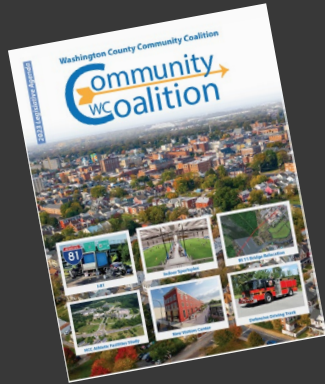
4:30 pm to 7:00pm



Special Thank You!



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WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMUNITY COALITION MEMBERS

- ★ Washington County Government
 - ★ City of Hagerstown
- ★ Hagerstown Community College
- ★ Friends of the Washington County Free Library
- ★ Visit Hagerstown (Local Convention & Visitors Bureau)
- ★ CHIEF (Hagerstown/Washington County Industrial Foundation)
 - ★ Town of Williamsport
 - ★ Town of Smithsburg
- ★ The Greater Hagerstown Committee



We appreciate and thank all state and local Elected Officials and Coalition members for their work, support, and advocacy efforts for projects and initiatives that better this community.



Special December Event:

RSVP BY
11/22/24

★ GHC's Annual Holiday Party ★

Wednesday, December 4th
Bowman Family Milestone Barn
5:30pm – 8:30pm

RSVP TODAY

EMAIL Erin with the name of your guest at
GHCAdmin@greaterhagerstown.org



Thank You and Enjoy the Holidays

**NO GHC MONTHLY MEETING IN
NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER!**

Next Meeting:

Friday, January 31st, 2025 from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

