





# Transportation, Infrastructure, Energy and Environment (TIEE) Committee

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### Core Services and Expertise



# The Department of Public Works & Transportation provides an array of services



Director's Office

- Communications
- Vision Zero





Administrative Services



**Transit Services** 



Engineering and Project Management



Storm Drain Maintenance



#### **DPW&T Operations**





Operates a transit system consisting of approximately 100 fixed-route buses and 60 paratransit vehicles, conducting ~3,000,000 passenger-trips annually

Increasing multimodal transportation options by redesigning for accessibility, connectivity and safety while creating a diverse range of travel options
Implementation of Innovative Transportation solutions to establish a proactive posture to meet the demands for transportation within our County.





Transportation infrastructure includes 900 bridges along with sidewalks, curbs/gutters, driveway aprons, shoulders, and storm water management facilities

Maintains 3,000 acres of grassy area in the County

Oversees more than 800 stormwater management facilities.

Cares for more than 100,000 trees located in the County's right-of-way





#### **PGC Transit Transformation Initiative**



# The PGC Transit Transformation (PGCTT) Initiative encompasses:

- The Transit Vision Plan is a five-year plan for aligning and advancing citizen and stakeholder transit needs, initiatives, goals, and objectives
- WMATA is studying the County's system (TheBus) as part of the region wide Better Bus Network Redesign efforts
  - DPW&T partners with WMATA and meets with their planning consultants to develop recommendations
- Planning for a more expansive public outreach process when the Transit Vision Plan kicks off



DPW&T conducted a survey from October 7 to December 31, 2022. Received ~500 responses about the County's transit services, including:

- 30% of respondents do not have access to a vehicle
- 35% use transit services daily
- Over 80% use transit to commute for work
- Safety, reliability and affordability are key areas of focus



#### County's Zero Emission Bus (ZEB) Transition



- DPW&T has committed to reducing the transit carbon footprint by having a 70% electric fleet by 2035
- DPW&T is coordinating efforts to launch the *Proud to Charge* initiative funded by the \$25 million USDOT FY22 Low and No Emission grant award from the Federal Transit Administration - ZEB includes a total of \$40 million from federal and state grants, plus local matching funds
- The *Proud to Charge* initiative includes:
  - Purchasing additional buses
  - Incorporation of in route charging infrastructure
  - Installation of a microgrid system
  - Improvement of electrical systems at the facility, and
  - Workforce development





#### Battery Electric Buses



#### Pilot Testing the Battery Electric Buses Underway

- Began October 31, 2023
- Includes 12 Battery Electric Buses on three routes; 51X (Upper Marlboro), 30 (Camp Springs/Clinton), and 15X (Greenbelt)

#### Next Steps

- Anticipate delivery of 6 Battery Electric Buses, summer 2023
- Installation of charging infrastructure
- D'Arcy Road facility enhancements
- Design/build microgrid system
- Zero Emission Facility Needs Study







#### TheBus 2022 Fall Service Changes



- Evaluate operational data
- Identify service gaps and deficiencies
- Engage riders, operators, and the public throughout the process



Operational Data Reviews	Service Analysis	Draft Recommendations	Seek Stakeholders Inputs	Public Notification

Routes	Fall 2022 Service Changes Implemented
15x - Greenbelt to New Carrolton Metro	40-minute frequency Route operates 6-10am and 3-7pm
Schedule Adjustments	
18 – Langley Park/Addison Road Metro	Time adjustments
21 – New Carrolton/Upper Marlboro	Change bus frequencies
51X – Equestrian Center/ Courthouse	Increase frequencies
34 – Suitland Metro	Add midday service



# Recent Transit Accomplishments



Federal Transit Administration and State Grant Awards	Award Amount	Local Match	Grand Total
2019 Low-No Emissions	2.2M	4.4K	2.6M
2019 Volkswagen Mitigation	2.4M		2.4M
2021 Low-No Emission	\$5.2M	1.4M	6.2M
2022 Bus and Bus Facility	\$25M	5M	30M

- DPW&T has been awarded over \$40 million in federal and state grants.
- Funding supports zero emission fleet transitions including infrastructure charging, microgrid, facility upgrades, and workforce development.

Industry Awards	Entity
Transit System of the Year, 2022	Transportation Association of Maryland
Transit Driver of the Year, 2022	Transportation Association of Maryland
Transit Fleet of the Year, 2022	Greater Washington Region Clean Cities Coalition





## Capital Improvement Projects





Storm Drain Improvement and Culvert Repair



Bridge Repair, Reconstruction And Construction



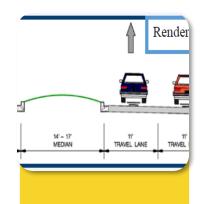
Intersection,
Traffic Signal
and Street
Light
Improvements



Roadway
Improvements
and
Maintenance
of Traffic



Sidewalk, Pedestrian Access and Bikeshare



Project
Planning and
Developer
Projects



#### **Enhanced Focus on Safety**





#### **Call to Action / More Opportunities**

- Vision Zero Prince George's Safe System Approach
- Safe Streets and Roads for All Grant Application (7 roadway projects)
- Bridge Investment
- Economic Development in the Region



# Capital Projects Overview – Public Map



CIP PROJECTS UNDER CONSTRUCTION			Capital Improvement Program (CIP) Active Projects Public Works & Transportation Website	Director		
CIP Project Name	Project Type	Project Manager	Project Status		<b>≣ \$ ■</b>	
Ager Rd. Green/Complete Streets Improvement	Green/ Complete Street	Sophady Uong	Construction	Creek MD-200-roll Beginning U.S. Army Beginning G. Meadle G. Meadl	Legend	
Allentown Rd. at Old Branch Ave. Drainage Repairs	Drainage Improvement	Sophady Uong	Construction	Damestown Northecker 8	DPWT CIP PROJECTS	
Allison St. Levee Project	Drainage Improvement	Elizabeth McKinney	Construction	Area South Laure Research Refuse North	<ul> <li>Drainage Improvement</li> <li>Bridge Replacement</li> <li>Green/Complete Street</li> </ul>	
Bowie Rd. Culvert Improvements	Culvert Repair	Jay Shah	Contract Ad and Award Process	Island Glenmont Environmental Science Farm	Pedestrian Safety  Major Roadway	
Calverton Blvd. Channel Improvements	Drainage Improvement	Charlie Griffith	Construction	Súgarland Run  North  Research  Refuge	<ul><li>Intersection Improvement</li><li>Bridge Repair</li></ul>	
<u>Cherry Hill Rd. at Maryland Farms</u> <u>Improvements</u>	Intersection Improvement	Elizabeth McKinney	Complete	Silver Spring Greenbelt	Culvert Repair	
Clear Creek Dr. Drainage Improvements	Drainage Improvement	Construction	Construction	Bethesda Olleger Park District 3	<ul> <li>Culvert Replacement</li> </ul>	
Contee Rd. Extended - US-1 to Konterra Drive	Major Roadway	Elizabeth McKinney	Complete	Reston Airport-Access-Rd  District 2  District 4  Eowle  Floativille	Councilmanic Districts	
Culvert Repair/Replacement Program - Nelson Perrie Rd. Culverts	Culvert Replacement	Nawaf Esayed	Contract Ad and Award Process	McLean District 5	County Boundary	
Daisy Ln. Drainage Improvements	Drainage Improvement	Dwight Joseph	Construction	FedEx Field		
Groveton Dr. Outfall Improvements	Drainage Improvement	Elizabeth McKinney	Construction	Arlington WASHINGTON Creek Griff		
Indian Head West Outfalls Repair	Drainage Improvement	Charlie Griffith	Construction	Memorinal Arington Blvd  Arington Blvd  FAIRFAX (CITY)		
Longfield Drainage Study	Drainage Improvement	Charlie Griffith	Contract Ad and Award Process	Annandale  District Toylogian Sold Hillorest  Hillorest  Heights  Annandale		
Marlboro Pk. Pedestrian Safety Improvements Ph. 1	Pedestrian Safety	Unmesh Patel	Construction	Duke St. Alexandria		
Montpelier Dr. Green Street Improvements	Green / Complete Street	Unmesh Patel	Construction	Burke St. Alexandria Sp. Oxon Hill Joint Base Andrews		
Owens Rd. Channel Drainage Improvement	Drainage Improvement	Charlie Griffith	Contract Ad and Award	West Springfield & Franconia District 8  Grove ton State Park  Jug Ba		
Safe Routes to School CIP Project	Pedestrian Safety	Sophady Uong	Construction	Huntley Meadows Friendly Rosaryville Rosaryville		
Sunnyside Ave. Bridge Replacement over Indian Creek	Bridge Replacement	Elizabeth McKinney	Construction	Park Park Widness		
Swann Rd, Green/Complete Street Improvements	Green/Complete Street	Sophady Uong	Complete	Mt Vernon piscast		
Temple Hill Rd. Bridge Replacement over Pea Hill Branch	Bridge Replacement	Jay Shah	Construction	Fort Belvoir	<u>View the</u>	
Trafalgar Ct. Outfalls Improvement	Drainage Improvement	Sophady Uong	Construction	Piscatawa Brandywine Brandywine Brandywine Globecom Annex	<u>map</u>	



#### Addressing PGC311 Requests



#### Priority: Address Backlog of PGC311 Service Requests

To expeditiously close out a significant number of PGC 311 service requests and develop an efficient process to assign, investigate, manage, and complete service requests.

This new process will alleviate the backlog and significantly reduce closure rates for all DPW&T service types.

**Accessibility Ramp Requests** 

Bus and Taxi Program Information and Inquiries

Damaged Mailbox Business or Residential

Graffiti Removal

Grass and Weeds Removal

Litter and Illegal Dumping

**Pavement Markings New or Refresh** 

**Pond Issues** 

Pothole Repair

Repair Traffic Calming, Signals, Signs, Streetlights

Request New Bus Stop and Bus Stop Amenities

Request New Traffic Sign
Request New Traffic Signals and Street Light
Roadway Emergency

Streets and Sidewalk Issues

Tree Debris and Stump Removal

Trees New, Removal, Replacement or Trimming

Bus Stop and Bus Shelter Issues



#### Overall Approach



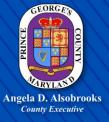
- Understand the current backlog of service requests
- Investigate and inspect all outstanding requests
  - Most 311 backlog requests:
    - Tree Trimming, drainage issues, paving/concrete
  - Concrete work:
    - In-depth review of every outstanding 311 request for concrete repairs
    - Analyze additional techniques to address minor trip hazards on sidewalks



- Build internal resources and streamline processes
  - Additional contractor resources
  - Internal staffing needs
  - Assessing production rates

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#### Pavement Management



DPW&T uses a Pavement Assessment
Management System (PAMS) methodology to
evaluate asphalt condition. Staff then develops a
list of roads to receive a resurfacing treatment.
The goal is to apply the right surface treatment at
the right time based on the results of the overall
pavement evaluation. Prince George's County
makes an effort to utilize preservation treatments
to extend the service life of streets throughout the
county. Examples of pavement preservation
techniques include:

Crack Seal Slurry seal Asphalt Cut and Patch Pothole Repairs













#### Pavement Management



The County schedules pavement maintenance five years in advance based on asphalt conditions and funding availability. Areas identified as those most in need are placed on the 5year schedule. DPW&T fills potholes reported into 311 Customer Service Request system within 72 hours.



Pavement Preservation Fact Sheet



#### Pavement Management



- Roads are surveyed every 5-10 years
- Survey vehicle drives every County maintained road
- Collects data and photographs which are used to update the PAMS database
- Survey vehicle takes scans of the road every 50 feet and can detect cracks as small as one mm in width
- The next planned scan of County roads is scheduled for Spring 2023



Pavement Survey Vehicle



# Vision Zero Safe Streets for Everyone Strategy



Vision Zero is a strategy to eliminate all traffic fatalities and severe injuries, while increasing safe, healthy, equitable mobility for all road users.

The County Executive and Council launched Vision Zero Prince George's in 2019 – commitment to make our streets safe for everyone by 2040.

The foundation of Vision Zero is the U.S. DOT/FHWA <u>Safe System</u> <u>Approach</u> – a proactive response to traffic safety to ensure human mistakes never lead to serious injury or death.



The key to achieving Vision Zero is a combination of the six essential elements for a safe transportation system.



DPW&T applied to U.S. DOT's <u>Safe Streets and Roads for All</u> grant program. Announcements are expected in January.



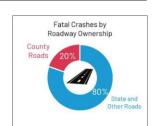
#### The Problem

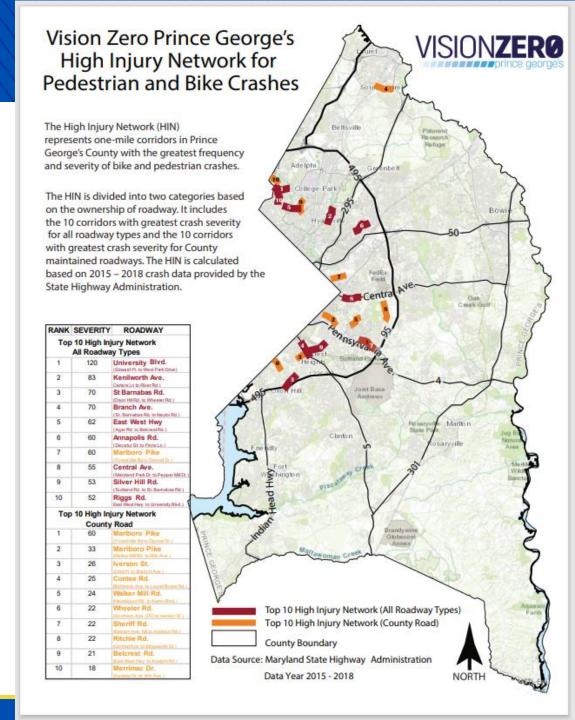
Since 2015, the county has had the highest number of traffic fatalities every year compared to all counties, according to data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration Fatality Analysis Reporting System.

Maryland Counties by 2020 Ranking		Fatalities				Percent of Total					
		2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
1	Prince Georges	78	99	103	113	109	15	18	20	21	19
2	Baltimore County	54	73	85	60	63	10	13	17	11	11
3	Baltimore City	53	44	34	49	62	10	8	7	9	11
4	Anne Arundel County	44	44	55	41	50	8	8	11	8	9
5	Montgomery County	42	33	34	37	46	8	6	7	7	8
6	Howard County	23	17	20	23	29	4	3	4	4	5
7	Charles County	29	35	21	19	26	6	6	4	4	5
8	Frederick County	16	27	17	24	23	3	5	3	4	4
9	Worcester County	15	8	8	11	20	3	1	2	2	4
10	Cecil County	21	31	26	19	17	4	6	5	4	3
Sub Total 1.*	Top Ten Counties	390	432	409	413	445	75	77	80	77	78
Sub Total 2.**	All Other Counties	132	126	103	122	122	25	23	20	23	22
Total	All Counties	522	558	512	535	567	100	100	100	100	100

Maryland is ranked 15th in the United States with a pedestrian fatality rate of 2.15 per 100,000 people while Prince George's County's overall pedestrian fatality rate is 3.3 per 100,000 people

22% of fatal crashes happen on 10 roads in Prince George's County.







## Publicly Available Crash Data



Crash Data is available on both State and County websites

#### **ZeroDeathsMaryland.gov**

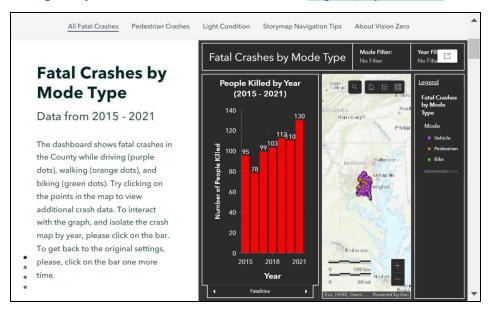
The Maryland Highway Safety Office (MHSO) of the MDOT MVA provides **real-time** and **monthly** crash data for Prince George's County.



#### VisionZeroPrinceGeorges.com

Vision Zero Prince George's shows **2015-2021** crash data for Prince George's County.

We update our dashboard when the state releases the finalized data for the given year. The state also confirms our High Injury Network.



In January 2022, Maryland Highway Safety Director, Tim Kerns, and Vision Zero Prince George's Coordinator, Andrea Lasker, <a href="presented">presented</a> data and updates to the County Council.



# **Engineering and Education**







Neighborhood Traffic Management Program Studies Completed



Major Road Safety
Projects Completed

Ager Road Green Complete Street | Hya

Montpelier Drive Laurel

Marlboro Pike | District Heigh

Langley Park Area CASA Crime Prevention Coalition Project

Langley Park

Sunnyside Avenue Bridge

Beltsville

1,835
Street Lighting Improvements

New Speed Humps

860,000

Square Feet of New and Replaced Sidewalk

18
Miles of Road
Resurfaced



#### Bladensburg Police Department Traffic Safety Day

Saturday, November 19, 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM Parkway Shopping Center



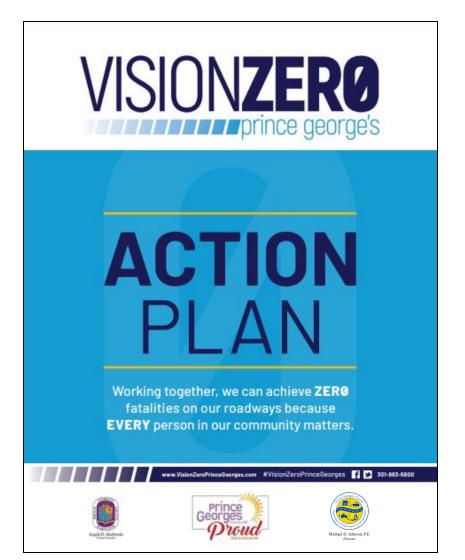
#### Street Smart Testimonial Display for World Day of Remembrance

Sunday, November 20, 12:00 PM - 6:00 PM The Mall at Prince George's



#### Way Forward – 2023 Vision Zero Action Plan





Education Actions
 Engineering Actions
 Evaluation Actions
 Enforcement Actions
 Emergency Response Actions
 Equity Commitment

For more
information, visit
VisionZeroPrince
Georges.com

The Vision Zero Action Plan is our roadmap to achieve zero fatalities and serious injuries on our roadways.

- The <u>2020-2022 Action Plan</u> contained 40 specific actions that County stakeholders can implement to achieve Vision Zero
- The actions balance long-term strategy and immediate implementation activities
- DPW&T leads the coordination for implementing the actions
- DPW&T is working to update the Action Plan in 2023