

# Community Development

### PROGRAM DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

The mission of the Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA) is:

- To plan and implement activities which prevent and correct problems that contribute to the physical decline of residential and commercial areas;
- Ensure fair and equitable relations between landlords and tenants;
- Increase the supply of new affordable housing;
- Maintain existing housing stock in safe condition; and
- Support community programs that benefit our residents.

DHCA oversees Community Development and Housing Programs to achieve its goals. The County's Community Development Program involves the design and implementation of intergovernmental strategies that address problems contributing to the physical decline of residential and commercial areas, and that support improvements to the quantity and quality of housing for low and moderate income families. The activities carried out within the Community Development Program of DHCA include: design and construction of street improvements, sidewalks, and other infrastructure improvements; public facilities and amenities to assure the compatibility of assisted housing and small retail centers with surrounding areas; and Central Business District (CBD) revitalization.

The Department's commercial revitalization activities are designed to encourage renewal of older shopping areas to meet contemporary commercial demands as well as revitalization of smaller commercial centers as focal points for the local community.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Continue commercial revitalization in the Colesville/New Hampshire Avenue corridor and the Burtonsville community to support existing small businesses and create new opportunities for private investment.
- Add funds to conduct community development facility planning studies.

### PROGRAM CONTACTS

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### CAPITAL PROGRAM REVIEW

Two ongoing projects comprise the recommended FY19-24 Capital Improvements Program for DHCA, for a total six-year cost of \$3.28 million, which is a \$0.72 million, or an 18 percent decrease from the Amended FY17-22 total six-year cost of \$4.0 million. The decrease in direct expenditures in this program are attributed to the <a href="Colesville/New Hampshire Avenue Community Revitalization">Community Revitalization</a> project moving forward, resulting in project expenditures moving out of the six-year period.



# Colesville/New Hampshire Avenue Community Revitalization

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Category
SubCategory
Planning Area

Community Development and Housing

**Community Development** 

Colesville-White Oak and Vicinity

Date Last Modified

Administering Agency

Status

12/19/17

Housing & Community Affairs

Ongoing

#### EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY17	Est FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	900	-	150	750	300	300	150	-	-	-	-
Construction	2,350	150	420	1,780	680	500	600	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	3,250	150	570	2,530	980	800	750	-	-	-	-

#### FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY17	Est FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
Current Revenue: General	3,250	150	570	2,530	980	800	750	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	3,250	150	570	2,530	980	800	750	-	-	-	-

#### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 19 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY15
Appropriation FY 20 Request	750	Last FY's Cost Estimate	3,250
Cumulative Appropriation	1,750		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	150		
Unencumbered Balance	1,600		

# Project Description

This project provides for commercial revitalization in the Colesville community focused on the four commercial intersections along New Hampshire Avenue (MD Route 650). The objectives are to support the existing small businesses, create new opportunities for private investment, and improve the visual appearance of the area. Project elements include gateway signage, pedestrian lighting, connectivity, streetscape elements, landscaping/screening, acquisition of long-term facade and commercial center signage easements, and other amenities.

### Location

The focus areas are: the four quadrants at the intersection of New Hampshire Avenue and Randolph Road; the commercial area at New Hamshire Avenue and Vital Way; the commercial area between Thomas Drive and Eldrid Drive on the west side of New Hampshire Avenue; and the commercial node east of New Hampshire Avenue at Hollywood Avenue.

#### **Estimated Schedule**

Expenditure schedule has been adjusted to reflect actual implementation.

# Project Justification

The Colesville commercial area is primarily older local, neighborhood retail centers with some office space. The White Oak Master Plan (1997) recommended providing a more unified "Main Street" form of development, integrating the commercial development with neighboring residential communities while providing buffers between the adjacent residential neighborhoods. The Colesville community is interested in enhancing the viability of commercial centers along New Hampshire Avenue.

#### Other

Plans and Studies: Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission's White Oak Master Plan (1997), Colesville Commercial Area and Design Study (2013).

#### Fiscal Note

This area is not eligible for CDBG funding.

#### Disclosures

A pedestrian impact analysis will be performed during design or is in progress.

#### Coordination

Department of Transportation, Maryland State Highway Administration, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Maryland Department of the Environment, and Department of Permitting Services.



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#### **EXPENDITURE SCHEDULE (\$000s)**

Cost Elements	Total	Thru FY17	Est FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
Planning, Design and Supervision	4,545	3,552	243	750	125	125	125	125	125	125	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	4,545	3,552	243	750	125	125	125	125	125	125	-

#### FUNDING SCHEDULE (\$000s)

Funding Source	Total	Thru FY17	Est FY18	Total 6 Years	FY 19	FY 20	FY 21	FY 22	FY 23	FY 24	Beyond 6 Years
Federal Aid	200	200	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Community Development Block Grant	893	889	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Current Revenue: General	3,352	2,363	239	750	125	125	125	125	125	125	-
Current Revenue: Parking - Montgomery Hill	100	100	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDING SOURCES	4,545	3,552	243	750	125	125	125	125	125	125	-

#### APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURE DATA (\$000s)

Appropriation FY 19 Request	-	Year First Appropriation	FY96
Appropriation FY 20 Request	125	Last FY's Cost Estimate	4,420
Cumulative Appropriation	3,920		
Expenditure / Encumbrances	2,837		
Unencumbered Balance	1,083		

# **Project Description**

This project provides funds for Department of Housing and Community Affairs (DHCA) facility planning studies for a variety of projects for possible inclusion in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP). In addition, facility planning serves as a transition stage for a project between the master plan or conceptual stage and its inclusion as a stand-alone project in the CIP. Prior to the establishment of a stand-alone project, DHCA will develop a Program of Requirements (POR) that outlines the general and specific features required in the project. Selected projects range in type from: land and building acquisition; conversion of surplus schools/ school sites or County-owned land into housing resources; design and construction of street improvements, sidewalks, and other infrastructure improvements in neighborhoods; and small commercial area revitalization that include streetscaping and circulation along with Central Business District (CBD) revitalization. Facility planning is a decision-making process to determine the purpose and need of a candidate project through a rigorous investigation of the following critical project elements: community

revitalization needs; economic, social, environmental, and historic impacts; public participation; non-County funding sources; and detailed project cost estimates. Depending upon the results of a facility planning analysis of purpose and need, a project may or may not proceed to construction. For a full description of the facility planning process, see the CIP Planning Section.

# Cost Change

Increase due to the addition of FY23 and FY24, partially offset by FY18 reductions related to an FY18 savings plan.

# Project Justification

There is a continuing need for development of accurate cost estimates and an exploration of alternatives for proposed projects. Facility planning costs for all projects which ultimately become stand-alone Project Description Forms (PDFs) are included here. These costs will not be reflected in the resulting individual project. Future individual CIP projects, which result from facility planning, will each reflect reduced planning and design costs.

### Other

The proposals studied under this program will involve the Office of Management and Budget staff, consultants, community groups, and related program area staff, to ensure that completed studies show full costs, program requirements, and have community support.

#### Disclosures

Expenditures will continue indefinitely.

### Coordination

Office of Management and Budget, Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Transportation, Department of General Services, and Regional Services Centers.