INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this section is to describe the community input process coordinated through the Citizens Advisory Boards (CABs) and present demographic data for each of the five Regional Services areas. The community input process makes it easier for residents to focus on regional issues in the proposed Capital Improvements Program (CIP). The preparation of this section completes several months of consulting the citizens of the various communities within Montgomery County.

The consultation process included the following steps:

- During the preparation of the recommended CIP, the Citizens Advisory Boards sponsored forums in all five of the Regional Services areas: Bethesda-Chevy Chase, East County, Mid-County, Silver Spring, and Upcounty. In addition, a Countywide virtual forum was held. These forums provided residents with an opportunity to express their views on the future of the CIP in their area and to indicate their priorities for the CIP. Department and agency representatives were present at the forums.
- The Citizens Advisory Boards provided their recommendations to the County Executive.
- The County Executive considered each recommendation in making decisions on projects to be included in this recommended CIP.

The Public Input section also includes the following information:

- A geographic and demographic description of each of the Regional Services areas.
- Information about the Open Data Budget Publication.
- A map of the County Regional Services areas showing the service areas by communities and vicinities.

OPEN BUDGET

Montgomery County, Maryland offers a comprehensive Open Data Budget Publication that takes the very complex and detailed data found in the traditional budget publication and transforms it into an intuitive, accessible, and shareable format making it easier for the public to be informed about approved and recommended capital projects. Features included are:

- Interactive charts, tables, maps, and videos
- A custom Google search engine
- Archiving previous years' data/content
- Unlimited sharing/discovery of data, tables, and visualizations
- Mobility (works on smartphones, tablets, and desktops)
- American with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance
- Instantly translatable into 90+ languages

REGIONAL SERVICE AREA DESCRIPTIONS

The Regional Services areas were established by grouping together the existing land use master planning areas to form contiguous areas broadly similar in growth and development characteristics and with similar capital planning issues. The division by service area is intended mainly for the convenience of residents in understanding capital budget issues in their areas. Established planning documents, such as the Growth Policy and master plans, will continue to be presented by policy area or planning area, as appropriate. The charts on the following pages display percentages of County population by service area from 2020 to projected 2050 and household population and the number of household data, as well as growth rates, by service area for the same period.

An index of CIP projects by planning area is contained at the back of the CIP publication.

Bethesda-Chevy Chase

The Bethesda-Chevy Chase service area consists of the older, more developed areas in the southwestern part of Montgomery County, closest to the District of Columbia. It includes the communities and vicinities of Potomac-Cabin John, North Bethesda-Garrett Park, City of Rockville, and Bethesda-Chevy Chase. Bethesda-Chevy Chase is the second largest service area in population size, containing in 2020 approximately 24.8 percent of the County's total population. Growth in all service areas is tracked by total growth in household population and number of households. From 2020 to 2035 the area is expected to grow by 15.9 percent in household population. The growth of household numbers is slightly higher, at about 21.1 percent. From 2035 to 2050, area population growth is expected to be 14.3 percent, with household growth for this same period expected to be 14.5 percent.

East County

The East County service area consists of the easternmost sections of the County closest to Prince George's County. It includes the communities and vicinities of the Patuxent Watershed, Cloverly-Norwood, Colesville-White Oak, and Fairland-Beltsville. East County is the smallest service area in population size, containing 9.9 percent of the County population in 2020. From 2020 to 2035, the area is expected to increase 4.4 percent in household population. There will be growth in the number of households at about 6.7 percent. From 2035 to 2050, area household population growth is expected to increase by 6.7 percent while household growth will increase by 7.6 percent.

Mid-County

The Mid-County service area is centered along both sides of Georgia Avenue. It covers the communities and vicinities of Patuxent Watershed, Upper Rock Creek, Olney, Aspen Hill, Kensington-Wheaton, and Kemp Mill-Four Corners. Mid-County is the third largest service area in population, containing 21.3 percent of the County population in 2020. From 2020 to 2035, 4.6 percent growth is expected in household population and the number of households is expected to grow 6.6 percent over the same period. From 2035 to 2050, area population growth of 6.9 percent is expected while approximately 7.3 percent growth is expected in the number of households. A small portion of this area remains parkland and agricultural preserve, limiting future growth opportunities.

Silver Spring

The Silver Spring service area includes the communities and vicinities of Kemp Mill-Four Corners, Silver Spring, and Takoma Park. It covers the southeastern corner of the County bordering the District of Columbia and Prince George's County. Silver Spring is the second smallest service area in population size, containing 10.4 percent of the County population in 2020. From 2020 to 2035, the area is expected to grow 7.9 percent in household population. The growth in households will be faster, at 11.3 percent. From 2035 to 2050, area population growth of approximately 9.6 percent is expected while 9.7 percent growth is expected in the number of households.

Upcounty

The Upcounty service area consists of growing areas of the County along the upper I-270 corridor, encompassing the largest geographical area which consists of the northern and western parts of Montgomery County. This area includes the communities and vicinities of Bennett and Little Bennett Watershed, Damascus, Barnesville, Dickerson, Clarksburg, Goshen, Woodfield, Cedar Grove, Martinsburg, Poolesville, Lower Seneca Basin, Germantown, Gaithersburg, Upper Rock Creek, Darnestown, and Travilah. Not only
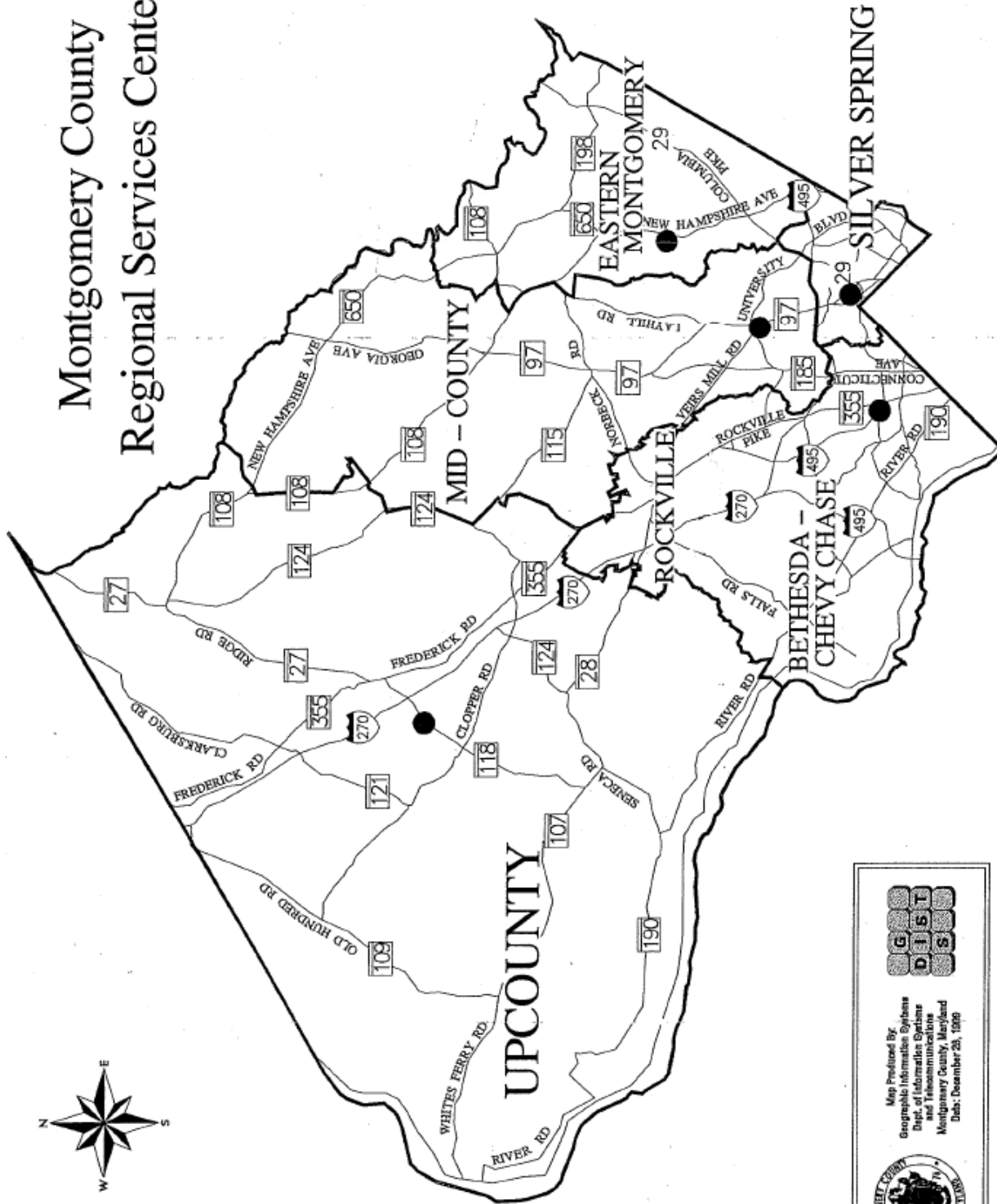
has this area experienced swift growth in the number of residents, it is also the area with the greatest concentration of new research and development, manufacturing, and commercial employment. Upcounty is the largest area in population size and comprises 33.5 percent of the entire County population in 2020. From 2020 to 2035, the area is expected to grow 7.4 percent in household population. The household growth rate is expected to be faster, at 10.3 percent. From 2035 to 2050, area population growth is projected at 4.9 percent while growth in the number of households is projected at 5.7 percent.

Countywide Projects

Numerous Countywide projects are included in the CIP and may include improvements located in one or more of the service areas. For more information on improvements included in Countywide projects, please refer to the individual project description forms.

Montgomery County
Regional Services Centers

EASTERN MONTGOMERY

SILVER SPRING

MID – COUNTY

ROCKVILLE

BETHESDA – CHEVY CHASE

UPCOUNTY

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MONTGOMERY COUNTY POPULATION/HOUSEHOLDS BY REGIONAL SERVICES AREA, 2020 - 2050

Growth and Projections for Regional Services Areas

Household Population and Number of Households: 2020, 2025, 2030, 2035, 2040, 2045, and 2050

Household population				
Service Center	**Household population (2020)**	**Household population (2025)**	**Household population (2030)**	**Household population (2035)**
Bethesda/Chevy Chase	261,020	269,325	284,437	302,483
Eastern Montgomery	103,831	104,080	105,575	108,368
Mid-County	224,063	226,567	231,637	234,291
Silver Spring	109,183	110,835	113,661	117,829
Upcounty	352,303	360,405	370,831	378,502
Montgomery County Total	**1,050,400**	**1,071,212**	**1,106,141**	**1,141,473**

Household population			
Service Center	**Household population (2040)**	**Household population (2045)**	**Household population (2050)**
Bethesda/Chevy Chase	320,126	332,522	345,815
Eastern Montgomery	110,190	112,934	115,622
Mid-County	238,740	245,870	250,425
Silver Spring	122,968	126,898	129,115
Upcounty	385,148	391,255	397,040
Montgomery County Total	**1,177,172**	**1,209,479**	**1,238,017**

Households				
Service Center	**Households (2020)**	**Households (2025)**	**Households (2030)**	**Households (2035)**
Bethesda/Chevy Chase	106,069	111,100	119,151	128,407
Eastern Montgomery	35,652	35,819	36,610	38,037
Mid-County	78,366	79,704	82,279	83,532
Silver Spring	44,124	45,346	46,889	49,126
Upcounty	122,422	126,411	131,587	135,066
Montgomery County Total	**386,633**	**398,380**	**416,516**	**434,168**

Households			
Service Center	**Households (2040)**	**Households (2045)**	**Households (2050)**
Bethesda/Chevy Chase	136,461	141,694	147,063
Eastern Montgomery	38,820	39,949	40,924
Mid-County	85,289	88,032	89,607
Silver Spring	51,528	53,088	53,898
Upcounty	137,972	140,437	142,823
Montgomery County Total	**450,070**	**463,200**	**474,315**

Data source: Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (MWCOG), Round 10.1 Forecast; M-NCPPC, Montgomery Planning, Resarch & Strategic Projects Division.

*Totals may not sum due to rounding

REGIONAL SERVICES AREA AND CORRESPONDING PLANNING AREA

Regional Services Area	Planning Area
Bethesda-Chevy Chase Regional Services	
	Bethesda-Chevy Chase and Vicinity
	North Bethesda-Garrett Park
	Potomac-Cabin John and Vicinity
	Rockville
East County Regional Services	
	Cloverly-Norwood
	Colesville-White Oak and Vicinity
	Fairland -Beltsville and Vicinity
	Patuxent Watershed Conservation Area
Mid-County Regional Services	
	Aspen Hill and Vicinity
	Kemp Mill-Four Corners and Vicinity
	Kensington- Wheaton
	Olney and Vicinity
	Patuxent Watershed Conservation Area
	Upper Rock Creek Watershed
Silver Spring Regional Services	
	Kemp Mill-Four Corners and Vicinity
	Silver Spring and Vicinity
	Takoma Park
UpCounty Regional Services	
	Bennett and Little Bennett Watershed
	Clarksburg and Vicinity
	Damascus and Vicinity
	Darnestown and Vicinity
	Gaithersburg and Vicinity
	Germantown and Vicinity
	Goshen-Woodfield-Cedar Grove and Vicinity
	Little Monocacy Basin Dickerson-Barnesville
	Lower Seneca Basin
	Martinsburg and Vicinity
	Poolesville and Vicinity
	Travilah and Vicinity
	Upper Rock Creek Watershed

Notes: Planning areas of Kemp Mill-Four Corners, Patuxent Watershed, and Upper Creek Watershed are split between two service areas.

PLANNING AREAS AND CORRESPONDING SERVICE AREAS

Planning Area Name	Service Area
Aspen Hill and Vicinity	Mid-County
Bennett and Little Bennett Watershed	Upcounty
Bethesda-Chevy Chase and Vicinity	Bethesda
Bi-County	All
Clarksburg and Vicinity	Upcounty
Cloverly-Norwood	East County
Colesville-White Oak and Vicinity	East County
Countywide	All
Damascus and Vicinity	Upcounty
Darnestown and Vicinity	Upcounty
Fairland-Beltsville and Vicinity	East County
Gaithersburg and Vicinity	Upcounty
Germantown and Vicinity	Upcounty
Goshen-Woodfield-Cedar Grove and Vicinity	Upcounty
Kemp Mill-Four Corners and Vicinity	Mid-County and Silver Spring
Kensington-Wheaton	Mid-County
Little Monocacy Basin Dickerson-Barnesville	Upcounty
Lower Seneca Basin	Upcounty
Martinsburg and Vicinity	Upcounty
North Bethesda-Garrett Park	Bethesda
Olney and Vicinity	Mid-County
Patuxent Watershed Conservation Area	East County and Mid-County
Poolesville and Vicinity	Upcounty
Potomac-Cabin John and Vicinity	Bethesda
Rockville	Bethesda
Silver Spring and Vicinity	Silver Spring

Takoma Park	Silver Spring
Travilah and Vicinity	Upcounty
Upper Rock Creek Watershed	Mid-County and Upcounty