

AGRICULTURAL AGENCIES & SERVICES

- **Montgomery County Office of Agriculture**
 - ✓ Land Preservation
 - ✓ Annual Farm Tour
 - ✓ Farmers' Markets
 - ✓ New Farmer Project
 - ✓ Energy Tax Relief
 - ✓ Marketing Assistance
 - ✓ Agricultural Education

- **Farm Services Agency**
 - ✓ Financial Programs
 - ✓ Farm Commodity & Disaster Programs

- **Natural Resource Conservation Service**
 - ✓ Conservation Planning
 - ✓ Technical Assistance
 - ✓ Financial Assistance

- **Montgomery Soil Conservation District**
 - ✓ Conservation Education & Technical Assistance
 - ✓ Cost Share Programs
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 - ✓ Equipment Share Program

- **University of Maryland Extension**
 - ✓ Agriculture/Commercial Horticulture
 - ✓ 4-H Youth Development
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The Agricultural Reserve is a designated land use zone in Montgomery County, Maryland. The 93,000 acres zone was created in 1980 by the Montgomery County Council to preserve farm land and rural space in the northwestern part of the County.



Agricultural Programs & Services Montgomery County, MD

AGRICULTURAL HISTORY FARM PARK



An early 20th-century farm preserved at this 455-acre site with exhibits, live animals & trails.

Home to Federal, State and County agencies who partner to meet all your agricultural needs.

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Montgomery County Office of Agriculture

www.montgomerycountymd.gov/agservices

The Office of Agriculture was created in July 2016 and exists to promote agriculture as a viable component of the County's economic sector as well as to preserve farmland as a resource for future agricultural production.

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Farm Services Agency (FSA)

www.fsa.usda.gov/

An agency of the Department of Agriculture (USDA) that serves all farmers, ranchers and agricultural partners. FSA offers a variety of programs and services including financial programs.

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Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)

www.nrcs.usda.gov/

Provides financial and technical assistance to farmers for implementing conservation practices on the farm to improve the environment and their farming operations.

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Montgomery Soil Conservation District

www.montgomeryscd.org/

The MSCD is dedicated to conservation education for students, farmers and the public and works to promote Best Management Practices in the farm community.

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University of Maryland Extension (UME)

www.extension.umd.edu/montgomery-county

University of Maryland Extension (UME) is a statewide, non-formal education system within the College of Agriculture and Natural Resources. UME educational programs and problem-solving assistance are based on the research and experience of land grant universities such as the University of Maryland, College Park.

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4-H Youth Development

www.extension.umd.edu/montgomery-county/4-h-youth

4-H aspires to be a recognized leading youth development program that inspires youth and adults to learn, grow and work together as catalyst for positive change.

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Master Gardeners

<http://www.extension.umd.edu/mg/locations/montgomery-county-master-gardeners>

The Master Gardener Program educates residents about safe, effective and sustainable horticultural practices that build healthy gardens, landscapes and communities.

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Watershed Restoration

www.extension.umd.edu/watershed

Improving water quality through stormwater management and watershed restoration techniques, the Sea Grant Watershed Protection and Restoration Program works with local and state governments, watershed organizations, and community groups in Maryland to build partnerships, identify funding sources, and advise/assist in the planning, implementation and monitoring of restoration projects.

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