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Holiday Schedule for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

Montgomery County government will observe the following holiday schedule for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday on Monday, January 19:

County Offices – closed

Libraries – closed

County liquor stores – closed

Recreation – aquatics programs and facilities open; all other classes and programs canceled; Administrative office, senior centers and community centers closed

Montgomery Parks - all Parks facilities are open. For operating schedules, including Brookside Gardens, ice rinks, tennis centers, trains and carousels, visit www.MontgomeryParks.org.

Ride On – Modified holiday schedule

Metrobus – Saturday supplemental service

Metrorail – Saturday holiday schedule

TRiPS Commuter Stores (Silver Spring and Friendship Heights) -- closed

Refuse/recycling pickup – no collection*

Transfer Station – closed

Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters – free

MCPS Administrative Offices – closed

State offices and courts – closed

*Collection provided one day later for remainder of week (last collection day is Saturday).

Joint Meeting: UCAB's Land Use Committee and Quality of Life Committee
Monday, January 26 7:00pm
Kramer Upcounty Regional Services Center
12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

Topic: Pedestrian Safety

Montgomery County Plans Day of Service to Honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday

This year, Montgomery County's Day of Service activities in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday on Monday, January 19, will take place at several sites throughout the County. Locations, times and registration information can be found at www.montgomeryserves.org/mlk-day-service-2015.

Details at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14410

Leggett to Host 3 More FY16 Operating Budget Public Forum; Residents' Input Crucial in Determining Priorities All forums begin at 7 p.m.

Montgomery County Executive Ike Leggett will host three more FY16 Operating Budget forums this month according to the following schedule.

- Tuesday, January 20, Eastern Montgomery Regional Services Center, 3300 Briggs Chaney Road, Silver Spring
- Thursday, January 22, Mid-County Community Recreation Center, 2004 Queensguard Road, Silver Spring
- Monday, January 26, Bethesda Chevy Chase Regional Services Center, 4805 Edgemoor Lane, Bethesda

Sign language interpreter services will be provided only upon request with notice as far in advance as possible, but no less than 72 hours prior to the event. If these or other services or aids are needed to participate in this activity, call 240-777-6507, TTY 240-773-3556 or email a request to Karen.falcon@montgomerycountymd.gov.

The County Executive announces his Recommended Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget on March 16. The County Council approves the operating budget at the end of May.

Join Montgomery County's conversation about the FY16 Operating Budget on social media and help raise awareness by using #MontCoFY16budgetforum.

Residents are invited to attend and provide input about priorities for the Fiscal Year 2016 Operating Budget!

New Ride On Service Improvements Began on January 11; Enhancements to Affect 25 Routes – One of the Largest Upgrades in the Last 10 Years

On Sunday, January 11, the Montgomery County Ride On bus system introduced improvements to 25 routes that will upgrade service for thousands of riders a day. This is one of the largest enhancements in Ride On service in the last 10 years. The Montgomery County Council, in their deliberations last May, approved funding for the improvements to further expand Ride On service. See list of affected routes at

http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14397

Commission for Women to Co-Host 35th Annual Women's Legislative Briefing Sunday, January 25 11:30am – 6:00pm The Universities at Shady Grove, Building II 9630 Gudelsky Drive, Rockville

Keynote speaker: Ann F. Lewis, Senior White House staffer from 1997 to 2000

For registration information and other details, visit
http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14412

Public Invited to Forum Focused on Poverty
Wednesday, January 29 6:00pm
Bohrer Park Activity Center
506 South Frederick Avenue, Gaithersburg

The public is invited to a free forum and resource fair to learn about issues facing low-income community residents. The "Raise Your Voice! Poverty in Montgomery County" forum is sponsored by the County's Community Action Board in partnership with the City of Gaithersburg. Attendees will be able to share their experiences and recommendations about issues such as child care, transportation, jobs and housing in small focus group sessions. The resource fair will include information and resources from local service providers.

Free child care and food will be provided. The public may register for the forum online at <http://bit.ly/1x8zNw2> or by calling the Community Action Agency at 240-777-1697.

Read more at http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14405

Residents Encouraged to Sign Up for Health Coverage at Health Connect Now Events
Saturday, January 31

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - Upcounty Regional Services Center, 12900 Middlebrook Road, Germantown, MD
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - The Sanctuary at Kingdom Square, 9033 Central Avenue, Capitol Heights, MD

Get in-person help to shop, select and enroll in health coverage through the Maryland Health Connection. Health navigators, assisters and certified insurance brokers will be available to help residents of the Capital Region (Montgomery and Prince George's County) sign up for Medicaid and qualified health plans through the Maryland Health Connection. **Open enrollment for qualified health plans ends February 15, 2015. Medicaid enrollment is year-round.**

For a list of documents to bring, visit http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14422



Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett has established a [Six Point Economic Plan](#) that includes the following efforts. (download [pdf](#))

1. **Move/Build Program**
2. **MC Squared**
3. **Independent Transit Authority**
4. **Streamlining Developments**
5. **Ultra Montgomery**
6. **Montgomery Moving Forward Workforce Coalition**

Leggett Cuts Ribbon Opening New MCPS Food Distribution Facility – a “Smart Growth Initiative” Project



http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=14406

For more News from the Office of the County Executive, visit: <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/news>

For other news and meeting agendas, visit:

County Council <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/cs/templ.asp?url=/content/council/news/news.asp>

Planning Board http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/departments/news_releases

Also check out the latest from:

Department of Public Libraries <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/library>

Department of Recreation <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/rectmpl.asp?url=/content/rec/index.asp>

Department of Transportation <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot/index.html>

Department of Environmental Protection <http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/deatmpl.asp?url=/content/dep/dephome/index.asp>

Department of Permitting Services <http://permittingervices.montgomerycountymd.gov/DPS/general/Home.aspx>

Montgomery County Volunteer Center <http://www.montgomeryserves.org>

Office of Community Partnerships <http://archive.constantcontact.com/fs100/1102184431012/archive/1117215431562.html>

Commission for Women <http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/cfw/index.html>