



Bringing the County Closer to You!

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Upcounty Citizens Advisory Board Meeting
Monday, July 21 7:00pm-9:00pm
Upcounty Regional Services Center
129000 Middlebrook Road, Germantown

The Board, that is appointed to advise the County Executive and County Council, will meet to discuss anticipated issues and opportunities in the coming fiscal year 2015 (July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015). The public is welcomed at board meetings.

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, please call 240-777-8040 or email a request to catherine.matthews@montgomerycountymd.gov.



The Census Bureau is looking for qualified applicants in Montgomery County, MD and the District of Columbia!

The U.S. Census Bureau is researching modern and new methods for the population to exercise its civic obligation to be counted in the next census and at least 1,000 people in Montgomery County and DC are needed for temporary positions to get this important job done. Through the smart use of technology and existing government data sources, the 2020 Census hopes to provide substantial taxpayer savings while maintaining the highest quality and accuracy standards mandated by the U.S. Constitution. The 2014 Census Test will allow the Census Bureau, on a small scale, to test a variety of new methods and advance technologies that are under consideration for the 2020 Census. **The 2014 Test will take place from June 23, through September 25, with Census Day on July 1, 2014.**

The test will be conducted in portions of Washington D.C., and Montgomery County, MD. The Census Bureau has opened a temporary Local Census Office (LCO) in Silver Spring, MD to conduct the 2014 Census Test and is hiring field staff for temporary positions. Pay ranges from \$14-\$21.50 an hour. Be a part of helping to shape the 2020 Census. Call 1-888-480-1639 for information on how to apply.

[Available Positions Flyer.pdf](#) [2014 Census Test Fact Sheet.pdf](#)

If you have questions, please contact nesreen.khashan@census.gov

Leggett Encourages Low-Income and Senior Homeowners To Apply for Property Tax Credit



Montgomery County homeowners who have a limited income or are at least 70 years of age may be eligible for property tax credits that will limit the amount of taxes they must pay. One application will determine eligibility for three programs - the Maryland Homeowners' Property Tax Credit Program; the Montgomery County Supplemental Property Tax Credit; and the Montgomery County Senior Property Tax Credit. The application deadline is September 1, 2014.

To apply for these tax credits, homeowners must fill out one application form each year. Application forms are available by calling the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) at 1-800-944-7403, or by downloading the form and instructions from the SDAT website at <http://www.dat.state.md.us/sdatweb/htc.html>.

24th Annual Farm Tour and Harvest Sale (rain or shine)



- Did you know that today, Montgomery County has the highest percentage of farmland under agricultural land preservation easements in the nation?
- Agriculture contributes \$243 million to the County's economy?
- There are 561 farms and 350 horticultural enterprises in the County?
- The average farm size in Montgomery County is 121 acres?
- Montgomery County is among the first counties in the nation to develop no-till conservation farming?

Visit <http://www.choosemontgomerymd.com/programs-incentives/agricultural-preservation> for more information and a map of the farms.

**Montgomery Parks to Deliver Staff Draft Presentation to Montgomery Planning Board
on Ovid Hazen Wells Recreational Park Master Plan Update
Thursday, July 17**

(check the Planning Board agenda for time)
<http://www.montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda/2014/agenda20140717e.html>

See the staff draft at
http://www.montgomeryplanningboard.org/agenda/2014/documents/item1320140717mcpbmemo-ovidhazenwellsmpupdatestaffdraft3_000.pdf

The Planning Board's Agenda is subject to change and certain items may be postponed or added. For meeting updates or to view the Planning Board proceedings live on our website, visit www.montgomeryplanningboard.org.

**Reminders, Tips for Safe Disposal of Ash from Grills
from Division of Solid Waste Services, Fire & Rescue**

http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=13892

Long Term Work Underway by Dept. of Transportation

- Due to bridge reconstruction the East Deer Park Road "Humpback Bridge" over the CSX tracks is scheduled to be closed on or about June 23, 2014 through August 30, 2014. Please use the posted detour route.
- Due to bridge constructions White Ferry Rd will be closed between Old Hundred Rd. (MD.109) to Wasche Rd beginning June 16, 2014 until late August of 2014.
- Due to bridge construction Cedar Lane is closed from Rockville Pike (MD.355) to Elmhirst Parkway until late August of 2014.. ([Click here to view map](#))
- Watch for the new Traffic Pattern and Lane Shift on University Blvd. (MD.193) on the overpass at I-495.
- Shawnee La. is closed between Frederick Rd. (MD.355) and Gateway Center Dr. for roadway improvements.
- There is a long term construction project in the Downtown Bethesda Area. Woodmont Ave. will be closed from Bethesda Ave. to Miller Ave. until June 2014. Please follow the posted detour signs. ([Click here to view map](#))
- Watch for the continuing construction of the new Silver Spring Transit Center at Colesville Rd. and Wayne Ave. bus operations have been moved to the on street stops. New signs throughout the area around the Transit Center display maps showing the location of Ride On, Metro, VanGo, MTA Commuter and the University of Maryland shuttle bus stops. These maps also show the locations of the Commuter Store, Taxi Stand, Kiss & Ride area, Parking, Silver Spring Metrorail station and the MARC Brunswick Line Silver Spring Station. New bus stop signs, shelters and other amenities have also been added throughout the area around the Transit Center. For more information, go to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/. ([Click here to view map](#))

To obtain the latest information regarding road work operations, please visit the [Division of Highway Services website](#).

**Montgomery County Announces Request for Proposals (RFP) to Create a "Kitchen Incubator"
to support Local Food Entrepreneurs**

For details, visit http://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/apps/News/press/PR_details.asp?PrID=13890

What is Your Neighborhood Doing on “National Night Out?”
Always the first Tuesday in August!

The introduction of National Night Out, “America’s Night Out Against Crime,” in 1984 began an effort by the National Association of Town Watch (NATW) to promote involvement in crime prevention activities, police-community partnerships, neighborhood camaraderie and send a message to criminals letting them know that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back. NATW’s National Night Out program culminates annually, on the first Tuesday of August (In Texas, the first Tuesday of October).

The Montgomery County Police Department and County Executive have visited numerous neighborhoods over the past years in support of neighbors coming together. To learn more about the event, visit <http://natw.org/about>

Ride-On is Looking For Full-Time and Substitute Bus Operators

Closing Date: July 31, 2014

The Department of Transportation is seeking **Full Time** and **Substitute** Bus Operators. Selected applicants will be considered for full time and substitute positions on as needed basis. This recruitment will establish an eligible list to fill current and future vacancies for our three depots in Silver Spring, Gaithersburg and Nicholson Court. The selected employee, after successful completion of a driver training program is responsible for the safe and on time operation of a transit vehicle in all types of climatic conditions and for tactful and courteous interaction with the public.

The selected employee is an essential employee and MUST adhere to a strict Attendance Policy and be available to work a flexible schedule that includes nights, weekends, holidays and working split shifts. Work is performed either on a fixed route basis selected by employees based on seniority, or a non-repetitive/demand-responsive schedule by which passengers are provided door-to-door service. **Resumes are accepted on a quarterly basis (January, April, July and October).**

How to Apply: To view entire job announcement and apply online, visit www.montgomerycountymd.gov/careers IRC14870

Video/written exam date: Scheduling notifications with times and details will be sent **via your iRecruitment account** prior to the test. Please login to your iRecruitment account periodically to check your status. **THERE IS NO STUDYING REQUIRED FOR THE PRE-SCREENING EXAM.**

Driving Record: You **MUST** mail an Original Complete Certified Copy of your driving record in order to be considered for this position by **September 2, 2014**. Mail your driving record to:

Bus Operator Test Administrator
101 Monroe St. 7th fl
Rockville, MD 20850

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/csltmpl.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://www6.montgomerycountymd.gov/content/libraries/index.asp>

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>