

MONTGOMERY COUNTY
FISCAL 2008 STATE BUDGET PRIORITIES
December 20, 2006

Operating:

- Funding of the GCEI, without any contingent changes to the calculation of the wealth base for purposes of allocating K-12 education aid, and assurance that any future discussions of changes to the aid formula will include a thorough debate about all aspects of the formula's components
- Increased State funding for adult education programs

Capital:

- Public School Construction - - \$133.9 million
- Transportation –

Of Statewide importance: Purple Line, Corridor Cities Transitway, I-270 HOV lanes north of Shady Grove to the Frederick County Line, and the I-495 HOV lanes from VA to the I-270 West Spur.

Of local importance and not funded: Georgia Avenue/Randolph Road Interchange and the I-270/Watkins Mill Road Extended Interchange.

A solution to the WMATA funding issue is also critical to the region.

For the State to underwrite its share of the “of Statewide importance” transportation projects noted above, a revenue enhancement will be necessary.

- Montgomery College - - \$40.4 million
- Rockville District Court - - \$62 million
- Montgomery County Detention Center reuse projects -- \$2 million
- Germantown Incubator - - \$2 million
- Birchmere Music Hall -- \$2 million