Nominate Yourself to Serve on a Rapid Transit System (RTS) Corridor Advisory Committee!

Get Involved in Rapid Transit Planning Efforts in Your Community

We would like to announce the establishment of Rapid Transit System (RTS) Corridor Advisory Committees (CACs) in Montgomery County. These committees are part of the Montgomery County Department of Transportation's (MCDOT) and the State of Maryland's commitment to developing a Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) System in Montgomery County. These CACs will focus on the corridors currently funded for study (see page 3).

Four major corridors in Montgomery County will be studied over the next two years. The four corridors will be divided into seven segments, which will each be assigned to a CAC. Each committee will have up to 40 members.

Nominations will be accepted until November 21, 2014.

More information about the committees, the nominee selection process, and a self nomination form is available on our website: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rts.

For questions, more information, or to be added to mailing list, please contact:

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These committees will provide community stakeholders (corridor residents, businesses, churches, community organizations, and institutions) the opportunity to participate in the RTS planning process. By working with engineers, architects, land use professionals, and planners, committee members will advise MCDOT and the State in the decision process related to:

- General corridor concept designs
- Study assumptions
- Transit access and operations
- Coordination with other modes
- Public involvement planning
- Community needs

¡Postúlese para un Comité Asesor del Futuro Sistema de Autobuses de Tránsito Rápido! 
Más información sobre los comités, el proceso de selección de postulantes, y un formulario de autopostulación se encuentra en: www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rts
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Local civic organizations or chambers of commerce will select the corridor area representatives. A limited number of "at-large" representatives will be chosen by MCDOT. These will be interested parties who do not live or have a business directly on a BRT corridor.

To nominate yourself to serve on an RTS Corridor Advisory Committee, IF YOU ARE A RESIDENT, please fill out this self nomination form and submit it by either email, fax or mail to your civic organization president. To find your civic association contact, please visit http://www.montgomeryplanning.org/gis/interactive/hoca.shtm.

IF YOU ARE A BUSINESS, please send this completed self nomination form to your Chamber of Commerce. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN SERVING AS AN AT LARGE representative, send this completed self nomination form to Tom Pogue, MCDOT Community Relations at Email: rapid.transit@montgomerycountymd.gov; USPS Address: MCDOT Director's Office, 101 Monroe Street, 10th Floor, Rockville, MD 20850; Fax: 240-777-7178; Phone: 240-777-7155. Copies of this self nomination form are available, in both English and Spanish, at http://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/rts.

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**NOMINATION FORM**

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**Personal Information**

Name

Address

City    State    ZIP

Phone Number    Alternate Phone Number

**E-mail Address**

Affiliation: [ ] Resident  [ ] Business Major Employer  [ ] Religious Institution  [ ] Community Organization  [ ] Other Organization  [ ] Other

If Other, please describe: ____________________________________________________________

Affiliation name and size, if applicable: (for example: business-# of employees, civic association-# of residents, church-# of congregants, etc.) ______________________________________________ Size: _______

Your title, if applicable: __________________________________________________________

Are you a transit user (bus, rail)?: [ ] YES, Regularly  [ ] YES, Occasionally  [ ] NO

If yes, which routes?: __________________________________________________________

Do you drive a car/truck/etc.?: [ ] YES  [ ] NO

If yes, which corridor do you drive on?: [ ] MD 355  [ ] Georgia Ave.  [ ] Veirs Mill Rd.  [ ] Colesville Rd

How often do you drive in this corridor?: [ ] Regularly  [ ] Occasionally
Rapid Transit System (RTS/BRT) Corridors and Advisory Committees

Please circle the corridor area in which your home or business resides:
(For persons wishing to serve as an at large member, please circle the corridor area of interest.)

1-MD 355 North (north of Rockville Metro)
2-MD 355 South (south of Rockville Metro)
3-US 29 - Section 1 (north of N.H.Ave.)
4-US 29 - Section 2 (south of N.H.Ave.)
5-MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) - Section 1 (north of Conn. Ave.)
6-MD 97 (Georgia Avenue) - Section 2 (south of Conn. Ave.)
7-MD 586 (Veirs Mill Road)
MISSION STATEMENT TO GUIDE RTS/BRT CORRIDOR CACs
The tasks of each committee will be governed and directed by these guidelines:

- Give community participants the opportunity to provide input to all planning and design;
- Provide the opportunity to discuss study assumptions and methodologies;
- Fulfill County Council requirements for transparency and community involvement;
- Provide the opportunity for interaction and information sharing among directly impacted residents/ communities, property owners of businesses/institutions, transportation agency representatives, and transportation system users;
- Study and address potential community impacts in a comprehensive manner that leads to cost effective and context and community sensitive implementation outcomes; these outcomes should minimize negative impacts, so that quality of life is maintained for local and corridor residents;
- Serve as a clearinghouse for sharing of timely and accurate information on the studies and plans in each corridor; and
- Provide leadership and build consensus within the community to coalesce diverse interests and address stakeholder issues.

Please provide a brief statement about why you are interested in serving:
__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________

Please list any relevant qualifications, skills, or prior experience:
__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________
__________________________________________________________________

☐ I have read the above CAC mission statement.
☐ I understand that the CACs will meet at least quarterly, that some may meet more often depending on interests and issues, that I will regularly attend meetings.
☐ I understand that I will need to keep my corridor area community engaged and informed during the CAC process.

The Corridor Advisory Committee Member Selection Process
To maximize participation and maintain manageable meetings, each committee will usually have up to 40 members. Once the committee members are selected, they will be notified about member orientation.

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