



MID-COUNTY CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Isiah Leggett
County Executive

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Director

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The Honorable Isiah Leggett
County Executive
101 Monroe Street, 2nd Floor
Rockville, MD 20850

Dear County Executive Leggett,

I am pleased to submit to you the Mid-County Citizen Advisory Board's (MCCAB) Capital Improvements Program (CIP) priority list. Also, we appreciate your continued outreach to the community and thank you for attending the mid-county CIP meeting last Thursday. We believe that the meeting was informative and that the format was quite conducive to obtaining valuable input and feedback from county residents.

Please let us know if you have any questions or need additional information.

Thank you again and best regards,

The Mid-County Citizens Advisory Board

Richard Newman
Chair

**FY 15 Capital Improvements Priorities
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County-wide Priorities:

1. School capacity - concern about overcrowding in County schools; we acknowledge that capacity has been added and improvements and other expansion are underway and would like to keep monitoring the situation and compare against reasonable benchmarks to ensure that the mid-county region is well within acceptable ranges.
2. Pedestrian / Bicycle Safety Improvement - Continued enhancements related to Pedestrian and Bicycle safety (e.g. sidewalk additions and repairs / bike paths / traffic calming, as appropriate) throughout the mid-county region. Focus on enhancing “walkability” / “bikeability” between communities and/or points of interest. One example is the Matthew Henson trail – extend the trail to the Trolley Museum from Alderton Road.

Glenmont Priorities:

1. Redevelopment/revitalization of Glenmont Shopping Center – Create public-private partnership to incentivize, make economically attractive for reasonable redevelopment.
2. Grade Separated interchange at Georgia/Randolph Road – keep project at top of County’s priority list for timely and cost-effective completion
3. Fire Station #18 Relocation – keep construction on schedule to ensure timely and cost-effective completion of this project.
4. Playground expansion at the Glenmont swimming pool – we support expansion of this small, but very popular playground located at the Glenmont swimming pool

Olney Priorities:

1. Funding for Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) / Rapid Transit Vehicles (RTV) to connect Olney with the Glenmont Metro Station.
2. Funding for a Multi-Function county and Community Services Center
3. Funding for a Town commons/Green Space area with a pavilion and suitable accommodations for the Olney Farmers Market
4. Completion of N. High Street to connect N. High Street and Morningwood Drive (east / west direction)
5. Completion of the street that is adjacent to the proposed Goddard School from N. High Street to Morningwood Drive (north / south direction)
6. Sidewalk extension on the east side of Georgia Avenue north of Route 108 to enhance pedestrian safety to and from the Olney Town Center area from points north.

Wheaton Priorities:

1. Wheaton Redevelopment – we support the direction that the county has recently taken with regard to Wheaton Redevelopment; we want to make sure that there is continued transparency with regard to the plans moving forward and that benchmarks are set and deadlines are met.
2. Wheaton Library/Recreation Center – we appreciate the support for this project; this is another project that needs to be monitored to keep the design / construction on schedule to ensure timely and cost-effective completion of this project
3. Kemp Mill Park – Support the M-NCPPC development of Kemp Mill Park and want to ensure timely and cost-effective completion of this project