Mid-County Regional Center

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Wheaton Urban District

- As the opening of the County office building and Town Plaza approach, urban district (WUD) staff are beginning to market the Town Plaza and plan for summer events, including coordinating with several government agencies regarding traffic, safety, parking and related issues. WUD has also been providing information to employees of agencies whose offices will be moving to the new building.
- WUD/RSC is scheduled to move to the new building first week of July. In addition to a request for a funds to accommodate the increased demands of the Town Plaza (and Veterans Park) for FY21 Operating Budget, a request has been submitted for funding this fiscal year specifically to be used prior to June 30th to build momentum in partnership with local businesses and residents, and to create protocols, policies necessary for the operation of this new facility.
- Taste of Wheaton June 7; Town Plaza debut late June.
- Through February, there will be traffic interruptions in downtown Wheaton as Reedie, Grandview, Veirs Mill and University Blvd are impacted by utility work related to both the Wheaton Revitalization and the Wheaton Gateway projects.

Administrative & Community Activities

- The County's newest Senior Center at Wheaton Recreation Center began offering a variety of programs, with over 85 seniors participating in the first day of the lunch program.
- Two signature arts venues in Mid-County, the Sandy Spring Museum and Olney
 Theater, have launched initiatives to broaden their programming and audiences to
 traditionally under-represented parts of our community. Sandy Spring Museum has
 hired a folklife specialist and is putting together a task force of artists who represent
 the diverse cultures and art forms in our County; and Olney Theater held a free all-day
 event with panels, performances, workshops centered on the question of what home
 means.
- ChooseRespect Fair on March 29th at the Wheaton Recreation Center
- Primary elections will be April 28th
- 2020 Census outreach is gearing up.