

## Annual Highlights Issue 2002

### Vision 2030 – Crafting a Vision for the Region’s Future

The Vision 2030 initiative was developed to provide an opportunity for public participation in crafting a vision for the region’s future. Vision 2030 will create a blueprint for addressing issues; for identifying necessary actions for the next ten, twenty, and thirty years; and for determining how government, business and citizens can work together to meaningfully implement the vision. Key events this past year included:

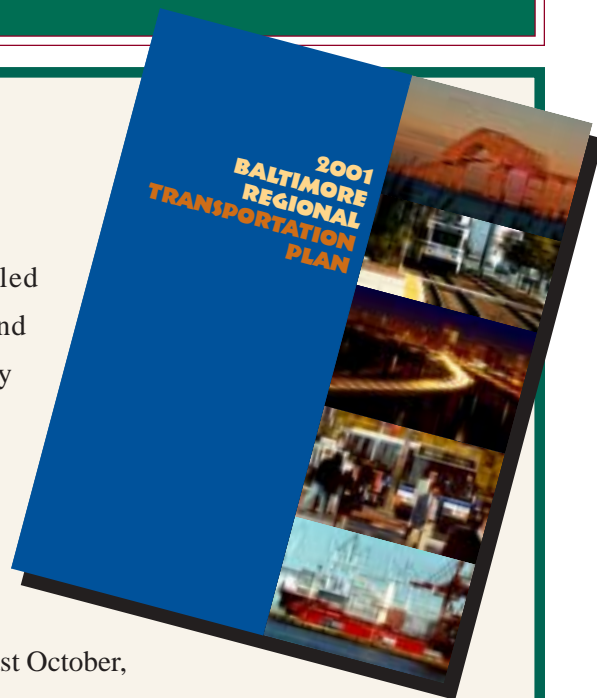
- focus groups of urban, suburban and rural residents to identify regional issues of concern;
- appointment of an Oversight Committee of regional leaders to review the ongoing work of Vision 2030;
- organization of key strengths and weaknesses around four themes — environment, economic

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### October Madness

BRTB members were called upon to complete planning and deliberation on several key activities last October. After many months of development and review by the BRTB and its committees, stakeholders from across the region, and staff, it came time for action. Last October,

the following documents were adopted: *2001 Baltimore Regional Transportation Plan*; *Metropolitan Baltimore 2002-2006 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)*; *Conformity Determination of the Plan and TIP*; *Action Plan 2001 — A Plan for Bicycling and Walking in the Baltimore Region*; and *Regional Job Access and Reverse Commute Transportation Plan*.



### 2000 Census Data in Cooperative Forecasting

Using new Census data for 2000, the Cooperative Forecasting Group created Round 5-D socio-economic forecasts. The 2000 Census is widely regarded to have produced a more successful count than the 1990 Census, which undercounted low-income and minority households, particularly in urban areas such as Baltimore City. Thus, the forecasts reflect a brighter picture for the 2000 base year than earlier rounds of the Cooperative Forecast.

