What is the Maryland Transportation Plan & Why Is It Important?

- Every five years, MDOT develops the statewide long-range transportation plan, or the MTP, a 20-year vision for transportation in Maryland.
- Consistent with MDOT’s mission, the MTP is a policy plan that outlines the States overarching transportation priorities and helps create a larger context for transportation decision making and guiding transportation investments.
- The MTP goals were developed in response to the MDOT mission statement, and based on input from MDOT staff, statewide surveys, and outreach to the public and to our state, regional and local partners on transportation priorities.

Challenges and Opportunities

Maryland’s extensive, multimodal network faces a number of challenges. Some are inherent to the network itself—continuing to ensure the safe and efficient movement of people and goods—while others are related to the changing transportation needs associated with technological, societal, demographic, land use, climate, and other environmental changes. As Maryland sets its transportation agenda for the next 20 years, MDOT will monitor and evaluate the challenges and opportunities in order to develop programs and projects that address these critical challenges and ensure Maryland remains a great place to live, work, and do business.
Trends and Considerations

Implementation

Though Maryland is the ninth smallest state, it contains a remarkable degree of geographic diversity. Reflecting that diversity, Maryland is divided into five-regions— the Eastern Shore, the Baltimore Metro region, the Washington Metro region, Southern Maryland, and Western Maryland. Each of the regions has its own character, distinct needs, and associated transportation system.

MDOT as identified a set of strategies for implementing goals and objectives established in the 2040 MTP. Strategy development was informed by MDOT strategic and business plans, as well as input from the public. Putting the strategies into action will help assure progress toward performance targets identified in MCOT’s Attainment Report.

Though some of the 2040 MTP’s implementation strategies are statewide, MDOT recognizes the State’s regions are diverse and places high importance on customizing strategies to fit each region’s unique needs and special context.

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2040 Maryland TRANSPORTATION PLAN

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