Connecting Our Future: A Regional Transit Plan for Central Maryland

Project Overview
Background
Maryland Chapter 352 (HB 372/SB 277)

Develop a 25-year Regional Transit Plan for Central Maryland to meet the transit needs of the Core Service Area:

- Anne Arundel County
- Baltimore City
- Baltimore County
- Harford County
- Howard County
- Other areas in which population commutes to counties above to use MDOT MTA service (as MDOT determines)

Areas served by Light RailLink, Metro SubwayLink, or Fixed-Route Bus
Legislation Overview

- Define the goals for outcomes to be achieved through the provision of public transportation

- In order to best achieve the goals defined, identify options for:
  - Improvements to the existing transportation assets
  - Improvements to leveraging non-Administration transportation options available to public transportation
  - Corridors for new public transportation assets
  - Evaluate Plan’s consistency with local land use and transportation plans and the Maryland Transportation Plan and identify opportunities for achieving greater consistency
Approach

Create a strategic plan for mobility in Central Maryland

VISION

The Plan focuses on...

| Creating a regional network for mobility |
| Integrating existing service across providers |
| New Mobility and technological advances |
| Mobility Management across service providers |
Plan Framework

Seven “Focus Areas” frame the plan:

- State of Good Repair
- Funding
- New Mobility
- Customer Experience
- Service Quality and Integration
- Access
- Corridors of Opportunity
Focus Area | STATE OF GOOD REPAIR

The Plan focuses on...
- Reinvestment
- Proactive maintenance
- Comprehensive asset management

FROM THE LEGISLATION
“Identify options for improvements to existing transportation assets.”
Focus Area | FUNDING

The Plan focuses on...

| Innovative financing and funding tools |
| Regional investments that compliment state funding |
| Private partnerships |

FROM THE LEGISLATION

“Identify options for improvements to leverage non-Administration transportation options available to public transportation.”
Focus Area | NEW MOBILITY

The Plan focuses on...

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FROM THE LEGISLATION

“Identify options for improvements to existing transportation assets.”
Focus Area | CUSTOMER EXPERIENCE

The Plan focuses on...
- Tools and amenities driven by performance metrics
- Customers’ complete journey
- Innovation and technology

FROM THE LEGISLATION
“Identify options for improvements to leverage non-Administration transportation options available to public transportation.”
Focus Area | SERVICE QUALITY & INTEGRATION

The Plan focuses on...
- Aligning service
- Improving the existing network’s performance
- MDOT MTA as a mobility manager for the region

FROM THE LEGISLATION
“Identify options for improvements to leverage non-Administration transportation options available to public transportation.”
Focus Area | ACCESS

The Plan focuses on...

- Access to life’s opportunities
- Economic development opportunities
- Leveraging existing transit
- Using all options for first and last mile needs

FROM THE LEGISLATION

“Identify options for improvements to existing transportation assets.”
**Focus Area | CORRIDORS OF OPPORTUNITY**

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**FROM THE LEGISLATION**

“Identify options for corridors for new public transportation assets; prioritize corridors for planning of new public transportation assets.”
Central Maryland Regional Plan Commission comprises:

- County Executive of Anne Arundel County (or designee)
- Mayor of Baltimore City (or designee)
- County Executive of Baltimore County (or designee)
- County Executive of Harford County (or designee)
- County Executive of Howard County (or designee)
- Representative from Central Maryland business or transportation organization, appointed by the President of the Senate
- Representative from Central Maryland business or transportation organization, appointed by the Speaker of the House

Four appointees from the Governor:
- Representative from Central Maryland business organization
- Representative from the Citizen Advisory Council
- Representative from a disabled riders group
- Representative from MARC Riders Advisory Council
Commission | Role & Responsibilities

- Participate in developing a meaningful public involvement strategy
- Participate in developing the Plan’s goals
- Provide a regional view
- Focus on economic development
- Foster cross-jurisdictional buy-in
- Convene every two to three months
Commission & Outreach Schedule

2019

Winter
Spring
Summer
Fall/Winter

2020

Spring
Summer
Fall
Oct.

Analysis & Goals Formation
Develop Strategies
Draft Plan
Finalize Plan
Questions & Discussion

Thank you