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Wednesday, April 20, 2016
TCCWMD Business Meeting
Tour of EDA and ARC Allegany
County Projects
9:00am
Cumberland Country Club
Cumberland, Maryland

Thursday, May 19, 2016
**Transportation Association
of Maryland**
Bowie, MD
General Membership Meeting



Project Announcement Western Water Tank, Pump Station & Distribution System Improvements Town of Westernport, Maryland



**APPALACHIAN
REGIONAL
COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. - The Appalachian Regional Commission announced today approval of a grant in the amount of \$400,000 to the Town of Westernport for a water system project to improve and expand water service. The town will install a 750,000-gallon water storage tank and pump station, and also install 8,500 linear feet of waterline. The new tank will improve water service for 1,144 households and 45 businesses, and provide new water service to 12 households.

The improved water infrastructure will help the town to add more customers, improve service, lower costs, and improve economic conditions for businesses. The town will also be able to provide water to the Town of Bloomington and the Town of Luke as a result of the additional capacity. In addition to the \$400,000 in ARC funds, other federal sources will provide \$1,000,000, state sources will provide \$800,000, and local sources will provide \$600,000, bringing the total project funding to \$2,800,000.

About the Appalachian Regional Commission

The Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) is an economic development agency of the federal government and 13 state governments focusing on 420 counties across the Appalachian region. ARC's mission is to innovate, partner, and invest to build



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Notice of Funding Availability

POWER Initiative Regional Workshops

April 27, 2016

Hidden Valley, PA

Technical assistance workshops to determine whether participants are eligible for support; how to identify potential projects; and how to develop project proposals to apply for funding.

Free and Open to the public. [Follow this link for details and workshop locations.](#)

Community Facility Loans Now Available for Non-Profits & Public Entities

Facilities for public use include: Childcare centers, Hospitals, Farmers Markets, Community Facilities, Assisted Living facilities, Fire and/or Rescue stations, Medical Clinics, Police Stations, Public Buildings, Libraries, Transportation, Local Food Systems, and more.

community capacity and strengthen economic growth in Appalachia and help the region achieve socioeconomic parity with the nation. More information is available at www.arc.gov.



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The State of Maryland Community Legacy Program provides local governments and community development organizations with funding for essential projects aimed at strengthening communities through activities such as business retention and attraction, encouraging homeownership, and commercial revitalization. Please review the criteria and submission requirements if you have a project that you would like to submit for consideration. The Department of Community Development must receive all applications no later than noon on Monday, June 2, 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy McKenney, Historic Planner/Preservation Coordinator at (301) 759-6431/ kathy.mckenney@cumberlandmd.gov or Matt Miller, Economic Development Specialist at (240) 522-6114 matt.miller@choosecumberland.org.

[Click here](#) for the 2016 Upper Story Redevelopment Application Packet.