



March 16, 2017

## Council Connections

Bridging Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties



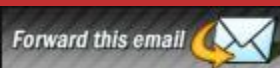
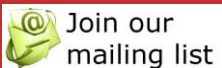
Tri County Council  
For Western Maryland

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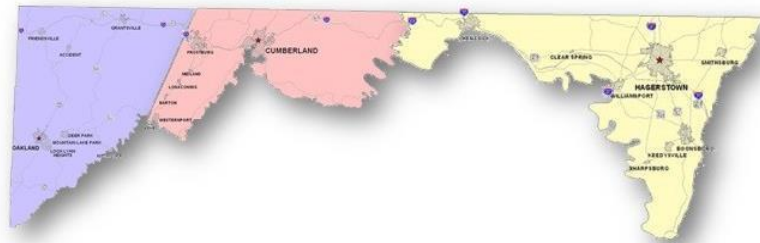
### Dates to Remember

**Wednesday  
April 26, 2017  
5:00 p.m.**  
**Cumberland Country Club  
Cumberland, Maryland  
Tri-County Council for  
Western Maryland  
Business Meeting**



### Notice of Funding Availability

**TEDCO Rural Business Innovation Initiative (RBI2)**



### Grant Opportunity Now Available

Requests are currently being solicited for the FY2018 Appalachian Regional Commission grant cycle in **Allegany, Garrett, and Washington Counties.**

Eligible applicants include County Governments, Local Governments, non-profit organizations, and educational institutions. Projects should be able to demonstrate measurable outcomes and/or economic impact. ARC Projects must be submitted to the respective county commissioners for review to ensure that they meet the minimum criteria set forth by the guidelines and priority ranking no later than **Friday, April 7, 2017.**

Those interested in submitting a project request should contact the following to obtain further information:

Allegany County Department of Economic & Community Development  
301-777-5967

Garrett County Economic Development  
301-334-1921

Washington County Office of Community Grant Management  
240-313-2092

Assists start up and small technology-based businesses in the rural areas of Maryland to advance the company to a higher level of success. The program offers professional ongoing mentoring and targeted projects to help companies succeed.

Project planning guides: ARC FY2016 Strategy Statement, Appalachian Maryland Development Plan, ARC Five-Year Strategic Plan for Capitalizing on Appalachia's Opportunities 2016-2020, ARC Goals and Objectives FY16, and Guide to ARC Project Performance Measures are available at [www.tccwmd.org](http://www.tccwmd.org).