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## Council Connections

Bridging Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties



Tri County Council  
For Western Maryland

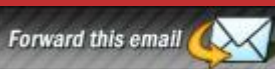
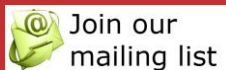
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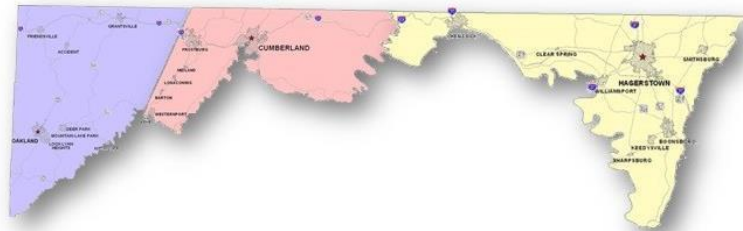
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### Dates to Remember

**Wednesday, April 4 2018**  
**5:00 pm**  
**Cumberland Country Club**  
**Cumberland, Maryland**  
**Tri-County Council for**  
**Western Maryland**  
**Business Meeting**



**Notice of Funding Availability**



### Grant Opportunity Now Available

Requests are currently being solicited for the FY2019 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 6, 2018.**

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

## **Women and Minorities in STEM Fields**

This program supports the Department of Agriculture to increase participation for rural areas in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The projects relevant to USDA priorities are: - Promotion of safe, sufficient and nutritious food supply- Sustainable ag policies that foster economic viability, protect natural resources, and promote value-add agriculture.- National leadership in climate change mitigation and adaption. - Build a moden work-place with moder workforce; and- Support for 21st century rural communities.

**Application Deadline: Wednesday, March 28, 2018**

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 <http://www.tccwmd.org/programs/arc.html>

## **TEDCO Announces 2018 Entrepreneur Expo & Symposium**

The logo for the TEDCO 2018 Entrepreneur Expo & Symposium. It features the TEDCO logo at the top left, followed by the text "ENTREPRENEUR EXPO & STEM CELL SYMPOSIUM" in a bold, sans-serif font. Below this is the tagline "PITCH. NETWORK. LEARN. BE INSPIRED." and the date "OCTOBER 30, 2018" in a larger font. At the bottom, it says "THE HOTEL AT UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND". To the right of the text is a circular graphic composed of many small, colorful segments, with a blue banner across it that says "2018 ENTREPRENEUR EXPO & STEM CELL SYMPOSIUM".

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