



December 6, 2018

Council Connections

Bridging Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties



Tri County Council
For Western Maryland

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Dates to Remember

2019 Schedule of Council Meetings

Wednesday, April 3
5:00pm
Allegany County

Wednesday, June 19
5:00pm
Garrett County

Wednesday, December 11
5:00pm
Washington County

Quick Links

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Maryland Economic Development Association Awards

Nominate A Program That's Transforming Lives!

What innovative program has impacted lives in your community? Ensure that this initiative is recognized within the economic development community. These programs could relate to financing, workforce development, tourism and agriculture.

Follow [this link](#) for complete details on nominating your project and for details on each categories.

Submit to Multiple Categories!

Hall of Fame Nomination
Volunteer of the Year
Rising Star Award
Economic Development Project
Economic Development Program
Economic Development Marketing

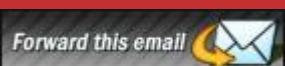
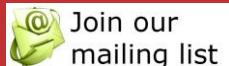
The MEDA Awards recognize the people, programs, and projects bringing economic prosperity to Maryland.



Washington County
Government

Maryland Department of
Planning

Maryland Department of
Commerce



Notice of Funding Availability

Grants Available for Water and Waste Management Technical Assistance

This program helps qualified, private nonprofits provide technical assistance and training to identify and evaluate solutions to water and waste problems; helps applicants prepare applications for water and waste disposal loans/grants; and helps associations improve the operation and maintenance of water and waste facilities in eligible rural areas.

Application Deadline is December 31, 2018.

U.S. Small Business Administration

SBA Celebrates

National Write a Business Plan Month



A good business plan guides you through each stage of starting, growing, expanding or recovering your business.

It's a way to think through the key elements of your business. This December, SBA celebrates National Write a Business Plan Month with tips and templates to help you create a plan for your business.

Click [here](#) to learn more.

SBA The Learning Center Offers: How to Write a Business Plan



SBA's free self-paced training course explains the importance of business planning, defines and describes the components of a business plan and provides access to sample plans and resources that can help you develop a business plan.

Click [here](#) to launch the free course.

For more resources, visit: www.sba.gov.



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