



Council Connections

Bridging Allegany, Garrett and Washington Counties
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Tri-County Council Releases Economic Development Survey

We invite you to join us for a coordinated outreach to complete the following survey that will allow your input to be used to create our 5-year economic development strategy. The information you are providing will help guide Federal funding to the most needed projects in Western Maryland.

Please click on the following link to complete the survey on your computer or mobile device. The survey should take about 10 minutes and your input is very important to the region as we only release this survey once every five years.

<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sv/hMyMs53>

While the survey is completely anonymous, we will need contact information only if you would like to be entered in a chance to win one of the five \$100 gift cards we will be giving out. Regardless, your answers will remain confidential.



**MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
SEEKS COMMENT ON DRAFT STATE FREIGHT PLAN AND STATE RAIL PLAN**

The Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) is updating the **Maryland State Freight Plan** and the **Maryland State Rail Plan**, and has published both draft plans online for a 30-day public outreach period. Both plans are critical to support federal, state and private investment in Maryland's rail and freight network.

The Draft Maryland State Freight Plan can be viewed **HERE**. To submit comments about the freight plan, email **MDStateFreightPlan@mdot.maryland.gov**. The Draft Maryland State Rail Plan can be viewed **HERE**. To submit comments about the rail plan, email **MDStateRailPlan@mdot.maryland.gov**. The public comment period will close August 11, 2022.

Both plans are expected to be finalized and become available online later this year once approved by the governing federal agency. For additional details and projected schedules for both plans, visit the Maryland State Freight Plan webpage **HERE** and the Maryland State Rail Plan webpage **HERE**. For more information or to provide input, contact JT Thomas at **JThomas33@mdot.mayland.gov**.



Ready Set Go! The Nuts & Bolts in Starting a Business

Tuesday, August 9, 2022

2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

For more details and to Register, follow [this link](#).

Social Media Marketing - Essential Marketing Strategies

Wednesday, August 10, 2022

10:30 AM - 12:00 PM

For more details and to Register, follow [this link](#).

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