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February 26, 2026



 Washington County
MARYLAND

**Washington County Division of
Permits and Inspections/Office of the
Fire Marshall to Host Community Fire
Education and Inspection Meeting**

*Friday, March 27, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to
3:00 p.m.*

The image shows a hallway with several red fire extinguishers lined up on the left wall. The hallway leads to a bright doorway at the end. Below the photo is a blue banner with the Washington County logo and text.

The Washington County Division of Permits and Inspections/Office of the Fire Marshall will host a Community Fire Education and Fire Inspections Meeting on **Friday, March 27, 2026, from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Washington County Public Safety Training Center.**

This informational meeting is designed to provide guidance regarding fire code requirements, inspection procedures, life safety system compliance, and interagency coordination. The session supports Washington County's ongoing commitment to public safety, regulatory consistency, and proactive communication with the business and contractor community.

The meeting is intended for general construction and trade contractors; sprinkler, fire alarm, life safety, and exhaust hood suppression contractors; permit consultants; and special event coordinators, including those managing circuses, haunted attractions, festivals, and food truck events. Representatives of the Agricultural Center, Health Department, and Liquor License Board are also encouraged to attend.

Owners, operators, and managers of assembly occupancies—including worship facilities, entertainment and amusement venues, restaurants, food trucks, bars, nightclubs, organizational centers, and wedding venues—will benefit from attending. The session is equally relevant to those responsible for mercantile, business, industrial, warehouse, storage, and multi-family residential occupancies. Any non-residential structure equipped with fire sprinkler systems, fire alarm systems, exhaust hood systems, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting, or exit signage should ensure appropriate representation.

The discussion will address fire inspection expectations, common compliance issues, responsibilities of contractors and property owners, requirements for temporary events and assemblies, and proper maintenance and testing of life safety systems. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions and engage directly with staff to clarify requirements and promote consistent application of fire safety standards throughout the community.

[Click Here to RSVP](#)

All interested parties are encouraged to attend. For additional information, please contact the Division of Permits & Inspections at 240-313-2460 or visit www.washco-md.net.



You're Invited 2026 MDOT Grants Roadshow
Empowering Communities: Workshops to Help Local Governments and Agencies
Secure State and Federal Grants!

REGISTER TODAY - 2026 MDOT Grants Roadshow Regional Event

There is still space available for all regional Grants Roadshow Workshop events taking place in March 2026. Consider joining us to discover incredible grant opportunities that can enhance bicycle and pedestrian access, tree canopy, support transit-oriented development, fund bridge or rail services, and promote sustainability initiatives across our beautiful state. This is your chance to make a real impact!

All workshops will have grant presentations from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., followed by individual technical assistance sessions from 12:30 - 2:30 p.m. Technical assistance sessions require sign up at time of registration!

Registration is required to join us on the road in March:

- March 3 - Cambridge, MD
- March 10 - Waldorf, MD
- March 17 - Bel Air, MD
- March 26 - Williamsport, MD

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These workshops provide four more opportunities for our partners at local governments, municipalities, MPOs, non-profit and private sector organizations to receive hands-on technical assistance in support of applications for eligible projects, to understand the current grant opportunities, and to collaborate directly with MDOT in support of eligible projects that will support local and state efforts across a wide array of sectors.

Resources Available!

Great News! All our 2026 resources are now available on the [MDOT Grants Roadshow Website](#). Follow the link to find the [Kick-Off event recording](#), [full slide deck](#), and a

series of one-pagers (right side of the page) that provide an overview of critical information for the various grant programs. If you attended our Kick-Off event and haven't yet completed the post-event survey — please take a few minutes to do so [here](#).

Let's work together to create a safer, greener, and more connected Maryland. For any questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to Allison Gost at abreitenother@mdot.maryland.gov. We can't wait to see you there!



The Power of Presence: Professional Impact that Resonates For Business Owners

March 6, 2026

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Cost: Free

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

Five Key Elements of Your Business Marketing Plan

March 13, 2026

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Cost: Free

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

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