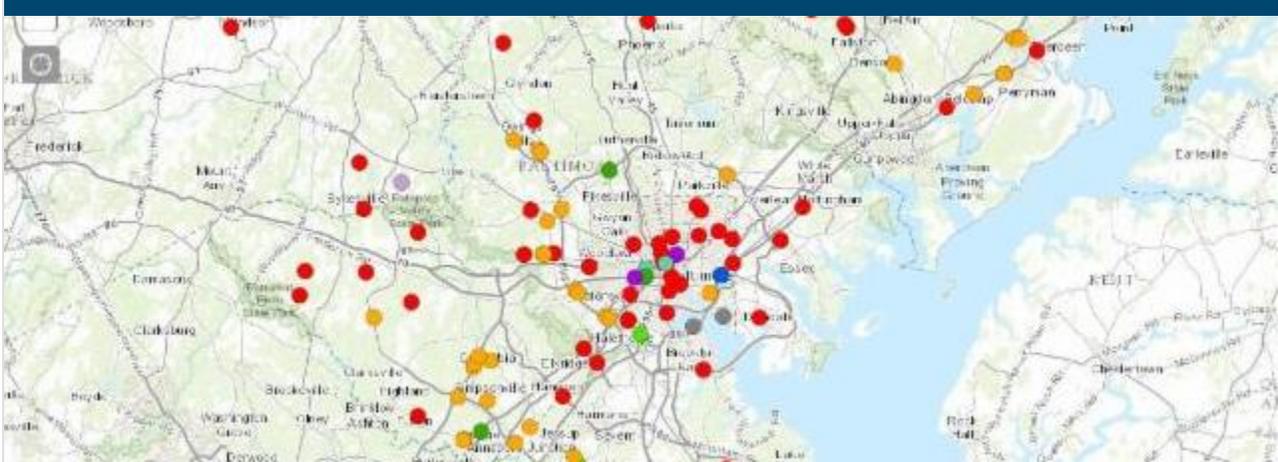




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\$3.3 BILLION IN TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS OPEN FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

Air Quality Report also available for review through Monday, July 13

The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board (BRTB) seeks public comments through Monday, July 13 on two transportation-related documents - the 2016-2019 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and the associated Air Quality Report.



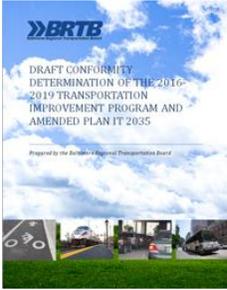
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The TIP lists highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects throughout the region worth approximately \$3.3 billion in federal, state and local money during the next four years.



The Baltimore region does not currently meet the Clean Air Standards and must review its current transportation plan and program to ensure conformity with the State Air Quality Implementation Plan (SIP).

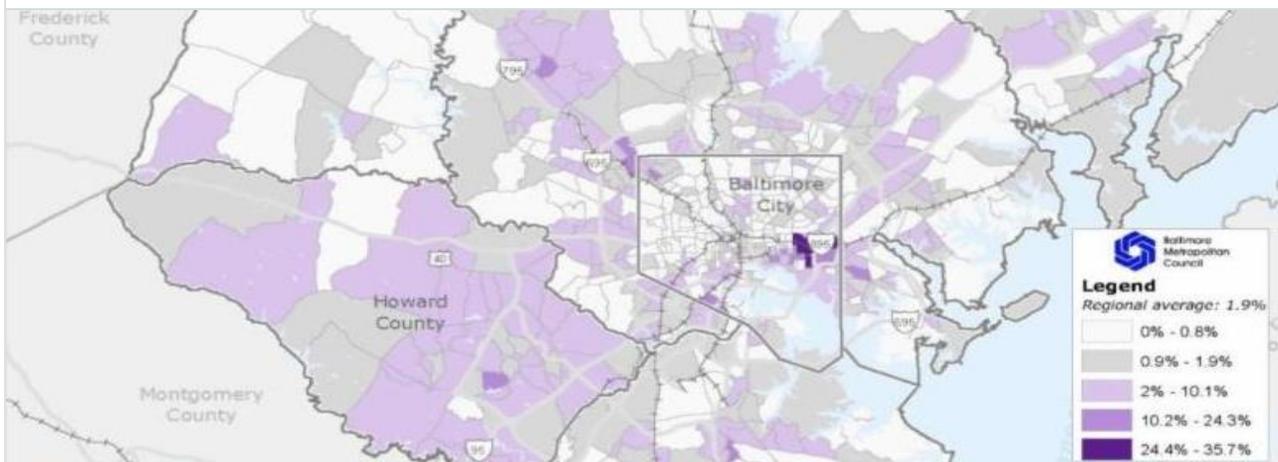
The Air Quality Conformity Determination Report details a comprehensive analysis of effects of the draft 2016-2019 TIP and the long-range projects in *Plan It 2035* (as amended) on the region's ozone, fine particulate matter and carbon monoxide pollution levels.

Highlights of the TIP projects are online via webcast for each jurisdiction (visit our [YouTube channel](#) or use the link below to view) and all the draft projects can be viewed in an online interactive map. The full draft TIP and Air Quality Report are online and print versions are available at the Baltimore Metropolitan Council's Regional Information Center.

Please send all comments in writing **by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, July 13** to: The Baltimore Regional Transportation Board, Attn: Public Involvement Coordinator, 1500 Whetstone Way, Suite 300, Baltimore, MD 21230; Fax: 410-732-8248, E-mail: comments@baltometro.org or Twitter: [@BaltoMetroCo](#) and [@Bmoreinvolved](#) using the hashtag #BRTBlistens. The BRTB is scheduled to vote on these documents on Tuesday, July 28.

[See the projects on our interactive map](#)

[Learn more or download the TIP or Air Quality Report](#)



LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE FOR PEOPLE WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY

Comments welcome on draft plan through Monday, July 13

The BRTB also released a draft Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan for public comment.

This plan seeks to ensure that large numbers of residents of the Baltimore region who do not speak or read English proficiently have access to the BRTB's planning process and published information, and that public notification is provided in other languages.

The draft plan includes a four-part analysis and addresses how the BRTB provides services to LEP individuals. The draft LEP plan is available online in



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Language Assistance Program and Limited English Proficiency Plan

OPEN FOR REVIEW
(June 12 to July 13, 2015)



PDF format in English or Spanish. Print versions are also available at the Baltimore Metropolitan Council's Regional Information Center.

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[Download the draft LEP plan in English](#) or [in Spanish](#)



OPPORTUNITY COLLABORATIVE RELEASES BALTIMORE REGIONAL PLAN FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Plan developed by diverse consortium through analysis, grants, and public engagement



On June 8, the Opportunity Collaborative launched the Baltimore Regional Plan for Sustainable Development, the first-ever plan that brings together housing, workforce development and transportation for the region to reduce disparities and connect all of our residents to a prosperous future.

The outcomes of the plan will lower transportation costs for families, create cleaner and safer communities and increase educational and employment opportunities throughout the region. The RPSD is the culmination of three years of research, analysis and deliberation. The plan's recommendations and strategies are intended to address the challenges created by regional disparities.

[Download the Regional Plan for Sustainable Development](#)



CHARM CITY CIRCULATOR PROPOSES SERVICE CHANGES STARTING JULY 20

The goal of the Charm City Circulator (CCC) is to reduce traffic congestion, spread the use of the existing parking supply, tie growing communities together for residents and visitors, and connect different types of transportation by providing a safe, alternative mode of public transportation while reducing automobile congestion and air pollution in the city's central business district.

A proposal to restructure the CCC is available for public feedback, in an effort to address a budget deficit while meeting ridership needs and traffic reduction goals. Adjustments to the program include schedule and route changes.

[Get details about the proposed changes and how to make comments](#)

New! [Updated news about proposed changes to the Charm City Circulator](#)



PLEDGE TO BE A BIKE FRIENDLY DRIVER

More and more, people riding bicycles are venturing onto Maryland roads. Marylander's young and old ride bikes for transportation and recreation. We all have a responsibility to the others on the road, and a few simple practices can make you a Bike Friendly Driver.

Eyes on the road - Avoid using hand held devices behind the wheel.
Give three feet - Always give people on bicycles three feet of space when you pass them.

Slow to pass - If there is not room to give three feet of space, slow down until it is safe to pass.

Become a Bike Friendly driver. Take the pledge and join the scores who have already done so and are sporting a Bike Friendly magnet on their vehicles!



[Take the pledge and sign up to get your magnet](#)



UPCOMING EVENTS, NEWS, AND RESOURCES

Baltimore Data Day

Thursday, July 9 from 2:30 to 5 p.m. and Friday, July 10 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. - Baltimore City

This conference will help community leaders expand their ability to use technology and data for the improvement of Baltimore's neighborhoods. Baltimore Data Day brings together community organizations, nonprofit agencies, civic and faith-based institutions, and government entities. The conference is free and open to the public, but registration is required (link above).



Weather It Together Town Hall Meeting

Thursday, July 9 at 7 p.m. - Annapolis Waterfront Marriott

Provide your input and learn more about how Annapolis can protect its historic buildings, homes and businesses from the impacts of tidal flooding, sea level rise and natural disasters.

B & P Tunnel Project Community Meetings

Tuesday, July 14 and Thursday, July 16 from 6 to 8 p.m. - Baltimore City

The Federal Railroad Administration, Maryland Department of Transportation, Amtrak, and the Baltimore City Department of Transportation will host a series of community meetings on the Baltimore and Potomac (B & P) Tunnel Project to develop an alternative to the existing tunnel. The meetings provide opportunities for community input and feedback.



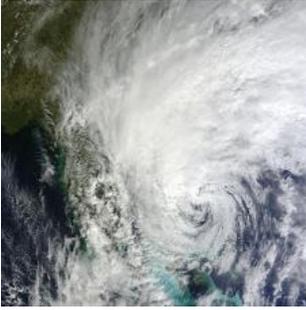
Easter Seals Introduction to Travel Training

September 15 to 17 - Washington, D.C.

Travel training services assist people to increase their abilities to travel more independently through individualized coaching and instruction to promote travel skills and safety. This course offers travel trainers basic information needed to expand their own skills and enhance the services of their school or organization.

Maryland Transit Administration (MTA) Issues New MARC Train 5-Day Weekly Pass

The 5-day weekly pass will provide unlimited trips on MARC train and local transit services, Monday through Friday. The new option is now available along with the other new fares recently announced by MTA.



Getting Ready for Hurricane Season

Hurricane season in the Atlantic Ocean began on June 1 and ends November 30. The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration predicts that this year's hurricane season should include six to 11 named storms, three to six of which should become hurricanes. Hurricanes can be dangerous and life-threatening. So it's important to understand ways to stay safe and be prepared. For example, make a plan with your family. Write down emergency phone numbers and identify a meeting place in case you have to evacuate in a hurry and all family members are not together. Never ignore evacuation orders.

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