



# The 2026-2029 Transportation Improvement Program Public Input Comment Period

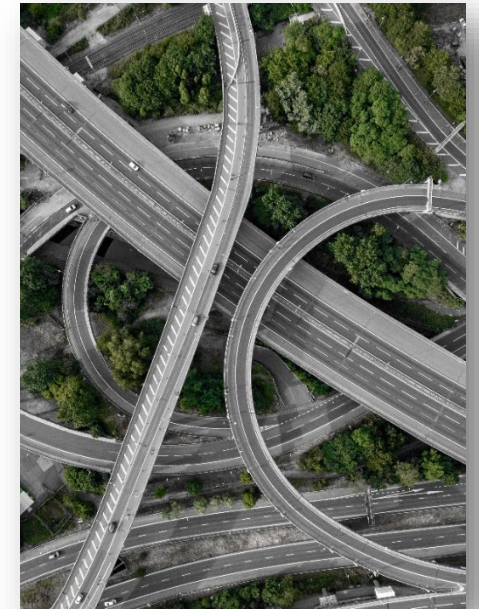
Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Group

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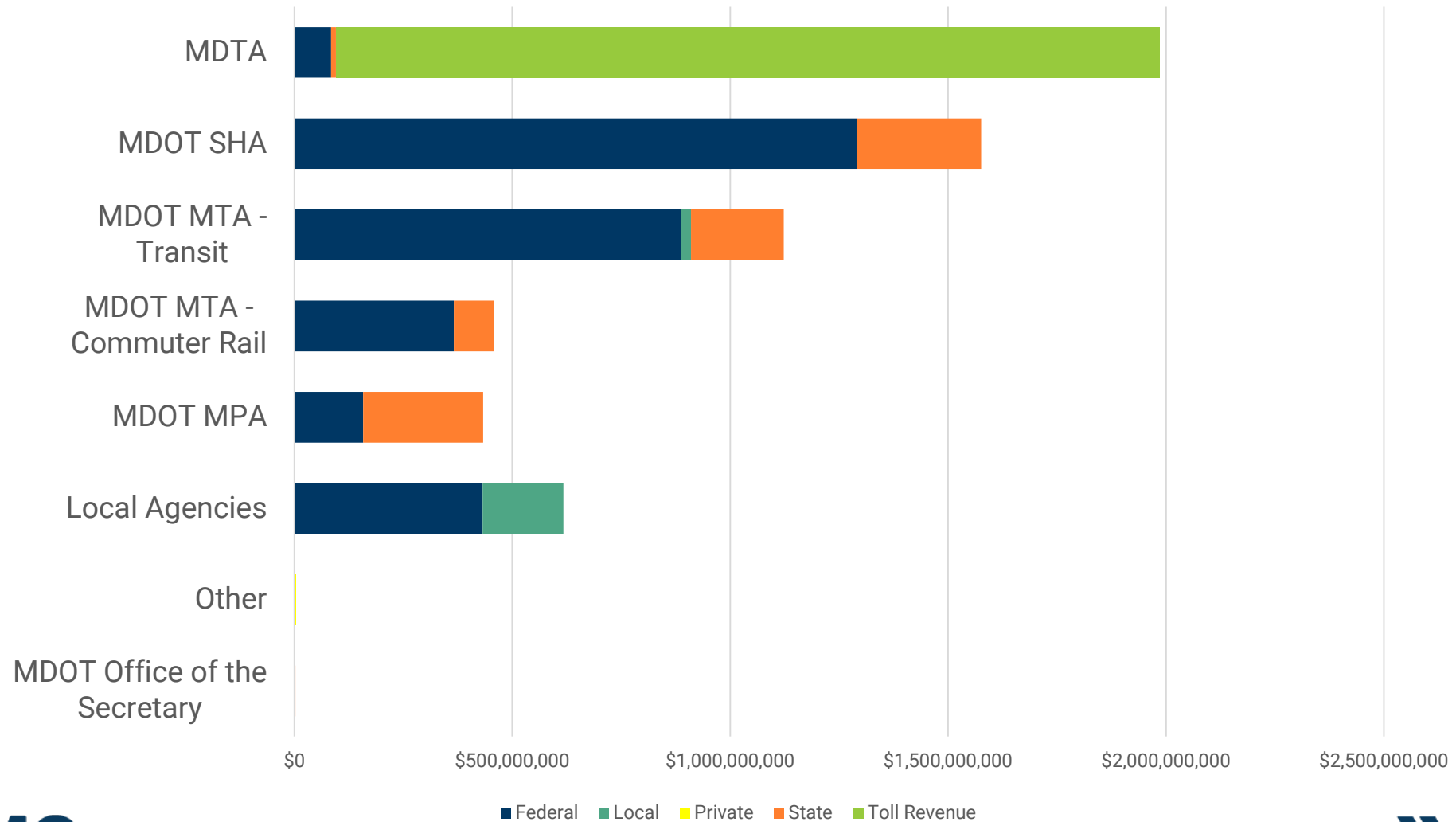


# Overview of the 2026-2029 TIP

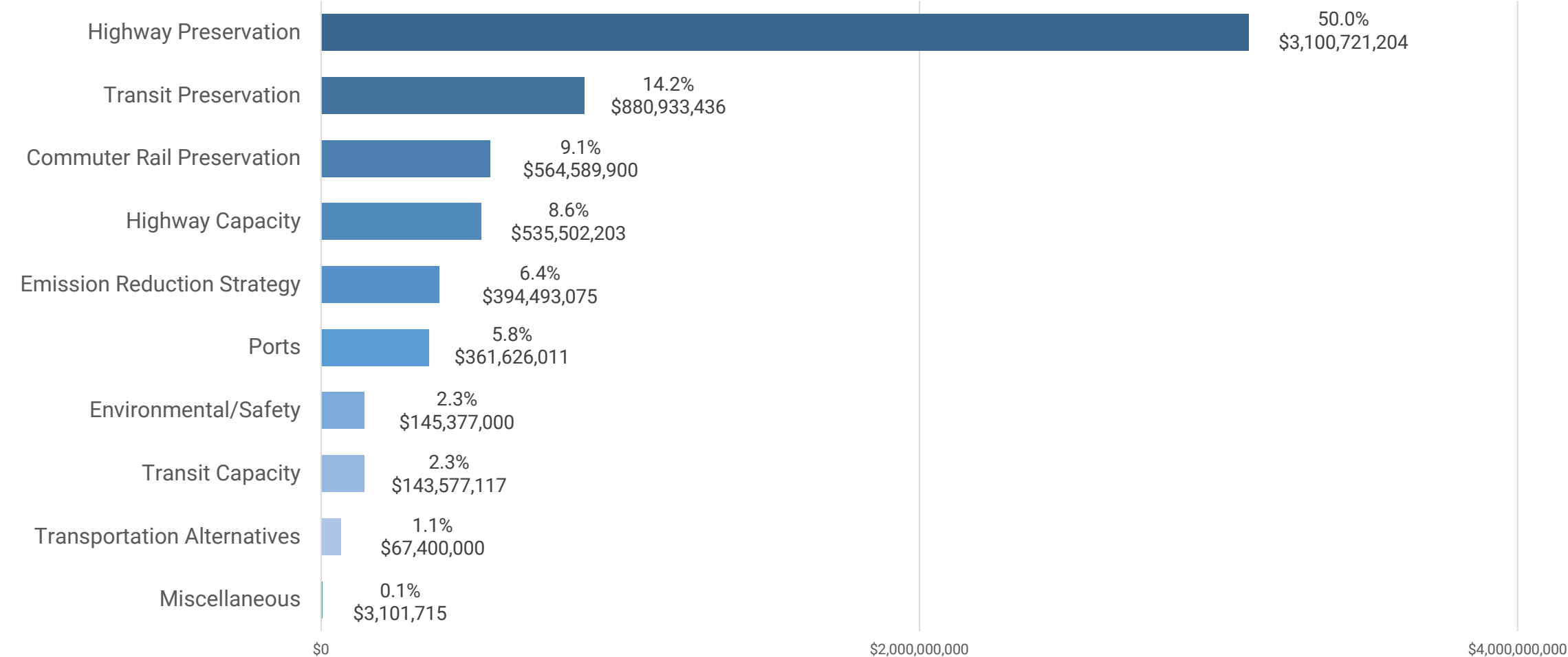
- **173 federally-funded and regionally significant projects**
  - 9 are new projects
- **\$6.2 billion in proposed federal, state, local, and toll funds**
  - \$3.22 billion federal; \$1.085 billion state/local
  - Highway, transit, bicycle and pedestrian projects
  - Maintaining, operating and expanding the transportation system
- **Projects support long-range transportation goals**
  - For example: safety, prosperity and economic opportunities and environmental responsibilities
- **Funding limited**
  - Programmed funds cannot exceed what is reasonably expected to be available from local, state, and federal sources



# Funding in the 2026-2029 TIP by Agency



# Funding in the 2026-2029 TIP by Topic



# Active Transportation Focused Projects

## 17 projects focused on active transportation facilities

1. Greenway Middle Branch Phase 2 (Baltimore City (BCi))
2. Vision Zero Action Plan and Pilot (BCi)
3. Northern Parkway at Falls Road Traffic Safety and Multimodal Facility Improvements (BCi)
4. Frederick Avenue ADA Upgrades (Brunswick to S. Smallwood) (BCi)
5. Belair Road Complete Streets (BCi)
6. West North Avenue Pedestrian Safety Improvements (BCi)
7. Baltimore Greenway Trails Network - Eastern Segment (BCi)
8. Frederick Avenue Streetscape (Yale to Monastery) (BCi)
9. Restoring Connections to Druid Hill Park (BCi)
10. Baltimore Greenway Trails Network - Northern Segments (BCi)
11. Wolfe or Washington Street Bike Facility (BCi)
12. 2022 Pedestrian & Roadway Safety Improvements (BCi)
13. 2023 Pedestrian & Roadway Safety Improvements (BCi)
14. Masonville Cove Connector: Shared Use Path Design and Construction (MD Port Administration)
15. Patapsco Avenue Pedestrian/Bicycle Bridge (MD Transit Administration)
16. Patapsco Regional Greenway: Elkridge to Guinness Open Gate Brewery (Howard County)
17. Areawide Transportation Alternatives Projects (State Highway Administration)

**Total TIP Funds= \$114,155,000**

# Projects Including Active Transportation



## **I-695: Bridge Replacement on Putty Hill Avenue**

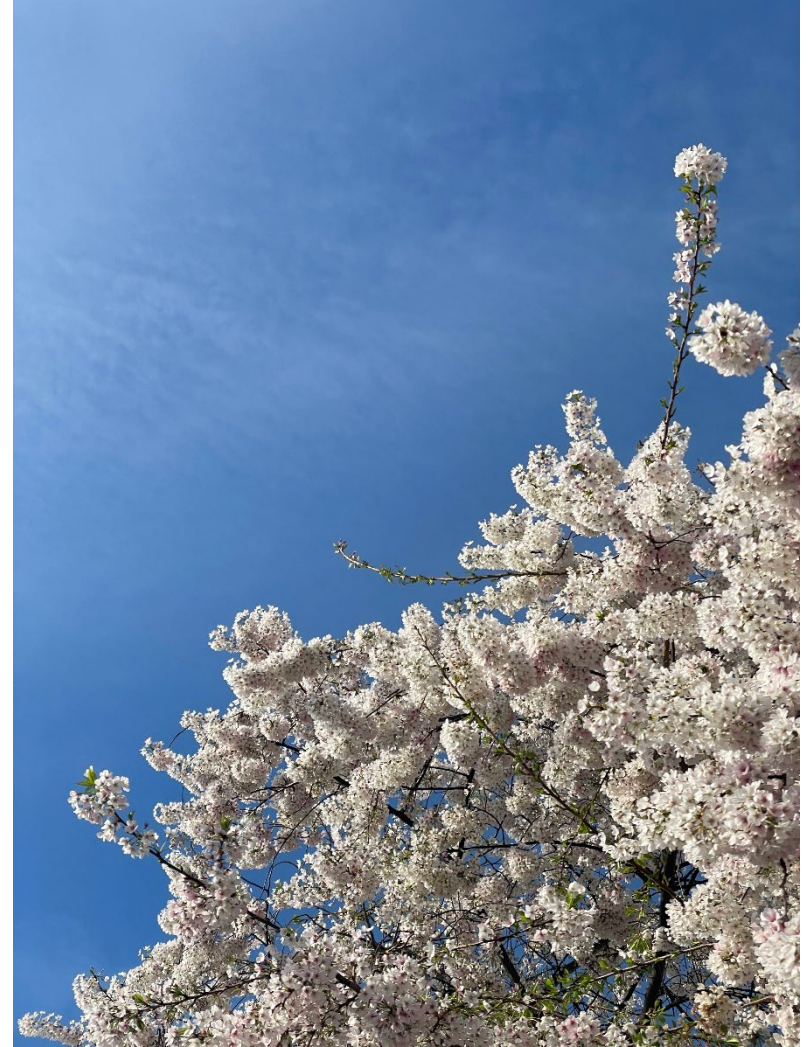
State Highway Administration  
2028

- Dozens of other highway and bridge projects include or consider active transportation facilities.
- Some examples include:
  - I-695: Bridge Replacement on Putty Hill: The new bridge will include 6' bicycle-compatible shoulders with 5'8" sidewalks on both sides of the bridge.
  - Wilkens Avenue Bridge Over Gwynns Falls: The existing sidewalks will be replaced with standard SHA and ADA compliant sidewalks.
  - MD 175: Sellner Road/Race Road to McCarron Court: Adding a shared-use path and bicycle compatible shoulders.



# Air Quality Conformity

- Ensures the projects in the 2026-2029 TIP do not make air quality worse or delay the attainment of national ambient air quality standards (NAAQS).
- Requires that transportation emissions do not exceed motor vehicle emission budgets (MVEBs) in the state air quality implementation plan (SIP).
- Ties together transportation planning and air quality planning.



# Public Comment Period



# Quick Facts

- The comment period was open from May 15 through June 15, 2025
- 19 outreach events throughout the region
- Comments were received from individuals and organizations

Over 3,896 views on the project website  
and over 379 views of the StoryMap



41 commentors



110 subscribers

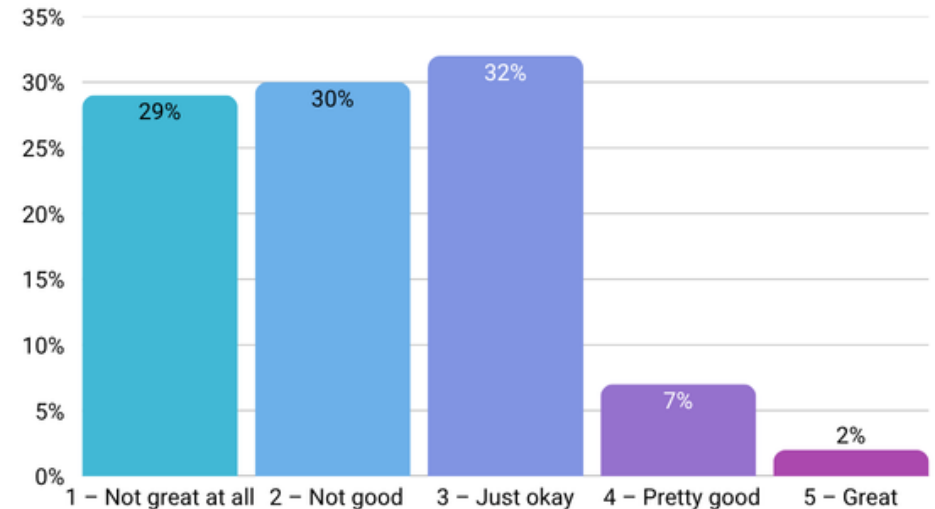


59 survey  
respondents



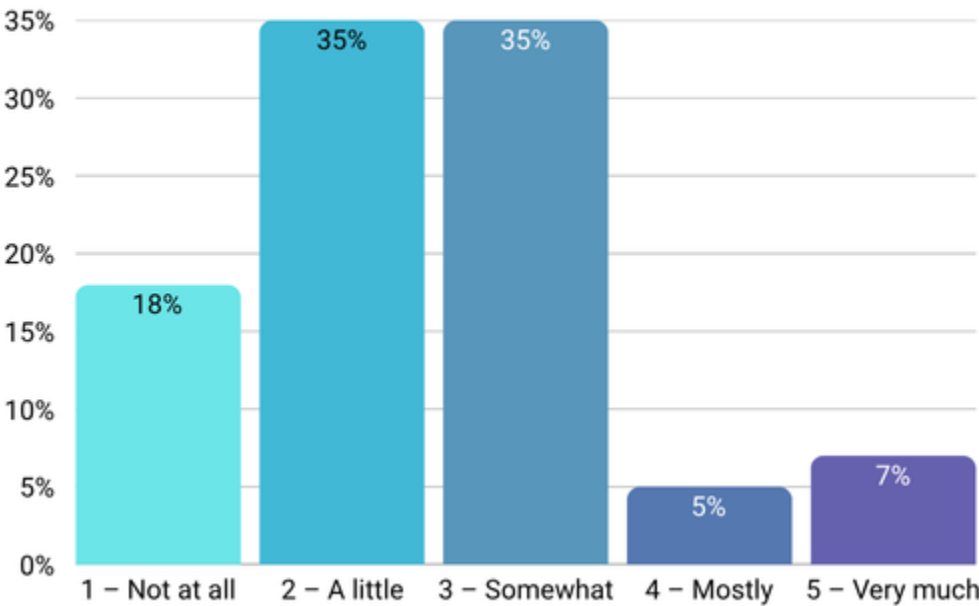
407 responses

How satisfied are you with current transportation infrastructure (roads, bridges, transit) in your area?

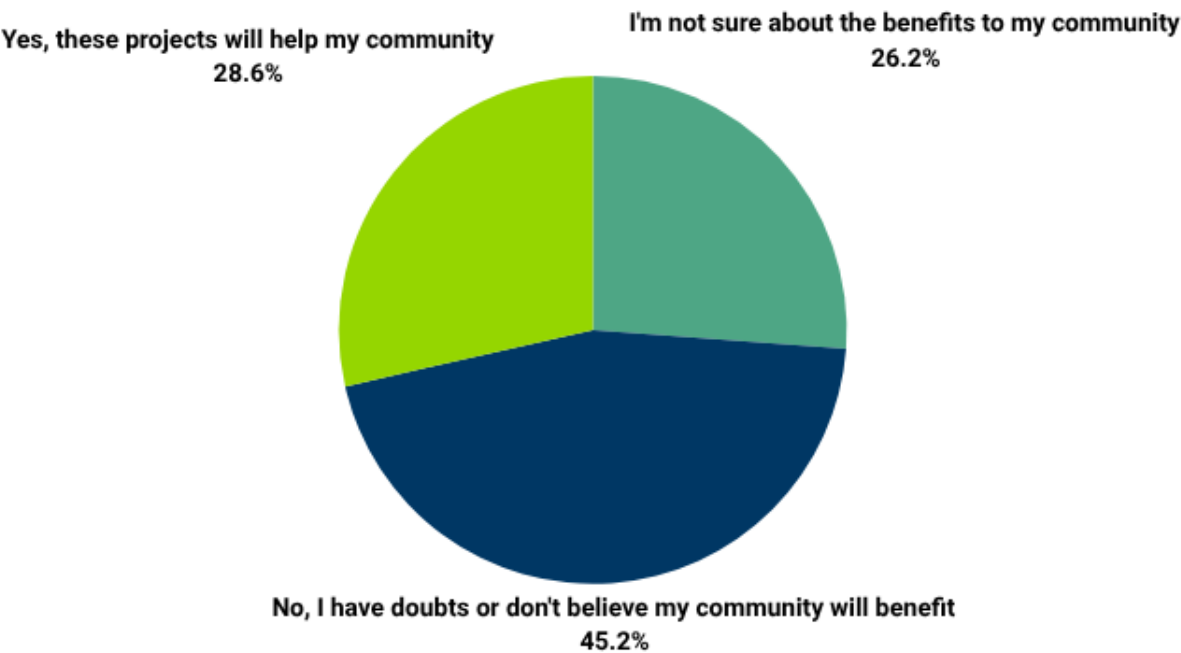


# Will the TIP Help?

Do you think these transportation projects help fix problems and make it easier to travel in the region?



I think the transportation projects in this TIP will help my community



# Public Comment Period: Most Heard Comments

- Increase support for biking, walking and public transit.
- Improve road safety and reduce fatalities
- Address air quality with bold action to reduce car use.
- Reduce spending on highway and parking expansion.



# Calls for a Connected Network

- “...I would like to see additional funding for planning of bicycle routes. The Baltimore Metropolitan Council recently released a "proposed regional bike network," which details several additional routes that need investment and should be funded within the next few years.” [Public Comment: Anonymous]
- “I wish these things didn't take years to implement. It really kills the momentum. In my mind...paint down bike lanes everywhere so that we have a connected system to work with, then put in the more expensive infrastructure to make it permanent.” [Public Comment: Brody]



# Safety Benefits

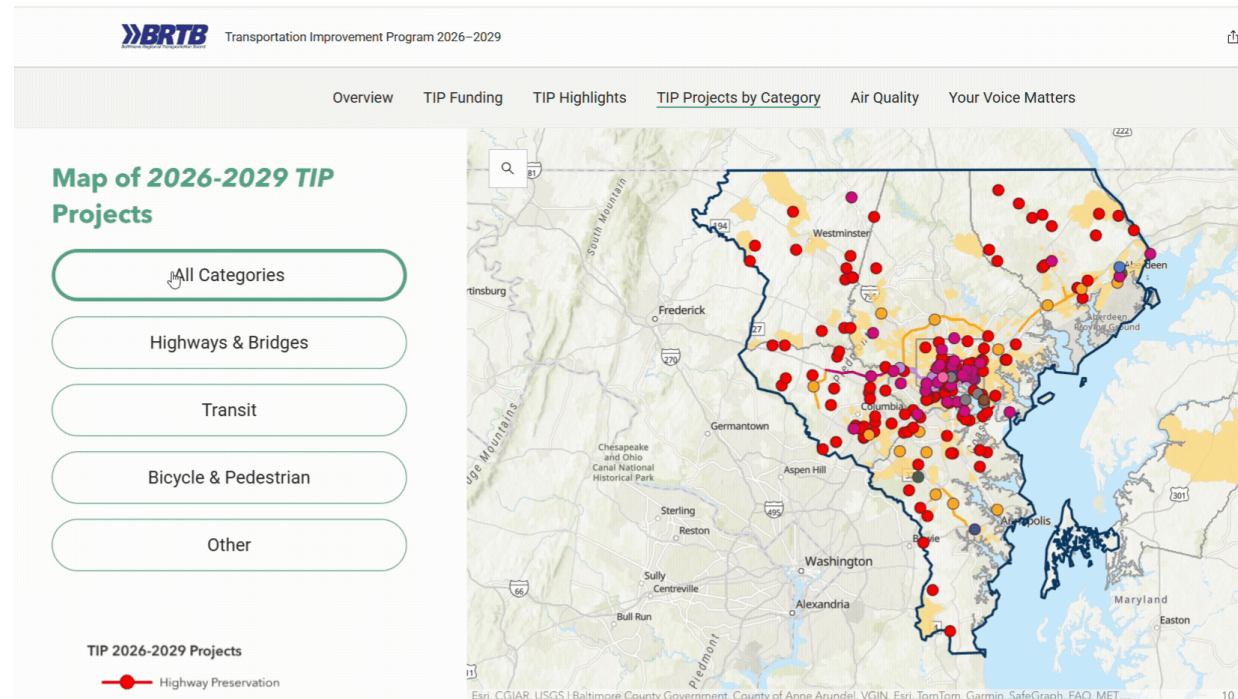
- “Please prioritize... and connecting on-street separated bike facilities with safer pedestrian facilities and crossings for vulnerable road users at intersections.” [Public Comment: Daniel Paschall]
- “We must continue to support investments in bike and pedestrian infrastructure because they offer a wide range of benefits, including improved safety...” [Public Comment: Transit Choices]
- “We call on the BRTB to shift its spending priorities away from bigger roads and toward accessible sidewalks, crosswalks, bike paths, and high-quality public transit that helps increase access and safety for all.” [Public Comment: CMTA]

# Air Quality Improvements

- “If the only way to get around the region is in a car the air quality will never be good. Regardless if they are electric or gas. Biking walking and transit expansion is the **ONLY way.**” [Public Comment: David House]
- “Highway expansion hasn't helped anyone. If the city wants to commit to reducing pollution, it should focus on reducing car reliance and expanding alternate transport options.” [Public Comment: Anonymous]
- “The **only way to meet our air quality goals** is higher transit frequency and more transportation options to **get people out of cars.**” [Public Comment: Kamran]

# Learn more at [YourRegionYourVoice/BRTB-TIP](https://YourRegionYourVoice/BRTB-TIP)

- All comments and BRTB responses
- Infographics and summary statistics
- Interactive StoryMap
- Full draft TIP document





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# Reduce spending on highway and parking expansion

- **Commentators see a shift towards more investment in active transportation and non-car modes, but room for improvement**
  - “It’s a relief to see money being spent on micromobility, the redline, and more non-car related infrastructure projects.” [Public Comment: Kamran]
  - “Glad to see Penn Station area will get multimodal improvements, the station is not connected very well to the area.”[Public Comment: Brody]
  - “Definitely improvement - but need so much more. We really need more investment in transit, cycling and pedestrian infrastructure and less for highways.” [Public Comment: Anonymous]
  - “There are a few much-needed projects for bike infrastructure in Baltimore, like the Greenway projects and Washington St, and it's good to see those included. However, there are also some significant items missing...” [Public Comment: Anonymous]