

Public Engagement - How to Reach the County

There are several ways for the public to stay involved and informed and to reach the County with questions and comments:

- Email, phone, mail, social media, and web. The easiest ways to contact the Office of Transportation are by email at: transportation@howardcountymd.gov, phone at: (410) 313-4312 or mail at: 3430 CourtHouse Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21043. We are also on the web at: www.howardcountymd.gov/transportation, [Facebook](#) - Howard County Office of Transportation and [Twitter](#) - @CommuteHoward.
- Advisory groups. There are also two advisory groups that work with the Office of Transportation, the Multimodal Transportation Board (MTB) and the Bicycle Advisory Group (BAG). You, as a member of the public can request to make "public comment" to speak at one of their meetings. Meeting information is posted on the [MTB webpage](#) and the [BAG webpage](#). Email transportation@howardcountymd.gov and request to make a comment or simply to attend and listen.
- Citizen's Guide to Community Engagement. This [brochure](#) includes selections from the Complete Streets Community Engagement Plan for Transportation Projects, provides greater detail on how the public can become involved in the transportation planning process, and what happens during it.
- County Council. The public can also contact their County Council member with their concerns. Not sure who represents you? Click on the [Council webpage](#) and go to "Who Represents Me?"
- TellHoCo. TellHoCo is a great way to communicate a problem with damaged roads, sidewalks, or signage or unsafe debris. Go to: www.howardcountymd.gov/tell-hoco, type in the approximate address, click on "New Request," zoom in or out, move to the right location, click confirm, and type in the problem. The submission will get routed to the correct department. *See ClickFix* is an app that allows you to submit the same information from your phone while you're on the move.
- Projects and events. The Office of Transportation appreciates your input on planning projects in its different phases and at special events. Project websites will also post upcoming meeting information, reports, and surveys. Email us at transportation@howardcountymd.gov to ask about specific projects or check out ["What's Happening" on our homepage](#) for events and meetings.
- WalkHoward and BikeHoward websites. Online forms on the WalkHoward and

BikeHoward websites are available as well at: [WalkHoward form](#) and [BikeHoward form](#).

- Websites. County websites have been created to provide the public with current, relevant, and comprehensive information. Find out more on the next board.

Public Engagement - Websites & More

Our websites have been created to provide the community with current, relevant, and comprehensive information, including:

- [Howard County Office of Transportation](#), including transportation related events and links to project specific webpages.
- [Howard County Complete Streets](#), includes information on our Complete Streets policy, implementation, Design Manual update, Community Engagement Plan, and more.
- [BikeHoward](#) provides information on the County's bicycle master plan that was adopted in April 2016, projects, and events. Previous BikeHoward Open Houses have been replaced by our more recent Active Transportation Open Houses.
- [WalkHoward](#) addresses the County's pedestrian master plan adopted in February 2020.
- [HoCo Dash](#) showcases performance objectives that reflect the County Executive's top priorities for Howard County. It includes data sets, objectives, targets, and strategies that will assist in improving the quality of life for its residents and businesses.
- [Go Howard](#) hosts the Transportation Demand Management (TDM) program of Howard County funded by the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Transit Administration and the Howard County Office of Transportation.

Newsletters and electronic mailings, include:

- [The Ball Bulletin](#), the County Executive's electronic newsletter covering key

announcements from all County departments. To sign up, go to the bottom of any County webpage to *Stay Connected!* and provide your email.

- The Office of Transportation periodically sends out information via email concerning projects, plans, and events. To sign up to receive these mailings, complete our sign-up.