A BetteR Maryland
The State Development Plan

Maryland Sustainable Growth Commission
Gaithersburg City Hall
November 26, 2018
A Better Maryland

Goals as Outlined in the Executive Order

• Enrich the lives of Marylanders
• Use smart growth principles
• Grow responsibly
• Protect Maryland’s resources
A Better Maryland is a dynamic, evolving plan that provides a framework to support a thriving economy and environmental stewardship. The plan supports collaboration among state and local governments and all other stakeholders, providing resources and tools for the long term economic success of Maryland.
In-reach, Analysis, and Collaboration
Summer ‘18

Sustainable Growth Commission
7/23 and 9/24

APA Maryland Chapter
6/27

Maryland Municipal League Conference
6/11 – 6/13

Maryland Association of Counties Summer Conference
7/23 and 9/24

State Agencies
September

Planning Directors
8/22

Smart Growth Coordinating Committee
8/8 and 9/12

Maryland Municipal League Conference
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ENVIRONMENT

Sustaining Environment into the Future

Preserving Land

Adapting and Becoming Resilient to Climate Change
Tackling the Economic Development Needs of the Next Century

Improving Economic Growth and Development in Existing Communities

Meeting Renewable Energy Goals

Addressing Maryland’s Transportation, Infrastructure, and Technology Challenges and Opportunities
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Creating Workforce/Affordable Housing

Building Capacity in Communities

Protecting Historic and Cultural Resources

Creating Quality Places
Coordinating State Agencies in Planning Processes

Respecting Regional Distinctions

Improving the Delivery of Programs and Services to Local Jurisdictions
Proposed Strategies Addressing Multiple Issues

- Increased Technical Assistance
- Models and Guidelines
- White Papers, Interactive Dashboards, Story Maps
- Planning Forums
- Regular Subcabinet Review of Programs and Progress
Public Meeting Questions

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Economic Development

- Addressing Maryland's Transportation, Infrastructure, and Technology Challenges and Opportunities
- Improving Economic Growth and Development in Existing Communities
- Meeting Renewable Energy Goals
- Tackling the Economic Development Needs of the Next Century
Respondents by Region

- Central Maryland: 41%
- Upper Eastern Shore: 16%
- Maryland Capital: 26%
- Lower Eastern Shore: 8%
- Western Maryland: 4%
- Southern Maryland: 5%
Respondents

- Community resident: 73%
- Local government agency staff: 10%
- Other: 8%
- Appointed official: 5%
- Elected official: 4%
**PROCESS**

Inreach, Analysis, Partnerships

Final Recommendations and Draft Plan

2\textsuperscript{nd} Round of Outreach

A Better Maryland Completion

Summer ‘18  

Fall ‘18  

Winter ‘19  

Spring- Summer ‘19
STAY INVOLVED

• Visit the Project Website at abetter.maryland.gov

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