

# Commissioners Goals & Objectives

1. Economic Development
2. Institutional Governance & Policy
3. Environment
4. Education
5. Quality of Life

# Presentation Schedule

\*dates are tentative and subject to change

Date	Goal
January 26	1) Economic Development
February 23	2) Institutional Governance & Policy
March 23	3) Environment
April 27	4) Education
May 25	5) Quality of Life
June 22	1) Economic Development
July 27	2) Institutional Governance & Policy
August	Break
September 28	3) Environment
October 26	4) Education
<b>November 30</b>	<b>5) Quality of Life</b>
December	Break



# Commissioners Goals & Objectives

## Goal 5: Quality of Life

Lead Presenter: Emergency Services

Supporting: Community Services | Economic Development  
Planning & Growth Management | Recreation, Parks & Tourism

# Public Safety

Collaboration with  
Sheriff's Office, Fire & EMS



# Public Safety Collaboration

- ▶ CCSO
  - ▶ MOU for Mobile Incident Command and Communications Vehicle;
  - ▶ MOU for Special Teams including TEMS, HazMat, & EMS Stand by.
- ▶ Fire & EMS
  - ▶ EMS MOU
  - ▶ DES, PGM, CCVFA Working Group
    - ▶ rural water supply
    - ▶ road width standards and ordinances
    - ▶ county infrastructure projects and
    - ▶ building / zoning permit application reviews
  - ▶ Kari's Law Testing
  - ▶ Next Gen Radio Project
  - ▶ Mobile Data Computer Program

# Public Safety Collaboration - Fire & EMS Strategic Plan Implementation Progress

## ► 104 Recommendations

- 4 Recommendations Have Been Implemented
- 28 Have been Approved For Implementation Planning

## ► 7 Focus Groups

- Evaluate Recommendations and Define Implementation Metrics
  - (Strategies, Tactics, Pros & Cons)
- Submit Metrics Documents for Implementation Consideration
- Each Focus Group will Submit a Proposed Plan to Implement by July 1, 2022
- Includes Volunteer Fire/EMS and DES Personnel

## ► Core Group

- Manages and Directs the Overall Work Effort and Workflow
- Reviews Metric Documents From the Focus Groups
- Presents Metric Documents to Proper Authority for Approval
- Includes Volunteer Fire/EMS and DES personnel



# Healthcare

Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH)

Opioid Prevention, Treatment & Enforcement

# Mobile Integrated Healthcare (MIH)

- ▶ 2020-21 MIH Enrollments:
  - 34 participants enrolled, 4 over capacity
  - 45 individuals referred to MIH but were ineligible or declined services
- ▶ MIH patient services:
  - ▶ Full health assessment
  - ▶ Home Safety Assessments
  - ▶ Daily Phone calls
  - ▶ Schedule Dr Appts
  - ▶ Visits for medical interventions (administer medication)
- ▶ COVID Vaccines (began Feb 2021)
  - 45 doses provided from UMCRMC - for homebound & MIH clients
- ▶ Flu Vaccines
  - 2020 - 270 doses administered to First Responders
  - 2021 - Flu Clinics are on-going now - 350 doses scheduled



# Healthcare Opioid Prevention, Treatment & Enforcement

## ► 2020

Jan 1, 2020 - Oct 31, 2020 - 207 Responses

(\*July 1, 2020 - Oct 31, 2020 - 122 responses)

24 Opioid Overdose Kits distributed

## ► 2021

Jan 1, 2021 - Oct 31, 2021 - 178 Responses

(\*July 1, 2021 - Oct 31, 2021 - 60 responses)

20 Opioid Overdose Kits distributed

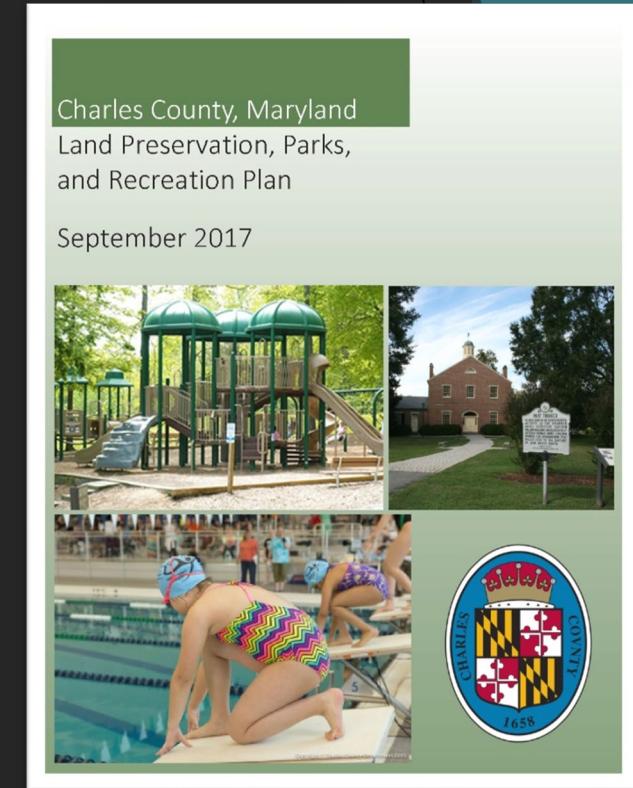


# Recreation & Entertainment

- ❖ Recreation
- ❖ Parks & Amenities
- ❖ Entertainment, Stadium, and Festivals
- ❖ Agritourism

# Recreation & Entertainment 2022 Land Preservation, Parks, and Recreation Plan (LPPRP)

- ▶ Five-year master plan required by state
- ▶ GreenPlay, LLC
- ▶ Timeline
  - ▶ Nov/Dec 2021 - Information Gathering
    - ▶ Stakeholder meetings, town hall, scientific and public survey
  - ▶ Jan/Feb 2022 - Draft LPPRP
  - ▶ Mar/Apr 2022 - Comments and Revisions
  - ▶ May/Jun 2022 - Adoption, Submittal to state



# Recreation & Entertainment

## Recreation

- ▶ Return to Play
  - ▶ Reopening of all community centers, pools, Elite Gymnastics, and Waldorf Senior & Recreational Center
  - ▶ Return of youth and adult sports
  - ▶ 2,274 summer camp participants in Summer 2021
  - ▶ Planning for Spring and Summer 2022
- ▶ RecAssist
  - ▶ Financial assistance and RecPASS
  - ▶ 52 participants served in FY22



# Recreation & Entertainment Parks & Amenities

- ▶ Project Open Space Acquisitions
  - ▶ Popes Creek Waterfront property
  - ▶ Godwin/Hungerford property
- ▶ Project Open Space Developments
  - ▶ Gilbert Run Park Boardwalk Replacement
  - ▶ Waldorf Park Design Phase
  - ▶ Chapel Point Park (Maryland Department of Natural Resources Partnership)

# Recreation & Entertainment Parks & Amenities

- ▶ Project Open Space Developments (Continued)
  - ▶ Laurel Springs Regional Park Synthetic Multi-Purpose Field
  - ▶ White Plains Regional Park Synthetic Multi-Purpose Field
- ▶ New Parks Projects
  - ▶ Bensville Park - installation of outdoor basketball court
  - ▶ Stethem Park - new maintenance building
  - ▶ Maxwell Hall Equestrian Trail improvements



# Recreation & Entertainment

## Entertainment, Stadium, Events, & Festivals

- ▶ Regency Furniture Stadium
  - ▶ Marketing initiatives
  - ▶ Continue event sponsorship and promotional support of events
- ▶ Events / Festivals
  - ▶ Execute marketing for visitor focused special events
  - ▶ Historic Stagg Hall event coordination
  - ▶ Community Grant Program (for local 501(c)(3) organizations)
  - ▶ Major League Fishing Tournaments



# Recreation & Entertainment Agritourism

- ▶ Collaborated with PGM and Rural Planning and Zoning Task Force to develop, propose, and support a Zoning Text Amendment to strengthen definitions and clarify regulations for agriculture-related uses and tourism (Bill No. 2021-01)
  - ▶ On- and off-farm “Craft Beverage” production (Bill No. 2018-04)
- ▶ “[Agricultural Economic Development Assessment](#)” released June 2021, cites “Agritourism” as an emerging trend and opportunity
- ▶ Promote/market agriculture-based ventures through EDD channels to parallel “Explore Charles County” outlets
- ▶ Staff participates in the RIC Quality of Life work group; Launched “Eat, Drink, & Be Southern Maryland” online community

# Affordable / Workforce Housing

- ❖ Housing Authority Committee
- ❖ Equitable Housing
- ❖ **Housing Solutions Lab**: A new online tool (nationwide launch June 2021) to help small & mid-sized communities (50,000 to 500,000 residents) to address affordability challenges & develop housing policies that advance affordability & equity. <https://localhousingsolutions.org/lab>

# Affordable / Workforce Housing Housing Authority Committee

- ▶ **Increase CCG resources to address housing affordability:**
  - ▶ Administered over \$17.8 million in grants for housing assistance programs this year, & awaiting notice of grant award for almost \$2.2 million in additional grant requests at this time
  - ▶ 40% increase in new Housing Authority grants in 2021 as compared to prior years
  - ▶ Inter-departmental efforts to advance a new affordable Senior Apartment complex (144 new units in Waldorf)
- ▶ **Close the wealth gap & improve housing stability:** assist low-income residents to access & afford market-rate units in every sector of our community by administering effective, evidence-based housing assistance & homeownership programs:
  - ▶ Housing Choice Voucher Program: increased access for up to 800 new applicants in 14 months
  - ▶ Settlement Expense Loan Program: Down payment assistance for 1<sup>st</sup> time Homebuyers, 6 new families in 2021
  - ▶ Homeownership program: Monthly mortgage payment assistance for 8 families (tenant to homeowner)
  - ▶ Supplemental Assistance for Facilities to Assist the Homeless: increased permanent housing for homeless
- ▶ **Preserve affordable housing units & address poor housing conditions:** USDA Rural Housing Preservation Grant, State Special Loans Program, & CDBG climate mitigation project at Westdale Dr
- ▶ **Protect against housing displacement:** In partnership with non-profit vendors, expended over 67% of ERAP funds since July 2021 (better than state & national avg); and 66% of CDBG eviction prevention dollars
  - ▶ Prevented eviction for over 629 households thus far, with additional funds still available to those at risk
  - ▶ 96% of residents who received ERAP assistance in Charles County are low-income people of color

# Affordable / Workforce Housing Equitable Housing - PGM

- ▶ Diverse, Quality, Affordable
  - ▶ Objectives: MPDU (moderately priced dwelling units), housing diversity, accessory dwelling units
  - ▶ Townhouse ZTA complete
  - ▶ Other initiatives (minimum sq ft requirement, density changes) in various stages of progress
  - ▶ Zoning Code Rewrite
- ▶ Affordable Housing Workgroup
  - ▶ Membership (7) - PGM, DCS, Planning Commission
  - ▶ Comprehensive Affordable Housing strategy
    - ▶ All aspects (ie. homeless/transitional, veteran, workforce, senior, low income)
    - ▶ Quantity - factors that contribute to low supply (low supply drives market value)
    - ▶ Diversity - tiny homes, apartments, townhouses, stand alone single family
    - ▶ Resources/Funding/Case Studies
    - ▶ Third Party Investigation



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