

COG

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outreach report

executive director
David Robertson

- **911 Service.** Met with Verizon officials on the service and its reliability.
- **Give to the Max Day.** Attended press conference to begin promoting the one-day, regional fundraising event on November 9, 2011. COG is a co-sponsor.
- **Infrastructure Bank.** Met with Richard Suisman of Our Nation's Capital to discuss a regional conference.
- **Homeland Security.** Met with Arlington County Manager Barbara Donnellan to discuss activities.
- **Regional Land Use Leadership Institute.** Spoke at the kickoff session of the Urban Land Institute's new program at Nationals Park. DCPS staff worked with ULI to develop the program.
- **Foreign Delegations.** Met with public officials and planners from Croatia and Switzerland.
- **NARC.** Attended its Executive Directors Conference in Jacksonville, FL.

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highlights

Frederick County

COG Director briefed the Board of Commissioners on COG policies and programs.

District of Columbia

- COG/DEP hosted a series of four climate adaptation workshops with support from a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency "Smart Growth Implementation Assistance" grant.
- DEP Director met with DC Water General Manager to discuss Blue Plains IMA renegotiations and a briefing for the DC Water Board of Directors.
- DCPS staff spoke at the National Housing Conference's "Solutions for Sustainable Communities 2011 Learning Conference on State and Local Housing Policy."

Prince William County

COG Director spoke at a community forum on transit organized by U.S. Representative Gerry Connolly.

Prince George's County

- DEP Director and staff briefed Prince George's County's CAO, Counsel, Environmental Resources Director and staff regarding the Blue Plains IMA renegotiations.
- DEP Director and staff met with Dr. Steve Halperin and colleagues at the University of Maryland Earth System Science Interdisciplinary Center to discuss collaboration on environmental (climate) change and local government decision-making, as well as a possible joint workshop.

Various Locations

- Commuter Connections sponsored and promoted the regional Car Free Day and staff participated in a Commuter Transportation Fair in Falls Church.
- COG Purchasing Manager met with the Town of Leesburg Purchasing Director to discuss using video conferencing to enhance participation in the COG Purchasing Committee among outer suburban members.