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TO: COG Planning Directors Technical Advisory Committee

FROM: Gwen Wright, Montgomery County Planning Director

SUBJECT: Invitation to submit proposals for fall conference sponsored by Montgomery Planning and University of Maryland's National Center for Smart Growth

Dear Friends,

On behalf of the [Montgomery County Planning Department \(M-NCPPC\)](#) and the [University of Maryland's National Center for Smart Growth](#), we would like to invite you and your colleagues to [submit presentation proposals for our fall conference, *Makeover Montgomery 5: Resilient Montgomery*](#).



Makeover Montgomery brings together planners, architects, developers, real estate professionals, economists, social scientists, ecologists, graduate students, and others from across the region. During our fifth time holding this conference, we will be discussing cutting-edge ideas for ensuring that Montgomery County and suburban and urban places of all types are more resilient with respect to the local economy, neighborhood and social conditions, the environment and climate, infrastructure, and public health.

The call for [session and individual presentation proposals](#) is now open and will close on March 15, 2022.

The conference will be held in person starting the evening of September 22 with a keynote speaker event at the University of Maryland, College Park followed by in-person sessions on September 23 and 24 at the M-NCPPC headquarters in Wheaton, MD (2425 Reedie Drive, Wheaton, MD 20902). There may also be a virtual option for attendance depending on the circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic at the time of the conference.

Please share this great presentation opportunity with your network. We look forward to an exciting and productive conference.