

**ITEM 9 – Information
November 20, 2024**

Community Advisory Committee Recruitment Underway for the
2025-2026 Cohort

Background: The TPB staff have been soliciting community members to apply for appointment to the TPB Community Advisory Committee. The board will be updated on the status of the process and will be asked to approve the new cohort of CAC members in January 2025.



MEMORANDUM

TO: Transportation Planning Board
FROM: Laura Bachle, TPB Transportation Planner
SUBJECT: Community Advisory Committee Recruitment Underway for 2025-2026 Cohort
DATE: November 14, 2024

The TPB is accepting applications for the 2025-2026 Community Advisory Committee (CAC). The application deadline has been extended to December 2, 2024. Recruitment is being advertised via the TPB website, COG & TPB newsletters, targeted e-mail, and social media. Here are the results to date:

- 38 completed applications were received as of this mailing.
- Residents from nine TPB member jurisdictions have submitted applications.
- 33 applications are from people who have not previously served on the CAC.
- Five applications were received from people who live in Equity Emphasis Areas (EEAs).

Membership is to consist of 24 total members, with at least five members each from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia. So far, there are 13 applications from DC, 15 applications from Maryland, and 10 applications from Virginia. Five current CAC members have re-applied. Once the application period has closed, staff will review the applications using criteria to balance the membership. Criteria include: racial and ethnic diversity, diverse perspectives, representatives who reside in TPB's EEAs, and geographic diversity.

The board will be asked to approve or make changes and then approve the nominations for the 2025-2026 CAC. After approval, the TPB Chair will announce the CAC Chair for 2025. The 2025-2026 CAC will meet for the first time on February 13, 2025.

We encourage members of the TPB to spread the word! This is a great opportunity for community members who are interested in regional transportation issues to provide input to decision-makers and promote public involvement in the regional planning process. More information, a link to the application form, and a recruitment video can be found at www.mwcog.org/cac.

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