Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments

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COG BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

District of Columbia
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Bowie
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Falls Church
Loudoun County
Manassas
Manassas Park
Prince William County

*Adjunct Member

DATE: July 9, 2014
TIME: 12:00 – 2:00PM
PLACE: COG Board Room

PLEASE NOTE: The board meeting will begin promptly at <u>Noon</u>. Lunch for members and alternates will be available at <u>11:30AM</u>

A G E N D A

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
(12:00PM)

Phil Mendelson, Council Chair, District of Columbia
COG Board Chair

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS
(12:00 – 12:05PM)

Chair Mendelson

A. COG Leadership Retreat July 25th-27th

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
(12:05 – 12:10PM)

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA
(12:10 – 12:15PM)

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 14, 2014 AND JUNE 11, 2014
(12:15 – 12:20PM)

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
(12:20 – 12:25PM)

A. RESOLUTION RATIFYING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS R42-2014, R43-2014, R44-2014, R45-2014, R46-2014, AND R48-2014

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R49-2014 ratifying Executive Committee approval of Resolutions R42-2014, R43-2014, R44-2014, R45-2014, R46-2014, and R48-2014. Due to a lack of quorum at the June 11 Board of Director's meeting and pursuant to Rule of Procedure 5.07(c)(1), the Executive Committee approved the resolutions on the June 11th agenda by conference call on June 16th.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R49-2014.

B. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R50-2014 authorizing the adjustment of the deferred compensation of the Executive Director of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments in the amount of an additional $5,500 per year towards a catch up contribution. COG's Employee Compensation and Benefits Review Committee (ECBR), the committee in charge of reviewing any items related to pay and benefits of the Executive Director as agreed to under the Employment Agreement, supports this benefit change. Funding for this increase is allocated in the COG budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R50-2014.

C. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO IMPLEMENT TOP PRIORITY NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION WATER SYSTEM CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION PROJECTS

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R51-2014 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the State Administrative Agent (SAA) in the amount of $1,518,030. The grant funds will be used to carry out a comprehensive project of regional drinking water security initiatives intended to address regional water security priorities such as early warning monitoring, regional water system redundancy studies, and emergency response and preparedness planning. Funding for this effort will be provided through a grant from the SAA. **No COG matching funds are required.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R51-2014

D. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO CONDUCT TEXT ALERT NOTIFICATION PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN - DC

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R52-2014 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) in the amount of $47,250. COG has been requested by the District of Columbia HSEMA to procure a contractor(s) and enter into a contract to educate residents in the District of Columbia about how to navigate the new features of the completely revamped text/email emergency alerting system. Funding for this effort will be provided through a subgrant from the District of Columbia HSEMA, the SAA for the National Capital Region. **No COG matching funds are required.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R52-2014.

E. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO DESIGN, DEVELOP, AND EXECUTE A TERRORISM EXERCISE SERIES FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R53-2014 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to receive and expend grant funds from the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) in the amount of $600,000. COG has been requested by the District of Columbia HSEMA to procure a contractor(s) and enter into a contract to test the District of Columbia HSEMA plans and standing operating procedures relevant to the response of District of Columbia departments and agencies to several terrorist attacks at multiple locations. Funding for this effort will be provided through a subgrant from the District of Columbia HSEMA, the SAA for the National Capital Region. **No COG matching funds are required.**

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R53-2014.

F. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE OCCOQUAN WATERSHED MONITORING LABORATORY (OWML) FOR WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS SERVICES

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution R54-2014 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to expend funds in the amount of $50,000 to enable OWML to use the 31 years of data it has collected on behalf of COG to develop trends in water quality data for the Potomac River and add a web interface to make certain water quality data more accessible to COG's members. Funding for this project is included in the FY 2015 Regional Water Quality Management Work Program Budget.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R54-2014.

7. 2013 REGIONAL CRIME REPORT
(12:25-12:45PM)

Amy Philips
WMATA
Chair, Police Planner's Subcommittee

Chief Earl Cook
Alexandria Police Department
Vice Chair, Police Chiefs Committee

Assistant Chief Patrick Burke
Metropolitan Police Department

The Police Chiefs Committee, in conjunction with its Police Planners subcommittee, annually collects and analyzes selected crime statistics for the Washington Metropolitan Area. Such information has proven useful to law enforcement and policy officials by providing a broad analysis of crime trends and establishing local and regional crime-fighting priorities. The Board will be briefed on the most recent report, which reflects crime trends for 2013.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

8. OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION'S HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE INFRASTRUCTURE
(12:45-1:40PM)

Robert Griffiths
Acting Co-Director, Department of Transportation Planning, COG

Tom Fountain
Assistant District Engineer-Maintenance, Maryland State Highway Administration

Muhammed Khalid
Interim Chief Engineer, Infrastructure Project Management Administration, District Department of Transportation

Andrew Glenn
Northern Virginia Infrastructure Manager, Virginia Department of Transportation

Gary Runco
Northern Virginia District Bridge Engineer, Virginia Department of Transportation

Today's discussion on highway and bridge infrastructure in the National Capital Region complements the February 12th Board of Directors' briefing on WMATA's Momentum strategic plan and Metro 2025 program of projects.   Mr. Griffiths will present an overview of the Region's highway and bridge infrastructure.   The presenters from the District of Columbia, Maryland, and Virginia Departments of Transportation (DOTs) will provide additional detail on the scale and use of highway and bridge infrastructure in their sub-region, review critical needs, identify challenges and opportunities, and define the overall importance of transportation infrastructure to the economy and citizens.   Mr. Griffiths will

then summarize the urgent need for action by the Congress to reauthorize the Highway Trust Fund which will become insolvent as soon as the end of July.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Adopt Resolution R55-2014 approving transmission of a letter urging immediate Congressional action to replenish the Highway Trust Fund.

9. 2013 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION ANNUAL FOSTER CARE REPORT
(1:40-1:55PM)

Kamilah Bunn
COG Child Welfare Program Manager

Each year COG queries the national capital region's child welfare systems to collect data, analyze findings, and discover trends occurring in foster care around the region. The 2013 Annual Report on Foster Care provides a snapshot of how children are faring once they enter foster care, and the prevention methods used to keep children in their communities when safe and appropriate. The report also explores the following topics: child protective services, demographics of children in foster care, permanency, placement, recruitment of foster parents and emancipation (aging out.)

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive briefing.

10. OTHER BUSINESS
(1:55-2:00PM)

11. ADJOURN – THE COG LEADERSHIP RETREAT IS ON JULY 25-27; THE NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2014
(2:00PM)

AGENDA ITEM #2

ANNOUNCEMENTS

(No attachment)

AGENDA ITEM #3

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Policy Board & Committee Work

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD

At its June meeting, the TPB was briefed on the new federal Enhanced Mobility program, which provides funding for accessible transportation projects across the region. The allotted funds for the program will provide up to $5.6 million in matching grants for transportation improvements geared at increasing access for disabled persons and older adults to the transportation system. The new program has also led the TPB to update its Coordinated Human Service Transportation Plan, which will guide funding decisions.

### HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC SAFETY POLICY COMMITTEE

The Committee reviewed a draft of the 2013 Report on Crime and Crime Control, which provides information to governmental officials and the public as to the nature of the crime problem in the region. It also provides law enforcement administrators with criminal statistics.

At the 17th Annual Commuter Connections Employer Recognition Awards, winners are honored for their efforts in reducing carbon footprints and regional traffic congestion by offering innovative transportation-benefits packages to employees

Heart of COG: Helping Ensure Safe Streets for All Area Residents
MIKE FARRELL, DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING
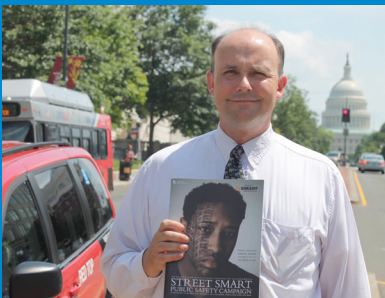
Mike Farrell has dedicated the past 13 years at COG to onvening the region's environmental and transportation leaders to advance safer streets for pedestrians, cyclists, motorists and the environment. Furthering this effort, Mike introduced a now quadrennial Bike and Pedestrian Plan for the region, while also shepherding the development of both Complete Streets and Green Streets policies adopted by the COG and TPB Boards.

Mike also has spearheaded the Street Smart safety campaign, an advertising and outreach campaign across the region, encouraging all users of the road – from the casual pedestrian to the average driver – to pay attention, stay alert and keep the public safe while using the transportation network. Street Smart garners thousands of media impressions and highlights every year with promotions on sides of buses, highways and front and center in the news. Mike's work ensures that the region's elected leadership and members of the TPB are not only informed as policy makers, but safe as residents of communities across our region.

- Chuck Bean, Executive Director

NARC CONFERENCE

In June, Executive Director Chuck Bean participated in the annual conference of the National Association of Regional Councils. Bean was elected to Executive Director's Council. COG Board member Penny Gross also addressed conference attendees as the outgoing Board President.

FORECLOSURE NETWORK

Co-creators COG and the Nonprofit Roundtable of Greater Washington hosted the final meeting of the Capital Area Foreclosure Network (CAFN) leadership at COG. A final CAFN report will be presented at a future COG Board meeting.

SUSTAINABLE HOUSING

In recent months, COG Environmental Planner Leah Boggs has organized tours of local 'Passive Houses' in Rockville and Arlington. These green buildings retain heat in winter and reduce AC use in summer, all while increasing indoor air quality.

SPONSOR FAREWELL

Bean, Community Planning and Services Director Paul DesJardin, and COG Child Welfare Manager Kamilah Bunn attended a farewell for longtime regional sponsor, the Freddie Mac Foundation, at its headquarters in McLean.

COG Board Member Cathy Drzyzgula at a WAMU panel speaking to water quality in Chesapeake Bay

A super energy efficient "passive house" in Rockville, MD that uses 80% less energy than traditional homes

CHESAPEAKE BAY TALK AT WAMU COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Gaithersburg Council member Cathy Dryzgula, COG Regional Water Quality Management Chief Tanya Spano, and Paul DesJardin participated in a panel of WAMU's Community Council on the Chesapekae Bay. Panelists noted the critical link between local water quality and Bay restoration efforts, progress made to-date, innovative practices, the high costs involved, the challenges in meeting regulatory requirements and public expectations, and the need for all parties to continue to work together to find effective, cost-effective and sustainable solutions – and to get buy-in from those customers/rate payers that ultimately have to pay for this work.

CHILD WELFARE ACTIVITIES

COG's Child Welfare Team held fundraisers for foster families in Charles County and the District. The team also co-hosted a regional training for social workers with the National Resource Center for Permanency and Family Connections on June 4th at COG.

TRANSPORTATION AND LAND USE

DesJardin Director and Transportation Planner John Swanson participated in the first meeting of the WMATA Land Use and Transportation Scenarios project in the District.

PRINCE WILLIAM FORECASTS

COG Senior Planner Greg Goodwin and Paul DesJardin met with members of the Prince William County Planning staff in Woodbridge to discuss plans and research needs for the Cooperative Forecasts.

INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CHANGE BEST PRACTICES

COG Department of Environmental Programs Director Steve Walz participated in a roundtable of climate adaptation successes and challenges at the Swedish Embassy.

NBC4 SHOW FOCUSES ON AREA FOSTER CHILDREN, PARENTS...

COG's Child Welfare Manager Kamilah Bunn and Arlington County Foster Parents of the Year, Ben and Shira Simon, appeared on NBC4's public affairs talk show, Viewpoint, sharing the story of foster care in the National Capital Region. The Simons along with foster parents from jurisdictions across the region were honored for their service to the community and dedication to their foster children at COG in May.

..AND AIR QUALITY

Later in June, officials had the opportunity to discuss the region's significant progress and ongoing challenges related to air quality on Viewpoint. Metropolitan Washington Air Quality Committee Chairman David Snyder (Falls Church), Clean Air Partners Board Chair Lon Anderson (AAA) and Clean Air Partners Board Member Dr. Janet Phoenix (George Washington University) participated on the show.

Arlington Foster Parents of the Year and COG Child Welfare Manager Kamillah Bun on NBC4 Viewpoint

COG'S STEPHEN WALZ OP-ED ON ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE APPEARS IN THE WASHINGTON POST'S CAPITAL BUSINESS

Walz's op-ed highlighted some of the main points from the May COG Board meeting's Regional Infrastructure Series item. He discussed the $5.5 billion in investments over the next five years to replace and upgrade aging natural gas pipes and electric power lines as well as new technologies to improve reliability. Walz also reviewed how our region gets its energy as well as statistics that show how our region is a leader in regards to energy efficiency.

TRANSPORTATION PLANNING BOARD –
WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

CHESAPEAKE BAY AND WATER RESOURCES POLICY COMMITTEE –
FRIDAY, JULY 18

REGION FORWARD COALITION –
FRIDAY, JULY 18

CLIMATE, ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT POLICY COMMITTEE –
WEDNESDAY, JULY 23

COG LEADERSHIP PLANNING & WORK SESSION –
FRIDAY, JULY 25 – SUNDAY, JULY 27 – CAMBRIDGE, MD

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON AIR QUALITY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, JULY 31

For more information about these events and other COG meetings, visit www.mwcog.org/calendar

AGENDA ITEM #4

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA

(No attachment)

AGENDA ITEM #5

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MAY 14, 2014 AND JUNE 11, 2014

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002

MINUTES
Board of Directors Meeting
COG Board Room
May 14, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS, ALTERNATES, AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS PRESENT AND NOT PRESENT:
See attached chart for attendance.

STAFF:
Chuck Bean, Executive Director
Sharon Pandak, General Counsel
Monica Beyrouti, Member Services Associate/Clerk to the Board

GUESTS:
Jerry Pasternak, Pepco
William L. Murray, Dominion
Steven Jumper, Corporate Public Policy, WGL Holdings, Inc.
Rajnish Barua, National Regulatory Research Institute
Michael Ferrell, Coalition for the Homeless

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
After the conclusion of the Foster Parent of the Year video, Chair Mendelson called the meeting to order at 12:10PM and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS
A. Foster Parent of the Year Reception
B. Infrastructure Week 2014
C. Bike to Work Day – May 16

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Executive Director Chuck Bean briefed the Board on various events taking place throughout COG over the last month including two media highlights that featured College Park Councilmember Patrick Wojahn and COG staff member Phong Trieu. Mr. Bean announced that the current COG Chief Financial Officer will be retiring and that Dennis Turner was appointed as the Interim CFO. He also highlighted the current status of the search and selection process for the COG Director of Transportation Planning. Mr. Bean thanked all of the foster parents present for attending the Foster Parent of the Year Reception. He introduced the honorees from each county and shared a brief description of their involvement and dedication to foster care.

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA
There were no amendments to the agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
An attendance correction was noted and the minutes of the April 9, 2014 Board Meeting were approved.

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

A. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS TO RENOVATE THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION PLANNING DIRECTOR'S OFFICE AND SURROUNDING WORKSPACES
The Board adopted Resolution R38-2014 authorizing the Executive Director, or his designee, to enter into contracts not to exceed $75,000 with vendors to complete office space renovations. COG performed an office space utilization assessment in 2012 that identified spot improvements that would better utilize office space and provide a uniform office space offering. COG will perform the spot renovations to the offices around, and including, the space to be occupied by the Director of the Department of Transportation Planning. The renovations will upgrade two offices, a conference room, and three workstations that are original furnishings from 1989. The renovations will include carpeting, painting, and new office furniture. Funding is available in the COG Facility Operating Budget.

B. RESOLUTION RATIFYING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AUTHORIZATION FOR COG TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR AN INTERIM CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER/CONTROLLER
The Board adopted Resolution R39-2014 authorizing Executive Committee approval to enter into a contract not to exceed $61,440 with Iuvo Systems, Inc. (Iuvo) to serve as Interim CFP/Controller until a permanent CFO is hired. CFO Paul Beriault has resigned effective mid-May. Pursuant to Rule of Procedure 5.07(c)(1) and at the request of the Executive Director, the Executive Committee approved entering into a contract with Iuvo for Iuvo's Dennis Turner to be Interim CFO/Controller, beginning May 1 until the position is filled permanently. The Executive Director will also enter into a contract not to exceed $24,000 with BDO USA LLP, as consulting financial advisor, to assist Mr. Turner, coordinate the annual audit and implement BDO's Assessment of the COG's finance and accounting operations. Funding is available in existing indirect budgeted funds.

ACTION: The Board adopted Resolution R38-2014 and Resolution R39-2014.

7. FY 2014 THIRD QUARTER REPORT
Chief Financial Officer Paul Beriault provided the COG Board with the FY 2014 third quarter (July 2013 – March 2014) financial report.

ACTION: The Board received the report.

8. OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION'S ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE
Staff provided information on the basics of the NCR's electric, natural gas, and non-utility energy infrastructure; including information on main providers of energy and their infrastructure, such as wires, generation plants, pipelines, rail, and storage. The overview was followed by a panel of regional energy experts from Pepco Region Maryland, Dominion, Washington Gas, and the National Regulatory Research Institute. The panel focused on the need and plans to upgrade and pay for improvements to address reliability through underlining, hardening, rebuilding and expansion, and a focus to improve cyber and physical security.

ACTION: The Board engaged in discussion on the topic of energy infrastructure in the region and adopted Resolution R40-2014, endorsing Infrastructure Week 2014.

9. EFFORTS TO END HOMELESSNESS IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION & RESULTS OF THE 2014 HOMELESS ENUMERATION
Michael Ferrell, Executive Director of the Coalition for the Homeless, and Chair of COG's Homeless Services Committee, shared the results of the 2014 Point-in-Time count and highlighted best practices and challenges in addressing homelessness in the metropolitan Washington region.

ACTION: The Board adopted Resolution R41-2014, endorsing the results of the 2014 Point-in-Time Homeless Enumeration.

10. OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business.

11. ADJOURNMENT
Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00PM. The next meeting is June 11, 2014.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – May 2014

Jurisdiction	Member	Y/N	Alternate	Y/N
District of Columbia				
Executive	Hon. Vincent Gray		Christopher Murphy	
	Mr. Allen Lew		Warren Graves	Y
Council	Hon. Phil Mendelson **(Chair)**	Y		
	Hon. Kenyan R. McDuffie			
Maryland				
Bowie	Hon. G. Frederick Robinson		Hon. Dennis Brady	Y
Charles County	Hon. Reuben Collins	Y – CC	Hon. Ken Robinson Hon. Debra Davis	
City of Frederick	Hon. Randy McClement	Y		
Frederick County	Hon. David Gray	Y	Hon. Blaine Young	
College Park	Hon. Andrew Fellows	Y	Hon. Denise Mitchell	
Gaithersburg	Hon. Sidney Katz		Hon. Cathy Drzyzgula	Y
Greenbelt	Hon. Emmett Jordan	Y	Hon. Judith "J" Davis	
Montgomery County				
Executive	Hon. Isiah Leggett		Mr. Tim Firestine	
Council	Hon. Roger Berliner **(Vice Chair)**			
	Hon. Nancy Navarro			
Prince George's County				
Executive	Hon. Rushern Baker		Mr. Nicholas Majett	Y
Council	Hon. Karen Toles			
	Hon. Andrea Harrison	Y		
Rockville	Hon. Bridget Newton	Y	Emad Elshafei	
Takoma Park	Hon. Bruce Williams	Y	Hon. Terry Seamens	
Maryland General Assembly	Hon. Brian Feldman	Y		
Virginia				
Alexandria	Hon. William Euille **(Vice Chair)**		Hon. Redella Pepper	
Arlington County	Hon. Walter Tejada	Y	Hon. Jay Fisette	
City of Fairfax	Hon. Dan Drummond		Hon. Jeffrey Greenfield	
Fairfax County	Hon. Sharon Bulova	Y	Hon. Catherine Hudgins	
	Hon. Penelope A. Gross		Hon. Patrick Herrity	
	Hon. John Foust		Hon. Michael Frey	
Falls Church	Hon. David Tarter		Hon. David Snyder	
Loudoun County	Hon. Matt Letourneau			
Loudoun County	Hon. Scott York	Y	Hon. Shawn Williams	
Manassas	Hon. Jonathan Way	Y		
Manassas Park	Hon. Suhas Naddoni		Hon. Frank Jones	
Prince William County	Hon. Frank Principi	Y	Pete Candland	
	Hon. Wally Covington			
Virginia General Assembly	Hon. George Barker	Y		

Total: 20

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June 11, 2014

BOARD MEMBERS, ALTERNATES, AND OTHER PARTICIPANTS PRESENT AND NOT PRESENT:
See attached chart for attendance.

STAFF:
Chuck Bean, Executive Director
Sharon Pandak, General Counsel
Monica Beyrouti, Member Services Associate/Clerk to the Board

GUESTS:
Jeremy Lasich, External Affairs Committee/Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs
Adam Krantz, National Association of Clean Water Agencies
William Hicks, Fairfax County Maintenance and Stormwater Management Division
Christopher Pomeroy, AquaLaw PLC

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Chair Mendelson called the meeting to order at 12:20PM and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS
A. COG Leadership Retreat July 25th-27th

3. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT
Executive Director Chuck Bean briefed the Board on various events taking place throughout COG over the last month including Bike to Work Day, an affordable housing initiative, and media coverage of the 2014 Point-in-Time Homelessness Report. Mr. Bean shared upcoming plans to advance the COG Cooperative Purchasing program and OPIS program. He honored the June Heart of COG employee, Jeff King from the Department of Environmental Programs. Mr. Bean announced Stuart Freudberg's appointment to Deputy Executive Director.

4. AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA
There were no amendments to the agenda.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
Due to a lack of quorum approval of the May 14, 2014 minutes was postponed.

6. ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
Due to a lack of quorum approval of the consent agenda was postponed.

7. PRESENTATION OF CAMPAIGN TO PROMOTE NEW EMERGENCY TEXT ALERT SIGN-UPS ACROSS THE REGION

Mr. Jeremy Lasich, Chairman, External Affairs Committee, RESF 15, and Deputy Director, Fairfax County Office of Public Affairs, briefed the Board on a new, effective text alert system to deliver emergency warnings during any regional threat or hazardous event. The presentation focused on the outreach campaign, which is financed by the Urban Area Security Initiative grant program.

ACTION: The Board received the report and engaged in discussion.

8. OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION'S WATER QUALITY PROTECTION INFRASTRUCTURE

COG staff presented background information on the Region's wastewater and stormwater infrastructure. Following the introductory information was a panel of wastewater and stormwater experts from around the region. Adam Krantz from NACWA, spoke about the region's wastewater and stormwater challenges and innovations and challenges with that infrastructure; William Hicks, from Fairfax County's Maintenance and Stormwater Management Division, spoke about the challenges and growing infrastructure demands of the Region's stormwater management systems; and Chris Pomeroy, from the law firm AquaLaw, spoke about the regulatory and legal drivers behind the requirements for new wastewater and stormwater investments.

ACTION: The Board received the report and engaged in discussion.

9. RECOMMENDATION FOR MARKET-BASED SALARY ADJUSTMENT FOR COG EMPLOYEES FOR FY 2015

Due to a lack of quorum discussion and approval of this item was postponed.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:55PM. The next meeting is July 9, 2014.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – June 2014

Jurisdiction	Member	Y/N	Alternate	Y/N
District of Columbia				
Executive	Hon. Vincent Gray		Christopher Murphy	
	Mr. Allen Lew		Warren Graves	Y
Council	Hon. Phil Mendelson **(Chair)**	Y		
	Hon. Kenyan R. McDuffie	Y		
Maryland				
Bowie	Hon. G. Frederick Robinson		Hon. Dennis Brady	
Charles County	Hon. Reuben Collins	Y – vc	Hon. Ken Robinson Hon. Debra Davis	
City of Frederick	Hon. Randy McClement			
Frederick County	Hon. David Gray	Y	Hon. Blaine Young	
College Park	Hon. Andrew Fellows		Hon. Denise Mitchell	
Gaithersburg	Hon. Sidney Katz		Hon. Cathy Drzyzgula	
Greenbelt	Hon. Emmett Jordan		Hon. Judith "J" Davis	
Montgomery County				
Executive	Hon. Isiah Leggett		Mr. Tim Firestine	
Council	Hon. Roger Berliner **(Vice Chair)**			
	Hon. Nancy Navarro			
Prince George's County				
Executive	Hon. Rushern Baker		Mr. Nicholas Majett	Y
Council	Hon. Karen Toles	Y		
	Hon. Andrea Harrison			
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Takoma Park	Hon. Bruce Williams		Hon. Terry Seamens	
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Fairfax County	Hon. Sharon Bulova	Y	Hon. Catherine Hudgins	
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Falls Church	Hon. David Tarter	Y	Hon. David Snyder	
Loudoun County	Hon. Matt Letourneau			
Loudoun County	Hon. Scott York		Hon. Shawn Williams	
Manassas	Hon. Jonathan Way	Y		
Manassas Park	Hon. Suhas Naddoni		Hon. Frank Jones	
Prince William County	Hon. Frank Principi	Y	Pete Candland	
	Hon. Wally Covington			
Virginia General Assembly	Hon. George Barker			

Total: 14

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AGENDA ITEM #6

ADOPTION OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Resolution R42-2014
June 11, 2014

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, D.C. 20002-4290

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RENEW THE ANNUAL CONTRACT WITH GARTNER INC. FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY AND BUSINESS SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) requires information technology and business services from Garner Inc. in an amount not to exceed $34,800; and

WHEREAS, COG owns and operates a complex information technology infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, COG occasionally requires additional expertise in the review of complex technical requests for proposals and routinely contracts with outside vendors to provide subject matter expertise; and

WHEREAS, Gartner Inc. is the industry leader in providing information technology and business training and consulting services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to renew contracts not to exceed $34,800 with Gartner Inc. for the delivery of industry analysis, best practices, technical training, executive business skills training, and technical contracts review.

Funding for this project in the amount of $34,800 will be utilized from the FY2015 IT Annual Operating Budget.

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH SELECTED VENDORS FOR FY2015
FACILITIES PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) owns office space on the second and third floors of 777 North Capitol Street, NE; and

WHEREAS, office space near the Executive Director could be optimized to provide additional office space for staff; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Human Resources Management requires a space for secure file storage and to perform confidential employee meetings and interviews; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Public Affairs requires a media room to support expanded multimedia products and outreach to region; and

WHEREAS, spot improvements Commuter Connections Operations Center will increase natural light entering the workspace; and

WHEREAS, COG's auditors recommended that COG install a pre-action fire suppression system in COG's data center; and

WHEREAS, COG management recommended and the COG Board of Directors approved the Capital Repair & Replacement Plan for FY2015 as part of the annual budget process.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into contracts not to exceed $115,000 for the construction and completion of the above projects that were identified and approved in the FY2015 Capital Repair and Replacement Plan.

Funding for these projects is budgeted for in the FY2015 Capital Repair & Replacement Plan.

Resolution R44-2014
June 11, 2014

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH SELECTED VENDORS FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVER INFRASTRUCTURE

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) owns and operates a data center that is necessary to support COG operations; and

WHEREAS, COG has adopted the instruct standard 5-year replacement cycle for servers and connected systems; and

WHEREAS, COG acquired a Xiotech Storage Area Network (SAN) through competitive procurement in 2009; and

WHEREAS, COG has standardized on HP for server and desktop hardware needs; and

WHEREAS, COG routinely engaged value added resellers to bundle procurements to obtain volume procurement discounts; and

WHEREAS, COG's Office of Information Technology & Facilities Management has recommended scheduled replacement for COG's SAN and servers within the FY2015 IT Annual Operating Budget; and

WHEREAS, The COG Board of Directors approved the FY2015 COG Budget in January 2015 which included funding for the IT Annual Operating Budget.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to enter into contracts not to exceed $243,000 for the procurement and installation of a Storage Area Network and servers that will replace those that are currently in use and at their end of useful life.

Funding for this procurement is budgeted in the FY2015 IT Annual Operating Budget.

Resolution R45-2014
June 11, 2014

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT, PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO DESIGN, DEVELOP, AND IMPLEMENT A TEXT ALERT PUBLIC AWARENESS AND EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) serves as the Secretariat for the Urban Area Security Initiative for the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, COG has been requested by the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) and R-ESF 15 External Affairs to issue a contract to consulting firm to design, develop, and implement a text alert public awareness campaign; and

WHEREAS, the Washington DC area continues to be considered as one of the higher-risk urban areas in the country and the new emergency alert system will allow officials throughout the NCR to continue their efforts to increase emergency awareness and improve disaster preparedness for residents; and

WHEREAS, residents in the region will be educated on the look and feel of the new alert and notification system, when changes to the alerting and notification system will take place, what they need to do to sign-up or stay connected, and where they can go to find more information; and

WHEREAS, funding for the contract to design, develop, and implement a text alert education and public awareness campaign will be provided by the State Administrative Agent for the National Capital Region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive and expend grant funds from the State Administrative Agent in the amount of $250,000 to complete a text alert education and public awareness campaign. The new emergency alert system will allow the NCR to continue its efforts to increase emergency awareness and disaster preparedness for residents throughout the region.

Funding for this effort will be provided through a Subgrant from the State Administrative Agent for the National Capital Region. No COG funds will be required.

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Resolution R46-2014
June 11, 2014

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO PROVIDE EXECUTIVE, PROFESSIONAL, AND TECHNICAL PROGRAM MANAGEMENT OFFICE AND SECRETARIAT SUPPORT THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO EHANCED EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS IN THE REGION

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has provided tremendous professional and technical secretariat support for homeland security activities in the National Capital Region since September 11, 2001; and

WHEREAS, COG has been requested by the Chief Administrative Officers (CAOs) and the Senior Policy Group to establish a Program Management Office (PMO) to provide enhanced professional and technical support for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) in the National Capital Region; a governance structure, a staffing plan, and other documents are being prepared for the PMO; and the professional and technical secretariat support that COG has been providing for the past 10 years will be transitioned to the PMO by September 30, 2014; and

WHEREAS, COG's initial work was funded by a special federal appropriations awarded in October 2001; COG now receives U.S. Department of Homeland Security grant funding through UASI as approved by the Senior Policy Group and the CAOs to support regional homeland security preparedness, response, and recovery activities in the region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive and expend a UASI subgrant in the amount of $414,500 to continue to provide regional support for homeland security activities in the National Capitol Region. Activities include professional and technical PMO and secretariat support for the National Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Council, Chief Administrative Officer's Committee, 16 Regional Emergency Support Functions, and several Regional Program Work Groups and support for the investment planning process. The grant is included in the FY13 UASI funds for the transition from secretariat to PMO support during the period June 1, 2014 to September 30, 2014. No COG matching funds are required.

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Resolution R48-2014
June 11, 2014

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING A GENERAL SALARY STRUCTURE INCREASE FOR COG EMPLOYEES AND RELATED SALARY ACTIONS FOR FY 2015

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WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has established a salary structure and pay-for-performance process for its employees; and

WHEREAS, in 2000, the Board of Directors authorized staff to conduct a yearly market-based salary study to enable COG to attract and retain high qualified staff to provide the best service to its member jurisdictions; and

WHEREAS, market-based salary studies have been conducted on an annual basis, and the 2014 study has been performed by the Office of Human Resources Management with analytical support from an external consulting firm, using benchmark salary data from COG member governments, major regional councils, and other nonprofit organizations; and

WHEREAS, a market-based salary adjustment effective on July 1, 2014 will help promote employee retention and aid in recruitment; and is fully supported by budgeted revenue.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

1. Effective July 1, 2014, COG employees shall receive a two (2) percent general across the board salary structure increase.

2. The Executive Director is authorized to take appropriate actions consistent with the above, including adjustments of salary ranges, internal review of affected positions, and conducting yearly follow up salary and benefits study consistent with past compensation practices.

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RESOLUTION RATIFYING EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTIONS R42-2014, R43-2014, R44-2014, R45-2014, R46-2014, AND R48-2014

WHEREAS, Section 5.05 of the COG By-laws state that "A majority of the total number of members of the Board of Directors representing governments described in Section 5.02, Subsection (c), shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, provided that this number of Board members includes representatives of at least two (2) governments from Maryland, two (2) from governments from Virginia, and one representative of the government of the District of Columbia"; and

WHEREAS, a quorum was not met at the June 11, 2014 Board of Directors' meeting; and

WHEREAS, Section 5.07 of the COG Board of Directors Rules of Procedures states that "the Executive Committee shall consist of the Chair and the two Vice-Chairs. It shall: (1) assist the Chair in agenda planning; and (2) act on behalf of the Board on time-sensitive business or policy issues. In the latter case, the Executive Committee will report any action taken hereunder to the Board at its next regular meeting; the Board may then ratify the action or take any other action it deems appropriate"; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Committee met by conference call on June 16, 2014 and approved the resolutions on the June 11th agenda; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board desires to ratify the Executive Committee approval of Resolutions R42-2014, R43-2014, R44-2014, R45-2014, R46-2014, and R48-2014.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Board ratifies the Executive Committee approval of Resolutions R42-2014, R43-2014, R44-2014, R45-2014, R46-2014, and R48-2014 made on June 16, 2014.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ADJUSTMENT OF THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

WHEREAS, on November 14, 2012, the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) authorized the execution of an Employment Agreement between COG and Chuck Bean as COG's Executive Director; and

WHEREAS, the Employment Agreement provides for a deferred compensation at the statutory maximum allowed under federal law, and requires any catch up contribution to be separately approved by the COG Board once the Executive Director reaches eligible age; and

WHEREAS, the Executive Director has reached the eligible age as of March 2014; and COG may now contribute an additional $5,500 per year towards a catch up contribution; and

WHEREAS, COG's Employee Compensation and Benefits Review Committee (ECBR), the committee in charge of reviewing any items related to pay and benefits of the Executive Director, as agreed to under the Employment Agreement supports this benefit change; and

WHEREAS, the ECBR recommends to the Board such increase in the Executive Director's deferred compensation as set forth below.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

1. The Executive Director's deferred compensation is hereby increased from $17,500 current statutory increase to add an additional $5,500 catch up contribution per year effective July 1, 2014.

2. The Executive Director's 457 deferred compensation shall be paid to the Executive Director's ICMA-RC account on the next pay day following approval of this resolution by the COG Board of Directors.

3. Any other changes on the Executive Director's pay and benefits will be reviewed in accordance with the terms of his Employment Contract, normally done during his anniversary month and performance evaluation in December.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO RECEIVE A GRANT TO IMPLEMENT TOP PRIORITY NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION WATER SYSTEM CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE PROTECTION PROJECTS

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) has been awarded a grant by The State Administrative Agent (SAA) in the amount of $1,518,030; and

WHEREAS, with said grant COG can proceed with a comprehensive project of regional drinking water security initiatives intended to address regional water security priorities such as early warning monitoring, regional water system redundancy studies, and emergency response and preparedness planning; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of COG to work cooperatively with the other Water Security Work Group partners to implement projects that address regional drinking water security priorities.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to accept the grant in the amount of $1,518,030.

Funding for this effort will be provided through a grant from State Administrative Agent. No COG matching funds are required.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO CONDUCT TEXT ALERT NOTIFICATION PUBLIC OUTREACH CAMPAIGN - DC

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) serves as the Secretariat for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, COG has been requested by the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) to procure a contractor and enter into a contract to assist with the design, development, and implementation of text alert notification public outreach campaign for DC; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the contract will be to educate residents in the District of Columbia about how to navigate the new features of the completely revamped text/email emergency alerting system; and

WHEREAS, funding for the procurement and contract has been provided to COG by the District of Columbia HSEMA, the State Administrative Agent (SAA) for the National Capital Region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive and expend up to $47,250 for a contract to assist with the design, development, and implementation of text alert notification public outreach campaign for the District of Columbia.

Funding for this effort will be provided through a subgrant from the District of Columbia HSEMA, the SAA for the National Capital Region. No COG matching funds are required.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO PROCURE AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT TO DESIGN, DEVELOP, AND EXECUTE A TERRORISM EXERCISE SERIES FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) serves as the Secretariat for the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI) for the National Capital Region; and

WHEREAS, COG has been requested by the District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency (HSEMA) to procure a contractor(s) and enter into a contract to design, develop, and execute a terrorism exercise series that includes a tabletop exercise, a minimum of two drills, and a full scale exercise; and

WHEREAS, the terrorism exercise series will test District of Columbia Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency plans and standard operating procedures relevant to the response of District of Columbia departments and agencies to several terrorist attacks at multiple locations; and

WHEREAS, funding for the procurement and contract has been provided to COG by the District of Columbia HSEMA, the State Administrative Agent (SAA) for the National Capital Region.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to receive and expend up to $600,000 to enter into a contract to design, develop, and execute a terrorism exercise series that includes a tabletop exercise, a minimum of two drills, and a full scale exercise.

Funding for the procurement and contract has been provided to COG by the District of Columbia HSEMA, the State Administrative Agent (SAA) for the National Capital Region. No COG matching funds are required.

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RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING COG TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH
THE OCCOQUAN WATERSHED MONITORING LABORATORY FOR WATER QUALITY ANALYSIS SERVICES

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) recognizes that monitoring of water quality in the Potomac River is important to the efforts of local governments and utilities to improve water quality locally and in the Chesapeake Bay; and

WHEREAS, COG has coordinated the operation of a monitoring station at Chain Bridge, which is run by the Occoquan Watershed Monitoring Laboratory (OWML) of Virginia Tech University, to assess the amount of pollutants coming into the Upper Potomac Estuary for the past 31 years; and

WHEREAS, this regional water quality monitoring program continues to provide an independent assessment of the amount of pollutants being regulated under the Environmental Protection Agency's Chesapeake Bay Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL); and

WHEREAS, existing monitoring data and Bay TMDL modeling results do not definitively establish to what extent the various sources of this pollution are responsible for the amount of pollutants observed into the Upper Potomac Estuary; and

WHEREAS, the OWML's expertise in water quality modeling and monitoring affords the region an opportunity to participate in a new EPA Chesapeake Bay Program effort to understand trends in pollutant loads over time within the Potomac basin, and this work will continue that one-year-old effort.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Executive Director, or his designee, is authorized to execute a contract with OWML, in an amount not to exceed $50,000, to continue to work with COG and the EPA Chesapeake Bay Program in evaluating trends in pollutant loading in the Potomac River basin and to add a web interface to make Chain Bridge data more accessible to COG's members.

Funds for this contract are included in the FY 2015 approved Regional Water Quality Management work program budget and supported by the Regional Water Fund, pursuant to the bylaws of the Chesapeake Bay and Water Resources Policy Committee.

AGENDA ITEM #7

2013 REGIONAL CRIME REPORT

2013 Annual Report On Crime and Crime Control

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON
Council of Governments

OVERVIEW: 2013 At-a-Glance

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments' (MWCOG) 2013 Annual Report on Crime and Crime Control is based on crime incidents reported by member agencies in the metropolitan region. The annual report focuses on Part I offenses as defined by the Federal Bureau of Investigation. This includes the crimes against person: homicide, rape, robbery, and aggravated assault, and the crimes against property: burglary, larceny, and motor vehicle theft.

Metropolitan Washington Region
Total Part I Offenses 2009-2013
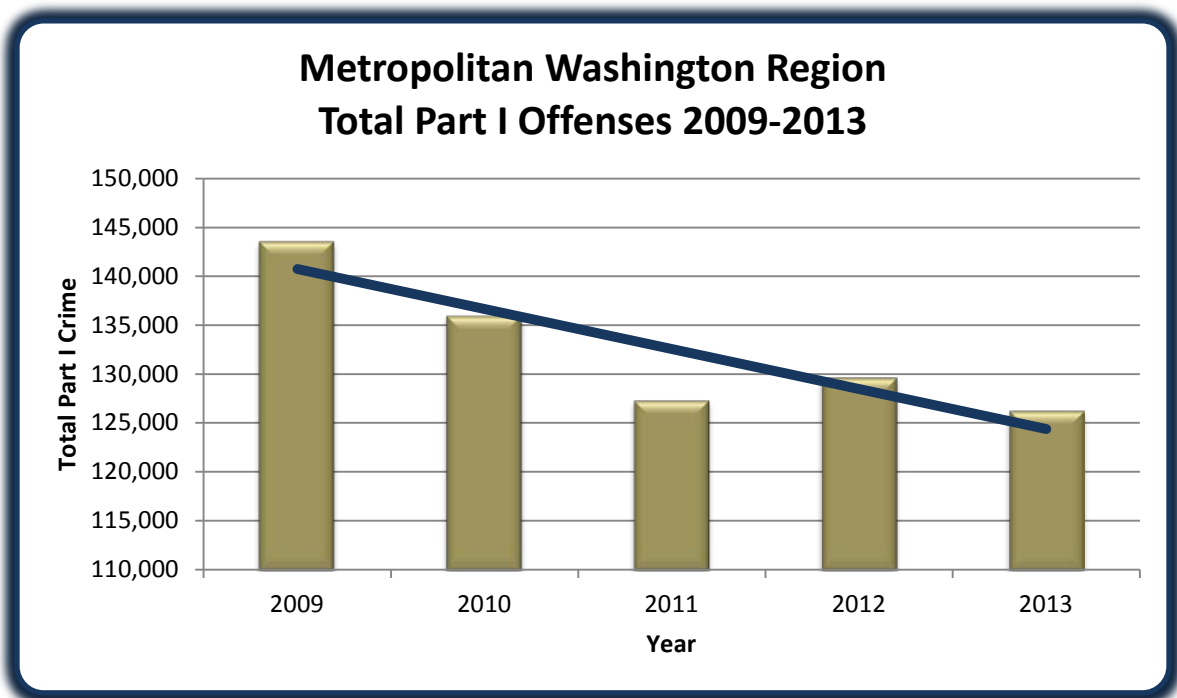
Part I Crime

Reduced 2.6%

In 2013, the metropolitan Washington region recorded 126,283 total Part I offenses, a 2.6% reduction from 2012 levels (129,666) and 12% less than the levels in 2009. The decrease was driven by the 17.8% reduction in motor vehicle thefts, and a small reduction in burglary and larceny. The metropolitan region is currently at a 5-year low in the categories of robbery (-14.1%), burglary (-18.1%), and motor vehicle theft (-42.1%). Property crime as a whole is down 3.3% since last year and 12.7% since 2009, a reflection of the proactive approaches to these offenses over the last few years.

Overall, in 2013, the region experienced increases in homicides (3.7%), rapes (18.6%), and aggravated assaults (3.6%), which resulted in a 2.25%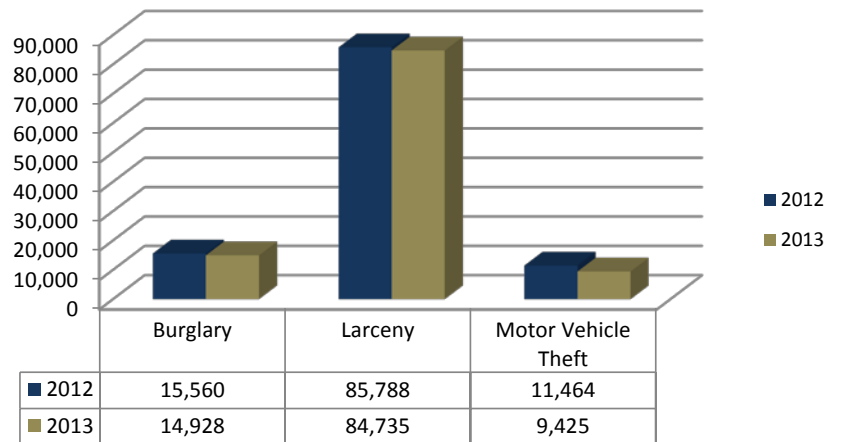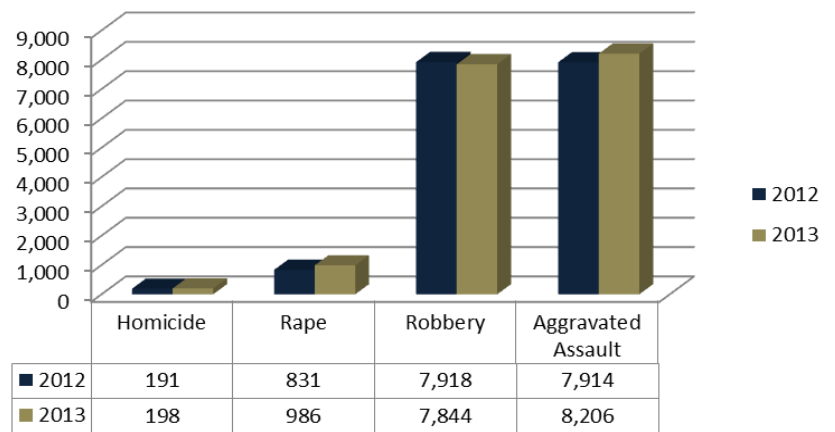 increase in violent crime for the region. The homicide statistics include the 12 victims of the Washington Navy Yard Shooting on September 16, 2013. In January 2013, Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) began using a more inclusive definition of rape, revised by the FBI in 2011. The new definition encompasses male or female victims and includes instances in which the victim is incapable of giving consent because of temporary or permanent mental or physical incapacity (e.g., due to the influence of drugs or alcohol, or because of age). This has caused the number of rapes to spike in some jurisdictions.

Property Crime 2012 v. 2013

	Burglary	Larceny	Motor Vehicle Theft
2012	15,560	85,788	11,464
2013	14,928	84,735	9,425

Violent Crime 2012 v. 2013

	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault
2012	191	831	7,918	7,914
2013	198	986	7,844	8,206

Crime Rate per Capita 2011-2013

■ Population ■ Average Crimes/1000

Year	Average Crimes/1000
2011	25.02
2012	23.65
2013	23.50
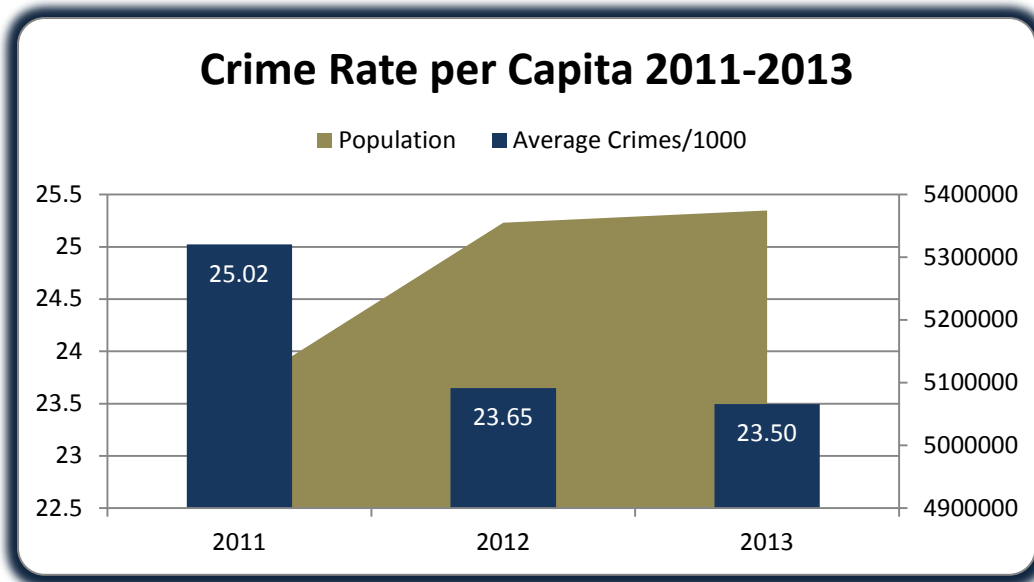
Despite these increases, the metropolitan Washington region continues to be a safe community to visit, live, work, and play. Despite the gradual increase in population, the crime rate per capita continues to decline. Since 2011, the crime rate per capita has dropped from 25.02 crimes per 1000 people to 23.50 crimes per 1000.

Calls for Service & Authorized Strength

CALLS FOR SERVICE AND AUTHORIZED STRENGTH			
COG DEPARTMENT	CALLS	SWORN	CIVILIAN
D.C. Metropolitan Police	636,158	3,927	430
Bladensburg Police Department	9,648	18	6
Bowie Police Department	21,248	55	5
Charles County Sheriff's Office	242,568	301	154
Frederick County Sheriff's Office	95,223	175	90
Frederick Police Department	85,444	141	45
Greenbelt Police Department	31,526	54	16
Montgomery County Dept. of Police	215,395	1,226	438
Gaithersburg Police Department	*30,638*	57	8
Rockville City Police Department	*32,985*	59	32
Prince George's County Police Dept.	334,806	1,602	311
Takoma Park Police Department	21,220	42	21
Alexandria Police Department	47,918	309	123
Arlington County Police Department	87,530	358	91
City of Fairfax Police Department	13,346	67	17
Fairfax County Police Department	459,574	1,368	350
Falls Church City Police Department	28,574	32	12
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office	173,994	554	112
City of Manassas Police Department	63,655	96	27
Manassas Park Police Department	22,539	32	12
Prince William County Police Dept.	224,997	610	182
SUBTOTAL	2,815,363	11,083	2,482

ASSOCIATE DEPARTMENTS			
Fauquier County Sheriff's Office			
FBI-Police	5,582	140	N/A
Federal Protective Service	267,842	N/A	N/A
M-NCPPC Police (Montgomery County)	76,598	92	22
M-NCPPC Police (Prince George's County)	46,888	109	25
Metro Transit Police	71,603	494	263
Metro. Wash. Airports Authority Police	79,328	N/A	N/A
Pentagon Force Protection Agency	14,443	790	75
U.S. Capitol Police	77,061	1,775	370
U.S. Park Police	190,647	620	109
Virginia State Police (Div. 7)	184,629	230	35
SUBTOTAL	1,014,621	4,250	899
GRAND TOTAL	**3,829,984**	**15,333**	**3,381**

Part I Crime Offenses: 2013

COG DEPARTMENTS	REPORTING METHOD	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGG ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY	M/V THEFTS	TOTAL OFFENSES	CRIMES PER 1000	POPULATION
D.C. Metropolitan Police	UCR	104	393	4,093	3,725	3,350	22,987	2,653	37,305	59.85	623,323
Bladensburg Police Department	UCR	1	2	43	51	106	213	72	488	52.32	9,328
Bowie Police Department	UCR	0	6	28	27	155	661	69	946	17.20	55,000
Charles County Sheriff's Office	UCR	2	24	141	374	657	2,401	187	3,786	25.14	150,592
Frederick County Sheriff's Office	UCR	4	10	30	171	375	1,343	79	2,012	8.37	240,366
Frederick Police Department	UCR	1	7	98	222	227	1,504	61	2,120	31.94	66,382
Greenbelt Police Department	UCR	0	5	65	35	192	544	107	948	45.35	20,903
Montgomery County Dept. of Police	UCR	8	130	747	780	2,587	12,085	861	17,198	16.91	1,017,000
*Gaithersburg Police Department**	*UCR*	*1*	*12*	*58*	*94*	*192*	*1,192*	*73*	*1,622*	*25.14*	*64,509*
*Rockville City Police Department**	*UCR*	*0*	*6*	*57*	*46*	*199*	*959*	*61*	*1,328*	*21.02*	*63,186*
Prince George's County Police Dept.	UCR	51	146	1,583	1,722	4,543	13,764	3,601	25,410	28.55	890,081
Takoma Park Police Department	OTHER	1	2	36	20	125	302	42	528	30.69	17,205
SUBTOTAL-MARYLAND		68	332	2,771	3,402	8,967	32,817	5,079	53,436	21.66	2,466,857
Alexandria Police Department	NIBRS	5	14	115	114	251	2,546	277	3,322	23.40	141,960
Arlington County Police Department	NIBRS	0	26	126	175	240	3,486	156	4,209	19.77	212,900
City of Fairfax Police Department	NIBRS	0	2	10	11	29	387	23	462	19.30	23,938
Fairfax County Police Department	NIBRS	8	88	411	414	1,070	13,676	757	16,424	14.77	1,111,620
Falls Church City Police Department	NIBRS	1	4	9	9	5	206	7	241	19.59	12,300
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office	NIBRS	5	50	40	106	227	2,416	100	2,944	9.54	308,614
City of Manassas Police Department	NIBRS	0	17	39	55	99	729	61	1,000	24.58	40,690
Manassas Park Police Department	NIBRS	1	2	3	7	26	175	12	226	14.89	15,174
Prince William County Police Dept.	UCR	6	58	228	188	664	5,310	300	6,754	16.19	417,293
SUBTOTAL-VIRGINIA		26	261	981	1,079	2,611	28,931	1,693	35,582	15.58	2,284,489
TOTAL COG DEPARTMENTS		198	986	7,845	8,206	14,928	84,735	9,425	126,323	23.50	5,374,669

ASSOCIATE DEPARTMENTS	REPORTING METHOD	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGG ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY	M/V THEFTS	TOTAL OFFENSES
FBI Police	OTHER	0	0	2	0	0	2	1	5
Federal Protective Service		0	2	2	36	32	1,020	22	1,114
MNCPPC Police (Montgomery County)	UCR	0	0	16	4	13	169	2	204
MNCPPC Police (Prince George's County)	UCR	1	6	45	41	6	236	4	339
Metro Transit Police	UCR	0	1	433	104	2	1,494	94	2,128
Metro. Wash. Airports Authority Police	NIBRS	0	0	0	3	1	344	48	396
Pentagon Force Protection Agency	OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	59	0	59
U.S. Capitol Police	OTHER	0	0	1	9	2	104	11	127
U.S. Park Police	UCR	0	9	34	71	40	407	12	573
Virginia State Police (Div. 7)	NIBRS	0	0	0	34	1	21	6	62
SUBTOTAL		1	18	533	302	97	3,856	200	5,007
GRAND TOTAL - ALL DEPARTMENTS		199	1,004	8,378	8,508	15,025	88,591	9,625	131,330

* Data from the cities of Rockville and Gaithersburg are included in Montgomery County's reported data.

Part I Arrests: 2013

COG DEPARTMENTS	REPORTING METHOD	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGG ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY	M/V THEFTS	TOTAL ARRESTS
D.C. Metropolitan Police	UCR	79	94	1,225	1,774	347	1,735	50	5,304
Bladensburg Police Department	UCR	0	0	2	28	10	36	3	79
Bowie Police Department	UCR	0	0	7	18	44	114	2	185
Charles County Sheriff's Officer	UCR	6	24	149	223	236	251	11	900
Frederick County Sheriff's Office	UCR	2	3	8	70	90	330	10	513
Frederick Police Department	UCR	4	10	30	171	375	1,343	79	2,012
Greenbelt Police Department	UCR	0	2	16	15	10	101	15	159
Montgomery County Dept. of Police	UCR	6	23	334	407	620	2,198	150	3,738
*Gaithersburg Police Department**	*UCR*	*1*	*1*	*17*	*48*	*30*	*285*	*7*	*389*
*Rockville City Police Department**	*UCR*	*0*	*4*	*13*	*17*	*21*	*66*	*2*	*123*
Prince George's County Police Dept.	UCR	61	26	559	792	461	1,885	159	3,943
Takoma Park Police Department	OTHER	0	2	7	14	8	20	3	54
SUBTOTAL		79	90	1,112	1,738	1,854	6,278	432	11,583
Alexandria Police Department	NIBRS	2	13	44	56	28	326	26	495
Arlington County Police Department	NIBRS	3	8	37	103	47	641	25	864
City of Fairfax Police Department	NIBRS	0	1	4	15	13	73	3	109
Fairfax County Police Department	NIBRS	17	24	247	429	372	4,522	176	5,787
Falls Church City Police Department	NIBRS	1	1	8	4	5	148	5	172
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office	NIBRS	8	10	37	95	93	628	30	901
City of Manassas Police Department	NIBRS	2	2	23	55	18	167	0	267
Manassas Park Police Department	NIBRS	0	1	2	6	13	25	3	50
Prince William County Police Dept.	UCR	8	27	97	143	158	1,142	29	1,604
SUBTOTAL		41	87	499	906	747	7,672	297	10,249
TOTAL COG DEPARTMENTS		**199**	**271**	**2,836**	**4,418**	**2,948**	**15,685**	**779**	**27,136**
ASSOCIATE DEPARTMENTS	REPORTING METHOD	HOMICIDE	RAPE	ROBBERY	AGG ASSAULT	BURGLARY	LARCENY	M/V THEFTS	TOTAL ARRESTS
FBI Police	OTHER	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	1
Federal Protective Service	UNK	0	0	0	14	1	19	1	35
M-NCPPC Police (Montgomery County)	UCR	0	0	4	5	6	17	0	32
M-NCPPC Police (Prince George's County)	UCR	0	0	16	13	1	11	0	41
Metro Transit Police	UCR	0	0	58	36	0	99	4	197
Metro. Wash. Airports Authority Police	NIBRS	0	0	0	2	0	38	3	43
Pentagon Force Protection Agency	OTHER	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
U.S. Capitol Police	OTHER	0	0	0	3	0	12	12	27
U.S. Park Police	UCR	0	6	1	2	4	4	0	17
Virginia State Police (Div. 7)	NIBRS	0	0	0	11	1	2	0	14
SUBTOTAL		0	6	81	86	13	204	20	410
GRAND TOTAL-ALL DEPARTMENTS		**199**	**277**	**2,917**	**4,504**	**2,961**	**15,889**	**799**	**27,546**

Crime Trends

Over the last 5 years, the metropolitan region has experienced a 7.3% reduction in Part I crimes against persons, and a 12.8% reduction in Part I property offenses. The drop in crime reflects a national trend and heightened local efforts. The significant reductions of some of our most serious crimes are a direct result of outstanding work by the men and women of law enforcement in the National Capital Region (NCR). The agencies in the greater Washington region are committed to working interactively with local, state, and federal enforcement authorities to vigorously enforce criminal laws by sharing capabilities, strategies, and assets. They are committed to partnerships with community services groups and human services agencies to implement strategies that improve the quality of life for residents and visitors. They are also committed to continued engagement of the community through proactive outreach and communication.

Law enforcement and other first responders continually undergo training to ensure they are prepared to address the constantly evolving threats to public safety and security. Regional, cooperative training efforts have increased dramatically since September 11, 2001. The Mumbai terrorist attacks in 2008 increased focus on training and exercises for multi-disciplinary, multi-site events. In the NCR, the local, state, and federal departments have invested heavily in training to effectively respond to active shooter attacks in an urban

area. In 2009, homeland security grants were used by tactical officers in Fairfax County to develop an active shooter strategy based on the program used in Los Angeles. Over the course of two years, trainers from the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) trained officers from more than 40 local, state, and federal agencies throughout the NCR so that first responders in this region would have similar skills and tactics. Grant funding was also used to purchase equipment to better improve active shooter response, including medical supplies for law enforcement, and a variety of exercises were conducted, incorporating multiple law enforcement jurisdictions, as well as the fire departments.

On September 16, 2013, a Navy contractor employee shot and killed 12 U.S. Navy civilian and contractor employees and wounded several others at the Washington Navy Yard. Within minutes, multiple agencies responded and quickly ended the conflict. Agencies in the NCR have been training for active shooter events since Columbine. That's why officers from multiple agencies were able to form a single response team and enter the building immediately. Lessons were learned from the Navy Yard shooting, and the first responders in the NCR will continue to focus on their tactics and training as threats evolve.

Bicycle Thefts

Bicycle Thefts In 2013, the District and Northern Virginia saw a spike in bike thefts. In the last few years, bicycle use has been heavily promoted as a transportation option in this area. Data from the U.S. Census indicates that there were 30% more people biking to work in the region in 2012 than 2011. If you are riding in the metropolitan region, local law enforcement officials recommend recording the serial number of your bike and registering it with police. Bikes are often stolen from unlocked garages or outside Metro stations. Last summer, the Metro Transit Police launched an online registration system to help people recover stolen bikes and handed out free locks to provide better security for biking commuters. The Washington Area Bicyclist Association also offers a number of tools for protecting your property, as well as helping you become a safe rider in the metropolitan area. It is important for every bicycle owner to take the necessary steps to protect their bikes.

Heroin deaths rise in the region

Fatalities related to heroin jump in Maryland, Virginia, D.C.

Maryland — 386
Virginia — 213*
The District — 38*

Note: 2010 data not available for Virginia

*Virginia and D.C. 2013 numbers are preliminary. Complete figures for 2013 are not available in Maryland. Other drugs may have been present as well.

Sources: Virginia Department of Health Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, D.C. Office of the Chief Medical Examiner

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Mental Disorders and Drug Abuse

Local law enforcement agencies continue to report challenges responding to calls for service involving the mentally ill and those with substance abuse disorders and addictions. Many agencies throughout the region have developed more intensive crisis intervention programs and teams to assist on calls involving individuals who may have a history of mental illness. In 2013, the region[1] received over 2100 more calls for emotionally disturbed persons than it did in 2011 (+15.4%). Addiction has become a serious problem in Washington's suburbs. Designer, synthetic drugs like "Spice" became increasingly popular among recreational users because they are perceived as "legal" alternatives to marijuana, cocaine, and methamphetamine. The use of heroin has increased, as prescription painkillers became more difficult to obtain as a result of law enforcement pressure on pharmacies and doctors. As 2013 came to a close, many departments began seeing a spike in heroin overdoses; it continues to be a challenge in 2014, as funding for long-term treatment options remains insufficient. There have also been some incidents in which the friends of an addict, out of fear of repercussion, have been afraid to dial 911 and the user has died. Concurrently, local police departments have begun dealing with the policy issues allowing patrol officers to carry a type of drug with them that can sometimes stop an overdose before it is deadly. The local agencies are also looking at legislation that grants amnesty to friends of heroin addicts, who dial 911.

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[1] According to informal analysis of data provided by MWCOG member agencies. Data was not received from Takoma Park, Falls Church, and Manassas Park.

Traffic Enforcement

Although not a Part I crime issue, traffic enforcement is taken very seriously in the metropolitan Washington region. Maryland agencies have been educating drivers about several new laws affecting vehicle operation and conducting public service campaigns. The Maryland State Police and local law enforcement agencies have been very busy conducting enforcement initiatives in

support of Maryland's new cell phone laws, joining the District of Columbia and the Commonwealth of Virginia in prohibiting handheld devices use while driving.

Maryland also joined Virginia in implementing the "Move Over" law, which requires drivers to move over when approaching actively engaged emergency vehicles stopped on the roadside. The law was implemented in response to the critical injury of a State Trooper and is intended to provide an extra barrier of safety for emergency responders.

Human Trafficking

Cases of human trafficking throughout the region continue to make the news, as law enforcement officials try to educate the public on this modern day form of slavery, which has expanded to include forced labor, forced begging, and sexual exploitation. In 2013, the Fairfax County Police Department (FCPD) continued their focus on combatting the problem of human trafficking through the creation of a regional Human Trafficking Task Force. A federal grant was obtained to fund the task force through 2015, and includes a full-time investigator as well as a full-time crime analyst. The task force will continue to focus efforts on outreach and education, enhancement of multi-agency partnerships, and investigating reported cases for successful prosecution.

Due to the gravity of this issue, the FBI began collecting data on human trafficking through the UCR Program in 2013. Law enforcement agencies can begin submitting offense and arrest data for two categories of human trafficking that have been added to the list of Part I offenses:

> **Human trafficking/commercial sex acts**—Inducing a person by force, fraud, or coercion to participate in commercial sex acts, or in which the person induced to perform such act(s) has not attained 18 years of age.

> **Human trafficking/involuntary servitude**—The obtaining of a person(s) through recruitment, harboring, transportation, or provision, and subjecting such persons by force, fraud, or coercion into involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery (not to include commercial sex acts).

Because many residents are unaware of these horrific crimes, the Fairfax County Human Trafficking Unit has also partnered with numerous other agencies to sponsor the Just Ask Prevention Project in Northern Virginia. Just Ask is an awareness campaign designed to expose the growing prevalence of teen sex trafficking in Northern Virginia and implement a community intervention strategy to decrease the number of trafficked individuals.

Internet Crime Prevention Tips

Did you know?

While violent crimes appear to be decreasing, internet and financial crimes are on the rise. The FBI reports 262,813 complaints reported to the Internet Crime Complaint Center, with an adjusted dollar loss of nearly $782 million, a 49% increase over 2012.[2] Although it is difficult to grasp the true volume and scope of internet crime, local agencies have noted the prevalence of online crimes against children and the elderly. The elderly often fall victim to scams related to prescription, insurance, and investment fraud, as well as identity theft. Criminals like to target the elderly as they tend to be less savvy about technology, are more trusting of others, and often have large retirement accounts. On the other side of the spectrum, the increase in social networking often results in children falling victim to online bullying, child predators, and sextortion scams. The caseload has increased significantly as the world becomes more reliant on technology; law enforcement is evolving to meet this growing challenge. Preventing and investigating internet crimes will continue to present a challenge to law enforcement; as the demand from patrol officers for technical assistance continues to rise, the need for more proficient, specially trained personnel to support the successful resolution of this type of investigation becomes more prominent. In the meantime, individuals can take numerous precautions when using the internet:

- NEVER give out your personal information online.
- NEVER trust a link sent to you by someone you don't know. Do not reply to messages from people you don't know.
- NEVER trust an e-mail that asks for your personal or account information (phishing scam).
- NEVER meet face to face with someone you have met online. If you receive an unwanted solicitation, call 911 and report it immediately.
- NEVER download images from an unknown source; they could be sexually explicit.
- Tell an adult **immediately** if anything that was said or sent to you online makes you feel uncomfortable or frightened.
- Avoid chat rooms or discussion areas that look sketchy or provocative.

[2] Federal Bureau of Investigation. 2013 Internet Crime Report. Retrieved from http://www.ic3.gov/media/annualreport/2013_IC3Report.pdf

Part I Offenses by Department

Washington, DC

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA-MPD

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	88	104	16	18%
RAPE	236	393	157	67%
ROBBERY	3,725	4,093	368	10%
AGG ASSAULT	3,399	3,725	326	10%
BURGLARY	3,519	3,350	-169	-5%
LARCENY	22,196	22,987	791	4%
M/V THEFTS	3,549	2,653	-896	-25%
Total Part I	36,712	37,305	593	2%

Maryland

BLADENSBURG P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	2	1	-1	-50%
RAPE	3	2	-1	-33%
ROBBERY	46	43	-3	-7%
AGG ASSAULT	78	51	-27	-35%
BURGLARY	106	106	0	0%
LARCENY	266	213	-53	-20%
M/V THEFTS	99	72	-27	-27%
Total Part I	600	590	-10	-2%

BOWIE P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	1	0	-1	-100%
RAPE	0	6	6	600%
ROBBERY	39	28	-11	-28%
AGG ASSAULT	40	27	-13	-33%
BURGLARY	175	155	-20	-11%
LARCENY	678	661	-17	-3%
M/V THEFTS	53	69	16	30%
Total Part I	986	946	-40	-4%

CHARLES CO. SHERIFF

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	6	2	-4	-67%
RAPE	32	24	-8	-25%
ROBBERY	145	141	-4	-3%
AGG ASSAULT	353	374	21	6%
BURGLARY	581	657	76	13%
LARCENY	2,302	2,401	99	4%
M/V THEFTS	179	187	8	4%
Total Part I	3,598	3,786	188	5%

FREDERICK CO. SHERIFF

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	4	4	400%
RAPE	16	10	-6	-38%
ROBBERY	11	30	19	173%
AGG ASSAULT	151	171	20	13%
BURGLARY	276	375	99	36%
LARCENY	1,132	1,343	211	19%
M/V THEFTS	54	79	25	46%
Total Part I	1,640	2,012	372	23%

FREDERICK P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	1	1	0	0%
RAPE	26	7	-19	-73%
ROBBERY	105	98	-7	-7%
AGG ASSAULT	249	222	-27	-11%
BURGLARY	245	227	-18	-7%
LARCENY	1,527	1,504	-23	-2%
M/V THEFTS	127	61	-66	-52%
Total Part I	2,280	2,120	-160	-7%

GAITHERSBURG P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	1	1	0	0%
RAPE	9	12	3	33%
ROBBERY	77	58	-19	-25%
AGG ASSAULT	97	94	-3	-3%
BURGLARY	198	192	-6	-3%
LARCENY	1,282	1,192	-90	-7%
M/V THEFTS	64	73	9	14%
Total Part I	1,728	1,622	-106	-6%

GREENBELT P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0%
RAPE	6	5	-1	-17%
ROBBERY	68	65	-3	-4%
AGG ASSAULT	35	35	0	0%
BURGLARY	247	192	-55	-22%
LARCENY	648	544	-104	-16%
M/V THEFTS	130	107	-23	-18%
Total Part I	1,134	948	-186	-20%

Maryland (Continued)

MONTGOMERY COUNTY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	15	8	-7	-47%
RAPE	102	130	28	27%
ROBBERY	829	747	-82	-10%
AGG ASSAULT	850	780	-70	-8%
BURGLARY	2,602	2,587	-15	-1%
LARCENY	13,087	12,085	-1,002	-8%
M/V THEFTS	1,013	861	-152	-15%
Total Part I	18,498	17,198	-1,300	-7%

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	50	51	1	2%
RAPE	145	146	1	1%
ROBBERY	1,996	1,583	-413	-21%
AGG ASSAULT	1,765	1,722	-43	-2%
BURGLARY	4,758	4,543	-215	-5%
LARCENY	15,115	13,764	-1,351	-9%
M/V THEFTS	4,319	3,601	-718	-17%
Total Part I	28,148	25,410	-2,738	-10%

ROCKVILLE CITY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0%
RAPE	7	6	-1	-14%
ROBBERY	44	57	13	30%
AGG ASSAULT	52	46	-6	-12%
BURGLARY	185	199	14	8%
LARCENY	939	959	20	2%
M/V THEFTS	54	61	7	13%
Total Part I	1,281	1,328	47	4%

TAKOMA PARK P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	1	1	100%
RAPE	1	2	1	100%
ROBBERY	42	36	-6	-14%
AGG ASSAULT	16	20	4	25%
BURGLARY	73	125	52	71%
LARCENY	364	302	-62	-17%
M/V THEFTS	54	42	-12	-22%
Total Part I	550	528	-22	-4%

Virginia

ALEXANDRIA P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	5	5	100%
RAPE	10	14	4	40%
ROBBERY	138	115	-23	-17%
AGG ASSAULT	96	114	18	19%
BURGLARY	252	251	-1	0%
LARCENY	2,467	2,546	79	3%
M/V THEFTS	320	277	-43	-13%
Total Part I	3,283	3,322	39	1%

ARLINGTON COUNTY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	5	0	-5	-100%
RAPE	31	26	-5	-16%
ROBBERY	117	126	9	8%
AGG ASSAULT	131	175	44	34%
BURGLARY	286	240	-46	-16%
LARCENY	3,333	3,486	153	5%
M/V THEFTS	181	156	-25	-14%
Total Part I	4,084	4,209	125	3%

CITY OF FAIRFAX P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	0	0	0%
RAPE	4	2	-2	-50%
ROBBERY	8	10	2	25%
AGG ASSAULT	10	11	1	10%
BURGLARY	30	29	-1	-3%
LARCENY	470	387	-83	-18%
M/V THEFTS	24	23	-1	-4%
Total Part I	546	462	-84	-15%

FAIRFAX COUNTY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	16	8	-8	-50%
RAPE	73	88	15	21%
ROBBERY	350	411	61	17%
AGG ASSAULT	387	414	27	7%
BURGLARY	1,063	1,070	7	1%
LARCENY	13,095	13,676	581	4%
M/V THEFTS	808	757	-51	-6%
Total Part I	15,792	16,425	633	4%

Virginia (Continued)

FALLS CHURCH CITY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	1	1	0	0%
RAPE	1	4	3	300%
ROBBERY	8	9	1	13%
AGG ASSAULT	1	9	8	800%
BURGLARY	5	5	0	0%
LARCENY	202	206	4	2%
M/V THEFTS	5	7	2	40%
Total Part I	**223**	**241**	**18**	**8%**

LOUDOUN COUNTY SHERIFF

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	1	5	4	400%
RAPE	62	50	-12	-19%
ROBBERY	38	40	2	5%
AGG ASSAULT	123	106	-17	-14%
BURGLARY	314	227	-87	-28%
LARCENY	2,578	2,416	-162	-6%
M/V THEFTS	125	100	-25	-20%
Total Part I	**3,241**	**2,944**	**-297**	**-9%**

CITY OF MANASSAS P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	3	0	-3	-100%
RAPE	15	17	2	13%
ROBBERY	51	38	-13	-25%
AGG ASSAULT	54	55	1	2%
BURGLARY	118	95	-23	-19%
LARCENY	776	704	-72	-9%
M/V THEFTS	58	51	-7	-12%
Total Part I	**1,075**	**960**	**-115**	**-11%**

MANASSAS PARK P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	0	1	1	0%
RAPE	1	2	1	100%
ROBBERY	1	3	2	200%
AGG ASSAULT	8	7	-1	-13%
BURGLARY	21	26	5	24%
LARCENY	185	175	-10	-5%
M/V THEFTS	15	12	-3	-20%
Total Part I	**231**	**226**	**-5**	**-2%**

PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY P.D.

	2012	2013	INC/DEC	%
HOMICIDE	2	6	4	200%
RAPE	67	58	-9	-13%
ROBBERY	201	228	27	13%
AGG ASSAULT	168	188	20	12%
BURGLARY	889	664	-225	-25%
LARCENY	5,367	5,310	-57	-1%
M/V THEFTS	351	300	-51	-15%
Total Part I	**7,045**	**6,754**	**-291**	**-4%**

Community Engagement Initiatives

Throughout the National Capital Region, law enforcement agencies have developed partnerships with community organizations to promote safety, develop solutions to problems, and advance open lines of communication with the police. Law enforcement welcomes members of the community to become active partners in the advancement of safety and quality of life in their communities by partaking in community engagement initiatives. Below are some initiatives law enforcement promoted during 2013. Citizens are encouraged to contact their local police department for more information on initiatives in their community.

SoberRide

A campaign aimed at reducing the number of drunk driving incidents, supported by Washington area law enforcement agencies. Through public education and awareness, citizens are reminded that drunk driving is 100% preventable and they should choose a safe ride home before going out for the night. The program provides free taxi rides around the area during major holidays, when drunk driving incidents are known to spike.

Respect Your Ride

With 86 metrorail stations and 11,500 bus stops in the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, Metro is an essential transportation option for residents throughout the region. To maintain a safe environment for all riders, the Respect Your Ride program was developed to reduce disorder and crime among young riders. By engaging with students, strengthening relationships with area schools, and participating in outreach activities, the Metro Transit Police promoted a message of safe behavior and rider responsibility when traveling on trains and busses.

Project LifeSaver

Law enforcement around the region are partnering in a program to ensure that at risk missing people are found quickly and safely. The Project LifeSaver program works with the community to identify wander-prone individuals, such as those with cognitive conditions, and outfits them with a personal transmitter. Should an individual in the program go missing, officers are trained to locate the person using the information provided by the personal transmitter.

Be a Part of the Partnership

Law enforcement officers recognize that citizens are the eyes and ears of the community and as such, rely on their watchfulness to help keep the community safe. Below are some ways the public can interact with their local law enforcement agency and tips on reporting suspicious behavior. Citizens are reminded to only report non-emergency information through social media outlets. If you witness an incident requiring an immediate police response, please call 911.

Text Tips

Community members in the District of Columbia and those riding the transit system can now use their cell phones to text tips to their local police departments 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Citizens can text the Metropolitan Police Department at 50411 and the Metro Transit Police Department at 696873 to report suspicious activity and other non-emergencies requiring police attention.

See Something, Say Something

"If you see something, say something" has become a successful crime prevention campaign since being launched by the Department of Homeland Security in 2010. If you see suspicious activity or unusual behavior, share the information with local law enforcement. Not sure if the activity amounts to criminal behavior? Report it anyway so that law enforcement can investigate. Early detection is the key to prevention.

Become a Subscriber

Follow your local police department on social media sites such as Facebook and Twitter to keep up with the latest information. Subscribe to your jurisdiction's emergency alert system using CapitalAlert.gov. In the event of an emergency, the system will provide you with critical information or instructions via email or text.

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AGENDA ITEM #8

OVERVIEW OF THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION'S HIGHWAY AND BRIDGE INFRASTRUCTURE

THE SECRETARY OF TRANSPORTATION
WASHINGTON, DC 20590

July 1, 2014

Dear Colleague:

In my June 19 letter, I wrote to apprise you of the increasingly precarious state of the Highway Trust Fund. I am writing again to let you know the situation is now urgent for our highway investment programs.

Absent Congressional action, we will begin implementing cash management procedures for the highway programs on August 1, 2014. We have attempted to provide states with the most equitable, straightforward approach possible for managing this crisis.

The Mass Transit Account is expected to reach a similarly critical point as soon as October. DOT will continue to take every possible step to fully reimburse your Agency for as long as we can. In the event that the shortfall continues into the fall, the Department will be providing specific guidance on the Federal Transit Administration's approach in managing the resources available to transit agencies.

Although at this point there is no precise date for implementing cash management procedures for the Mass Transit Account, we recognize that the best way we can help you to prepare is to provide as much information as possible. For the most up-to-date information on overall guidance, please visit the U.S. Department of Transportation's website located at: http://www.dot.gov/highway-trust-fund-ticker.

There is still time for Congress to act on a long term solution. Our transportation infrastructure is too essential to suffer continued neglect, and I hope Congress will avert this crisis before it is too late. I urge you to stand with me in calling on Congress to ensure the solvency of the Highway Trust Fund while committing itself to a sound, bipartisan, and long-term solution that will ensure the stability of our surface transportation funding for our Nation for the next several years.

If I can provide additional information on this matter, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Anthony R. Foxx

U.S. Chamber President Calls for Federal Investment in Transportation Infrastructure

Wednesday, February 12, 2014 - 10:00am

Donohue Testifies Before Congress on Highway Trust Fund Challenges

WASHINGTON, D.C.—In testimony before the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works today, U.S. Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Thomas J. Donohue urged lawmakers to build on reforms in the bipartisan highway, transit, and safety law, *Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century* (MAP-21) which was signed into law in 2012. Donohue also urged the Senate to identify the resources needed to maintain, and ideally increase, smart spending on the nation's transportation system.

"A first rate national transportation system is necessary in order to maintain a first rate economy in the United States," said Donohue. "Failure to address transportation problems undermines U.S. economic growth. This is the fundamental reason that the federal government must take a leading role in making sure that transportation policies—and the related programs and spending that implement these policies—contribute to a strong economy, including enabling interstate commerce, facilitating international trade, and propelling the efficient mobility and connectivity of people and products.

"In discussing highway, transit and safety legislation over the years, the Chamber has been clear, consistent, and repetitive on three key points. First, we must get the most bang for the buck out of every federal dollar through good policy and programs. Second, the federal government is not the only game in town; the private sector must play an increasing role in project financing and delivery. Third, the best policy and the most creative financing tools do not do much good without revenues.

"The Chamber believes that Congress should maintain a user-fee based Highway Trust Fund (HTF) to support a strong federal role and enable multi-year funding commitments by the federal government to states and metropolitan planning organizations.

"Raising user fees to cover the shortfall and allow for increased investment should not be dismissed. Increases should have been done long ago to make up for lost purchasing power and address unmet needs. The challenge is one of political will."

Donohue also reiterated the Chamber's commitment to work with the committee and other stakeholders to generate support for transportation and the development of both policy reforms and revenue solutions.

Donohue's testimony is available [here](#).

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce is the world's largest business federation representing the interests of more than 3 million businesses of all sizes, sectors, and regions, as well as state and local chambers and industry associations.

![Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments — One Region Moving Forward]

July 10, 2014

Sample
Senator
United States Senate
SH-509 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Re: COG Support of the Replenishment of the Highway Trust Fund

Dear Senator:

The COG Board of Directors strongly urges you to support the replenishment of the Highway Trust Fund to ensure continued and sustained federal investment in the nation's and this region's transportation system. Securing additional revenue sources dedicated to transportation is imperative to maintaining our regional transportation system and keeping our growing National Capital Region moving forward.

The federal Highway Trust Fund will be insolvent as soon as July of this year. Insolvency will result in significant administrative burdens and immediate unmet transportation needs. Agencies responsible for keeping our roadways and transit systems safe and in a state of good repair have programmed nearly $2 billion in federal funding to spend on hundreds of improvements this year. Many of the projects address critical safety needs. Insolvency will put agencies in the impossible position of deciding which projects to keep funding and which to halt.

Absent replenishment, the Highway Trust fund would not be able to meet any new obligations, leading to a drastic reduction in funds for federal transportation programs. We encourage Congress and the Administration to act to address replenishment of the Highway Trust Fund to provide at least current federal funding levels for fiscal year 2015 and beyond.

Transportation investments directly promote the Region Forward goals supported by the Council of Governments, local jurisdictions, businesses, nonprofits, and other civic groups in your jurisdiction. The Regional Transportation Priorities Plan lays out the near-term, ongoing, and long-term strategies needed for transportation in the metropolitan region. Additionally, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transportation Authority's Momentum strategic plan was developed to guide investment in public transportation over the next 10 years, including ongoing operations, infrastructure renewal and upkeep, and potential capacity expansion.

If the region is to maintain its current transportation system and make the needed capacity investments for the future to meet population and economic growth, significant additional transportation funding is needed. Under MAP-21, federal funding for transportation has stayed flat in dollar terms, while the federal gas tax which supports the Highway Trust fund remains unchanged since 1993. Revenue increases to keep up with inflation and enable the

funding investments to match the growing economy and population are critical and immediate needs.

The State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia both passed major transportation revenue acts in 2013, and the District of Columbia is dedicating increasing funding from its general fund for transportation improvements. Now it's time for the federal government to do its part. Federal per-gallon excise taxes on motor fuels, traditionally the main source of revenue for the Highway Trust Fund, have not been increased in over 20 years, during which time inflation has eroded nearly 40 percent of their purchasing power. As the seat of the federal government, we, the region, are asking the federal government to do more to ensure regional mobility and prosperity.

The COG Board of Directors urges you to take decisive action now to replenish the Highway Trust Fund and to secure more sustainable funding for transportation into the future. If you have questions about the region's needs and support for renewed federal transportation funding, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Phil Mendelson
Chairman, COG Board of Directors

cc: COG Board of Directors

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
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RESOLUTION ENDORSING A LETTER TO THE REGION'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR THE REPLENISHMENT OF THE HIGHWAY TRUST FUND

WHEREAS, the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is comprised of the 22 jurisdictions of the National Capital Region's local governments and their governing officials, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures and the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, and COG provides a focus for action on issues of regional concern; and

WHEREAS, the COG Board of Directors believes transportation planning and funding are vital to maintain and support the growing demand of the National Capital Region, the goals of Region Forward, the Regional Transportation Priorities Plan, and

WHEREAS, the State of Maryland and the Commonwealth of Virginia both passed major transportation revenue acts in 2013, and the District of Columbia is dedicating increasing funding from its general fund for transportation improvements, and

WHEREAS, these increases in transportation funding at the state level will not make up for the decline in spending power of the federal contribution, leading to a decrease in overall transportation funding, and;

WHEREAS, the Highway Trust Fund, the primary source of funds for highway federal aid-programs, may run out of funds before the date of September 30, 2014, by which time the Transit Account of the Highway Trust Fund for transit programs will also be nearly empty, and;

WHEREAS, as the seat of the federal government, we, the region, are asking the federal government to do more to ensure regional mobility and prosperity by providing a long-term and reliable source of transportation funds, and;.

WHEREAS, the COG Board acknowledges that additional federal funding is vital to maintaining our regional transportation system and to meeting the needs of our growing economy and population in order to keep our National Capital Region moving forward.

WHEREAS, the COG Board desires to transmit a letter to the Region's Congressional Delegation expressing support for the replenishment of the Highway Trust Fund.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS THAT:

The Board desires to transmit a letter to the Region's Congressional Delegation expressing support for the replenishment of the Highway Trust Fund and directs its Executive Director, or his designee, to disseminate the letter on the Board's behalf.

AGENDA ITEM #9

2013 NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION ANNUAL FOSTER CARE REPORT

National Capital Region

Foster Care Annual Report 2013

METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON
Council of Governments

About the Report

The Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) is a regional organization of Washington area local governments. COG is composed of 22 local governments surrounding our nation's capital, plus area members of the Maryland and Virginia legislatures, the U.S. Senate, and the U.S. House of Representatives.

Each year COG surveys child welfare systems in the National Capital Region. The purpose of the annual survey and report is to educate the media, general public, and other important stakeholders, of recent trends occurring in the region's foster care systems.

The members of COG that participate in this regional survey and report are the District of Columbia, Frederick, Montgomery, Prince George's and Charles Counties in Maryland, and Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun, Prince William Counties, and the City of Alexandria in Virginia. Foster care data on the following independent cities, who are also members of COG, are included in the report within their county's data: the Cities of Bowie, College Park, Gaithersburg, Greenbelt, and Takoma Park in Maryland, and the Cities of Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park in Virginia.

This report is intended as an educational tool to inform those who may be unfamiliar with the foster care system, and update those who are. The desired outcome is that readers of this report will become more involved in the foster care system as advocates for vulnerable children and families in our communities.

The highlights of the 2013 survey are:

- **Enhanced Diversion Programs:** Over 800 children were diverted from entering the system, due to a regional focus on prevention.
- **Fewer Entries:** As compared to 12/31/2008, there was a 36% reduction in the number of children in foster care on 12/31/2013, and a 25% reduction in the number of children entering the system throughout 2013.
- **Reduced Use of Congregate Care:** 3 out of every 4 children in foster care in our region were placed in home settings, rather than congregate care.
- **Overrepresentation of African American children in care:** African American children represent 70% of children in the foster care system.
- **Growing teenage population in the system:** 64% of all children in foster care are age 11 and above. Teenagers, age 11 and above, represent the largest share of children waiting to be adopted.
- **Many Recruited Homes Vacant:** 40% of all agency foster homes were vacant on 12/31/2013.
- **More Youth with Potential to Age-Out:** 583 children had a permanency goal that might lead them to age-out of foster care.

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How Do Children Enter Foster Care

Families come to the attention of the foster care system when a call is made to Child Protective Services alleging child abuse or neglect. In the course of an assessment or investigation, a Child Protective Services social worker may decide to remove a child from their birth home to keep him or her safe.

Within hours of a removal, the child abuse and neglect allegations are brought before a family court judge. When a judgment is made in the case, the abuse or neglect charges are substantiated or unsubstantiated; there are also instances where the judge rules that the child be returned home or with relatives, while the family receives supportive services.

In accordance with national trends, foster care systems in the National Capital Region have seen fewer children entering the system the last several years, and are also serving fewer children within the system.

As compared to the point in time count on 12/31/2008, there was a 36% reduction in the number of children in foster care on 12/31/2013. This trend is occurring partly because of a regional focus on prevention.

Prevention Programs

Child welfare agencies have made investments in prevention programs that provide a stronger safety net for families, and improve cross communication between private community-based providers and social services. Therefore, at the first sign of difficulty, a family on the fringes can be connected to community-based services. These types of prevention programs are often referred to as Family Preservation services.

Family Preservation services vary by county and may include: shelter care, food assistance, transportation vouchers, day care vouchers, mental health assessments, mental health therapy, substance abuse, work force training, and parenting classes. These services may be directly provided by Child Welfare Agencies, but more often they are offered by private agencies.
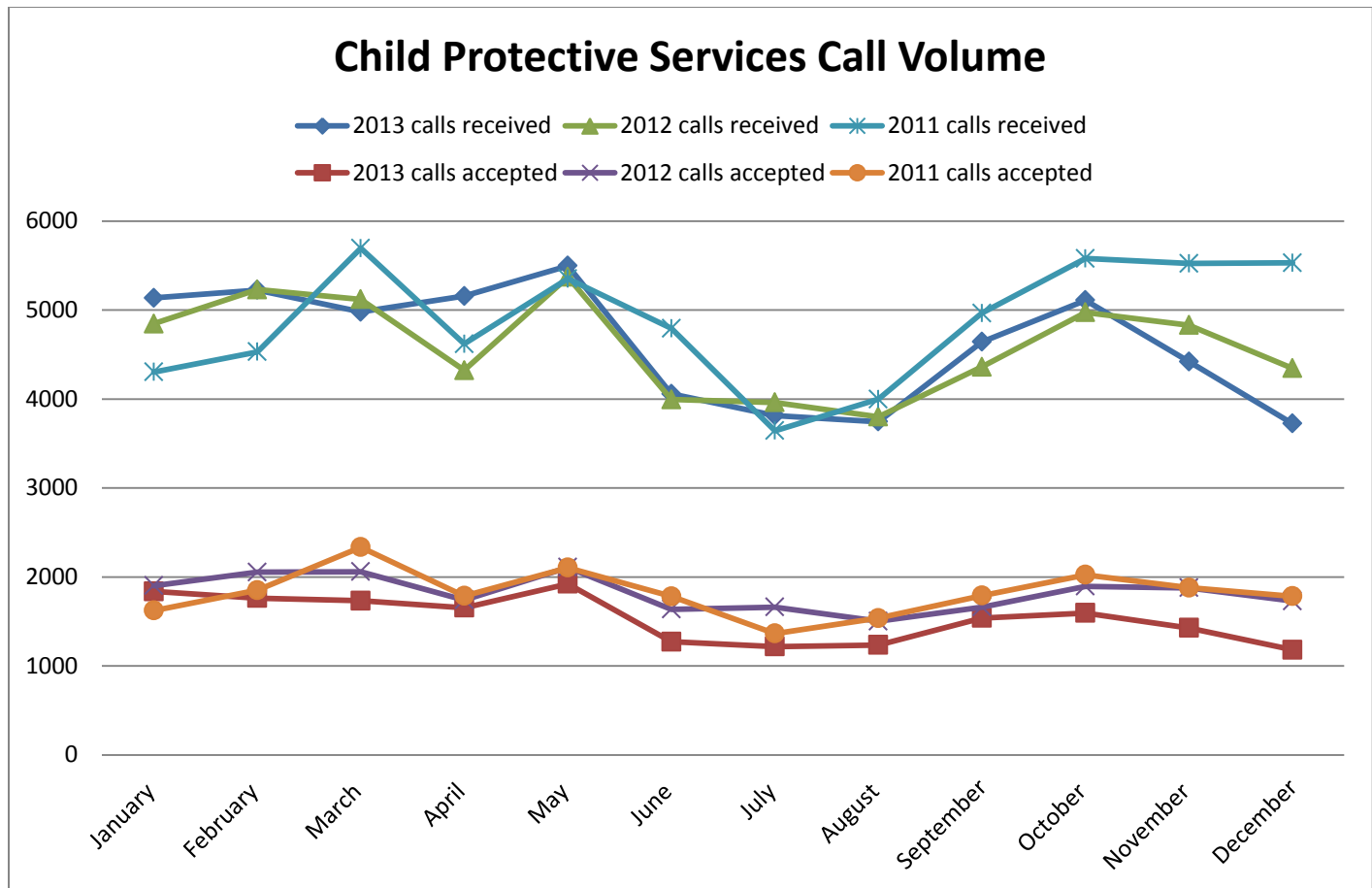
Prevention Program Success Story

A Haitian immigrant, married with one child, came to the attention of social services due to domestic violence by her husband. The agency assisted the parent with initiating divorce proceedings, filing for child support, obtaining TANF and connecting her with a housing/employment program in the area.

The mother has no family in this country besides her husband and his family, so it was very difficult for her to separate from her husband, but it was in the best interest of her and her child's safety to do so. The agency social worker built rapport and took small steps with the mother to gain her trust. The mother is now working part-time, her daughter is in daycare and she has made a few friends in the community and has stable housing of her own.

In addition to family preservation, the technique of diversion is another prevention program that has affected the region's reduction of children in foster care. In diversion cases, rather than removing the child, the child is placed with qualified relatives or fictive kin. In contrast to family preservation cases, diverted cases are severe enough to constitute removal, but instead some major intervention or placement arrangement is secured, usually with a relative or fictive kin, such as god parents. Often family involvement or partnership meetings (FIM or FPM) are the conduit for conversations with extended kin that result in diversion. In the National Capital Region during 2013, over 800 children were diverted from entering the system.

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Child Protective Services Call Volume

Child Protective Services (CPS) Call Volume does not measure the number of children who enter the system; rather the call volume is purely a cumulative count of calls alleging child abuse and neglect, and the portion of those calls that are investigated. The count on the chart below provides an overview of call volume, and as in past years, May tracks the highest volume of calls.

Mandated child abuse reporters are often connected to schools. In classrooms across the region school officials tend to contact Child Protective Services during the school year when their student shows signs of abuse or neglect – truancy, hunger, dirty clothing, etc. Often, out of concern for their student's safety over the summer months when supervision is more lax, teachers tend to contact Child Protective Services before the end of the school year in the month of May so a CPS assessment is done before summer break.

Child Protective Services Call Volume

Legend: 2013 calls received · 2012 calls received · 2011 calls received · 2013 calls accepted · 2012 calls accepted · 2011 calls accepted

Children in Foster care

Children who enter foster care have experienced abuse or neglect. As compared to the point in time count on 12/31/2008, there was a 36% reduction in the number of children in foster care in 2013, and a 25% reduction in the number of children entering the system in 2013. This trend does not necessarily mean that incidents of child abuse or neglect are on the decline. Rather, prevention programs are more robust and agencies are connecting with troubled families earlier to support thwarting the need for a CPS investigation, and potential removal.
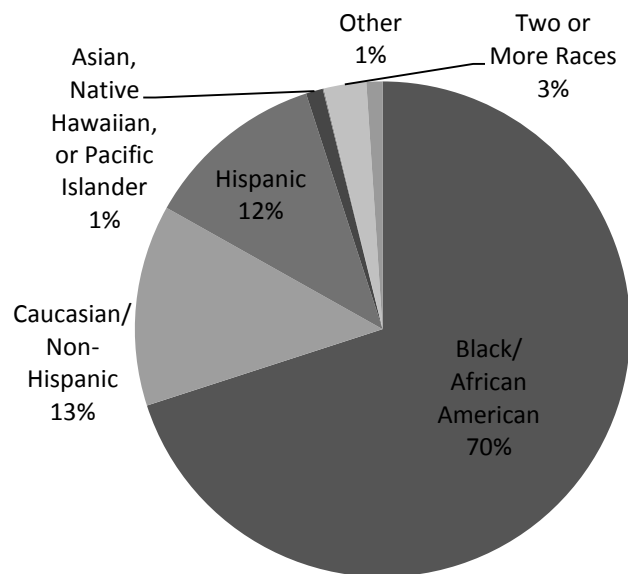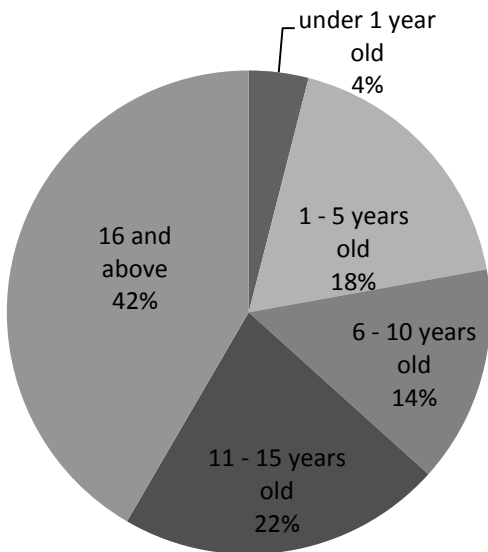
Agencies understand the toll a removal takes on a family and the trauma it causes a child. If a foster care placement can be safely avoided through prevention, preservation, or diversion to relatives, it is the best practice for the child and for the family.

As a region, the reduced number of children in foster care coincides with National data. The region's focus on prevention, preservation and diversion are also consistent with the practice and policies employed by other states throughout the country.

Children in Foster Care (as of 12/31)						
Jurisdictions	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
District of Columbia	2264	2103	2007	1744	1430	1215
Frederick County	140	175	157	142	148	128
Montgomery County	575	546	516	498	433	385
Prince George's County	608	599	592	595	593	515
Charles County	106	113	110	105	95	105
City of Alexandria	181	167	126	126	97	85
Arlington County	147	133	115	101	87	93
Fairfax County	394	370	337	326	289	252
Loudoun County	87	97	83	64	51	59
Prince William County	99	91	110	115	126	124
Total	4601	4394	4153	3816	3349	2961

The demographics of children in foster care have remained virtually unchanged year to year. Seventy percent of the systems' racial composition in our region is African American, and 64% of children in foster care are age 11 and above.

Children in Foster Care - by Age

- under 1 year old 4%
- 1 - 5 years old 18%
- 6 - 10 years old 14%
- 11 - 15 years old 22%
- 16 and above 42%

- Other 1%
- Two or More Races 3%
- Asian, Native Hawaiian, or Pacific Islander 1%
- Hispanic 12%
- Caucasian/ Non-Hispanic 13%
- Black/ African American 70%

Children in Foster Care -- By Race

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Foster and Adoptive Family Recruitment

Identifying family foster homes for teenagers is a challenge. In 2013, only 15 children aged 16 and above were adopted, yet children within this age group represent 42% of the system, the largest population in the system. Children, 16 and above, also represented 26% of those waiting to be adopted in 2013.

Harnessing creative recruitment strategies, agencies utilize features on Wednesday's Child to improve the rate of older child adoptions. Faith-based outreach, presentations to high school PTAs, and tables at events targeting parents of teenagers have also helped agencies recruit more foster parents for teens. Agencies have also started to invite their existing foster parents to recruit on their behalf, and some have offered incentives. One agency held a contest and offered a cash prize to the foster parent that recruited the most friends and family members to become foster or adoptive parents for teenagers.

While these creative strategies have assisted jurisdictions with their recruitment efforts, some recruited homes are left vacant. Forty percent of all agency foster homes were vacant on 12/31/2013.

A home may be vacant for a number of reasons. For instance, a foster parent may be experiencing a personal issue at the time data was collected. More often agencies report that a foster home is vacant because of a foster parent's unwillingness to accept the children that the agency currently has. Although the family was recruited, trained, and prepared under the auspices that the agency is seeking homes for older children, when a placement of this kind is offered some foster families reject the placement.

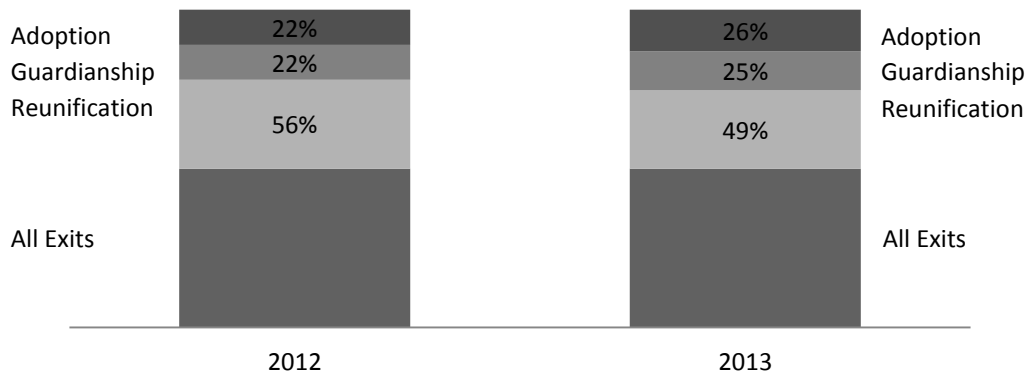| Agency Family Foster Homes		
(On 12/31/2013)		
Jurisdiction	Overall Number	Vacant Homes
District of Columbia	1004	368 (37%)
Frederick County	66	39 (59%)
Montgomery County	212	96 (45%)
Prince George's County	202	52 (26%)
Charles County	62	11 (18%)
City of Alexandria	48	26 (54%)
Arlington County	42	12 (29%)
Fairfax County	108	49 (45%)
Loudoun County	78	59 (76%)
Prince William County	92	49 (53%)
Total	**1914**	**761 (40%)**

When a family foster home cannot be found for a teenager, congregate care or a privately licensed foster home are the only placement alternatives. If the teen's needs require considerable supervision, that teenager is often placed in group/congregate care or in an institutional setting. Agencies firmly believe children deserve to be in families not institutions. In 2013, 3 out of every 4 children in foster care in our region were placed in home settings, rather than congregate care.

There are fiscal savings when family foster homes are secured versus purchasing congregate care beds through private providers. According to a 2010 report by Annie E. Casey Foundation, *Rightsizing Congregate Care*, "institutional placements are three to five times the cost of family-based placements. Thus, savings from congregate care reduction could be diverted to community-based services (including evidence-based interventions) to improve permanence and other long-term outcomes for children." This report underscores the importance of foster family recruitment, retention, and the link between how the right type of foster placement can greatly improve a child's chance at exiting the system with permanency through adoption or guardianship.

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Exiting Foster Care

As established earlier in this report, children enter foster care due to abuse or neglect. Children exit foster care when they are reunified with their birth family, secure guardianship with a foster parent or relative, are adopted by a foster parent or pre-adoptive parent, or age-out/emancipate from the system at 18 or 21 years old. The graph below shows the portion of those who exited care in 2012 and 2013 to permanency after being reunified, placed in guardianship, or adoption. The state of Virginia does not subsidize guardianship or kinship care. Below the bar graph is a chart showing the number of children who aged-out of foster care without permanency.

Exits to Permanency

	2012	2013	
Adoption	22%	26%	Adoption
Guardianship	22%	25%	Guardianship
Reunification	56%	49%	Reunification
All Exits			All Exits

Emancipation – Aged Out						
(as of 12/31)						
	2008	**2009**	**2010**	**2011**	**2012**	**2013**
District of Columbia	173	177	249	178	173	130
Frederick County	17	8	4	12	2	11
Montgomery County	0	32	37	32	33	36
Prince George's County	43	67	45	55	51	57
Charles County	5	9	6	11	5	11
City of Alexandria	11	11	17	13	14	27
Arlington County	14	15	0	12	6	7
Fairfax County	24	27	39	40	43	43
Loudoun County	6	5	4	6	5	2
Prince William County	8	8	10	13	8	12
Total	**301**	**359**	**411**	**372**	**340**	**336**

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The Relationship between Waiting Children, APPLA and Emancipation

The number of children waiting to be adopted has seen a considerable decline over the years. In 2013, there was a 64% reduction in the number of children waiting to be adopted as compared to 2008.

Children whose parental rights are terminated must consent to an adoption. In most states, the age of consent is 14 years old, but in Maryland and 4 other states, the age of consent is 10 years old. If a child, as young as 10 years old, chooses to not consent to be adopted, they may encourage their social worker or recruiter to seek guardianship with a relative, fictive kin or their current or past foster parent, or they may fall into a category called APPLA.

APPLA, Another Planned Permanency Living Arrangement, is a permanency goal that is set by a judge in family court once all parties agree. Jurisdictions in the National Capital Region report that setting an APPLA permanency goal is the very last resort, and is typically accompanied by another concurrent goal like reunification or guardianship.

Children with the APPLA permanency goal, as one of or their only goal, are prepared for independent living and are on the trajectory to age-out of foster care when they reach the age of 18 or 21.

Over the last two years, the region has seen fewer children age-out of foster care, as noted on the previous page. For those who do, aging out of foster care can adversely impact a young person's quality of life leading to homelessness, incarceration, and unplanned pregnancies.

APPLA (as of 12/31)		
	2012	2013
District of Columbia	288	202
Frederick County	43	42
Montgomery County	106	116
Prince George's County	191	183
Charles County	22	18
City of Alexandria	2	1
Arlington County	3	2
Fairfax County	6	7
Loudoun County	1	1
Prince William County	11	11
Total	673	583

As a region, 583 children had a permanency goal of APPLA, and are on the trajectory to age-out of foster care. While the number of children that have actually emancipated from foster care or aged-out has declined, having 583 children on pace to exit the system in the years ahead without a permanent home is of considerable concern.

With 64% of children in the system 11 years old and above, and 70% of those being African American, finding foster and adoptive homes or reunifying African American older children is the focus in our region. It is critical that agencies in our region continue to concurrently plan and identify caretakers for the older set of children in the system, whether they just entered foster care or are on the verge of aging out.

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This survey and report is possible through the support of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments (COG) Child Welfare Program. Additionally, the report would not have been possible without the participating jurisdictions and representatives who served on the data workgroup. The data workgroup members included:

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AGENDA ITEM #10

OTHER BUSINESS

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AGENDA ITEM #11

ADJOURN – THE COG LEADERSHIP RETREAT IS ON JULY 25-27; THE NEXT MEETING IS WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10, 2014