

## MARYLAND STATEWIDE TRANSIT PLAN

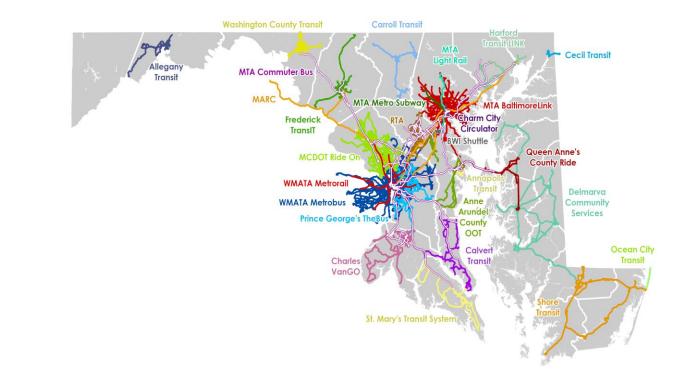
TPB Regional Public Transportation Subcommittee (RPTS) | October 27, 2020





# Agenda

- Plan approach and schedule
- Draft vision and goals
- What we've heard so far
- Ways to provide input
- Questions/Comments





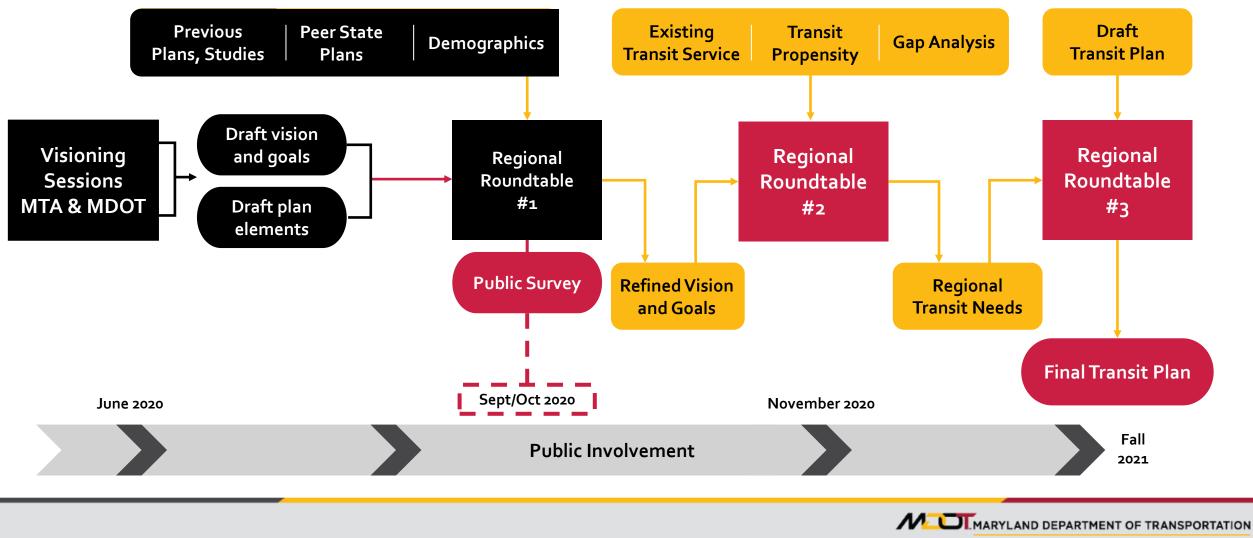


# **Proposed Approach**

- Address the **50-year vision** of transit statewide
  - Define desired performance and customer experience outcomes
  - Convey the benefits of transit and the relationships with economic opportunity, land use, and first mile/last mile access
- Create a **framework** for coordinated transit service and customer experience
  - Stitch together local and regional plans across the state
  - Understand the technology, policy, and service delivery gaps and opportunities
  - Create an action plan and performance metrics



# Schedule



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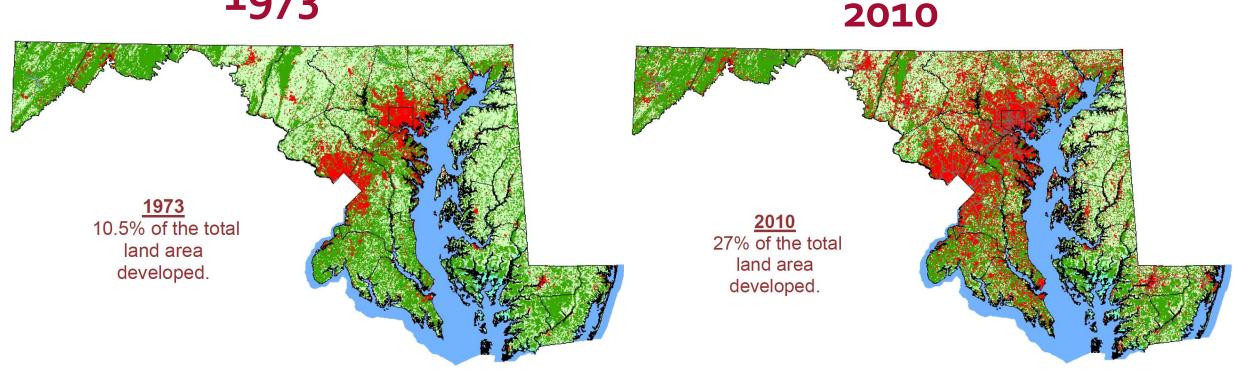
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# **Developed Land in Maryland**

#### 1973





# **Draft Vision**

Maryland's public transit system will **connect people, places and opportunities**, supporting Maryland's economy with **efficient, equitable, sustainable and innovative** transit. Transit riders across the state will experience **convenient and coordinated** travel and a **dignified customer experience**.

**Draft Goals** 



Ensure a safe, secure, and resilient transit system

Provide inclusive, equitable, and accessible transit choices



Facilitate economic opportunity locally and regionally

Leverage innovative transit infrastructure and technology Expand and integrate transit options and partnership

Ensure environmental and fiscal sustainability



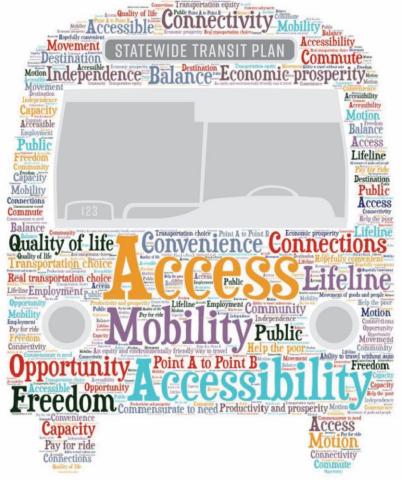
Deliver a reliable and quality customer experience



# Key Challenges and Opportunities

Heard at Roundtables

- Connections between rural and urban transit systems
- Improving reliability, frequency, and extended hours
- Promoting walkability and transit-oriented development
- Improving options and alternatives in rural areas
- Serving aging and vulnerable populations
- Addressing state of good repair needs
- Facilitating comfortable, safe, and efficient transfers



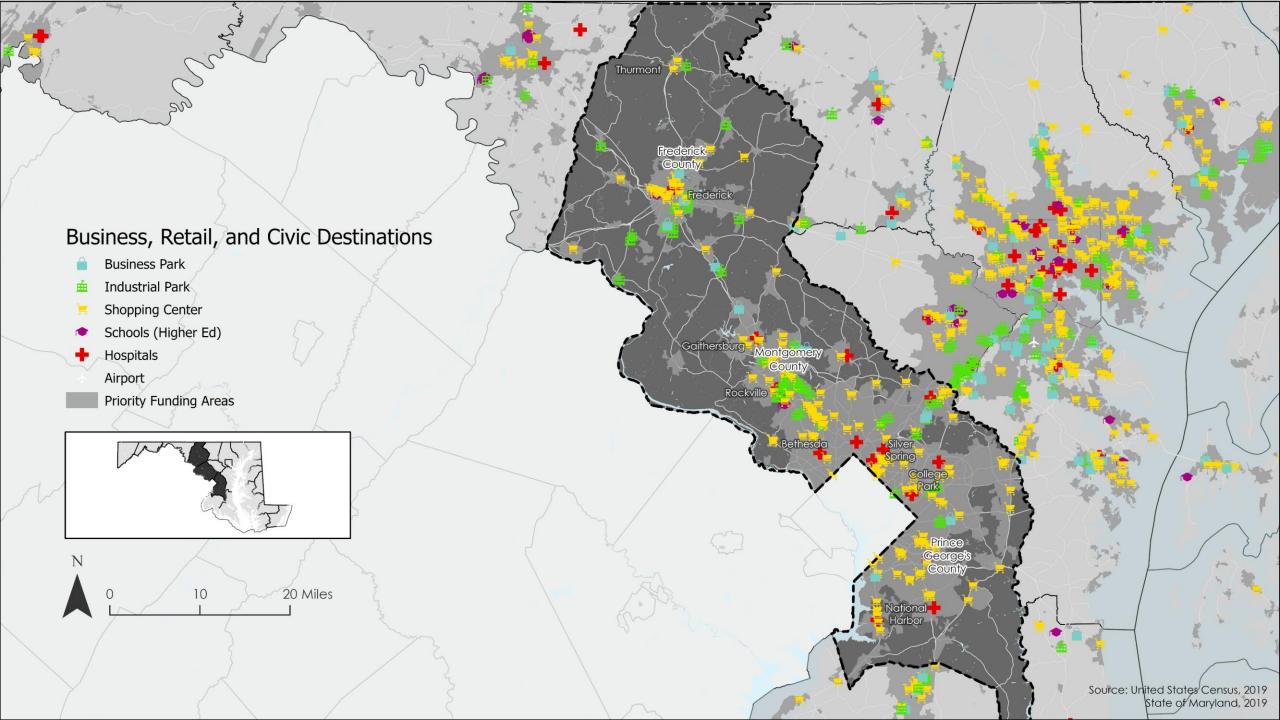


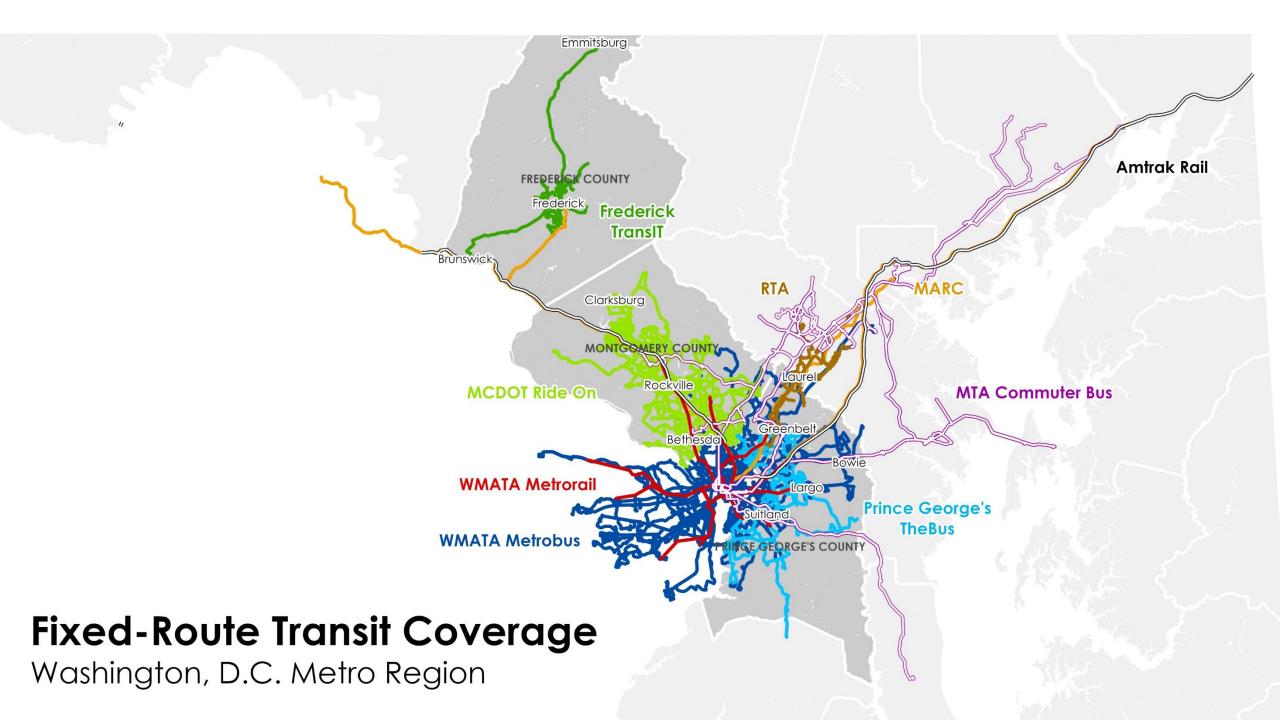
### Key Future Trends Heard at Roundtables

- Connected and automated vehicles
- Electric/Alternative Fuel/High Efficiency Vehicles
- Rapid bus and rail transit to TOD
- Increased walkability and cycling
- Lining up transit schedules between providers
- Integrated, cashless/contactless fares
- On-demand transit options (Uber, Lyft)











# What we've heard from this region

- Key challenges and opportunities include:
  - Improving connection between rural and urban transit systems
  - Improving reliability, frequency, and extended hours
  - Promoting walkability and transit-oriented development
- Key transit needs include:
  - BRT and dedicated bus lanes
  - Interstate connectivity (New York, Virginia)
  - Frederick weekend service
- Key future trends include:
  - Autonomous vehicles
  - Electric/Alternative Fuel/High Efficiency Vehicles
  - Alternative fare systems (cashless/contactless)
  - Compact, mixed-used communities nearby high frequency transit



# What would you prioritize in this plan?

- What are areas of your Region that need more transit?
  - More frequency, coverage, or span (overnight, weekend, etc.)
- What Improved or New Infrastructure would best support transit?
  - Pedestrian connections, dedicated lanes, transfer hubs, or other
- What Policy or Technology Upgrades should be leveraged?
  - Real time info for riders, fare enhancements, coordinated service between transit systems, etc
- What overall outcomes should transit achieve?





# **Outreach Approach**

Outreach Round	Regional Roundtables	Broader Public Outreach	
<b>Sep./Oct. (1<sup>st</sup> Round)</b> We are here	<ul> <li>Introduce project purpose, vision, and goals</li> <li>Discuss existing conditions and region-specific context</li> <li>Understand challenges, needs and barriers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Solicit survey responses</li> <li>Virtual presentations to regional groups</li> </ul>	
Fall 2020 (2 <sup>nd</sup> Round)	<ul> <li>Share survey findings</li> <li>Present and discuss preliminary gap analysis</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>"You spoke, we listened" sharing survey responses and how we intend to use them</li> </ul>	
Spring 2021 (3 <sup>rd</sup> Round)	<ul> <li>Present and discuss draft plan elements and strategies for implementation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Solicit draft plan feedback</li> </ul>	



### Learn More and Let us Know!

- Project webpage: <u>www.mta.Maryland.gov/statewide-</u> <u>plan</u>
- Email questions or request a briefing: <u>MTASTP@mdot.maryland.gov</u>
- Public survey was available from September 14<sup>th</sup> through October 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Summary of survey results will be posted on the project webpage shortly

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

#### Maryland Statewide Transit Plan

Please take a moment to tell us about your priorities for and experience with transit in Maryland. We appreciate your valuable input!

The Maryland Statewide Transit Plan is an initiative of the Maryland Department of Transportation Maryland Transit Administration (MDOT MTA) and will provide guidance on the need for transit services and connectivity in Maryland. The Statewide Transit Plan will be a 50-year vision for transit, based on existing state, regional and local plans, proposed projects, and analysis of future activity centers, demographics, and transit needs.

For more information, or to request this information in an alternate format or translated into another language, please contact the department listed below.

Para más información, o para pedir esta información en un formato alternativo o traducido a otro lenguaje, por favor contacte el departamento nombrado abajo.

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### Questions?



