## **Transportation in Fairfax County**



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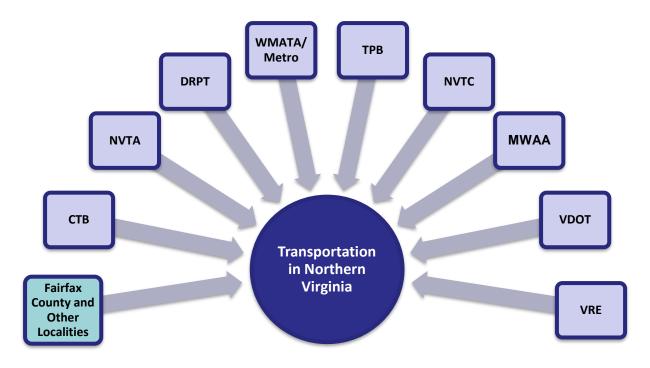
## **Topics For Tonight**

- Transportation in Fairfax County
  - Regional System to Support Transportation Priorities
  - Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT)
- How to Get Involved Your Voice Matters!
  - Roads: Maintaining Roadways in Fairfax County
  - Traffic Calming: Decreasing Impacts of Traffic to Enhance Safety in Neighborhoods
  - Transit: Building Your Future Bus System
  - Active Transportation: Planning for Streets and Trails for All
- Q&A



## Transportation in Fairfax County

In Northern Virginia, transportation priorities, planning and funding are addressed in a collaborative manner, and public transit services are closely coordinated despite the many players involved.





## Transportation in Fairfax County

Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT) coordinates and oversees all transportation-related projects, programs and issues for Fairfax County, except human services transportation.



### How to Get Involved - Roads

### **POLL:** Who maintains the roads in Fairfax County?

- 1. Federal Highway Administration (FHWA)
- 2. Fairfax County Department of Transportation (FCDOT)
- 3. Fairfax County Department of Public Works and Environmental Services (DPWES)
- 4. Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT)
- 5. All of the above.
- 6. I don't know.



### How to Get Involved - Roads

### Establishment of Secondary Roads System

- Passed by the Virginia General Assembly in 1932, the Byrd Act provides uniform maintenance of roads across Virginia and established the secondary roads system.
- Virginia Department of Transportation (VDOT) is responsible for the maintenance and construction of interstates, and primary and secondary roads in Fairfax County.

#### What Can I Do?

- You can submit a work request to assist VDOT in maintaining Virginia's roadways. Submit a separate form for each request at <a href="my.vdot.virginia.gov">my.vdot.virginia.gov</a>. If your request is related to a road hazard that needs immediate attention, please call 1-800-367-7623 (FOR-ROAD).
- During winter weather, once it snows more than two inches, go to <u>VDOTplows.org</u>, enter your address, and a color-coded map shows whether plowing is underway, completed or not yet started in your neighborhood.





## How to Get Involved – *Traffic Calming*

### Safer Neighborhood Roadways for All Users

- Placement of physical measures in the roadway (speed humps, speed tables and pavement markings).
- Reduced vehicle operating speeds and enhance safety of residential roadways.
- Over 200 projects installed through the county; 29 in the Sully District.

### • Program Criteria

- Road must be in the state system of highways owned and maintained by VDOT.
- Road must be classified as a local, residential collector or residential arterial road.
- Road must function as a residential street.
- Road must have a speed limit of 25 miles per hour (MPH).
- Road must have a traffic volume between 500-6,000 vehicles in a 24-hour period.
- Road must have an 85th percentile speed of at least 35
   MPH in at least one direction.





## How to Get Involved – *Traffic Calming*

### **POLL:** Who can submit a traffic calming request?

- 1. A Homeowner's Association.
- 2. Me!
- 3. A group of interested community members.
- 4. All of the above.
- 5. Options 1 and 3.
- 6. I don't know.



## How to Get Involved – *Traffic Calming*

#### What Can I Do?

- The community sends a request to the District Supervisor, who forwards it to FCDOT.
- FCDOT performs a study to determine if the road meets the qualification criteria.
- The community forms a task force to work with FCDOT on plan development.
- More information at <u>www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/</u> <u>residential-traffic-administration</u>, or by calling FCDOT at 703-877-5600, TTY 711.





### How to Get Involved - Transit

### • Regional Transit System

- <u>Fairfax Connector</u> primarily provides service within Fairfax County.
- Metrobus primarily provides service between jurisdictions.
- Metrorail provides rail service throughout Northern Virginia, Maryland, and Washington, D.C.
- MetroAccess is a shared-ride, door-to-door, paratransit service for people whose disability prevents them from using bus or rail.
- The Virginia Railway Express (VRE) provides commuter rail service from Manassas and Fredericksburg through Fairfax County into Washington, D.C.





# POLL: Who can ride free, or with a discounted fare, on Fairfax Connector?

- 1. People with disabilities.
- 2. Seniors.
- 3. Middle and high school students.
- 4. Children under 4 years of age (up to two), with a paying adult.
- 5. All of the above.
- 6. I don't know.



## <u>Centreville-Chantilly-Vienna-</u> Tysons Area Bus Service Review

- Goal: Enhance bus service in the area
- Process: Gather community input, evaluate transit performance, and determine future needs
- Outcome: Develop proposed service changes with route efficiencies, new route designs, and improved access and mobility

### • Transit Strategic Plan

 Will include the recommendations from the Centreville-Chantilly-Vienna-Tysons Area Bus Service Review.







## Centreville-Chantilly-Vienna-Tysons Area Bus Service Review Timeline

Understanding Needs and Issues (Spring 2020)

Public Outreach (Fall 2020) Refinement and Selection of Preferred Service Plan (Winter 2020/ Spring 2021) Provide
Recommendation
to Board of
Supervisors (as
part of Transit
Strategic Plan)















Alternatives Development (Summer 2020) Alternatives Evaluation (Fall 2020)



Outreach (Summer/ Fall 2021)

**Public** 

We are here



## Centreville-Chantilly-Vienna-Tysons Area Bus Service Review

#### What We Heard

- Improve connectivity
- Make travel faster
- Enhance hours of service
- Have buses show up more frequently

### What We Have Developed

Three service alternatives -> Preferred service plan

### What Happens Next

Community input on preferred service plan

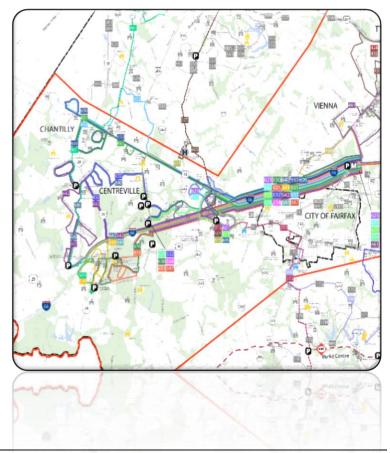




#### What Can I Do?

- View project materials and information on future public input opportunities at:
  - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/connector/ccvtbus-service-review
  - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/connector/TSP
- Contact us with your thoughts and ideas:
  - Via email at <u>fairfaxconnector@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>
  - By calling 703-339-7200, TTY 703-339-1608
- Mail your comments to:

Fairfax County Department of Transportation C/O Transit Planning 4050 Legato Road, Suite 400 Fairfax, VA 22033





## How to Get Involved – *Active Transportation*

### What is <u>Active Transportation?</u>

 Active transportation refers to selfpropelled, mostly human-powered travel including walking, biking, rolling (scooter, wheelchair, stroller), hiking, running, and riding.

### • Active Transportation Program

- Goal: Improve quality of life and reduce reliance on single-occupant vehicles through development of a connected multi-modal transportation system with sidewalks, trails and on-road bicycle routes.
- Since 2002, Fairfax County has invested more than \$500 million to implement stand alone pedestrian and bicycle improvements.





## How to Get Involved – *Active Transportation*

### ActiveFairfax Transportation Plan

- Establish a vision and a roadmap for implementation of safe, convenient, and enjoyable streets, sidewalks, bike facilities, and trails in Fairfax County.
- Consolidates the County's Trails Plan, Bicycle Master Plan, and Comprehensive Plan recommendations.
- Encourage livable street design through the development of tools and products that ensures our transportation network connects people to where they live, work, play, learn and take transit.
- Support access to safe, comfortable and connected active transportation facilities (such as shared-use paths, bike lanes and sidewalks) for people of all ages, incomes and abilities.
- Provide clear direction to improve safety for our most vulnerable transportation users.
- Begin the planning process to update the Fairfax County Comprehensive Plan.





## How to Get Involved – *Active Transportation*

#### What Can I Do?

- Attend a virtual ActiveFairfax Transportation Plan Community Conversation! Details and how to participate:
  - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/news/ t07 21
- Take a survey or map your ideas online by May 1:
  - www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation/ bike-walk/activefairfax
- Contact us with your thoughts and ideas:
  - Via email at <u>activefairfax@fairfaxcounty.gov</u>
  - By calling 703-877-5600, TTY 711
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## Let's Stay Connected

### **FCDOT Online**

### www.fairfaxcounty.gov/transportation

- Tip: Use keywords to search topics
- Tip: Subscribe to text and email alerts to stay informed

### **FCDOT** on Social Media

Facebook.com/fairfaxtransportation

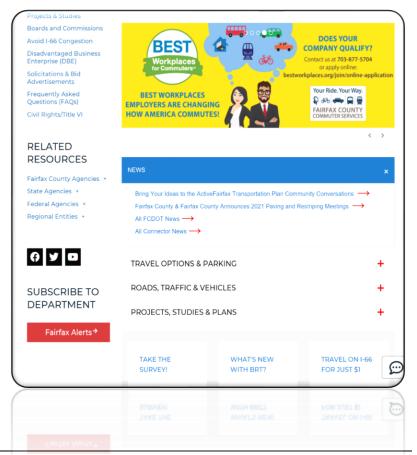
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## Thank you! Questions?



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