

Dear Members of the Montgomery County Council,

I am writing concerning a local roads issue in the county.

I will try to be succinct.

1. We have lived on Kincaid Terrace in Kensington since 2011. At that time, Kincaid was already in poor condition. Ten years later Kincaid is in considerably worse condition, and beyond small patches here and there.
2. I have contacted DOT probably 5 times over the past 10 years, requesting repaving of Kincaid. I have received different answers, from: contact us again next year for an evaluation, to: we're not doing repaving of local streets, to: there's no money in the budget for that.
3. This year, I was told by a representative of DOT that there is not enough money in the county budget to address local paving needs, basically implying that Kincaid would not receive any attention.
4. Yet, I have observed local road work and repaving happening throughout the course of these past 10 years. Most recently, I have observed intersection and other road repair work being done on Newport Mills Road and on Connecticut Avenue, both in Kensington. Other local roads in the Kensington area clearly have been repaved in the past few years. I also have observed repaving work having been done in the recent past on Wisconsin Avenue in Bethesda, and elsewhere in the county.
5. All this leaves me feeling that our request for repaving of Kincaid is simply being dismissed and is not being taken seriously.

My request to the council:

1. Please examine the level of the county's funding for road repair and repaving, in particular for local streets, which also deserve attention; not just major streets. The DOT representative stated that the county budget for that is \$10 million. I do not know if that is accurate. Whatever the current figure, please seriously consider increasing the county budget for this category.
2. Given the number of times I have made a request for Kincaid to be repaved over the past 10 years, I request that the council direct DOT to make Kincaid Terrace a high priority item to be repaved in this or the next fiscal year.

All of us who live on Kincaid Terrace are tax paying residents in the county, and we deserve equal consideration with all other residents of the county.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,

Robert Scuka