

# MCDOT Wins Five NACo Achievement Awards

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The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) has won five Achievement Awards from the National Association of Counties, including Best in Category for the Wiki Bus Stop Database. The projects are described below:

## **Bus Rapid Transit Corridor Advisory Committees**

To bring Bus Rapid Transit to Montgomery County, MCDOT is working with the State of Maryland to plan service on three major corridors. MCDOT created Corridor Advisory Committees (CACs) comprised of area residents, businesses, community organizations and others to ensure community stakeholders have the opportunity to participate in the planning process. The CACs are advising MCDOT and the State throughout the decision process.

## **School Zone Warning Flasher Technology Upgrade**

In response to a change in school start times, the Division of Traffic Engineering installed a control system that allows school zone flashers to be controlled remotely.

## **Interactive Parking Map**

The Division of Parking Management created an interactive, online parking map that shows the address, times requiring payment, rate and payment options for every County owned parking facility. In addition, for locations with a parking availability system, the map shows the number of spaces available in real time.

## **Low Income Bikeshare Program**

To encourage use of Bikeshare by low income residents, the MCDOT Director's Office provides free membership, helmets and training to those who are eligible.

## **Wiki Database for Bus Stop Inventory/ADA Compliance**

The Division of Transit Services has improved nearly 3,000 bus stops to enhance safety and provide ADA accessibility. Transit developed an open source, inventory/database system that is cloud-based to make it accessible from anywhere and includes information on each bus stop covering work completed, expenses, maps and photographs.

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