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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Audit Identifies Improvements Needed in Department of Transportation Transit Services Programs**

Rockville, Maryland – Montgomery County Maryland Inspector General Megan Davey Limarzi announced today the release of a new Office of the Inspector General (OIG) report, <u>Performance Audit of Transit Services, Montgomery County Department of Transportation, OIG Publication # OIG-24-15</u>, detailing the results of an OIG audit of the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT). The audit focused on MCDOT services and programs responsive to the transportation needs of persons with disabilities and mobility issues.

Through the audit, the OIG examined the extent to which county bus stops were compliant with ADA requirements and assessed the management of the Transportation Services Improvement Fund (TSIF) which aims to increase the availability of equitable and accessible transit options for county residents. The OIG's final report details 6 findings and 8 recommendations intended to strengthen controls around the disbursement of funds from the TSIF and improve accessibility at county bus stops. The audit was conducted in furtherance of the OIG's mission to increase fiscal accountability and review the efficiency and effectiveness of county programs, as well as the OIG's commitment to identify opportunities for the county to increase equity and inclusion.

The County's Chief Administrative Officer concurred with all of the recommendations and agreed to implement corrective actions.

The full report can be found on the OIG's website, <a href="https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/oig/igproduct.html">https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/oig/igproduct.html</a>.

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