



SILVER SPRING
TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
ADVISORY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

September 12, 2024 / 8:00 – 9:30 a.m.
Teams Meeting

Staff Contact: Jim Carlson / (240) 777-8382; (301) 318-0328
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- 8:00**
- 1. Introductions** **Jim Carlson/All**
 - 2. Minutes Review January (©2)** **All**
 - 3. Georgia Ave. Tactical Bus Lanes** **All**
 - 4. Metro Update** **Corey Pitts**
MCDOT-Transportation Policy and Planning Manager
 - 5. Review – Employer TDM Plans/Annual Reports Summary (©5)** **Jim Carlson**
All
 - 6. Updates: TMD/DOT/Other County Updates** **Sandra Brecher**
Car Free Day – Monday, Sept. 23
<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dir/commuter/carfreedayreg.html>
 - 7. Employer Outreach Update** **Jennifer Bolick**
TMD Outreach
- 9:30** **Adjourn / Next Meeting: November 14, 2024**
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Information Items

Ride On Bus Service Changes – Sept. 8

Montgomery County to Offer Adult Bike and E-Scooter Classes in September, October and November

**Silver Spring
Transportation Management District
Advisory Committee
January 11, 2024**

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Items 1 & 2 – Introductions/Minutes Review: **Jim Carlson** opened the meeting and members & guests introduced themselves, including new additions to Commuter Services, **Kevin Obike**, Travel Smart Ambassador and **Samuel Damesa**, TDM Administration & Compliance Coordinator.

November’s minutes were submitted for review.

Item 3 – United Therapeutics Expansion: Head of Corporate Real Estate, **Thomas Kaufman** gave an overview of their acquisition of parking garages owned by Montgomery County to expand their operations. **Mr. Kaufman** provided a summary of how United Therapeutics began in their research to cure rare pulmonary diseases. Founder **Martine Rothblatt’s** 6-year-old daughter was ill with a rare lung disease. **Rothblatt** purchased the rights to a possible molecule cure due to the medical industries unwillingness to conduct research as it was not cost effective. United Therapeutics was created to research drugs and manufacture organ transplants. Further research has led to 3D printing of organs and the recolonizing pig organs with human skin cells to create personalized organs before the end of the decade.

As operations expand so does the company’s real estate need, leading to the purchase of County Garage 2. **Mr. Kaufman’s** role is to secure space for growth. He is working with **Jeremy Souders**, Acting Chief of MCDOT parking to acquire the garage and relocating the operations maintenance building, fiber hub and parking. Other points of the presentation were:

- MCDOT & UT collaboration on identifying locations to relocate parking facilities and submitting permitting agreements
- The agreement is fully executed but need the County Executive & County Council’s approval which will be by the first half of this year.
- 30 months from agreement process to beginning construction then 15-year construction process.
- Montgomery County being open to economic expansion was the motive behind partnership with UT.

Jeremy Souders explained that since parking Garage 2 is not fully utilized, the site has been released to UT in keeping with the goal of right sizing parking in the Silver Spring area. An analysis was conducted of post-Covid impact on garage parking. It revealed that out of the 1,100 parking spaces only 400 were being used. If no surrounding parking is used, the area would need to accommodate 750 spaces. Although, Garage 7 & 51 can receive back flow, a new above ground parking site was chosen – parking area behind the Filmore. The redevelopment will include retail, affordable housing and equipped with EV stations and future installation of solar panels. Also reported:

- The Maintenance Operations building will be centrally located to Brookville maintenance facility
- The tier level 3 fiber hubs will be located on UT property on Spring Street equipped with EV charging and solar.
- 2 ½ years for negotiations regarding use and analysis and the disposition process was 3-4 months.

The disposition process includes public hearings - one for the County Executive & one for County Council. Documents are not available for public view until all agency stakeholders such as the Housing Opportunity Commission weigh in on the process. UT's plans for the garage acquisition went to the County Executive and the Council was notified within four months; however, a deal was uncertain until six months ago. **Mr. Kaufman** explained that if Silver Spring expansion did not pan out then they would have gone to a site in North Carolina. He is happy to stay in Silver Spring. Q&A:

- Parking reduction due to the future Purple Line light rail system analysis determined that there will be a need to accommodate 125 spaces.
- Accommodation of the future affordable housing will be added to the new parking structure-675 spaces total.
- This is not UT's first land acquisition, MC sold garage 21 in 2011.
- Maintaining aging garages is costly and MC Parking would like to see 90% parking utilized, incorporating affordable housing and green space as a measurement of success.
- Making sure parking demand matches up with the utilization of alternative modes of transit.
- The land agreement documents are not available for public view as it is still early in the process however the parking demand study is available on the MC Parking website.
- 15 years to start the construction process the phasing has not been determined yet.
- Net Zero construction will depend on the building's purpose as the manufacturing process is energy intensive.
- Geothermal reduces heat by sending it into the earth and is not an energy generating process
- The balance between Research & Development and real estate make it difficult to predict employee capacity as build out has not been decided.
- Above ground parking facilities provide greater flexibility with glass enclosed visible stairwells and greater access to solar (southern exposure)
- EV ports supported by Federal Grant funding.
- Green roofs are not ideal for garages as there are weight capacity limitations-not good for parties.

Item 4 – Metro Update: **Gary Erenrich** reported that Metro Finance Committee will broadcast their board meeting live starting @ 10am today and the proposed budget is on the WMATA website. The Committee's action is to submit to the Board and later the public, proposed budget cuts for 2025 & the 6-year CIP to close Metro's \$750 million gap. The hope is to have action by April in time to apply for Federal Grants as Covid funding has run out and there is not enough revenue to cover costs. Also reported:

- Additional funding from Jurisdictions is unlikely as they are facing Transportation cuts
- Due to the working partnership of Maryland Governor Moore and Transportation Secretary Paul Wiedefeld, they were able to secure \$150 to Metro by cutting from Maryland transportation programs.
- Proposed service cuts include closing 10 stations, 67 bus route eliminations and 47 service reductions which will impact Metro access.
- Reinstating turnbacks at Grosvenor station, increasing Red Line wait times to 20 minutes and a 20% increase in fares are some items proposed.
- Since Metro used annual dedicated funding for rehabilitation maintenance for a state of good repair program, they have maxed out funding requiring service reductions.
- Moving funds to operating for Preventive Maintenance will cause Metro to defer future investments in the system.

- In Montgomery County the Metro system provides 2/3rds of bus routes and Ride-On provides the remaining 1/3rd
- State legislation for longer term Metro funding however there is little left due to transportation cuts.
- The public comment process will allow arguments against proposed budget cuts- argue against turnbacks.
- Mass teleworking causing low ridership.
- The difficulty in changing Metro system to accommodate the lopsided ridership due to the inability to change back if conditions change.

Ms. Brecher explained that opportunities to weigh in as individual and as a collective Advisory Committee are available during the public comment process.

Item 5 & 6 - Updates/Employer Outreach Updates: The updates were tabled due to lack of time.

Adjourn Next Meeting: TBD

**Silver Spring Transportation Management District Advisory Committee Attendance Sheet
January 11, 2024**

Voting Members (12)			
Name	Affiliation	Present	Absent
Chamber Members (3)			
Chris Kabatt	Wells + Associates	X	
Vacant			
Vacant			
Citizens Advisory Board Members (3)			
Harriet Quinn	Kemp Mill, Four Corners, East SS	X	
Vacant	North & West Sector Plan Area		
Chris Perry	CBD Resident	X	
Employers less than 50 employees (3)			
Eric Donald	Main Engineering / Small Business	X	
Shanavia McKinney	Innovative Life Healthcare /Small Biz	X	
Vacant			
Employers with 50 or more employees (3)			
G. Michael Price	Discovery Communications	X	
Vacant			
Vacant			
Non-Voting Members (3)			
Sandra Brecher, DOT-Commuter Services	MCDOT Director or Designee	X	
Larissa Klevan	M-NCPPC	X	
Jacob Newman	Silver Spring Regional Center	X	
Staff			
Nakengi Byrd	MCDOT-Commuter Services	X	
Jim Carlson	MCDOT-Commuter Services	X	
Guests			
Jennifer Bolick	TMD Outreach Team	X	
Carson Henry	SS Urban District	X	
Jay Elvove	SS Citizens Advisory Board	X	
Gary Erenrich	MCDOT	X	
Nahom Tekle	SS Community Engagement Cluster	X	

**Silver Spring TMD
Traffic Demand Management Plan Summary
September 2024**

Code Requirements:

1. *Contact person designated to receive and distribute commuter information to employees*
2. *Information on transit and other commute alternatives distributed/ posted regularly (furnished by Commuter Services/CSS)*
3. *Facilitate CSS/TMD staff presentations and commuter information events for employees and HR/administrative staff. This could include benefits fairs and other employer-sponsored events*
4. *Guaranteed Ride Home Promotion (free regional program offering emergency rides)*
5. *Annual Commuter Survey distributed to employees (short survey of transportation– supplied by CSS/TMD)*
6. *ADA information provided (transportation services for people with disabilities)*
7. *Permanent display area for bus schedules and other transportation information*
8. *Compile information on yearly TDM activities and submit Annual Report*

Employer	Employee Total	Status	Recommend to MCDOT?
Security Industry Association (new plan – voluntary)	21 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit • Telework – all • Bike racks / lockers • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Patient First Primary and Urgent Care (new plan)	35 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employees bring bikes into office • Carpool matching • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
Associated Insurance Management	35 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax deduction • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Association of Public Health Laboratories	220 FT 1 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit • Telework – 218 participating • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Association of University Centers on Disabilities	25 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telework – all • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Association of Zoos & Aquariums	42 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telework – 41 participating • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Copper Canyon Grill	5 FT 35 PT	Meets requirements – no voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TMD staff will follow up 	Yes

Courtyard by Marriott	45 FT 11 PT	Meets requirements – no voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TMD staff will follow up 	Yes
CPWR	30 FT 1 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telework – all • Bike racks / lockers • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
DelCor Technology Solutions	95 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike reimbursement program • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Easterseals	111 FT 4 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax benefit • Telework • Bike racks / lockers • Flexible schedules 	Yes
Ellumen	66 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telework – all • Bike racks / lockers • Flexible schedules 	Yes
FAA	300 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit - \$226/mo • Telework – 227 participating • Bike racks / lockers • Flexible schedules • Carpool matching 	Yes
Family & Nursing Care	750 FT 5 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit - \$125/mo • Telework – 91 participating 	Yes
GEL, P.C. (Gilbert Employment Law)	48 FT 6 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax deduction • Telework – 42 participating • Bike racks / lockers • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
Grady Management, Inc.	36 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit 	Yes
HIAS	269 FT 2 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax deduction • Telework – 151 participating • Bikeshare membership subsidy & bike purchases under Wellbeing Reimbursement Program • Flexible schedules • Carpool matching 	Yes

Holiday Inn Express (voluntary plan)	10 FT 15 PT	Meets requirements – no voluntary measures	Yes
Kay Management Co.	35 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike racks / lockers • Compressed schedules 	Yes
LA Fitness (voluntary plan)	6 FT 20 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bike racks / CaBi bikeshare near by • Flexible schedules • Carpool matching 	Yes
Matchbox	27 FT 8 PT	Meets requirements – no voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • TMD staff will follow up 	Yes
Primary Care Coalition of Montgomery County	65 FT 8 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit • Telework – 65 participating • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
Rocket Money	68 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit • Telework • Flexible schedules 	Yes
SEEC	101 FT 125 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carpool matching 	Yes
Technology Service Corporation	30 FT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit • Telework – 6 participating • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
The MayaTech Corporation (voluntary plan)	18 FT 9 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax • Two allocated Zipcar spaces • Telework – 11 participating • Bike racks / lockers • Compressed and flexible schedules 	Yes
The Neurology Center PA	25 FT 3 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit - \$150/mo • Carpool matching 	Yes
Tower Cos./The Blairs	60 FT 16 PT	Meets requirements and has voluntary measures: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two allocated Zipcar spaces • Telework • Bike racks / lockers + bike repair facilities 	Yes

<p>United Therapeutics Corporation</p>	<p>233 FT</p>	<p>Meets requirements and has voluntary measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Direct benefit - \$130/mo • Transit benefit equal to parking • Telework • Flexible schedules • Bike racks / lockers 	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Warner Bros. Discovery</p>	<p>479 FT</p>	<p>Meets requirements and has voluntary measures:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pre-tax benefit • Telework – 36 participating • Bike racks / lockers • Compressed and flexible schedules 	<p>Yes</p>

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Ride On Bus Service Changes Begin on Sunday, Sept. 8, 2024

For Immediate Release: Tuesday, September 3, 2024



The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) will adjust 23 Ride On bus route service schedules and add two new high-frequency limited stop extRa bus routes starting Sunday, September 8. Although service levels are staying relatively the same, the changes reflect a shift of resources to allow for more reliable service where there is higher demand. The new schedules will be available at rideonbus.com and in print.

Route changes include:

- Twenty-three (23) routes have timetable changes: 12, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 25, 43, 57, 58, 61, 63, 64, 66, 67, 73, 74, 75, 83, 97, 98, 100, 101
- Three routes have a slight map change: 43, 63, 66
- Two routes have slight routing changes with no map or timetable changes: 56, 301
- Two new high-frequency bus routes will be added: Ride On extRa Pink and Lime Routes.

Here are details of each route affected:

- Ride On extRa Pink Route: New high frequency limited stop service.
 - Shady Grove Metro Station and Trville Transit Center termination points

- Links the Shady Grove Road corridor with the Life Sciences Center via Shady Grove Road and Medical Center Drive.
- Runs every 10 minutes during weekday rush hours, from 6-9 a.m. and 3:30-6:30 p.m. Off peak weekday service runs every 15 minutes, runs every 30 minutes on weekends.
- Ride On extRa Lime Route: New high frequency limited stop service.
 - Shady Grove Metro Station and Traville Transit Center termination points.
 - Uses I-370 to provide an express route to Rio, Crown Farm, and the Great Seneca Life Sciences Center.
 - Runs every 15 minutes all day on weekdays, every 30 minutes on weekends.
- Route 12: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- Route 13: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 14: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays and Saturdays only.
- Route 16: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- Route 19: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 20: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- Route 25: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 43: Trip time adjustments for efficiency and some map changes. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
 - Service added to Gaither Road west of Shady Grove Road.
 - Service to Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center will be provided at the new Ride On extRa Pink Route stop at Shady Grove Medical Center South.
 - No Route 43 service on Shady Grove Road between Darnestown Road and Falls Grove Boulevard.
- Route 56: Slight routing changes with no map or timetable changes. Service to Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center will be provided at the new Ride On extRa Pink Route stop at Shady Grove Medical Center South.
- Route 57: Trip time adjustments and reduced trips for efficiency and improved on-time performance. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- Route 58: Trip time adjustments and reduced trips for efficiency and improved on-time performance. Sundays only.
- Route 61: Trip time adjustments and reduced trips for efficiency and improved on-time performance. Saturdays and Sundays only.
- Route 63: Trip time adjustments for efficiency and some map changes. Weekdays only.
 - Route will no longer serve Gaither Road.
 - Buses will remain on Redland Road between the Shady Grove Metro Station and Piccard Drive.
- Route 64: Trip time adjustments and reduced trips for efficiency and improved on-time performance. Saturdays and Sundays only.
- Route 66: Trip time adjustments for efficiency and some map changes. Weekdays only.
 - Service during a.m. & p.m. peak hours added to Gaither Road between Redland Boulevard and Piccard Drive, and on Piccard Drive between Gaither Road and Redland Boulevard. No midday service.
 - Service on Redland Boulevard between Gaither Road and Piccard Drive discontinued, now served by Route 63.
 - Service to Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center will be provided at the new Ride On extRa Pink Route stop at Shady Grove Medical Center South.
- Route 67: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 73: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 74: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 75: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Saturdays and Sundays only.
- Route 83: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Saturdays only.
- Route 97: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Saturdays and Sundays only.
- Route 98: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Saturdays only.
- Route 100: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays, Saturdays, and Sundays.
- Route 101: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Route 301: Slight routing changes with no map or timetable changes. Service to Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center will be provided at the new Ride On extRa Pink Route stop at Shady Grove Medical Center South.

Ride On bus fare is only \$1 and monthly passes are \$22.50 using SmarTrip, cash, or tokens. Seniors age 65 or older, persons with disabilities and youth ages 18 and under all ride free using specialized SmarTrip cards.

The Ride On Trip Planner app is a free regional public transportation planner that will find your fastest route.

For the most up-to-date service information, riders should follow @RideOnMCT on X, Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube. In addition, information is available at rideonbus.com, by subscribing to receive email alerts, or by texting MONTGOMERY RIDEON to 468311 to receive text alerts.

For information on MCDOT programs and services visit montgomerycountymd.gov/mcdot, follow @MCDOTNow on X, Facebook and Instagram and subscribe to MCDOT's "Go Montgomery!" newsletter.

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Habr  cambios en el servicio de autobuses Ride On del Condado de Montgomery comenzando el domingo 8 de septiembre

El Departamento de Transporte del condado de Montgomery (MCDOT, por sus siglas en ingl s) ajustar  los horarios de 23 rutas de autob s Ride On y agregar  dos nuevas rutas de autob s extRa de alta frecuencia con paradas limitadas a partir del domingo 8 de septiembre. Aunque los niveles de servicio se mantienen relativamente iguales, los cambios reflejan un cambio de recursos para permitir un servicio m s confiable donde hay mayor demanda.

Los nuevos horarios estar n disponibles en rideonbus.com y en versi n impresa.

Los cambios en las rutas incluyen:

- Veintitr s (23) rutas tienen cambios de horario: 12, 13, 14, 16, 19, 20, 25, 43, 57, 58, 61, 63, 64, 66, 67, 73, 74, 75, 83, 97, 98, 100, 101
- Tres rutas tienen un ligero cambio de mapa: 43, 63, 66
- Dos rutas tienen ligeros cambios de ruta sin cambios en el mapa ni en el horario: 56, 301
- Se a adir n dos nuevas rutas de autob s de alta frecuencia.: Rutas de Ride On extRa Pink (Rosa) y Lime (Lim n).

A continuaci n se detallan las rutas con cambios o adiciones:

- Ruta Rosa de Ride On extRa: nuevo servicio de alta frecuencia con paradas limitadas.
- Puntos de terminaci n de la estaci n de Metro Shady Grove y del Centro de Tr nsito de Traville.
- Une el corredor de Shady Grove Road con el centro de ciencias biol gicas a trav s de Shady Grove Road y Medical Center Drive.
- Pasa cada 10 minutos durante las horas pico de los d as laborables, de 6 a 9 a.m. y de 3:30 a 6:30 p.m. El servicio de los d as laborables fuera de horas pico pasa cada 15 minutos y cada 30 minutos los fines de semana.
- Ruta Lim n de Ride On extRa: nuevo servicio de alta frecuencia con paradas limitadas.
- Puntos de terminaci n de la estaci n de Metro Shady Grove y del Centro de Tr nsito de Traville.
- Utiliza la I-370 para proporcionar una ruta expresa a Rio, Crown Farm y el Centro de Ciencias Biol gicas Great Seneca.
- Pasa cada 15 minutos durante todo el d a los d as laborables y cada 30 minutos los fines de semana.
- Ruta 12: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables, s bados y domingos
- Ruta 13: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables.
- Ruta 14: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables y s bados.
- Ruta 16: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables, s bados y domingos.
- Ruta 19: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables.
- Ruta 20: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. D as laborables, s bados y domingos

- Ruta 25: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Días laborables.
- Ruta 43: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Días laborables, sábados y domingos.
- Se agregó servicio a Gaither Road al oeste de Shady Grove Road.
- El servicio al Adventist HealthCare, Shady Grove Medical Center, se brindará en la nueva parada de la Ruta Pink de Ride on extRa en Shady Grove Medical Center South.
- No habrá servicio de la Ruta 43 en Shady Grove Road entre Darnstown Road y Falls Grove Boulevard.
- Ruta 56: Se han producido ligeros cambios en la ruta, sin cambios en el mapa ni en el horario. El servicio al Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center se prestará en la nueva parada de la ruta rosa Ride On extRa en Shady Grove Medical Center South.
- Ruta 57: Ajustes en los tiempos de viaje y reducción de viajes para lograr eficiencia y mejorar la puntualidad. Días laborables, sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 58: Ajustes en los tiempos de viaje y reducción de viajes para lograr eficiencia y mejorar la puntualidad. Solo domingos.
- Ruta 61: Ajustes en los tiempos de viaje y reducción de viajes para lograr eficiencia y mejorar la puntualidad. Solo sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 63: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia y algunos cambios en el mapa. Solo días laborables.
- La ruta ya no prestará servicio en Gaither Road.
- Los autobuses permanecerán en Redland Road entre la estación de Metro Shady Grove y Piccard Drive.
- Ruta 64: Ajustes en los tiempos de viaje y reducción de viajes para lograr eficiencia y mejorar la puntualidad. Solo sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 66: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia y algunos cambios en el mapa. Solo días laborables.
- Se agregó servicio durante las horas pico de la mañana y la tarde en Gaither Road entre Redland Boulevard y Piccard Drive, y en Piccard Drive entre Gaither Road y Redland Boulevard. No habrá servicio al mediodía.
- Se suspendió el servicio en Redland Boulevard entre Gaither Road y Piccard Drive, ahora lo presta la Ruta 63.
- El servicio al Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center se brindará en la nueva parada de la Ruta Rosa extRa de Ride On en Shady Grove Medical Center South. Route 67: Trip time adjustments for efficiency. Weekdays only.
- Ruta 73: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo días laborables.
- Ruta 74: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo días laborables.
- Ruta 75: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 83: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo los sábados.
- Ruta 97: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 98: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo los sábados.
- Ruta 100: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Días laborables, sábados y domingos.
- Ruta 101: Ajustes en el tiempo de viaje para lograr eficiencia. Solo días laborables.
- Ruta 301: Se han producido ligeros cambios en la ruta, sin cambios en el mapa ni en el horario. El servicio al Adventist HealthCare Shady Grove Medical Center se prestará en la nueva parada de la ruta rosa de Ride On extRa en Shady Grove Medical Center South.

La tarifa del autobús de Ride On es solo \$1 y los pases mensuales cuestan \$22.50 con SmarTrip, efectivo o fichas. Las personas de 65 años o más, las personas con discapacidades y menores de 18 años viajan gratis con tarjetas SmarTrip especializadas.

La aplicación Ride On Trip Planner es un planificador de transporte público regional gratuito que encontrará la ruta más rápida.

Para obtener información actualizada siga a @RideOnMCT en X, Facebook, Instagram y YouTube. Información adicional en rideonbus.com, suscribiéndose para recibir alertas, o por texto envíe la frase MONTGOMERY RIDEON a 468311.

Para obtener información sobre los programas y servicios de MCDOT visite montgomerycountymd.gov/mcdot, siga a @MCDOTNow en X, Facebook e Instagram y suscríbese al boletín de MCDOT's "Go Montgomery!"

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Montgomery County to Offer Adult Bike and E-Scooter Classes in September, October and November

For Immediate Release: Wednesday, August 14, 2024



The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) will offer adult bike classes in September, October and November at various sites around the County. The classes are taught by experienced Washington Area Bicyclist Association (WABA) instructors and include Learn to Ride and Basic Skills classes. MCDOT also will offer four free, walk-up e-scooter classes following select bike classes.

Advance registration is required to participate in the bicycle classes. The cost is \$10 for Montgomery County residents, but there is no charge for WABA or Capital Bikeshare For All members. Bicycles and helmets will be provided for the adult Learn to Ride class participants and can be rented for a fee from WABA, if needed, for the Basic Skills class participants. Scooter classes are free of charge.

“Biking plays an important role in enhancing our community’s health, well-being and sustainability,” said County Executive Marc Elrich. “We are proud to offer low-cost adult bike classes to our residents, providing them with the skills and confidence needed to bike safely and effectively. I encourage everyone to take advantage of this valuable opportunity.”

Participants in the Learn to Ride bicycle classes will learn how to start and stop, balance, glide, pedal and steer a bike. Each student will progress at their own pace. Students in the Basic Skills class should be able to ride a bicycle and will practice basic biking skills.

The classes are open to residents 18 and over, are limited to 25 people and fill up quickly.

Online registration is currently open for September classes on the WABA website under the Classes tab. Registration for October classes will open at 9 a.m. on Monday, Sept. 9, and November class registration will open at 9 a.m. on Monday, Oct. 7.

Adult Learn to Ride Bike Class schedule:

- **Saturday, Sept. 7.** 9 a.m.-noon.
Wheaton Ice Arena (back parking lot), 11717 Orebaugh Drive, Wheaton.
**Free scooter class to follow (noon- 2 p.m.).*
- **Sunday, Sept. 22.** 9 a.m.-noon.
Davis Construction at Twinbrook Metro Center I, 12530 Parklawn Drive, Rockville.
- **Sunday, Sept. 29.** 9 a.m.-noon.
Upper County Community Recreation Center, 8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg.
**Free scooter class to follow (noon-2 p.m.).*
- **Saturday, Oct. 5.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
White Oak Community Recreation Center, 1700 April Lane, White Oak.
- **Saturday, Oct. 19.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Germantown Recreation Center, 18905 Kingsview Road, Germantown.
- **Sunday, Oct. 27.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Westfield Montgomery Mall (former Sears parking lot), 7101 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda.
**Free scooter class to follow (1-3 p.m.).*
- **Sunday, Nov. 3.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Farm Women's Market, Lot 24, 4601 Leland Street., Bethesda.
- **Saturday, Nov. 9.** 10 a.m.-1 p.m.
Margaret Schweinhaut Senior Center, 1000 Forest Glen Road., Silver Spring.

Adult Basic Skills Bike Class schedule:

- **Sunday, Oct. 6.** 10 a.m.-noon.
Montgomery College (parking lot 13), 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville.
**Free scooter class to follow (noon-2 p.m.).*
- **Saturday, Nov. 2.** 10 a.m.-noon.
GEICO Chevy Chase Building, 5260 Western Avenue, Chevy Chase.

Rain dates for all the adult bike and e-scooter classes will be two weeks after the original class date and time.

Free, two-hour adult scooter classes are being offered on a drop-in basis on four select days immediately following the bike classes on Sept. 7, Sept. 29, Oct. 6 and Oct. 27. Scooter classes do not require pre-registration. Anyone 18 or over with a valid driver's license or ID can drop in anytime. Scooters are provided.

"We have seen tremendous demand for our adult bike classes," said Chris Conklin, director of MCDOT. "Since spring 2021, more than 600 residents have participated in these trainings. This fall, we've added two additional classes and expanded to two new locations. We anticipate this interest will continue to grow as we actively expand our bike network. Recently, we completed bike paths in Olney and Clarksburg, and work is underway on separated bike lanes in Bethesda and Downtown Silver Spring."

To register for the bike classes, visit waba.org/classes. For more information, and to view any future inclement weather cancellations, visit MCDOT's website here or call 240-777-8380.

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El Condado de Montgomery ofrecerá clases de bicicletas y patinetas eléctricas para adultos en septiembre, octubre y noviembre

El Departamento de Transporte del Condado de Montgomery (MCDOT, por sus siglas en inglés) ofrecerá clases de ciclismo para adultos en septiembre, octubre y noviembre en varios sitios alrededor del condado. Las clases son impartidas por instructores experimentados de la Asociación de Ciclistas del Área de Washington (WABA) e incluyen clases de Aprenda a Andar en Bicicleta y Habilidades Básicas. MCDOT también ofrecerá cuatro clases gratuitas de patinetas eléctricas sin cita previa después de clases de ciclismo seleccionadas.

Es necesario registrarse con anticipación para participar en las clases de ciclismo. El costo es de \$10 para los residentes del condado de Montgomery, pero no hay cargo para los miembros de WABA o Capital Bikeshare For All. Se proporcionarán bicicletas y cascos para los participantes adultos de la clase de Aprenda a Andar en Bicicleta y se pueden alquilar por una tarifa de WABA, si es necesario, para los participantes de la clase de Habilidades Básicas. Las clases de patinetas son gratuitas.

"El ciclismo juega un papel importante en la mejora de la salud, el bienestar y la sostenibilidad de nuestra comunidad", dijo el Ejecutivo del Condado Marc Elrich. "Estamos orgullosos de ofrecer clases de ciclismo para adultos de bajo costo a nuestros residentes, brindándoles las habilidades y la confianza necesarias para andar en bicicleta de manera segura y eficaz. Animo a todos a aprovechar esta valiosa oportunidad".

Los participantes de las clases de aprender a en bicicleta aprenderán a arrancar y detenerse, a mantener el equilibrio, a deslizarse, a pedalear y a dirigir una bicicleta. Cada estudiante progresará a su propio ritmo. Los estudiantes de la clase de habilidades básicas deben poder andar en bicicleta y practicarán las habilidades básicas de ciclismo.

Las clases están abiertas a personas mayores de 18 años, tienen un límite de 25 personas y se llenan rápidamente.

La inscripción electrónica está abierta actualmente para las clases de septiembre en el sitio web de WABA en la pestaña Clases. La inscripción para las clases de octubre se abrirá a las 9 a.m. del lunes 9 de septiembre y la inscripción para las clases de noviembre se abrirá a las 9 a.m. del lunes 7 de octubre.

Horario de las clases de Aprender a Andar en Bicicleta para adultos:

- **Sábado 7 de septiembre**, 9 a.m. a mediodía. Wheaton Ice Arena (estacionamiento trasero), 11717 Orebaugh Drive. *Clase de patineta eléctrica gratuita después (del mediodía a las 2 p.m.).
- **Domingo 22 de septiembre**, 9 a.m. a mediodía. Davis Construction en Twinbrook Metro Center I, 12530 Parklawn Drive, Rockville.
- **Domingo 29 de septiembre**, 9 a.m. a mediodía. Centro Recreativo Comunitario del Norte del Condado, 8201 Emory Grove Road, Gaithersburg. * Clase de patineta eléctrica gratuita después (del mediodía a las 2 p.m.).

- **Sábado 5 de octubre**, 10 a.m. a 1 p.m. White Oak Community Recreation Center, 1700 April Lane, Silver Spring.
- **Sábado 19 de octubre**, 10 a.m. a 1 p.m. Centro Recreativo Comunitario de Germantown, 18905 Kingsview Road, Germantown.
- **Domingo 27 de octubre**, 10 a.m. a 1 p.m. Centro Comercial Westfield Montgomery (antiguo estacionamiento de Sears), 7101 Democracy Boulevard, Bethesda. * Clase de patineta eléctrica gratuita después (de 1 p.m. a 3 p.m.).
- **Domingo 3 de noviembre**, 10 a.m. a 1 p.m. Farm Women's Market, lote 24, 4601 Leland Street, Bethesda.
- **Sábado 9 de noviembre**, 10 a.m. a 1 p.m. Centro para Adultos Mayores Margaret Schweinhaut, 1000 Forest Glen Road, Silver Spring.

Horario de clases de ciclismo para adultos sobre Habilidades Básicas:

- **Domingo 6 de octubre**, de 10 a.m. a mediodía. Montgomery College (estacionamiento 13), 850 Hungerford Drive, Rockville.
*Luego habrá una clase de patineta eléctrica gratuita (de mediodía a 2 p.m.).
- **Sábado 2 de noviembre**, de 10 a.m. a mediodía. Edificio GEICO Chevy Chase, 5260 Western Avenue, Chevy Chase.

Las fechas de lluvia para todas las clases de bicicletas y patinetas eléctricas para adultos serán dos semanas después de la fecha y hora de la clase original.

Se ofrecerán clases gratuitas de patinetas eléctricas para adultos de dos horas sin cita previa en cuatro días seleccionados inmediatamente después de las clases de bicicletas el 7 de septiembre, el 29 de septiembre, el 6 de octubre y el 27 de octubre. Las clases de patinetas eléctricas no requieren inscripción previa. Cualquier persona mayor de 18 años con una licencia de conducir o identificación válida puede asistir en cualquier momento. Se proporcionan las patinetas eléctricas.

"Hemos visto una enorme demanda de nuestras clases de bicicletas para adultos", dijo Chris Conklin, director de MCDOT. "Desde la primavera de 2021, más de 600 personas han participado en estas capacitaciones. Este otoño, hemos agregado dos clases adicionales y nos hemos expandido a dos nuevas ubicaciones. Anticipamos que este interés seguirá creciendo a medida que expandimos activamente nuestra red de bicicletas. Recientemente, completamos ciclovías en Olney y Clarksburg, y se está trabajando en ciclovías separadas en Bethesda y el centro de Silver Spring".

Para inscribirse en las clases de ciclismo, visite waba.org/classes. Para obtener más información y ver las futuras cancelaciones por mal tiempo, visite el sitio web de MCDOT aquí o llame al 240-777-8380.

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