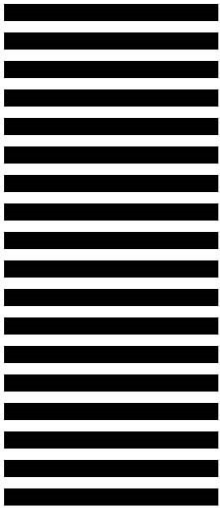




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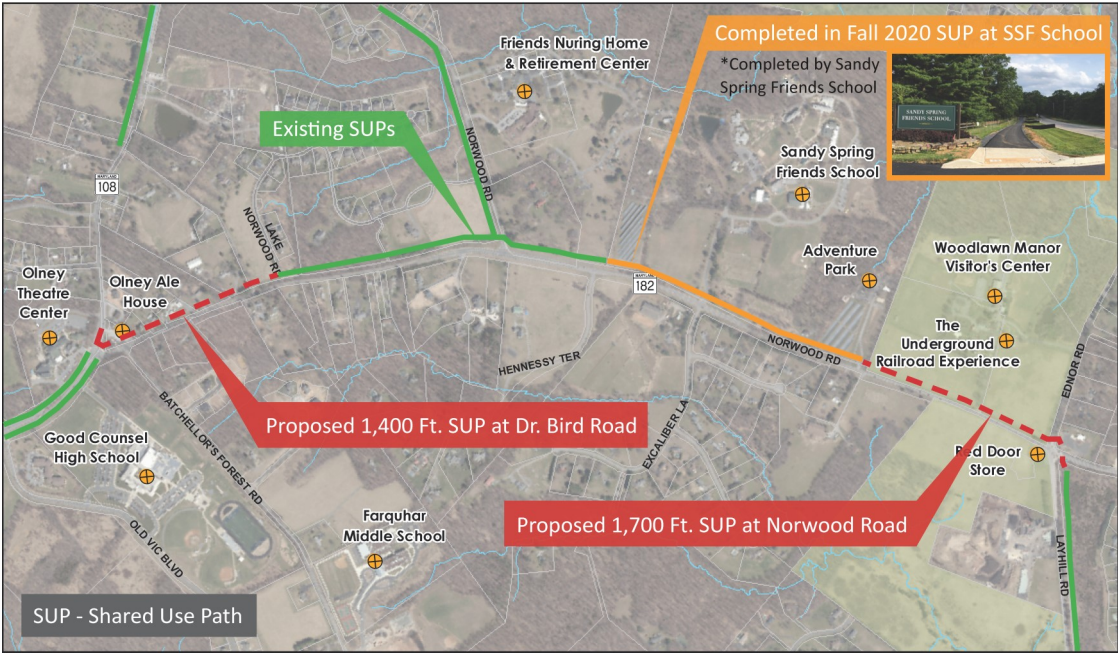
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Montgomery County has adopted a Vision Zero Action Plan with the goal of having zero traffic-related deaths by the year of 2030. The plan was approved in November 2017. This project supports the Vision Zero Action Plan by providing safer pedestrian and bicycle facilities. The project will provide a pedestrian space where none exists today and will provide the opportunity for bicyclists of all ages and abilities to bike along a low stress route. The proposed shared use path along Dr. Bird and Norwood Road (MD 182) will allow pedestrians and bicyclists to travel safely along the corridor and provide new connections to existing shared use path facilities.



The proposed Shared Use Path extends along the east side of Dr. Bird Road from MD 108 to Lake Norwood Way where it will connect to an existing shared use path. The proposed path will continue along the east side of Norwood Road from the Adventure Park at Sandy Spring to Ednor Road and connect to an existing shared use path on the south side of Ednor Road.



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Project Schedule

MCDOT will complete final design plans by 2021. Construction is anticipated in 2022.

Project Website

Before and after the public workshop, the meeting materials will be available on the project website at:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dte/projects/heritageTTph1/index.html>

Public Comments Submission

MCDOT encourages you to stay involved! You may forward comments to MCDOT by:

- The attached postage-paid Public Comments Form
- Regular mail to:
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- E-mail: Patricia.Shepherd@montgomerycountymd.gov



Heritage Triangle Trail Ph. I, Dr. Bird/Norwood Rd. Shared Use Path Project **VIRTUAL** Public Workshop

**Thursday, February 25, 2021
7:00PM – 9:00PM**

PLEASE REGISTER BEFOREHAND TO ATTEND THE MEETING

To register, view materials, and provide feedback, visit the HTT Project Website:

<https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/dot-dte/projects/heritageTTph1/index.html>

If you have any questions please email:
Patricia.Shepherd@montgomerycountymd.gov

MCDOT always welcomes your feedback. We encourage you to provide input on the Postage Paid Public Comments Form included with this newsletter. You can also email your comments directly to the Project Manager at patricia.shepherd@montgomerycountymd.gov or call at 240-777-7231.

Heritage Triangle Trail, Ph. 1, Dr. Bird / Norwood Road Shared Use Path

Visit the project webpage for the latest project news and meeting materials if you are unable to attend the public workshop:
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THE PLAN AHEAD

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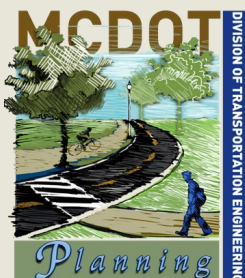
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INTRODUCTION

The Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) is investing in a well connected pedestrian and bicycle network which enriches the livability of a community. Therefore, MCDOT is implementing bicycle facilities such as off road shared use paths, which serve as critical links in the transportation system, providing access to residential areas, transit, commercial districts, schools, places of worship, parks, and recreation areas.

MCDOT has initiated preliminary design for the Heritage Triangle Trail, Phase 1 which will create a network of shared-use paths connecting local heritage areas. Phase 1 will examine portions of the Dr. Bird / Norwood Road corridor from MD 108 to Ednor Road in order to develop plans for providing safer bicycle and pedestrian access along the MD 182 corridor. The proposed path will eliminate existing bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure gaps along the corridor while establishing multi-modal links between local cultural resources.

NEWSLETTER PURPOSE

The purpose of this newsletter is to invite you to attend a public workshop to learn

VIRTUAL Public Workshop
Thursday, 2/25/2021, 7:00-9:00PM

Register at the HTT Project Website:
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about the preliminary design plans, inform you of the project schedule and obtain your feedback.

PROJECT SCOPE AND PURPOSE

The proposed project will provide 1,400 feet of new ten (10') foot wide shared use path with five (5') foot grass buffer on the east side of Dr. Bird Road from MD 108 to the existing shared use path at Lake Norwood Way. The proposed project will also provide 1,700 feet of new ten (10') foot wide shared

use path with five (5') foot grass buffer on the east side of Norwood Road from the Sandy Spring Adventure Park to Ednor Road, where it will cross and connect to the existing shared use path on the south side of Ednor Road. The project will also include improvements to storm drainage, storm-water management, signing, pavement markings, and pedestrian signals.

PROJECT NEED

As part of the Countywide Bikeways Program MCDOT identifies missing links in off road shared use paths and on road bike lanes and initiates projects to eliminate the missing links (see map on back).

The Approved and Adopted Olney Master Plan and the Montgomery County Bicycle Master Plan identify Dr. Bird / Norwood Road (MD 182) as an important north/south connection for communities in Olney and Rockville, as well as a critical link for bicycle/pedestrian infrastructure along the MD 182 corridor.

As part of the planned Heritage Triangle Trail, the project will complete the shared use path network connecting several existing Maryland Heritage Sites along the MD 182 corridor.



Heritage Triangle Trail, Ph. 1, Dr. Bird / Norwood Road Shared Use Path Shared Use Path Project

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PUBLIC COMMENTS FORM

Public input is the key to the success of a transportation project, as it allows the Montgomery County Department of Transportation (MCDOT) to understand the concerns of the community. We encourage you to complete the form below. Due to the high volume of comments we receive, MCDOT regrets that individual responses may not be provided to all comments, but we assure you that all comments will be read and evaluated.

Please provide us with any comments and return by: **Tuesday, February 23rd, 2021**

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