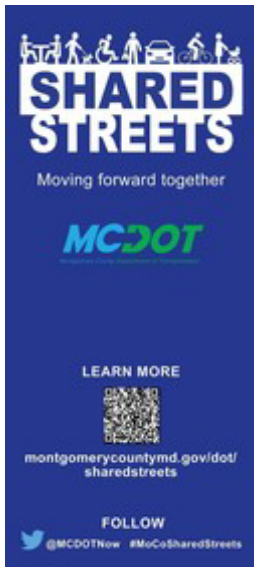


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MCDOT's Neighborhood Greenways Aim to Make Local Roads More Friendly for Pedestrians and Bicyclists August 27, 2020

Four local streets in Montgomery County will be transformed into more friendly roadways for pedestrians, bicyclists and other non-vehicular users, as MCDOT unveils the newest "Shared Streets" in a program that encourages roads to be shared by vehicles and other users. Shared Streets "Temporary Neighborhood Greenways" limit vehicular traffic to local traffic only, providing access to residents, service providers and deliveries. [Learn more.](#)

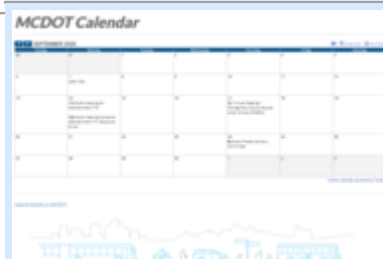


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Montgomery County to Permit More Businesses to Reopen Under Updated Phase 2 COVID-19 Guidelines

Montgomery County Executive Marc Elrich, after consultation with County Health Officer Dr. Travis Gayles and based on data from contact tracing, has issued an updated executive order that allows additional openings. [Learn more.](#)





State to Hold Virtual and In-Person Hearings on I-495/I-270 Managed Lane Study

The public has three more opportunities in September to testify about the feasibility of adding tolled lanes to portions of I-495 and I-270. On September 3, State and Federal agencies will jointly hold a virtual public hearing and on September 1 and 10, will hold in-person hearings. [Learn more.](#)



MCDOT Works With COVID Corps Youth Employees

“COVID Corps” is a summer employment program for residents ages 16 to 23 that provides them with opportunities to support the County’s COVID-19 response. MCDOT’s COVID Corps is helping monitor MCDOT’s e-scooter pilot program in Silver Spring and providing transportation program information to commuters. The County’s COVID Corps was recently featured on the [PBS Newshour](#) and [Local DVM](#). [Learn more.](#)



Metro Increases Bus and Rail Service

Metrorail has begun operating near pre-pandemic service on four of its six rail lines. Buses are operating as early as 4 a.m. and ending as late as midnight, with schedules varying by route. [Learn more.](#) Regional transit service is also ramping up. [Learn more.](#)



Public Invited to Comment on Proposed Changes to Ellsworth Drive

MCDOT will hold a virtual public hearing on September 14 concerning the proposed abandonment of two sections of Ellsworth Drive in downtown Silver Spring. The abandonment would allow the revitalization, expansion and upgrading of public use spaces and amenities and restrict non-essential vehicular traffic. [Registration online is required.](#)

Transportation-Related Holiday Schedule for Labor Day

- **County Offices** – Closed.
- **Ride On** – Sunday schedule.
- **Metrorail/Metrobus** – www.wmata.com.
- **TRIPS Commuter Store at Silver Spring Transit Center** – Open.
- **Parking at public garages, lots, curbside meters** – Free.



Celebrate Car Free Day on September 22

Car Free Day is a worldwide event that encourages traveling in ways that are greener than driving alone. [Commuter Connections](#) hosts Car Free Day in the DC region to raise awareness about the benefits of using options such as transit, bicycling, walking, scooters, telework, trains, and “car-lite” options such as carpooling and vanpooling. [Learn more.](#)