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WHAT IS FLASH ON VEIRS MILL ROAD?

The Flash on Veirs Mill Road Project will be a 7-mile, limited-stop, branded bus service with twelve stations planned on Veirs Mill Road and MD 355. The project includes six components:

New Flash bus service

12 new Flash bus stations

Use of existing bus-only lanes and shoulders

Upgraded pedestrian and bicycle facilities

Transit signal priority

Queue jump lanes

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FEATURES AND AMENITIES

Accommodates bicycles onboard

Frequent, reliable service

WiFi and USB ports

Level boarding allows for easy on, easy off

New, enhanced vehicles

Often travel in dedicated lanes, bypassing traffic

ENHANCED VEHICLES

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EXPLORE THE FEATURES OF

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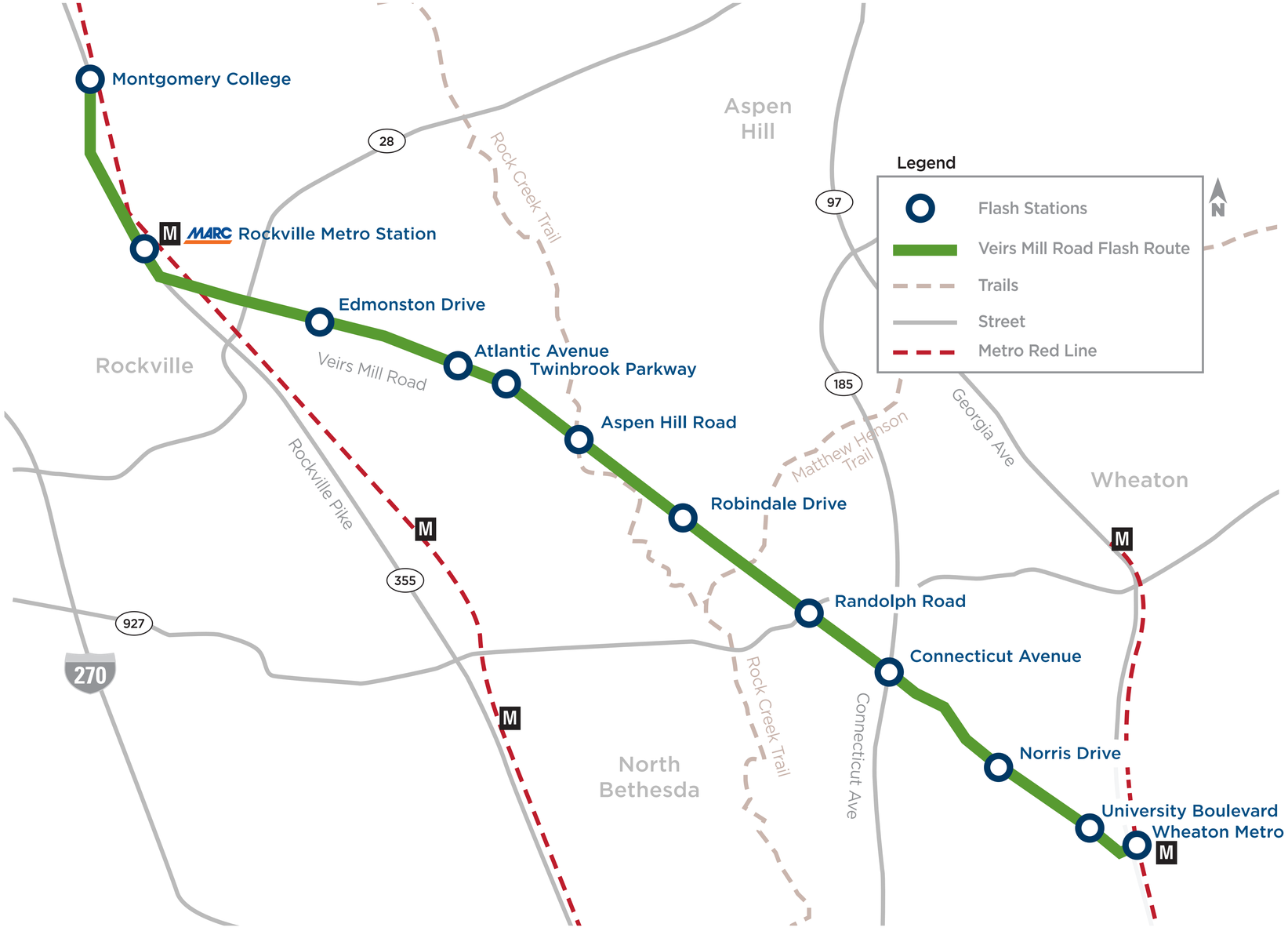
FLASH STATIONS AND SERVICE



Running 6-10 minutes during the peak period and 10-20 minutes during the off-peak.

Service from 5am - 1am, 7 days per week.

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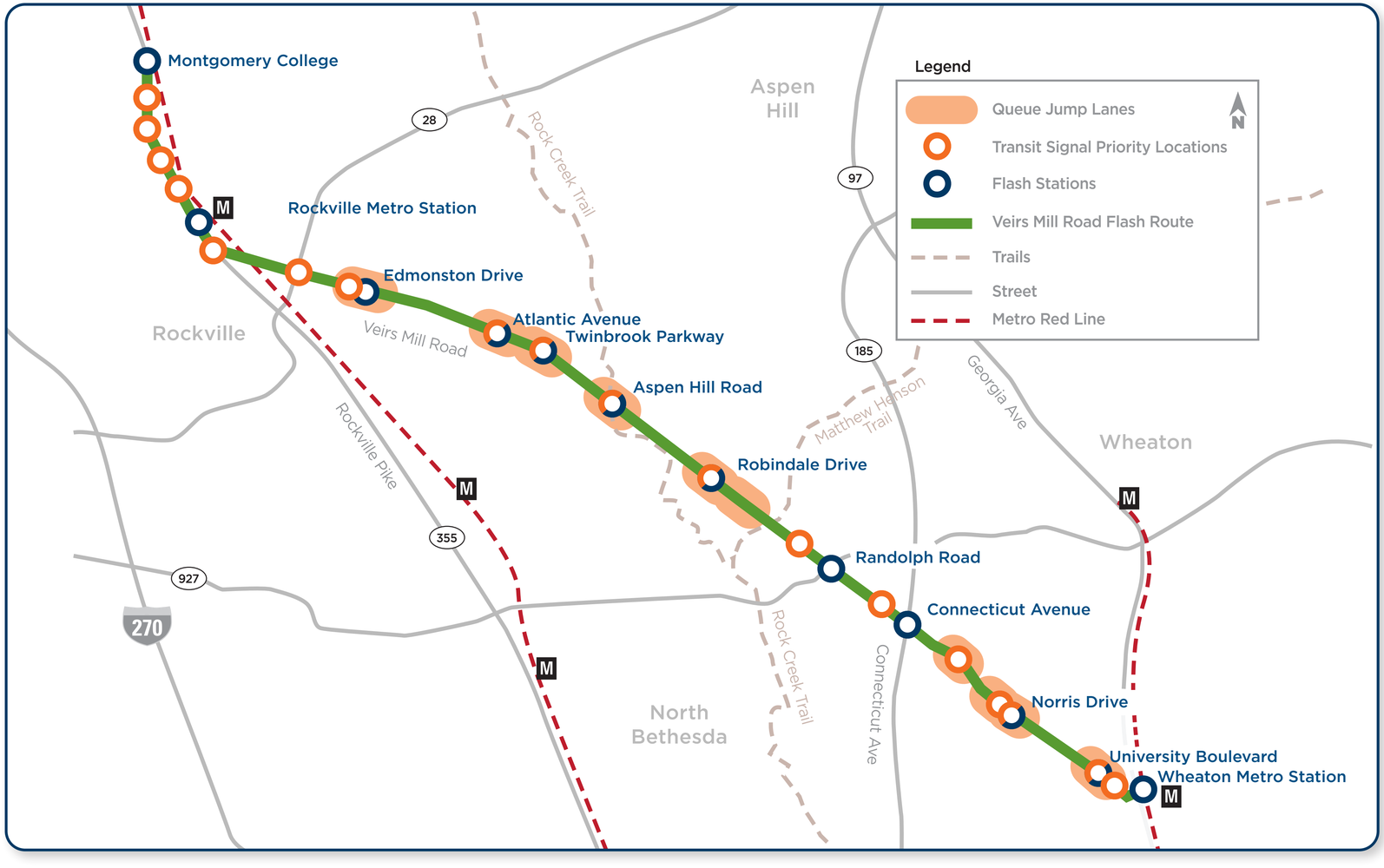
FLASH BUS PRIORITY

Flash on Veirs Mill Road will use queue jumps at select intersections and transit signal priority (TSP) to bypass traffic and provide faster, more reliable service.



TRANSIT SIGNAL PRIORITY

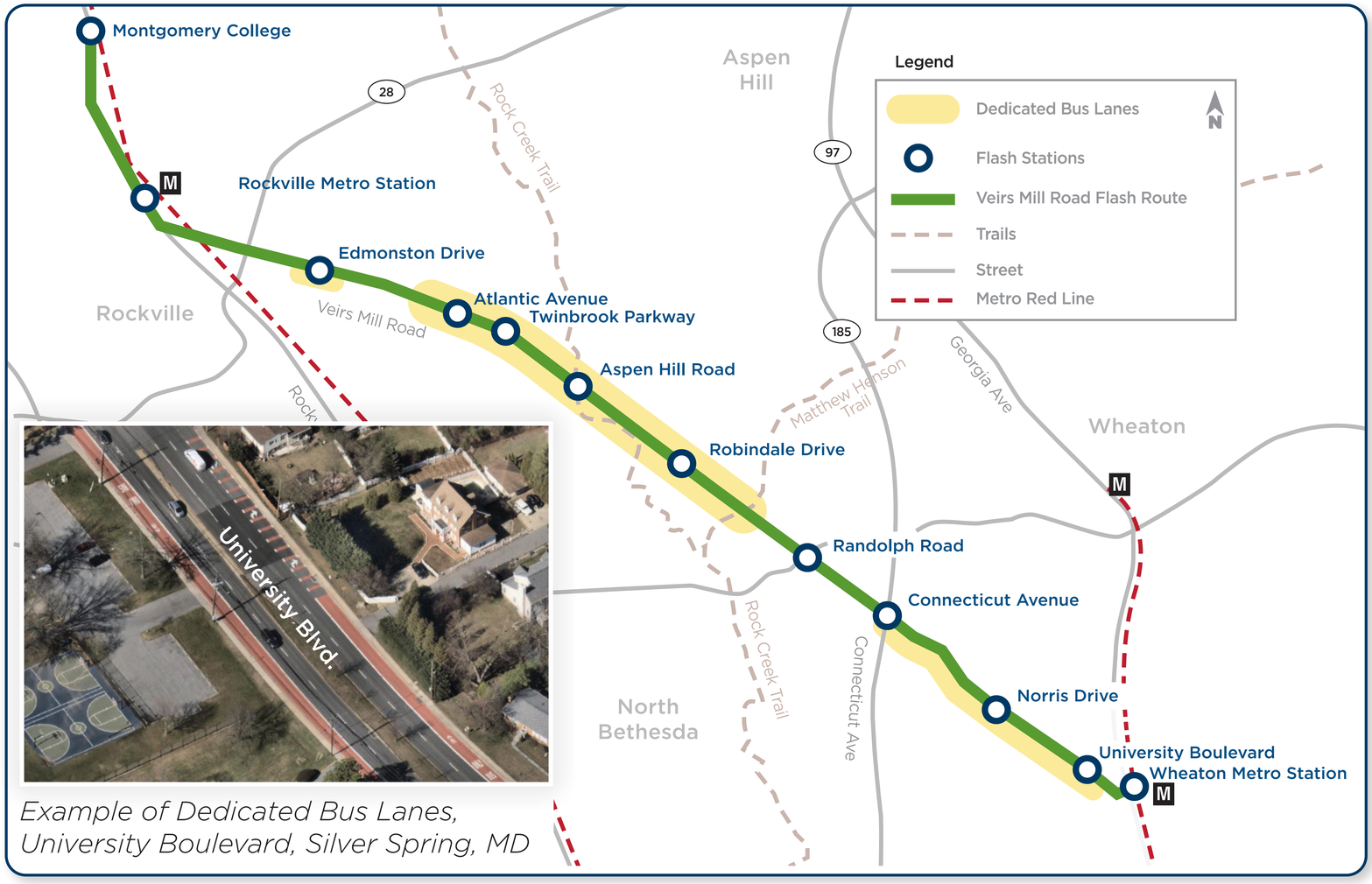
TSP is a tool that advances or extends the green light at a signal by a few seconds to allow a bus to continue through an intersection.

QUEUE JUMP LANES

Queue jumps are short lanes at an intersection that buses are permitted to use to bypass congestion.

PROPOSED LANE CONFIGURATION

The Flash buses on Veirs Mill Road and MD 355 will operate in a mix of regular traffic and dedicated curbside lanes by utilizing existing shoulders or lanes designated for buses and right turns only to avoid traffic congestion.



Example of Dedicated Bus Lanes, University Boulevard, Silver Spring, MD

PROPOSED LANE CONFIGURATION

Dedicated Flash Shared with Right Turns:

- Between Atlantic Ave and Twinbrook Pkwy

Flash on Shoulder:

- Between Twinbrook Pkwy and Parkland Dr

Eastbound Dedicated Flash Shared with Right Turns, Westbound Flash in Mixed Traffic:

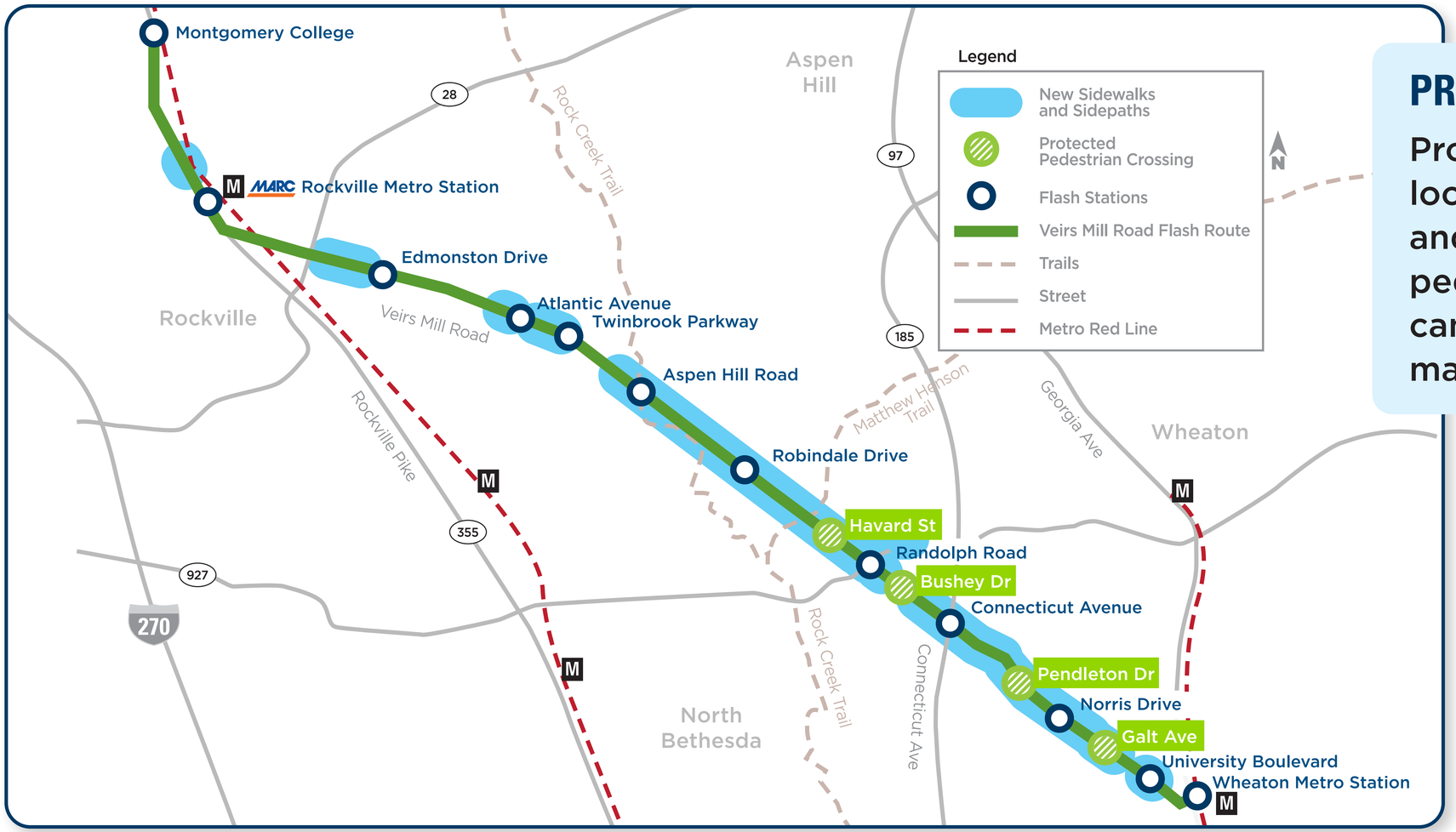
- Between Connecticut Ave and University Blvd

Flash in Mixed Traffic:

- Between Montgomery College and Atlantic Ave
- Between Parkland Dr and Connecticut Ave
- Between University Blvd and Wheaton Metro

UPGRADED PEDESTRIAN AND BICYCLE ACCESS

Pedestrian and bicycle improvements proposed on Veirs Mill Road and MD 355 include new sidepaths, sidewalks, intersection signals, signing, pavement markings, and lighting.



PROTECTED PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

Protected crossings are locations with a crosswalk and traffic signal where pedestrians and bicyclists can safely cross the road between major signalized intersections.

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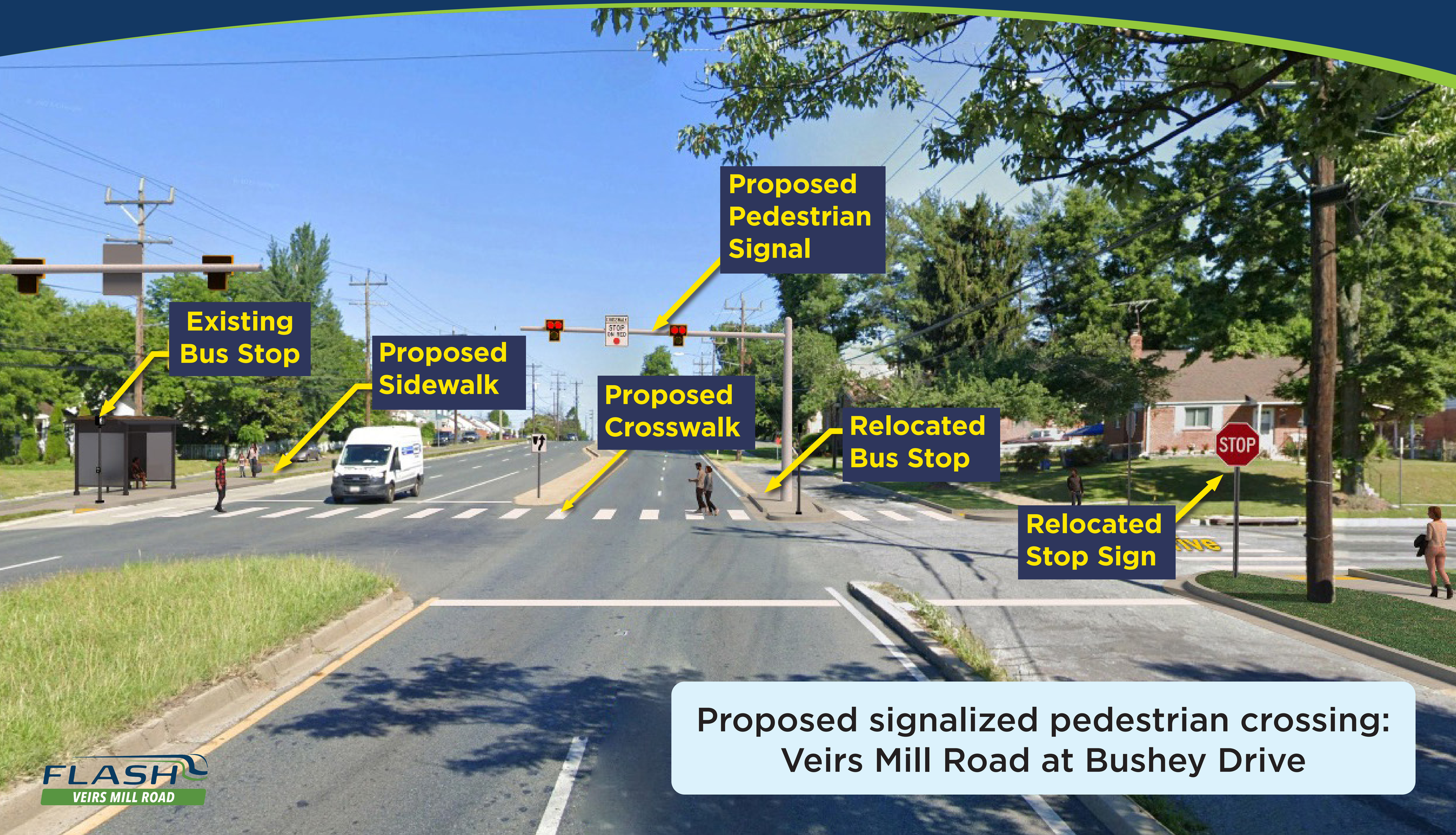

Proposed signalized pedestrian crossing:
Veirs Mill Road at Bushey Drive

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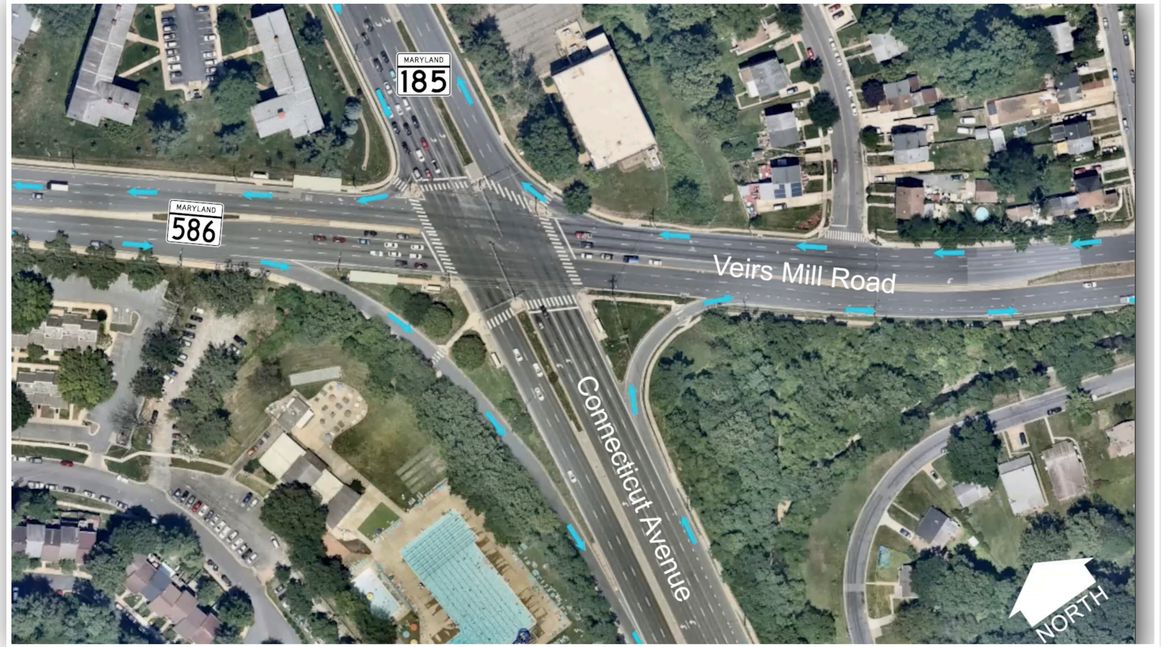
CONNECTICUT AVENUE INTERSECTION RECONFIGURATION

The intersection at Veirs Mill Road and Connecticut Avenue will undergo an extensive intersection reconfiguration that will enhance pedestrian safety by:

- **Eliminating unsignalized high-speed right-turn lanes and islands.**
- **Constructing two Flash bus platforms on the west leg.**
- **Creating a lower-stress environment for pedestrians amidst increased pedestrian and cyclist activity around proposed Flash bus stations.**



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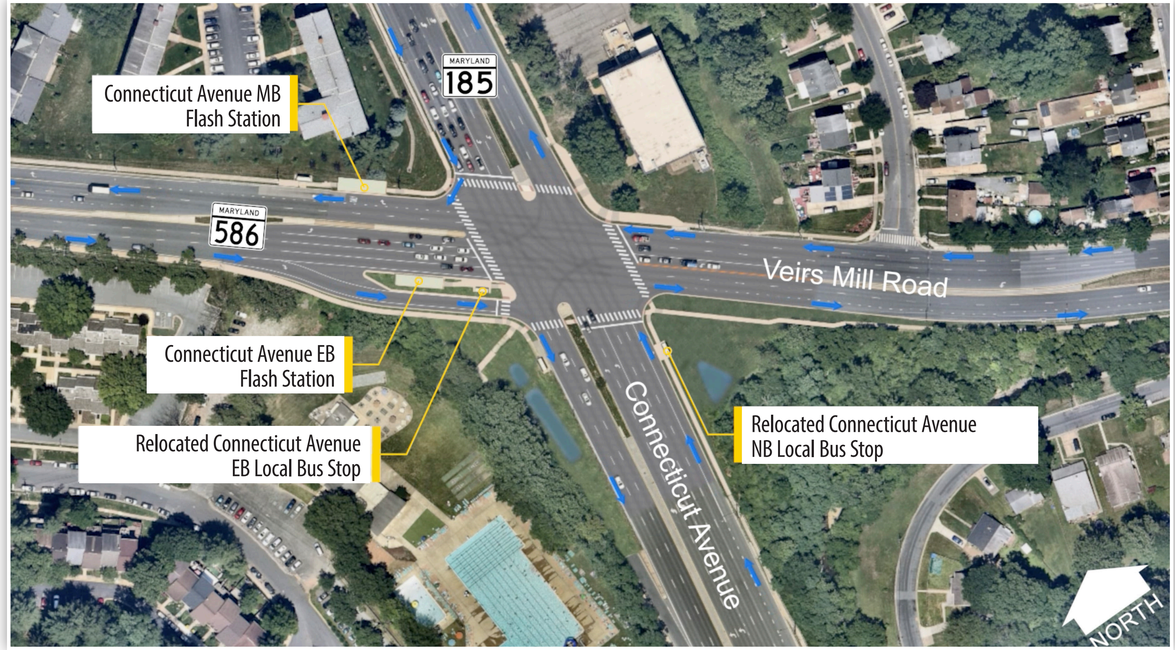

After Reconfiguration

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LEARN ABOUT FLASH BUS AND STATION DESIGN

FLASH BUSES ON VEIRS MILL ROAD

Montgomery County won a grant for federal funding for 13 zero-emission hydrogen fuel cell electric buses. This helps meet the goals within the County's Climate Action Plan which is seeking to cut greenhouse gas emissions by 100% by 2035.

These 60-foot articulated buses will be used on the Flash routes (US 29, Veirs Mill Road, and MD 355)

COMMUNITY BENEFITS OF ZERO EMISSION BUSES

- Reduced air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions - improved air quality and public health
- Lower noise levels compared to traditional buses - quieter and more pleasant urban environments
- Sustainability - inspire other communities to adopt similar initiatives
- Potential long-term cost savings through decreased fuel and maintenance expenses - more efficient public transportation operations

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STATION DESIGN

New, comfortable stations

Weather protection

Pre-payment stations

4min Real-time transit info

Enhanced pedestrian walkways

Bike facilities

Integrated mosaic artwork

COMMUNITY-FRIENDLY DESIGN

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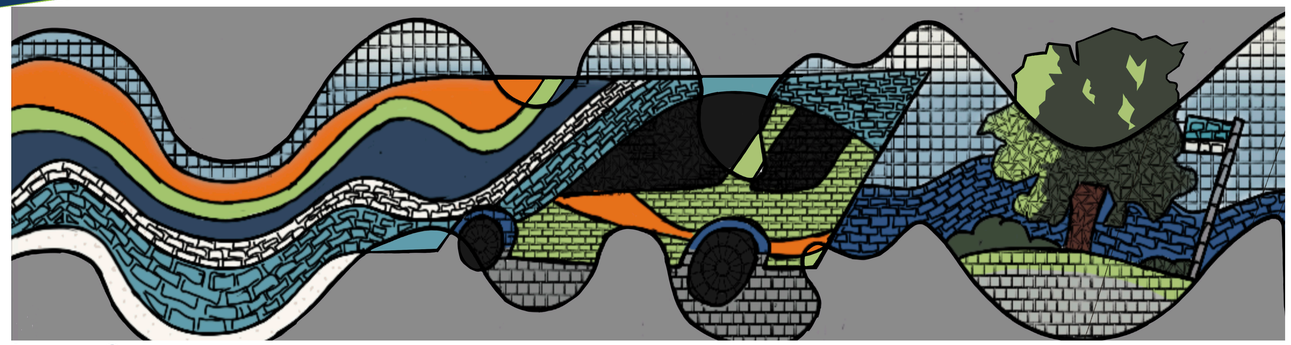
FLASH STATION DESIGN

Proposed Flash Station Design: Veirs Mill Road at Randolph Road

ARTS ON THE BLOCK APPRENTICE DESIGN



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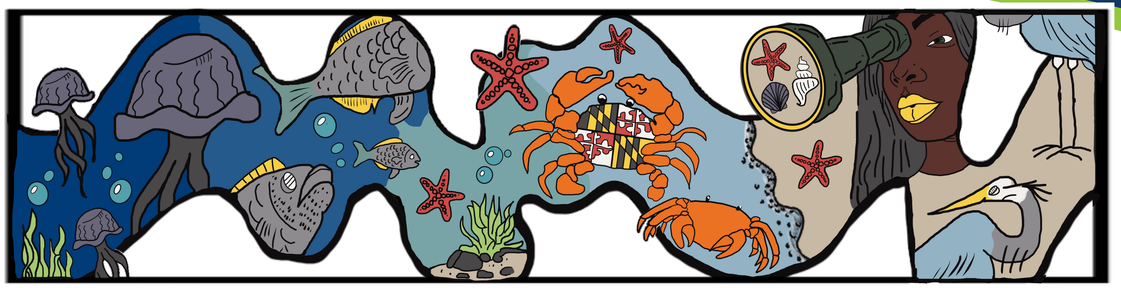

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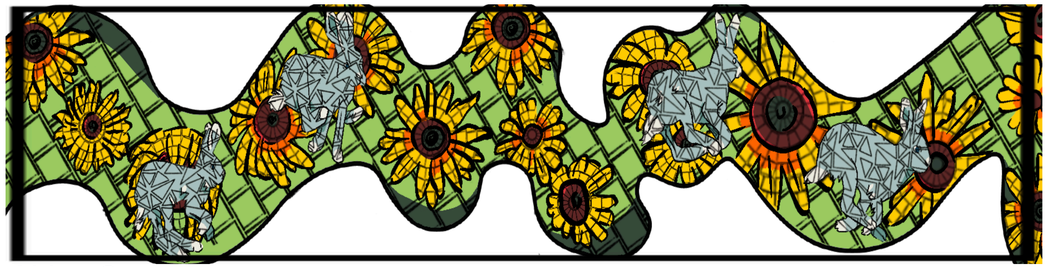

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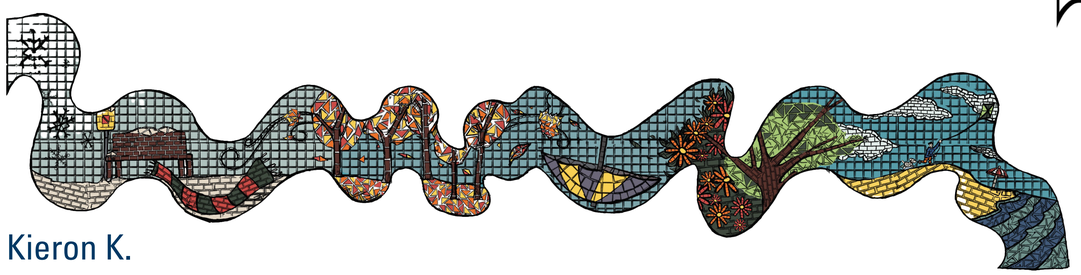

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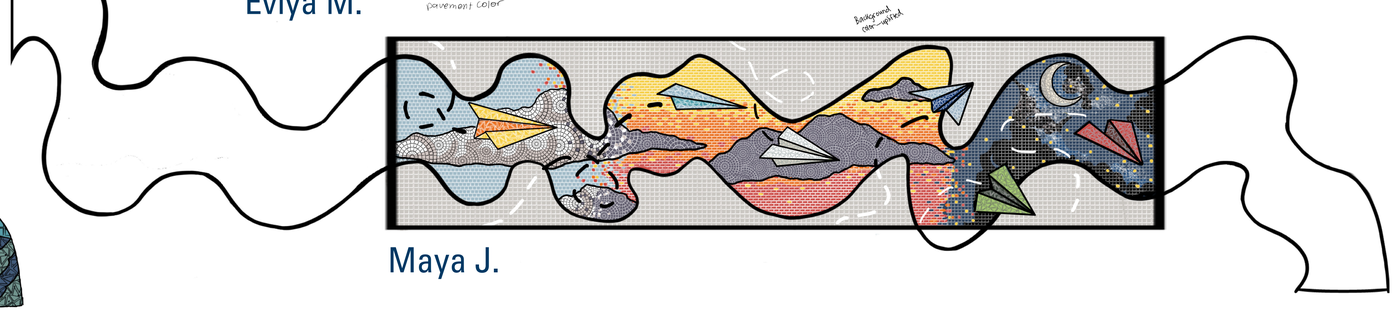

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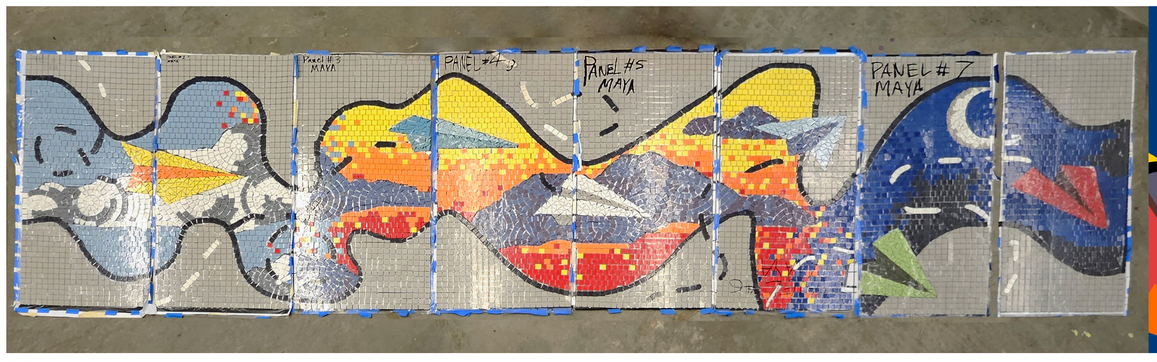

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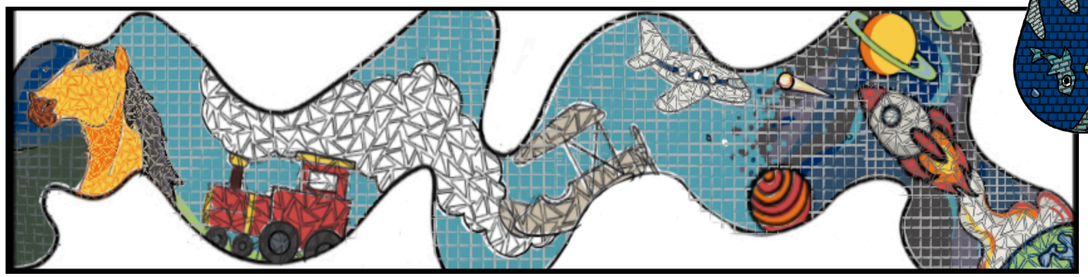

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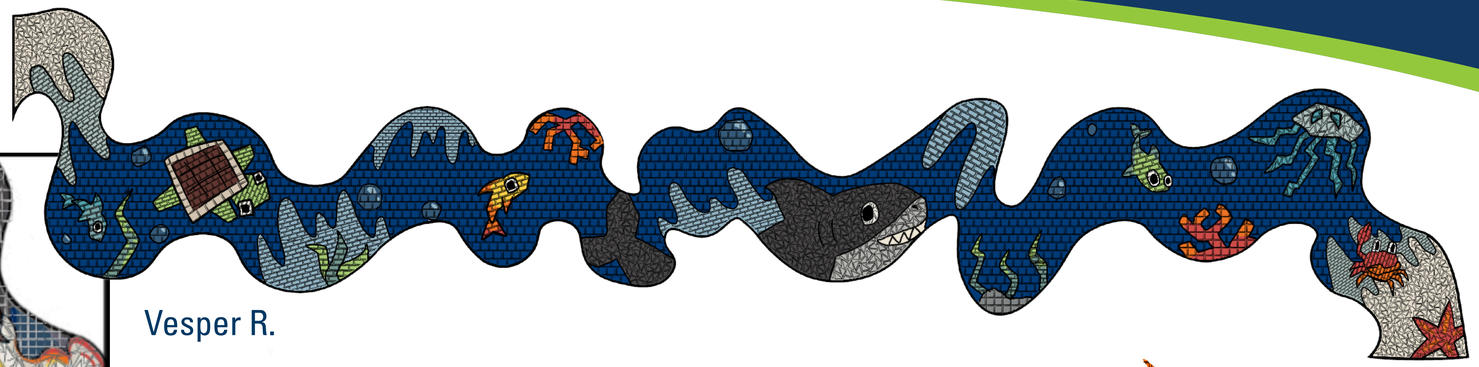

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LEARN ABOUT THE BENEFITS OF

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AND THE BUDGET & SCHEDULE

BENEFITS

The Flash on Veirs Mill Road project will provide many benefits to one of the busiest transit corridors in the state.

PROVIDING BETTER SERVICE FOR EXISTING RIDERS

Flash on Veirs Mill Road is expected to operate from 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 a.m. each day, arriving at stations every 6-10 minutes during the morning and afternoon peak periods. This service would be more frequent than existing bus service on Veirs Mill Road.

ACCESSIBILITY

Flash on Veirs Mill Road will increase regional connections and access to employment and education opportunities and other essential services within the metro region.

EFFICIENCY

An element of the Flash on Veirs Mill Road project will be to examine local service along and around the corridor for potential operational efficiency improvements.

IMPROVED TRANSIT RELIABILITY

Flash on Veirs Mill Road will improve reliability through use of dedicated Bus on Shoulder lanes, Transit Signal Priority, and more efficient operations (level multiple-door vehicle boarding, limited stops, off-board fare collection).

TRAVEL TIME SAVINGS

The efficient operation of Flash on Veirs Mill Road is expected to result in travel time savings compared to current local bus service.

CONNECTIVITY

The project will incorporate bicycle and pedestrian access and safety improvements along the corridor, including new sidewalks and new signalized crosswalks.

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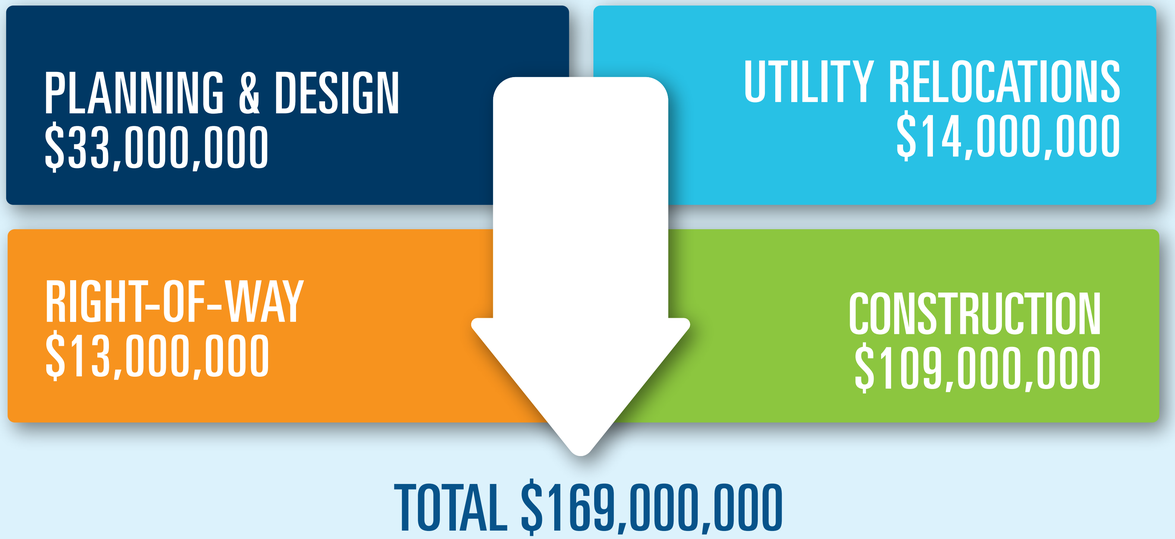
FLASH ON VEIRS MILL ROAD FUNDING & SCHEDULE

PROJECT SCHEDULE

Preliminary Engineering COMPLETED	Final Design	Anticipated FTA Grant Received	ROW Acquisition & Utility Relocations	Construction	VMR Flash Opens for Service!
2020-2021	2022-2025	2025	2025-2027	2024-2027	2027

PROJECT BUDGET

The implementation cost for the Flash on Veirs Mill Road project is estimated to be $169 million, some of which is anticipated to be paid by the Federal government as part of a Capital Investment Grant.



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STOP 5

GET ON BOARD

STAY INVOLVED IN FLASH ON VEIRS MILL ROAD

FILL OUT OUR COMMENT CARD

Stay Involved!

Visit the project website to learn more and comment online.

REQUEST A COMMUNITY MEETING

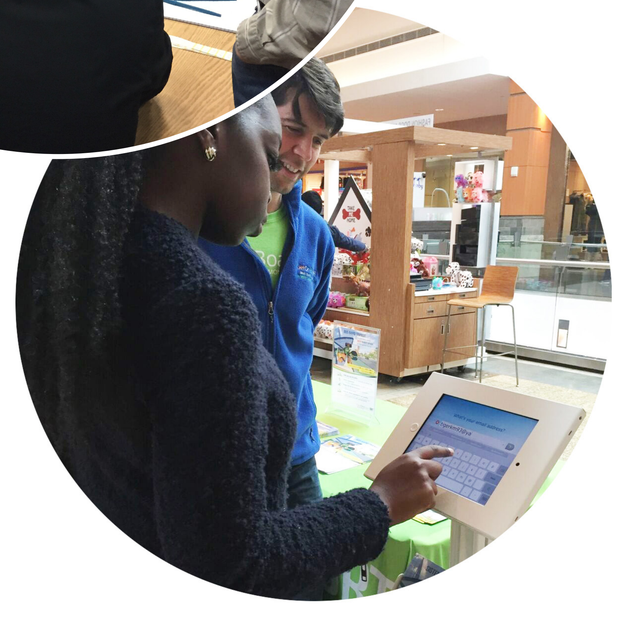
We want to meet you where you are!

If you belong to a civic group such as a homeowners association, chamber of commerce, community advocacy organization, or are simply a member of the community that wants to engage in the outreach efforts, please contact **Zouli Bereddad** at **Zouli.bereddad@montgomerycountymd.gov** to request a community meeting.

SEND US AN EMAIL

Questions?

Ask a question or share your feedback on the project by contacting **Zouli.bereddad@montgomerycountymd.gov**



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