



**SUBURBAN MARYLAND  
TRANSPORTATION ALLIANCE**

**TRANSPORTATION ISSUES QUESTIONNAIRE**  
County Executive Candidates, Montgomery County  
March, 2018

Congratulations on your decision to run for elected office and serve the Montgomery County community. We wish you the best of luck and hope you will take this opportunity to introduce yourself to our membership and to express your ideas to solve the County's severe transportation problems.

Since its origin in 2009, the mission of the Suburban Maryland Transportation Alliance (SMTA) is to educate officials and the public about the complexities of transportation and to advocate for both roads and transit solutions that are cost-effective and do the most good to improve mobility.

We look forward to your participation in our SMTA County Executive Candidate Forum on transportation solutions to be held on **Thursday morning, April 12<sup>th</sup> at 8 a.m.** at the Hilton Garden Inn, 14975 Shady Grove Rd. This should already be on your calendar from our earlier invitation. Following the Forum, your responses to this questionnaire will be posted on our website: [www.mdtransportation.org](http://www.mdtransportation.org) and will serve as the basis for SMTA's Transportation Issues Scorecard.

Please provide information about yourself and respond to the nine questions on the following pages. We know how many questionnaires you receive so we have attempted to allow you to be concise and to the point. Please limit your responses to Questions 1-3 to 50 words or less, and feel free to respond simply with a yes or no to questions 4-9. This is a fillable form so you may submit it electronically to me at: [info@mdtransportation.org](mailto:info@mdtransportation.org) or print it and mail it to the address below – **by Wednesday, April 4, 2018.**

Thank You.

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
PROFESSION/JOB TITLE \_\_\_\_\_  
RESIDENCE ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
PHONE # \_\_\_\_\_ PARTY AFFILIATION \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

1. *What is your vision for transportation in Montgomery County? (50 words or less)*
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. *What are your top three priority investments for getting the County started on that vision? (50 words or less)*
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. *How would you fund both the backlog of currently approved projects and future transportation improvements? Would you support new dedicated funding sources to address transportation needs? (50 words or less)*
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. *Montgomery County has a long history of approving development, then failing to build the transportation facilities in the master plans adopted to support those developments. Two major projects are currently in danger of falling off the master plan:*
  - a. *Do you support funding and building the missing link of the Mid-County Highway (M-83) to better connect Clarksburg and other Upcounty communities? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
  - b. *Do you support keeping the 1.5-mile extension of Montrose Parkway East on schedule, to begin construction in FY 2021? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*

5. *Corridor Cities Transitway (CCT) has been on the books for more than 20 years. Do you support funding and constructing the CCT as currently designed? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- a. *Assuming State/Federal funding was available to contribute to the cost, would you be willing to use County funds to pay for it? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- b. *Would you support having Montgomery County take the lead to accelerate the start of the project? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
6. *Do you support the Maryland Traffic Relief Plan to add new express toll lanes on I-270 while keeping the existing lanes free of charge? <http://www.roads.maryland.gov/Index.aspx?PageId=580> YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- a. *Would you support making this project multi-modal by adding express bus service on the new lanes? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
7. *Do you support the Maryland Traffic Relief Plan (see link above) to add new express toll lanes on I-495, keeping the existing lanes free of charge? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- a. *Would you support making this project multi-modal by adding express bus service on the new lanes? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
8. *Do you support studying the concept of a second Potomac River crossing, north of the American Legion Bridge? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
9. *Do you support dedicated funding for Metro? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- a. *Do you favor the proposal in The Maryland Metro Funding Act (HB 372)? YES \_\_\_ NO \_\_\_*
- b. *If not, what dedicated funding source and amount would you propose?  
(Limit to 50 words or less)*