

# MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY APPLICATION 2015 GLASSMANOR-OXON HILL



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**I. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY APPLICANT INFORMATION**

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**II. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY – General Information**

**A. Proposed Sustainable Community Area(s):**

- (1) Provide a description of SC Area boundaries. How did the applicant determine that these are the most appropriate boundaries for its target area? Describe the methodology for choosing this target area.

The proposed Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Sustainable Community is located in southwestern Prince George’s County and includes approximately 1,486 acres of unincorporated land consisting of primarily established residential neighborhoods served by two commercial nodes. To the northwest, the community shares a border with the District of Columbia along Southern Avenue; it is bounded to the northeast by Wheeler Road; the Capital Beltway to the south; and MD-210 and the Town of Forest Heights to the west. This geographic area was selected for the Sustainable Community application because it includes all of the *Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Transforming Neighborhood Initiative (TNI) Focus Area* plus the Eastover Shopping Center and Forest Heights Neighborhood Park that are directly adjacent to the TNI Focus Area but outside of the TNI boundary.

- (2) Include the following in as an attachment: 1) PDF or JPEG of proposed Sustainable Communities map, 2) GIS shapefiles of proposed Sustainable Community boundary (mapped to the parcel boundary), 3) pictures of proposed Sustainable Community area.

- (3) Approximate number of acres within the SC Area: **1,486 ± acres**

- (4) Existing federal, state or local designations:

Community Legacy Area  Designated Neighborhood Main Street Maple Street

National Register Historic District Local Historic District  Arts & Entertainment District

State Enterprise Zone Special Taxing District BRAC  State Designated TOD

Other(s):

- U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) Historically Underutilized Business Zones (HUBZone)
- U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Qualified Census Tracts (2015)
- Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development (DBED) Enterprise Zone Focus Area
- Prince George’s County Transforming Neighborhood Initiative (TNI) Focus Area

## (5) Prior Revitalization Investments &amp; Smart Growth:

(a) *List and describe any significant State and local smart growth or revitalization related program investments* (for instance, Community Legacy or SC Rehab Tax Credit) that have been invested in the Area since the launching of Maryland's Smart Growth initiative and programs in 1997 (including Housing investment). What impact have these investments made in the community?

- Prince George's County allocated \$750,000 to each of the six Transforming Neighborhood Initiative Focus Areas for blight eradication.
- Prince George's County funded nearly \$1 million for roadway improvements including resurfacing and concrete replacement along several sections of roadway in the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI area.
- Prince George's County allocated nearly \$6 million to replace the existing deteriorating concrete lined Winkle Doodle Channel along Southern Avenue from Kennebec Street to MD-210. This project is in collaboration with the District of Columbia, which will reconstruct portions of the channel within its jurisdiction along Southern Avenue from South Capitol Street, SE to Barnaby Road, SE and convert portions of the existing concrete lined channel into a culvert to create pedestrian space with wide sidewalks along the Southern Avenue corridor.
- Prince George's County funded \$190,000 for the restoration of two stormwater ponds (Foster's Overlook, 4622 Snow Flower Boulevard and Ryan Property, 2308 Rosecroft Village Circle) to improve drainage in the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI area. An additional \$100,000 was allocated to replace concrete pipes in two locations (5706 Livingston Road and 1803 Clayton Drive) to improve drainage in the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI area.
- \$429,000 was funded to repair and replace portions of sidewalk, curb & gutter, and driveway aprons along Owens Road from Southern Avenue to Wheeler Road.
- Prince George's County allocated \$54,000 for the installation of street trees at various locations throughout the County including all six of the TNI areas; more than 333 trees have been planted in the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI area.
- Prince George's County, in partnership with the Maryland State Highway Administration and The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission is targeting the Birchwood City neighborhood within the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI for a concentrated litter cleanup between October 13 - October 31, 2015.
- Southern Avenue Associates Limited Partnership was awarded a KaBOOM! grant to remove a portion of the parking lot to install a playground at the Southern Marketplace Shopping Center. Partners include the Social Innovation Fund of Prince George's County, the Redskins Foundation, and the Bender Foundation. Future phases may include the installation of a rain garden and an edible teaching garden through the Chesapeake Bay Foundation.

**B. Organizational Structure, Experience and Public Input:**

- (1) Describe the Applicant's organizational structure. Specifically, which organizations are members in the **Sustainable Communities Workgroup** and who are the respective staff? Who are the leaders, and how will the Workgroup advisor or staff manage implementation of the SC Area Plan?

The Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Sustainable Community Workgroup is composed of over twenty County departments and various outside agencies (see workgroup roster). The workgroup is led by Barry L. Stanton, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer (DCAO) for Public Safety of the County Executive's Office. Other key representatives from the County Executive's office include Richard Miller, Analyst for the CountyStat program, which provides various data to measure and quantify County programs and Nicole Jackson-Young, Special Assistant to DCAO for Public Safety, who often facilitates TNI community meetings.

The workgroup contains many representatives from the Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement, including Dawit Abraham, Associate Director, that are crucial to enforcing and addressing the many code violations that the area experiences, including blighted and abandoned properties. Housing Options & Planning Enterprises (HOPE) is working with the TNI to launch the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Keeping It Together (GOH KIT) program which is a façade improvement program for the area. Michael Brown, Chief, Special Services Division with the Department of Public Works and Transportation provides critical expertise regarding infrastructure including the area's roadways, sidewalks, and stormwater systems.

Tanya Diggs, Administrator of Procurement and Finance with Prince George's County's Department of Housing and Community Development provides important expertise regarding the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Keeping It Together Façade Improvement Program (GOH KIT). Ebony Stocks, Business Development Specialist for Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation provides important resources for workforce development in the area.

The workgroup also has representatives from the Department of Environment including Teri Littlejohn, Assistant Associate Director, Animal Services Division and Everette Bradford, Citizen Services Specialist. The Department of Environment sponsors many programs including litter cleanups in the area to improve water quality. Prince George's County's Office of Central Services is represented by Nicole Winters, Assistant Operations Manager, and Erica Bannerman, Energy Manager; the County has several energy saving programs that provide environmental and fiscal benefits to area residents.

Representatives from the Police and the Sheriff's Departments, including Captain Reaves and Captain Mints, who are key workgroup members because of their daily interaction and presence in the community. Michael Butler, Youth Strategies & Reentry Manager, with the Department of Corrections provides important resources for returning citizens. Prince George's County's Department of Social Services is represented by L'Tanya Brown, Program Manager and Stephen Liggett-Creel, Chief of Staff. Rick Missouri, Community Developer with the Department of Family Services is active in the community and have participated in community events such as Birchwood-Glassmanor Community Day.

Steve Kaii-Ziegler, Supervisor, and Melissa Lindsjo, Senior Planner with the Community Planning Division of The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission provides a link between the community and County agencies. Community groups including, the Glassmanor Civic Association, led by Jacoline Key and Marriner Merrill with the Birchwood/Clearview Community Association, provide important links between public agencies and the area residents. Additionally, Southern Avenue Associates Limited Partnership is an active commercial property owner in the area

and is interested in improving the health of the community through access to fresh, healthy food and exercise. The aforementioned departments and organizations, plus many others, meet monthly to address the community's issues.

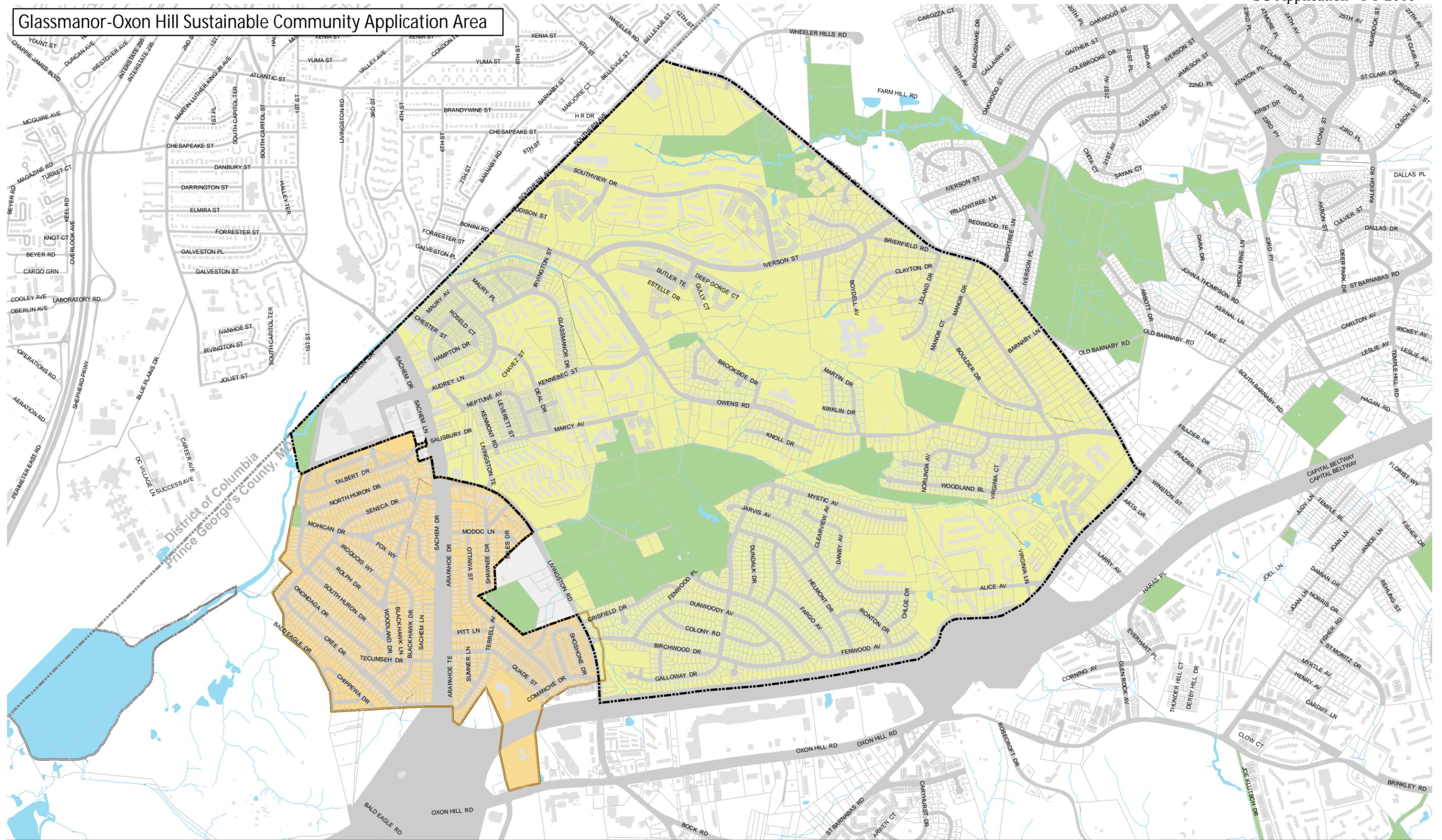
- (2) Describe the Applicant organization's past experience in administering revitalization plans and projects. Describe the roles of the members of the **Sustainable Communities Workgroup**, including their experience in implementing revitalization initiatives. What are the strengths and challenges of the capacity of these groups with respect to implementation of the SC Plan?
- The Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI participated in the development of the *Eastover/Forest Heights/Glassmanor Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (2014)* which outlines strategies for revitalization including environmental infrastructure; transportation and public transit options; pedestrian safety and connectivity; streetscape and public realm improvements; stormwater management, water quality, and flood control; safety and code enforcement; and improvements to community health, facilities, and resources. The Sustainable Community Action Plan is consistent with the strategies in the Eastover/Forest Heights/Glassmanor plan, and planners with The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission will work with the TNI and the community to implement the recommendations.
  - The Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI was allocated \$750,000 to target blight in the TNI area. The TNI is partnering with Housing Options & Planning Enterprises (HOPE) to fight blight through the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Keeping It Together Façade Improvement Program (GOH KIT). A Blight Eradication Team in collaboration with the Prince George's County Department of Permits, Inspections, and Enforcement (DPIE) has been established and select streets have been targeted for rehabilitation. The budget for the GOH KIT is \$250,000 and is pending execution of a memorandum of understanding and approval of other internal processes.
  - The Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI has hosted and participated in semi-annual Clean Up, Green Up events for several years. The Clean-Up, Green Up event is led by Prince George's County Department of Public Works & Transportation and involves the planting of trees, shrubs, and flowers as well as other beautification efforts throughout the community. Landscape design assistance is provided by the Neighborhood Design Center. Other contributing partners include Keep Prince George's County Beautiful, Prince George's County Public Schools, The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, and the Maryland State Highway Administration. Litter is an ongoing problem, and despite regular clean-up events, litter and illegal dumping continue to occur. Additionally, jurisdictional issues regarding which entity is responsible for maintenance (i.e., State Highway Administration, Prince George's County, The Maryland-National Park and Planning Commission, etc.) have been problematic. To address this, a new program (Clean Sweep Program) is underway in which all three agencies have teamed up for concentrated two-week clean-up campaigns in targeted areas across Prince George's County.
  - In 2014, the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI distributed free produce to the community in partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank and held a Farmers' Market in partnership with Roots & Stems. The farmers' market was a temporary event and securing farmers to regularly participate in the event and sell produce has been difficult. Additionally, there is no centralized permanent space for such a community event.

- The Prince George's County Department of Corrections provided pre-packaged school supplies to over 400 students at Barnaby Manor Elementary School as part of their Pencil Box Project in the fall of 2013. This project was a collaboration between the South County Economic Development Association, Prince George's Community Federal Credit Union, Corrections and Police Unions, the Oxon Hill Volunteer Fire Fighters, Office of the State's Attorney, and local businesses.
- The TNI recently rehabilitated a house on Maury Place in Oxon Hill through the Christmas in April program. The program repairs the homes of seniors who are either low-income and/or physically challenged.
- In the fall 2014, the TNI hosted the "Stuff the Truck" program which collected 700-800 pounds of food which was used to create Thanksgiving baskets for area families.

(3) How did residents and other stakeholders in the community provide input to the Action Plan described below in Section IV?

The Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI and community members met during the months of July through September to draft the Sustainable Community Action Plan. In August, community planners from The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) facilitated a strengths and weaknesses exercise with the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI and community members. Over one hundred strengths and weaknesses were identified which were pared down and quantified by M-NCPPC staff and incorporated into the action plan. M-NCPPC staff drafted strategies that utilized the community's strengths to address weaknesses and incorporated these strategies into the action plan. The draft action plan was presented to the TNI and the community for comments and final approval.

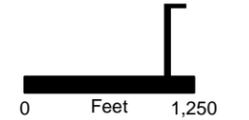
Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Sustainable Community Application Area



Legend



- Glassmanor-Oxon Hill SCA Area
- Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI Boundary
- Park
- Building (2009)
- Town of Forest Heights / Designated Sustainable Community
- Known Water Bodies
- Known Steam Feature
- Drainage Connector
- Single Line Stream



**III. SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN**

# Sustainable Community Action Plan

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## Glassmanor-Oxon Hill

Prince George's County

10/29/2015

### Legend

Birchwood/Clearview Community Association (BCCA)  
District of Columbia Department of Environment and Energy (DOEE)  
District of Columbia Department of Transportation (DDOT)  
Glassmanor Civic Association (GCA)  
Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative Workgroup (TNI)  
Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA)  
Prince George's County Community College (PGCC)  
Prince George's County Department of Corrections (DOC)  
Prince George's County Department of Environment (DoE)  
Prince George's County Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD)  
Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement (DPIE)  
Prince George's County Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T)  
Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation (EDC)  
Prince George's County Health Department (PGHD)  
Prince George's County Police Department (PGPD)  
Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS)  
Prince George's County's Sheriff's Office (PGSO)  
Southern Avenue Associates Limited Partnership (SAA)  
The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC)

## Environment

(Environmental strengths and weaknesses can include but are not limited to quality of land, water, air, watersheds, tree canopy, risk of sea level rise, carbon footprint, energy conservation, access to local foods, green infrastructure, stormwater infrastructure/management, parks, trails and recreation, recycling, water and sewer capacity, etc.)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Eastover Shopping Center maintains their property by performing litter collection around the center twice a week.</li> <li>There are eight parks totaling 167 acres of parks and open space; representing 11% of land use.</li> <li>There are approximately 8 miles of tributaries flowing through the area into the Potomac River.</li> <li>There are three distinct high points in the area that provide scenic vistas of the District of Columbia.</li> <li>Prince George’s County’s Department of Corrections performs litter pickup along Southern Avenue on a regular basis.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There are more requests for litter and illegal dumping removal in the area than the countywide average.</li> <li>There are 427 acres of impervious surface, totaling 29% of the area that contribute to stormwater runoff in the Oxon Run Watershed.</li> <li>A majority of the streams have been piped, channelized, or removed.</li> <li>Water quality is rated “very poor” and listed on the EPA’s 303(d) list of Impaired Waters.</li> <li>The majority of the eating establishments are fast food restaurants, and access to healthy food choices is limited.</li> </ul>

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures</b> →</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Based on the strengths and weaknesses listed above, identify the strengths on which you would like to build and the challenges you would like to address. What goals or outcomes are you trying to achieve? Progress Measure: Identify how you will know that you have achieved your outcome.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Strategies</b> →</p> <p style="font-size: small;">Identify strategies that will help your community to achieve each identified outcome to the left.  **Insert as many strategies as appropriate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Action Items</b> →</p> <p style="font-size: small;">What steps need to be taken to realize each strategy?  **Insert as many action steps as appropriate</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Implementation Partners</b></p> <p style="font-size: small;">Which community stakeholders need to be involved to realize each action step and strategy?</p>
<p>Outcome 1: Improve the health of the Oxon Run Watershed.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Improved water quality through meeting the Environmental Protection Agency’s mandate for Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL).</p>	<p>Improve the Winkle Doodle Channel located along Southern Avenue.</p>	<p>Continue working with the newly established Oxon Run Watershed Restoration Workgroup to explore plans to naturalize the channel and associated roadway, sidewalk, and bicycle improvements. <i>Consider application to the Maryland Department of Environment Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund for this project.</i></p>	<p>DOEE, DoE, DPIE, DPW&amp;T, M-NCPPC</p>
	<p>Reduce litter and illegal dumping that contributes to stormwater runoff and contaminates waterways.</p>	<p>Install more trash and recycling receptacles at heavily trafficked and littered areas.</p>	<p>DPW&amp;T, DoE, TNI</p>
		<p>Continue to promote and participate in Prince George’s County semi-annual Clean Up, Green Up Day (litter removal, cleaning, mulching, and weeding).</p>	<p>DPW&amp;T, TNI, BCCA, GCA</p>
		<p>Continue to perform litter clean-ups along Southern Avenue between Wheeler Road and MD-210.</p>	<p>DOC, DPW&amp;T</p>
		<p>Participate and promote Prince George’s County’s new Clean Sweep initiative that represents a County and State collaborative to address roadside litter and illegal dumping.</p>	<p>DoE, SHA, M-NCPPC, BCCA, GCA</p>
	<p>Replace select impervious surfaces using low impact development/green infrastructure to reduce stormwater runoff.</p>	<p>Work with Prince George’s County’s new Clean Water Partnership program to identify eligible projects in the Sustainable Community area for green infrastructure retrofit.</p>	<p>DoE, Corvias Solutions</p>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	<u>Environment</u> Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
<p>Outcome 2: Improve access to healthy foods.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Plant one garden in a local school or community center to provide access to fresh fruits and vegetables by 2018.</p>	<p>Distribute healthy foods to students and their families.</p>	<p>Host a “Family Market Day” at the local schools.</p>	<p>PGCPS, TNI</p>
		<p>Plant vegetable gardens in the local schools with students. Use Barnaby Manor Elementary School as a model.</p>	<p>PGCPS, TNI, DPW&amp;T, Neighborhood Design Center</p>
		<p>Consider application to the Environmental Protection Agency’s <i>Local Foods, Local Places Technical Assistance Program</i> to set community goals and plan projects such as community gardens and farmers markets.</p>	<p>TNI, DoE, PGHD</p>
		<p>Work with Chef Mark Haskell to explore the edible teaching garden project at the Southern Marketplace and financing options.</p>	<p>Mark Haskell, SAA, M-NCPPC</p>

## Economy

(Economic strengths and weaknesses can include but are not limited to regional accessibility, business attraction/retention, health of the business district and commercial vacancies, workforce/employment and economic drivers, local policies/regulations, marketing, tourism, cultural and historic assets)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proximity to job and retail markets at National Harbor and the District of Columbia.</li> <li>5-Year average retail vacancy rates are healthy at 4.9%.</li> <li>The area has the following designations that provide economic incentives:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Maryland Department of Business and Economic Development Enterprise Zone and Enterprise Zone Focus Area</li> <li>-United States Small Business Administration Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone)</li> <li>-Maryland Department of Planning Priority Funding Area</li> <li>-Prince George's County Revitalization Tax Credit Area</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The area's June 2015 unemployment rate is 11.78 %, which is higher than the county rate of 5.6%.</li> <li>53% of the area's residents possess a high school education or less compared to 41% of the countywide population.</li> <li>The majority of the commercially zoned properties were built between 1950-1960.</li> </ul>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
<p>Outcome 1: Decrease unemployment for residents of the Sustainable Community area.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Reduce unemployment in the Sustainable Community area by 2% by 2021.</p>	<p>Conduct local job readiness seminars for area residents to reduce transportation barriers.</p>	<p>Work with the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation to plan job readiness workshops in the area.</p>	<p>EDC, TNI</p>
	<p>Continue to provide career readiness resources at schools.</p>	<p>Refer interested workers to the Urban Watershed Restoration Contractor Training Course offered at Prince George's Community College.</p>	<p>PGCPS, TNI, PGHD</p>
	<p>Promote the new Clean Water Partnership that provides local, small, and minority businesses the opportunity to compete and secure contracts to build water infrastructure systems.</p>	<p>DoE, PGCC, TNI</p>	
<p>Outcome 2: Enhance the commercial corridor along MD-210 and Southern Avenue.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Work with one key commercial property owner to implement façade improvements.</p>	<p>Revitalize aging commercial building façades.</p>	<p>Form a business owner's roundtable for the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill area to address façade improvements within the commercial corridors.</p>	<p>TNI, property owners, M-NCPPC</p>
	<p>Enhance and improve the public realm surrounding the commercial corridors.</p>	<p>Promote the <i>Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Neighborhood Business Works Loan Program</i> to commercial properties.</p>	<p>TNI</p>
	<p>Widen sidewalks to install seating/benches, landscaping, and pedestrian scale lighting. Consider <i>Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development's Community Legacy Program for funding.</i></p>	<p>TNI, DPW&amp;T</p>	

## Transportation

(Transportation strengths and weaknesses can include access to transit corridors, pedestrian safety and accessibility/sidewalks, alternative modes of transportation, such as bikeways and trails, public transit, such as bus and rail, carpooling, proximity to transportation centers, parking, road conditions)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MD-210 gateway provides direct access to the District of Columbia.</li> <li>• The area is adjacent to the Capital Beltway which connects Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia.</li> <li>• The area is located less than one mile from the Metro system (Southern Avenue/Green line).</li> <li>• The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority (WMATA) P12 line provides bus service from the Eastover Shopping Center to the Southern Avenue Metro station and serves several residential neighborhoods in between.</li> <li>• Prince George’s County’s The Bus provides bus service within the area along Southern Avenue, MD-210, Owens Road, and Wheeler Road (Bus Routes 33 and 35).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The MD-210 gateway generates traffic congestion.</li> <li>• Roadway pavement is in poor condition.</li> <li>• Residential neighborhoods lack traffic calming devices.</li> <li>• There are no bicycle facilities (e.g., bicycle lanes, bicycle racks &amp; lockers, bicycle repair stations).</li> <li>• The sidewalks are too narrow including the Winkle Doodle Bridge.</li> </ul>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures	Strategies	Action Items	Implementation Partners
<p>Improve bicycle and pedestrian facilities in the Sustainable Community area.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Improve a total of 5,280 linear feet/1 mile of the major sidewalks and crosswalks (MD-210, Southern Avenue, Wheeler Road, and Owens Road) within the Sustainable Community by 2020 and install at least one new bicycle facility by 2020.</p>	Widen sidewalks along MD-210 and Southern Avenue for pedestrian comfort and security.	Consider application to the <i>Maryland Department of Transportation’s Sidewalk Retrofit Program</i> .	DPW&T, SHA, TNI
	Replace sidewalk, curb and gutter, and driveway aprons along Owens Road between Southern Avenue and Wheeler Road.	Monitor the Capital Improvement Program (Contract No. 887-H).	DPW&T, TNI
	Provide bicycle facilities along MD-210.	Consider application to <i>Maryland Department of Transportation’s Maryland Bikeways Program</i>	SHA, DPW&T, TNI
	Create a shared vision and resources with the District of Columbia for a recreation and recreational access for the restored Oxon Run watershed corridor.	Collaborate with the District of Columbia to coordinate bicycle plans for the Oxon Run watershed.	DDOT, M-NCPPC
	Provide support for the development of the Barnaby Run Stream Valley Trail.	Participate in the development of the <i>Trails Master Plan for Prince George’s County</i> .	SAA, M-NCPPC, TNI, GCA, BCCA
<p>Improve roadway facilities in the Sustainable Community area.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Resurface three roadways in the Sustainable Community area by 2018.</p> <p>Hold one meeting between the State Highway Administration, District of Columbia Department of Transportation, and Prince George’s County Department of Public Works &amp; Transportation to discuss the new Sustainable Community designation and associated transportation funding opportunities.</p>	Collaborate with SHA to enhance and improve MD-210 through bicycle and pedestrian improvements, enhanced landscaping, and crosswalk upgrades.	Consider application to <i>Maryland’s Department of Transportation’s Community Safety and Enhancement Program</i> which provides funding for transportation improvements along state highways.	DPW&T, SHA, TNI
	Collaborate with DDOT to enhance and improve Southern Avenue through bicycle and pedestrian improvements, enhanced landscaping, and crosswalk upgrades.	Hold a meeting between DDOT and DPW&T to discuss the recommendations of the <i>DDOT Southern Avenue, SE Bridge Over Winkle Doodle Branch Planning Study</i> .	DDOT, DPW&T, M-NCPPC
	Resurface Irvington Street, Hampton Drive, Kirklin Drive, Alice Avenue, Owens Road, and Livingston Road.	Monitor the Capital Improvement Program (Contract No. 893-H(B)).	DPW&T, TNI

<u>Transportation</u>			
Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
	Continue to respond to service requests for filling pot holes, sink holes, and drainage problems in the roadway.	Continue promoting Prince George's County Click 311 for residents to report issues.	DPW&T, TNI

## Housing

(Housing strengths and weaknesses can include affordability, homeownership vs rental, housing stock diversity, housing condition and value, housing programs, foreclosures, residential vacancies, property values, home sale values)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is a diversity of housing stock which includes detached single-family houses, attached single-family houses, and multi-family housing.</li> <li>The median year housing was built is 1969 and there is a perception that better quality materials, such as brick were used during construction compared to newer homes built today that use less quality materials.</li> <li>Prince George's County's code authorizes liens to be placed on properties that have violations for tall grass/weeds, trash/debris, and inoperable vehicles.</li> <li>Prince George's County has allocated \$750,000 to the TNI area for the Blight Eradication Program.</li> <li>The length of renter occupied households is approximately 8 years.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>32% of the area's residents own their home compared to 63% home ownership countywide.</li> <li>The median home value is 16% lower in the area than the county median.</li> <li>There is limited new housing in the area; 9% of the housing stock built was in the last 15 years (built in 2000 or later).</li> <li>Properties cited for blight are generally absentee landlords.</li> </ul>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
<p>Outcome 1: Enhance and improve the aesthetics, health and safety of residential neighborhoods within the Sustainable Community.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Select four of the twenty-five potential sites identified in the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill Keeping It Together (GOH KIT) Façade Improvement Program and either rehabilitate or demolish the blighted structure by 2018.</p>	<p>Implement Prince George's County's Blight Eradication Program for the Glassmanor-Oxon Hill TNI area.</p>	<p>Execute the Memorandum of Understanding between Prince George's County Department of Permitting, Inspections, and Enforcement and Housing Options &amp; Planning Enterprises, Inc. (HOPE) to implement the GOH KIT Façade Improvement Program.</p> <p>Hold an annual housing meeting to promote and build awareness of the GOH KIT Façade Improvement Program.</p>	<p>DPIE, Housing Options &amp; Planning Enterprises, Inc. (HOPE), BCCCA, GCA</p>
<p>Outcome 2: Reduce energy consumption for residents within the Sustainable Community area.</p> <p>Progress Measure: Provide energy-efficient upgrades or weatherization assistance to 10% of the households (700 households) in the Sustainable Community area by 2020.</p>	<p>Promote the Empower Maryland Program to residents to help reduce installation costs of energy-efficient and renewable energy technologies.</p>	<p>Host a meeting to educate residents on Empower Maryland and the Maryland Energy Administration's energy related programs.</p>	<p>Prince George's County Office of Central Services</p>
	<p>Promote the Quick Home Energy Check-Up Program that provides residents compact fluorescent light bulbs, smart energy power strips, efficient-flow showerheads, and water heater pipe insulation at no cost.</p>	<p>Host a meeting to tell residents about the program.</p>	<p>Prince George's County Office of Central Services</p>
	<p>Promote Prince George's County's Weatherization Assistance Program that provides for weatherization to residents (e.g., insulation, caulking, and air sealant).</p>	<p>Host a meeting to tell residents about the program.</p>	<p>DHCD</p>

## Quality of Life & Society

(Strengths and weaknesses can include crime, socio-economic demographics, educational opportunities, museums, libraries, historic and cultural assets, civic amenities, faith-based organizations, economic health of households, sense of place, etc.)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monthly Prince George’s County Transforming Neighborhoods Initiative (TNI) community meetings provide a forum for dialogue between the community and government.</li> <li>The Glassmanor Community Center provides fitness activities, cultural activities, and educational instruction for children, teens, adults, and seniors. Renovation and expansion plans are programmed in the Capital Improvement Program (CIP #EC 080940).</li> <li>A new playground is being constructed at the Southern Market Place Shopping Center through a KaBOOM! grant.</li> <li>The crime rate in the area has decreased nearly one-third since 2011 but remains higher than the countywide rate.</li> <li>The National Park Service’s Oxon Cove Park and Oxon Hill Farm is located less than one-mile from the area and offers local history and environmental education.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>17% of the area’s population does not possess a high school diploma</li> <li>A small proportion of the community attends the TNI community meetings and it tends to be the same individuals; a larger proportion and more diverse representation of the community is desired.</li> <li>Although data shows that crime is decreasing, the perception in the community is that the area is not safe.</li> <li>Poor lighting in shopping centers and sidewalks.</li> <li>Lack of health care providers inside area.</li> <li>The 20745 zip code has higher rates of hospitalization for heart failure, hypertension, diabetes, and asthma than other Maryland counties.</li> <li>Limited arts and cultural activities in area.</li> <li>There is not a public plaza in which the community can interact.</li> </ul>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
<p>Outcome 1: Increase safety in the community and perception of safety with criminal prevention through environmental design techniques.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Improve lighting along one corridor or one targeted area and administer pre and post surveys to gauge the community’s level of safety.</p>	<p>Upgrade street lighting for illumination and security.</p>	<p>Identify and prioritize areas and corridors that need lighting and/or lighting upgrades.</p>	<p>TNI, DPW&amp;T, PGPD, PGSO</p>
		<p>Consult DDOT’s 2012 conceptual plans for lighting improvements to Southern Avenue.</p>	<p>DDOT, DoE, M-NCPPC</p>
	<p>Improve street safety.</p>	<p>Selectively clear the understory in areas where woodlands adjoin the street to ensure maintained visibility.</p>	<p>DPW&amp;T, SHA, property owners</p>
<p>Outcome 2: Returning citizens have stable, long-term employment that enables the individual to successfully reintegrate into society.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Place 25-30 returning citizens with employment annually upon the establishment of a community hub center in the Sustainable Community area.</p>	<p>Establish a one-stop community hub center to provide comprehensive services for returning citizens including employment, skills training, education/GED, mental health and addictions counseling, child support services, food/food stamps, clothing, and transportation.</p>	<p>Identify opportunities to locate a one-stop community hub center in the Sustainable Community area; consider conversion of existing buildings and new construction. Research the <i>Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development’s Strategic Demolition and Smart Growth Impact Fund</i> and <i>Community Legacy Program</i> as potential funding source.</p>	<p>DOC, M-NCPPC, TNI</p>

## Local Planning and Land Use

(Strengths and weaknesses in the local planning and land use subject area include but are not limited to zoning, land use, policies, taxes and fees, historical patterns of development, lot sizes and shapes, etc.)

Strengths	Weaknesses
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coordination between the District of Columbia, Prince George’s County, and the State of Maryland particularly with transportation, stormwater, and development.</li> <li>• The recently adopted <i>Plan Prince George’s 2035 Approved General Plan (2014)</i> and <i>Eastover/Forest Heights/Glassmanor Approved Sector Plan and Sectional Map Amendment (2014)</i> provide updated planning strategies for the area.</li> <li>• Prince George’s County Zoning Ordinance and Subdivision Regulations rewrite to create a modern and user-friendly ordinance.</li> <li>• Commercial areas are concentrated into two nodes, located near residential housing, and served by</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public promotion of governmental coordination.</li> <li>• There is not a public plaza where the community can interact.</li> <li>• Need more mixed use and commercial development.</li> </ul>

Desired Outcomes and Progress Measures →	Strategies →	Action Items →	Implementation Partners
<p>Collaborate with neighboring jurisdictions and state agencies on shared goals for efficiencies and maximized outcomes.</p> <p>Progress Measures: Monthly reporting provided by M-NCPPC regarding collaboration with the Town of Forest Heights and the District of Columbia on stormwater and transportation projects.</p>	<p>Collaborate with the District of Columbia on environmental, transportation, and gateway project along Southern Avenue</p>	<p>Continue working with the newly established Oxon Run Watershed Restoration Workgroup to explore plans to naturalize the channel along Southern and associated roadway, sidewalk, and bicycle improvements. <i>Consider application to the Maryland Department of Environment Water Quality Revolving Loan Fund for this project.</i></p>	<p>DDOT, DOEE, DPWT, DoE, TNI, M-NCPPC, DPIE</p>
	<p>Address stormwater issues along Audrey Lane that impact the unincorporated area of Prince George’s County and the Town of Forest Heights.</p>	<p>Collaborate with the Town of Forest Heights and PGCPs on the stormwater project along Audrey Lane.</p>	<p>DoE, M-NCPPC, Town of Forest Heights, PGCPs</p>