



# Meet DoE's NEW Senior Management Leadership Team







Acting Director Samuel B. Moki, Ph.D.

Deputy Director Anthony C. Bennett

Deputy Director Derrick L. Coley

Visit DoE's website at <a href="mailto:environment.mypgc.us">environment.mypgc.us</a> to view their complete bios.

# INTRODUCING

#### **DoE has TWO New Divisions**

# Climate & Energy Division (CED)

CED's mission: To advance equitable, community-driven climate solutions that reduce emissions, expand clean energy access, and strengthen the County's ability to adapt to a changing climate.

Associate Director Chris Akinbobla

# Community Engagement & Beautification Division (CEBD)

CEBD's mission: Empowering, promoting, and partnering with communities through collaborative efforts to educate, sustain, and improve the quality-of-life indicators of the natural environment.

Associate Director Rodney Taylor

## PROJECT ELEVATE — StrikeForce

A New County Initiative from County Executive Aisha Braveboy





#### LET'S ELEVATE PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY!

County residents who receive County-contracted waste collection services or pay a bulky trash fee can schedule curbside pickup of up to four (4) vehicle scrap tires (no commercial tires) by contacting PGC311.

Residents may also dispose of a maximum of five (5) scrap tires no larger than 17 inches per year at the Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill. Disposal of more than five tires requires a Tire Hauler's License issued by the Maryland Department of the Environment.

Illegally dumping your tires is against the law. Drop them off or schedule a pickup today.







**Project Elevate—Strikeforce** is a new initiative introduced by County Executive Aisha Braveboy to clear up the backlog of beautification customer service requests in PGC311. It is supported by County agencies, the Department of Public Works and Transportation (DPW&T), the Department of Permitting, Inspections and Enforcement (DPIE), and the DoE.

DoE staff is working tirelessly with our colleagues in providing roll-off containers, roll-off trucks, packers, Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill, and Brown Station Road Drop-off Convenience Center staff to assist with the cleanups taking place Countywide.

The **Strikeforce** initiative is focused on five service areas: mowing, litter removal, pothole repair, street sweeping, tree trimming, and stump removal, which help keep Prince George's County clean and beautiful.



## SAVE THE DATE!

Join Us At Our Annual Green Festival - Oct. 11

#### We've Got a New Name and a New Pavilion



Join us for a FREE, family and pet-friendly day of environmentally focused exhibitors, vendors, kids' activities, food trucks, music, and more.

#### **DAVID C. DRISKELL COMMUNITY PARK**

3911 Hamilton Street | Hyattsville, MD 20781









#### Learn more at mypgc.us/greensummit

#### The Green Festival will Feature Pawchella an Upgraded Pet Pavilion

Join the Prince George's County Department of the Environment, in partnership with the City of Hyattsville and Prince George's County Park and Planning, for its annual Green Festival (formerly known as Green Summit) on Saturday, October 11, 2025, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m. at David C. Driskell Community Park in Hyattsville.

**New this year:** Our upgraded pet pavilion, named **Pawchella**, where you will find information on pet exhibitors and vendors, pet adoptions, licenses, and much more.

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Find more information, including exhibitor and vendor applications, at <a href="mailto:mypgc./greensummit.">mypgc./greensummit.</a>





## **WE ARE CRITICAL!**

The Prince George's County Animal Services and Adoption Facility is facing a critical situation. We are at **FULL CAPACITY** and urgently need your help to find loving homes for our dogs. Our large and senior dogs are most in need.

Without **YOUR** immediate help, we will face the heart-wrenching possibility of finding alternative solutions for our healthy, adoptable dogs due to a lack of space. We believe every dog deserves a chance at a happy life, and with your support, we can avoid these difficult choices.

**YOU** can help us help them - please find room in your heart or home to help a FUR-ever friend in any way you can.

Tuesday - Friday: 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Sunday - Monday: 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. (open for all services except adoptions)

For more information, call 301-780-7200 or visit www.princegeorgespets4us.com.

## We Still Need Your Help In Moving Animals Out of Our Facility

Please consider:

Adopting, rather than shopping
Or

Fostering a pet until we can find it a forever home.

You can help make a difference in an animal's life!



# ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION receives new refrigeration units

The Animal Services Facility and Adoption Center has a new fridge/freezer. The new unit replaces two systems inside the facility that were reaching the end of their life and on the verge of failing. The new system is a fiberglass unit without seams to keep critters or insects from getting into it. It is built pallet-grade, so pet food can be wheeled directly into the unit without issue and without injuring staff attempting to carry pounds of food into the unit.





# Free Drive-up Dog and Cat Vaccination Clinic was a Resounding Success!









Nearly 300 animals received free services from the recent Animal Services Division's free Drive-up Dog and Cat Vaccination Clinic held last Sunday at the Prince George's County Animal Services and Adoption Facility.

During the four-hour clinic, registrants received free rabies and distemper shots, microchipping, and pet licenses.

ASD will start hosting free rabies, licensing, and microchip clinics on the third Sunday of every month. The next event is scheduled for Sunday, November 16, 2025, at 11 a.m.

Visit <u>www.princegeorgespets4.us</u> for more information.





# Prince George's County Animal Services Facility and Adoption Center to Hire First Full-Time In-House Veterinarian

### **DoE** is Hiring

This veterinarian hire will join us in serving the nearly one million people and hundreds of thousands of animals in Prince George's County. The position will bolster a team that rescues and saves thousands of animals annually, currently boasting the best save rate in the shelter's history, at nearly 85%. The listing closes on Sept. 28.

For more information, visit <u>www.governmentjobs.com</u>.

animal services division



ASD is looking for rescue partners to help save the lives of animals in need. As a rescue partner, you will help provide vital services that are essential to alleviate overcrowding in our shelters and ultimately find forever homes for our shelter pets.

All rescue organizations interested must be an approved 501 (c) (3).

For more information, email rescuepgcpets@co.pg.md.us







#### Join Our Animal Rescue Team

Be a winner and join our Animal Rescue team. Animal Services Division (ASD) is seeking partners who can provide services to help alleviate overcrowding within our shelter and assist in finding pets loving homes. For more information, email <a href="mailto:rescuepgcpets@co.pg.md.us">rescuepgcpets@co.pg.md.us</a>

animal services division

## **Help Us Help Them!**

The Animal Services Facility has made great strides in providing additional animal resources, staff training, and increased animal adoption events. But they still need YOUR help.

#### Please Consider:

- Adopting or fostering a pet
- Volunteering at the shelter
- Spaying or neutering animals
- Microchipping your pets
- Donating needed supplies

Learn more at www.princegeorgespets4us.com.







Lend a hand in dog walking, cat socialization, small mammal care, treat stuffing and more.



#### **SPAY & NEUTER and MICROCHIP**

Keep your pets home. Keep your pets safe.



#### **DONATE**

Please consider making a donation to help us provide new Kuranda beds for our furry friends.



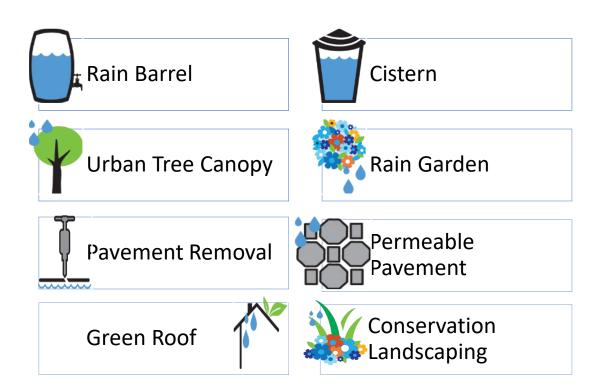
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# PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY RAIN CHECK REBATE PROGRAM IS BACK FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026! CF

Prince George's County residents, businesses, and non-profits can apply for **cash rebates** by adopting **stormwater management practices** that improve the quality of the County's waterways and build climate resilience to localized flooding while beautifying our communities.





#### **Rebate Amounts**



Residential: \$6,000 maximum rebate

Commercial properties and multifamily dwellings: \$20,000 maximum rebate

Over **1,368** rebates have been awarded to individual property owners for a total of **\$1,476,154** in cash rebates.

For more information, visit Rain Check Rebate bit.ly/PGCraincheckrebates (case sensitive)





## RAIN CHECK REBATE

**Contractor Training** 

October 15, 2025

#### DAY 1

Course topics include:

- ▶ Urban Tree Canopy
- Rain Barrels
- ▶ Cisterns
- Rain Gardens
- ► Conservation Landscaping
- Permeable Pavement
- ► Pavement Removal
- ► Green Roofs

#### **DETAILS**

#### DATE / TIME

October 15, 2025 8:15AM - 4:30PM

(RAIN DATE: October 16, 2025)

#### LOCATION

Clean Water Partnership 9475 Lottsford Rd, Suite 100 Largo, MD 20774 Conference Room

#### COST

Free of Charge for Landscape Professionals! \*\*\*BYO Lunch!\*\*\* Did you know that Prince George's County's Rain Check Program offers rebates to homeowners, businesses and others to install best management practices (BMPs) intended to capture stormwater runoff? This training is designed to provide landscape professionals with practical hands on information on the eight Rain Check Rebate practices and processes. Special emphasis is placed on rain gardens, pavement removal and permeable pavement.

This all-day training teaches landscape professionals how to plan, design, construct and maintain Rain Check Rebate practices. Classroom exercises provide guidance on practice selection, site assessment and site selection. After completion of the classroom training, participants are eligible to sign up for Day 2, which will be a field day to further hone their skills and help install or assess stormwater BMPs. Participants who successfully complete both sessions (classroom training + field day) will be added to the County's public list of landscape professionals who have completed the Rain Check Rebate Contractor Training. Please note that you must be present for the full Day 1 and Day 2 sessions in order to receive credit for completion of the training.

#### **HOW TO REGISTER**

Go to: https://raincheck\_october2025.eventbrite.com.
Click "Reserve a spot" and RSVP for FREE!

Questions? Contact kmattern@lidcenter.org









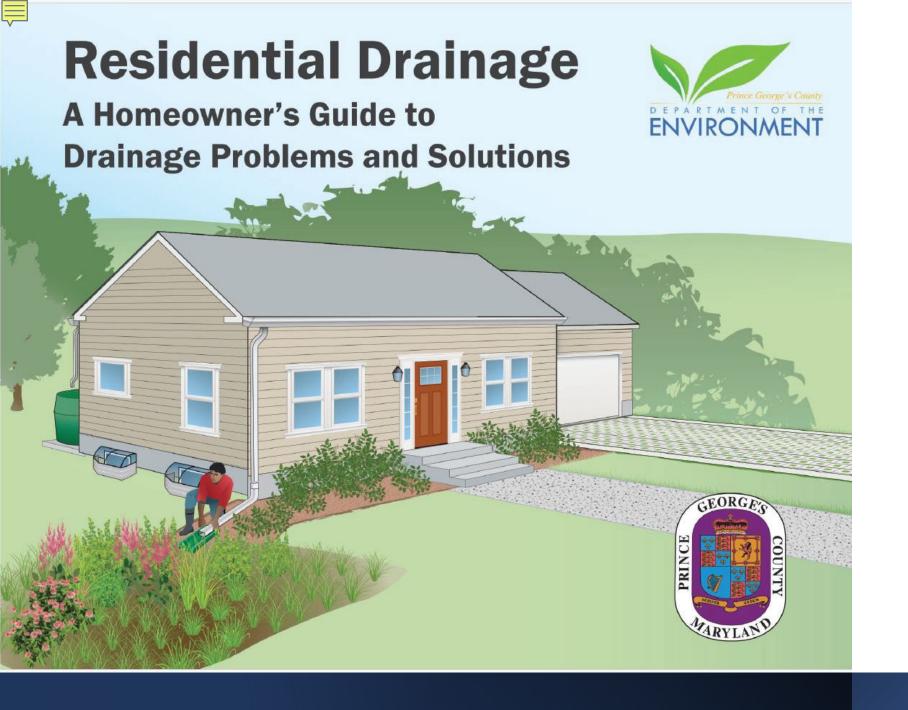
# RAIN CHECK REBATE CONTRACTOR TRAINING

**REGISTER:** 

https://raincheck\_october2025.Eventbrite.com

More than 119 contractors have successfully completed this course!





## Homeowner's Guide to Drainage Problems and Solutions

A manual to help property owners evaluate and assess runoff and drainage on their properties, and to identify practices to manage drainage problems they might be experiencing.

Visit <u>environment.mypgc.us</u> to download a copy of the guide.

# **Urban Tree Program**



**Step 1-Delivery** 



**Step 2-Installation** 



**Step 3-Long Term Maintenance** 

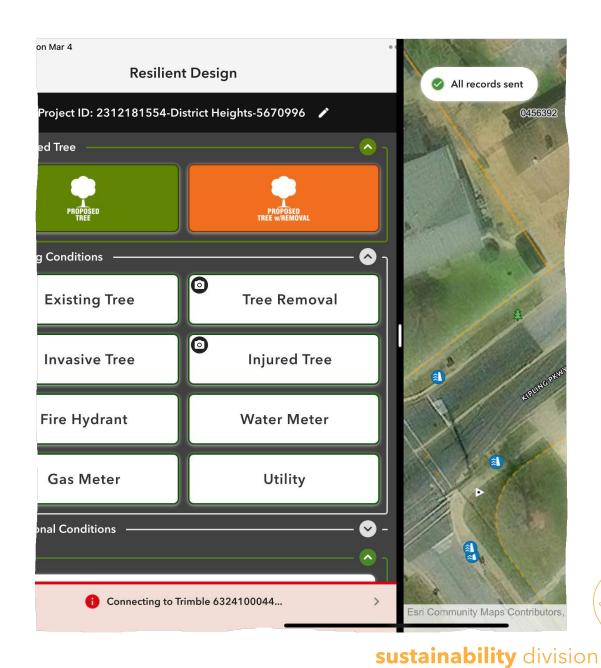
2,000 Trees installed Municipal & HOA public spaces



## DoE Resilience App

- Existing Tree Canopy Inventory
- Planting Design Concepts
- Long Term Maintenance & Tracking Tree
   Canopy Health







# **Residential Curbside Collection Alert**



**Starting October 1, the waste** collection pickup schedule for compost, yard trim, bulky, regular trash and recycling will resume at 6 a.m. Residents should have their items at the curb by that time to avoid a missed collection.

For more waste collection updates, visit mypgc.us/clearthecurb









## CLEAR THE CLUTTER

Dispose of your Household Hazardous Waste, Electronics and Sensitive Documents – FREE OF CHARGE



FREE Mobile Document Shredding, E-waste, and Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Disposal



**Rain or Shine** 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.



#### **DOCUMENT SHREDDING**

Bring **UP TO FIVE (5)** boxes of paper per vehicle (non-commercial ONLY).

Please remove all paper clips, staples, and other bindings.

#### September 13

Accokeek Library 15773 Livingston Road Accokeek

#### November 1

Dr. Henry Wise High School 12650 Brooke Lane Upper Marlboro

#### **E-WASTE and HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE**

Drop off any accepted electronic and household hazardous waste items.

Vehicles must be in line by 1 p.m. to receive service.

View the list of accepted items at

#### July 26

Largo Government Center 9200 Basil Court

#### August 16

9200 Basil Court Largo

#### September 27

Surrattsville High School Clinton

#### October 25

High Point High School 3601 Powder Mill Road Beltsville



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Largo Government Center

6101 Garden Drive

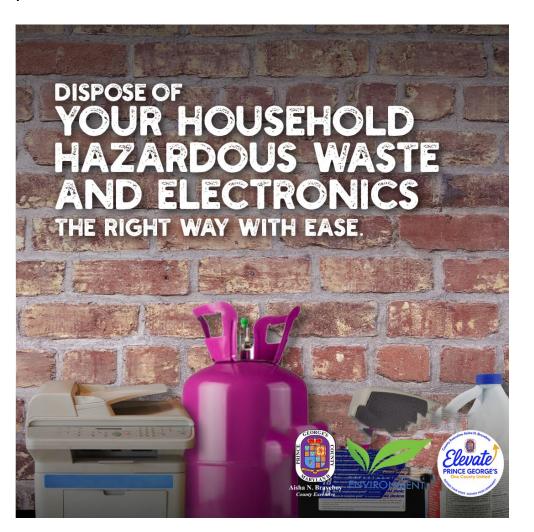














# Comp Executive Compost

GO GREEN THIS HALLOWEEN AND COMPOST YOUR PUMPKIN.

The Prince George's County Department of the Environment (DoE) is pleased to announce pumpkin collection will begin in the fall. In addition to pumpkins, dried corn, hay and straw will also be picked-up for composting along with yard trim.

#### **TO PARTICIPATE**

Place items curbside by 6 a.m. on Mondays for pickup. Pumpkins, dried corn, hay and straw MUST be placed in the provided 32-gallon green wheeled cart. Alternatively, paper lawn/leaf bags can be used. Pumpkins must be free of inorganic materials such as candles, wax, artificial lighting, loose decorations, etc.

Residents may also drop off pumpkins and other yard trim at:

#### Brown Station Road Residential Convenience Center

\* Please make sure yard trim is disposed of IN the Yard Trim Container on site.

3501 Brown Station Road Monday - Saturday and holidays 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday: Closed







Celebrate America Recycles Day on November 15, 2025 by taking the pledge to reduce, reuse and recycle at www.kab.org/programs/america-recycles-day

For more information, contact PGC311 at 3-1-1 or visit mypgc.us/compost.

- Throughout November, residents receiving County-contracted waste collection can place their fall harvest items curbside by 6 a.m. on Mondays for pickup.
- Pumpkins, dried corn, hay and straw MUST be placed in a paper lawn/leaf bag OR the provided 32gallon green wheeled cart.
- Pumpkins must be free of inorganic materials such as candles, wax, artificial lighting, loose decorations, etc.

## WASTE COLLECTION HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

NATIVE AMERICAN DAY NO CHANGES TO WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE













#### **MPORTANT HOLIDAY WASTE COLLECTION SCHEDULE**



#### **Source Reduction Tip**

PGC Composts accepts food scraps, paper towels, and napkins and keeps them out of our landfill. Residents are strongly encouraged to utilize the County-issued wheeled green cart and curbside compost, Every Meal, Every Scrap, Every Monday.

Visit mypgc.us/compost.

#### Holidays Where Collections Slide One Day

Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday Memorial Day Juneteenth Day (Observed) Independence Day (Observed) Labor Day Thanksgiving Day Christmas Day (Observed) New Year's Day (Observed)

## and Brown Station Road Sanitary Landfill will be open:

Schedule **County Employee Appreciation Day** 

**Holidays Where Collections Remain on** 

Native American Day Veterans Day (Observed) Presidents' Day

#### **HOLIDAYS THAT WILL SLIDE BY ONE DAY**



#### HOLIDAYS THAT WILL BE COLLECTED



Curbside bulky, regular trash and recycling, food scraps, and vard trim (organics) shall NOT be collected, and facilities shall be closed. If a holiday falls on a Monday, **ALL collections, including organics**, will slide to one day later in the week.

- MLK Martin Luther King's Birthday
- **Memorial Day**
- Juneteenth Day (Observed)
- **Independence Day** (Observed)
- Labor Day
- Thanksgiving Day
- Christmas Day (Observed)
- New Year's Day (Observed)

Curbside bulky, regular trash and recycling, food scraps, and yard trim (organics) shall be collected, and facilities shall be open. The Materials Recycling Facility

- **County Employee Appreciation Day** (Day After Thanksgiving)
- **Native American Day**
- VD Veterans Day (Observed)
- PD Presidents' Day



Bulky trash collections for white goods, appliances, scrap tires, electronics recycling, and scrap metal pickup are made by appointment only through PGC311 and occur on a different pickup schedule than regular curbside bulky trash collection.

Residents may verify their waste collection service day at bit.ly/PGCcollectiondaylookup.





# CONGRATULATIONS TO DoE's Deputy Associate Director Erica Bannerman

Winner of the Greater
Washington Region Clean
Cities Coalition Maryland
Visionary Award



## **Braveboy Climate Leadership Summit**





# How to Apply for the ENERGY STAR Certification and Green Leasing (ESGL) Grant

#### 1 DEFINE BUILDING TYPE

The ESGL grant award is available to owners of multifamily and office buildings owners that meet the following criteria:

#### Commercial Office

- 10,000 square feet or above
- In operation 30 hours per week or above
- Minimum 1 worker during the main shift
- Minimum 55%
   occupancy
- Built prior to March 23, 2016

#### Multi-Family

- 2 units or more per building
   20 units or more per
- Greater than 80% occupancy
- Built prior to March 23, 2016

#### **2** APPLY FOR EMPOWER

Incentives are available to Prince George's County commercial, industrial, governmental, and institutional property owners serviced by PEPCO and / or Washington Gas who successfully apply to EmPOWER Maryland for the purchase and installation of qualifying Energy Conservation Measures ("ECMs") for electric and natural gas. Vacant, empty, or nonoperating facilities are not eligible for incentives.





For PEPCO Customers: https://www.pepco.com /ways-to-save/for-yourbusiness/maryland



For WGL Customers: https://wgsmartsavings. com/

#### **3** SUBMIT ESGL APPLICATION

With the help of your service provider and energy auditor, compile all of the required application documents. Then complete the fillable application. When all of the documents are collected and application filled in, send as a zip file to:

EnergyStarCGL@co.pg.md.us



Owners of qualifying multifamily buildings (with 2 or more units and at least 80% occupancy) and commercial buildings (10,000 square feet or larger with at least 55% occupancy) built before 2016 that are served by PEPCO or Washington Gas and enrolled in the <a href="EmPOWER">EmPOWER</a> program are encouraged to apply for the ENERGY STAR Certification and Green Leasing (ESGL) Grant to help lower operating costs, reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and provide an enhanced appeal for tenants. The ESGL Grant can provide up to \$150,000. Don't miss this chance to invest in your building's future.

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. Contact the Prince George's County Department of the Environment at <a href="mailto:EnergyStarCGL@co.pg.md.us">EnergyStarCGL@co.pg.md.us</a> or 301-883-5810 today to learn more and start your journey toward ENERGY STAR certification.







#### Request Season Begins – OCTOBER 1, 2025

#### Written requests may be submitted to:

**Email:** DOE CommunityEngagementBeautification@co.pg.md.us

or via mail to:

**ATTN:** Ms. Mojisola Banjoko, Planner II
Department of the Environment
Community Engagement and Beautification Division
1801 McCormick Drive, Fifth Floor
Largo, MD 20774

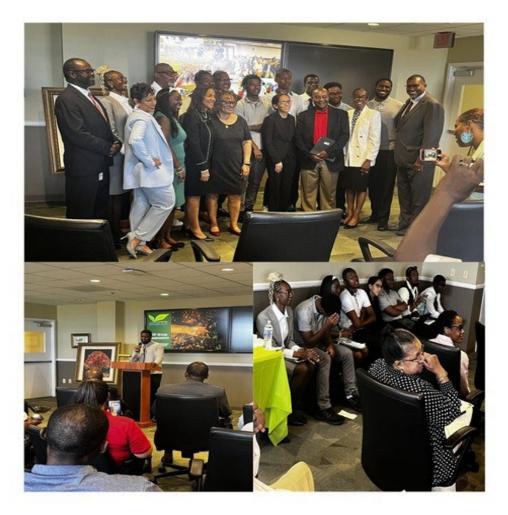
- Containers (large roll-off boxes) are available on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Request must include and identify the Community Clean-Up Coordinator for the event.
- Roll-Off Boxes for Community Clean-Ups are ONLY provided on Saturdays.
- Dates for the spring of 2026 are now being accepted.

# DOE 2025 SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

This summer, DoE's Community Engagement & Beautification Division. Worked with XX youth to provide hands-on work experience and professional skills.

Highlights included a visit to Capitol Hill with Senator Angela Alsobrooks, office team sessions, the sharing of creative ideas, and the development of professional presentations to showcase their growth.

Through mentorship, field experiences, and teamwork, SYEP 2025 provided our youth with more than just a summer job — it gave them a platform to lead, contribute, and build lasting connections within Prince George's County.





# DoE PARTICIPATES IN THE BUSINESS LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

DoE was happy to participate in the Business Leadership Summit, hosted by County Executive Aisha N. Braveboy on September 10, 2025.

The Summit brought together County agencies' leadership, local entrepreneurs, business owners, and stakeholders in an engaging and interactive atmosphere designed to strengthen the local economic ecosystem and provide clear information on the County's procurement process.



# County Executive Braveboy Celebrates the Clinton Community Walk with ASD

Staff at the Prince George's County Animal Services Division were honored to join County Executive Aisha N. Braveboy, community leaders, and partners in the Community Walk in Clinton on September 11th, in support of a safer and more unified community.









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