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Alsobrooks Administration

# First Term Report

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## Dear Prince Georgians,

As I finish my first term as your County Executive, I'm so Prince George's Proud to share our first term report with you, highlighting some of the amazing and transformational work we have accomplished together over the past four years. While we faced many unprecedented and difficult challenges, I'm excited to say that we are truly realizing our promise after these four years.

Our administration has focused on governing with a data-driven, policy-focused approach, while also being nimble to respond to unexpected challenges as they emerged. In 2019, we introduced our Proud Priorities, six policy focus areas we developed to help guide our administration over the long term. These focus areas helped us map out the many promises I made when I took the oath of office as County Executive four years ago.

The Proud Priorities were critical to our administration's overall success, especially as the COVID-19 pandemic struck. As we worked to keep Prince Georgians safe, launched new programs to support residents and businesses, and ultimately rolled out a comprehensive vaccination program, we never lost focus on the Proud Priorities that we laid out in 2019. Now, not only has our County emerged stronger than ever from the COVID-19 pandemic, but we have made progress in so many critical areas that will transform our County for generations to come.

When I took office, I promised we would better care for the 60,000 veterans who call our County home and so bravely served our country. We realized that promise by opening our Office of Veterans Affairs and Women Veterans Center, the first jurisdiction in the State to have such an office. I promised we would make additional investments in our education system to help ensure a quality education for every child. We realized that promise by funding our school system at historic levels and breaking ground on 10 new schools during my first term, an unprecedented amount of school construction.

I promised that we would expand access to healthcare, which was even more urgent for us as our County became the hardest-hit by the COVID-19 pandemic. We realized that promise by opening a new hospital, opening the County's first behavioral health facility, and breaking ground on the County's first freestanding cancer center.

I promised that we would grow and develop in a smart way, that focuses on human development first. We realized that promise by securing hundreds of millions of dollars for investments along the Blue Line Corridor, while creating and preserving thousands of affordable housing units and opening a new American Job Center at National Harbor.

We have done all this, and so much more, in just four years. I want to thank my leadership team and the entire Prince George's County Government. None of this would be possible without your dedication and hard work to serve our residents, each and every day.

I also want to thank Prince Georgians. During my first term, you have been partners with this government. You have remained engaged and cared for one another during some of the most turbulent times our community has experienced. Most importantly, you have helped us show our region and State something that I have long known to be true: you should never bet against a Prince Georgian.

It has been the honor of a lifetime to serve as your County Executive, and I am so blessed that you continue to place your trust in me to lead this County. Our work together continues, and the best is yet to come. Prince George's is the Crown Jewel of Maryland, and we will ensure it remains that way for generations to come.

Yours in service,

Angela Alsobrooks  
Prince George's County Executive

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# Education

Prince George's County strives to provide high-quality educational services in safe learning environments that will not only ensure that our students are college and career ready, but are also well-rounded and globally-competitive citizens.



## — *New School Construction*

- Building 10 new schools, 6 of which are through the innovative Alternative Construction Finance Program
- The ACF program will generate nearly \$225 million in contracting opportunities for local and minority-owned businesses, and 3,000 new jobs, fostering the creation of generational wealth for minority-owned businesses in Prince George's County
- Helps address the school construction backlog in the County, replacing the second-oldest school buildings in the State

## — *Historic School Funding*

- Funded a historic amount of school funding, \$11.4 billion over 4 years
- Went above maintenance of effort by \$108 million over 4 years

## — *Pre-Kindergarten Access*

- All existing PGCPs pre-kindergarten seats are now full day

## — *Expanding Health Services*

- Expanded access to telehealth services to PGCPs students through a public-private collaboration with Hazel Health during the 2022-2023 school year
- Increased allocation of mental health clinicians from 93 to 144 schools in the 2021-2022 school year, charging these professionals to implement counseling sessions individually and in small groups with students and their families
- Secured free dental and vision services for PGCPs, providing preventative services to students regardless of insurance coverage

## — *Technology and Online Learning*

- PGCPs secured a 1:1 device-to-child ratio in our schools for the next 15 years through PGCPs' Financial Sustainability Plan
- An Online Campus was created in the 2021-2022 school year for students who thrived in an online platform during the COVID-19 pandemic and continues to serve approximately 450 middle and high school students

# Youth Development



In collaboration with local businesses, non-profits, community organizations, and athletic/academic programs, we strive to provide our kids with well-rounded opportunities for growth.

## — Youth Leadership

- Launched the Alsobrooks Youth Leadership Institute, an intense immersion-learning program for youth interested in County Government and community service

## — Youth Sports

- Opened Liberty Sports Park, providing access to 10 state-of-the-art turf and grass sports fields for youth sports teams in Prince George's

## — New Libraries

- Broke ground on the brand new 22,000 square foot Bladensburg Branch Library
- Unveiled a new state-of-the-art Hyattsville Branch Library



## — Summer Programs

- Expanded the Youth@Work/Summer Youth Enrichment Program (SYEP) to provide our young people with more jobs and enrichment opportunities over the summer
  - Hired over 17,000 youth in SYEP from 2019-2022
- Created the Alsobrooks Summer Passport Experience to provide free summer enrichment opportunities to County youth ages 12 to 15
  - Provided opportunities for over 1,600 County youth in 2021 and 2022
- Continued the Clean County Cadet program, hiring 330 youth since summer 2019 to focus on beautification, litter control, and recycling in our schools and communities



# Quality of Life Supported by High Performance Government

When it comes to public services, Prince Georgians should expect timely and accurate information, rapid deployment of resources, proven tactics and strategies, and efficient follow-up delivered with a standard of excellence.



## — *Permitting Improvements*

- Implemented the “MOMENTUM” platform to assist in making the permitting and licensing system easier for residents and businesses

## — *New PGC311*

- Launched the new PGC311 web and mobile app experience, making it easier for residents to submit service requests to County Government
- Drove down PGC311 average call wait times from 4 minutes to 15 seconds

## — *Improving Waste Collection Services*

- Launched the Clear the Curb Program to modernize residential waste collection services for more than 180,000 residents in an environmentally-friendly way
- Expanded the PGC Composts Program to provide residents with an additional day of waste collection, with all County residents that receive County trash services being able to participate by the end of 2023
- Implemented a new bulky trash collection service that allows residents receiving County trash and recycling collection services to set out two bulky items next to their trash each week, rather than calling PGC311
- Upgraded the Materials Recovery Facility optical sorting system, making Prince George’s County’s single-stream materials recovery system one of the most advanced in the region and helping us keep our solid waste fund secure



## — *Community Engagement*

- Established an Office of Multicultural Affairs to better serve our immigrant community
- Our Office of Community Relations attended 1,950 community meetings, events, and community walks over 4 years, serving approximately 199,700 Prince Georgians and ensuring the County Government is engaging residents within their own communities



# Healthy Communities

Our Administration has worked to promote, enhance, and preserve the physical, mental health, and well-being of all Prince Georgians.



## — Expanding Healthcare Access

- Opened a state-of-the-art Behavioral Health Unit at Luminis Health Doctor's Community Medical Center, the first mental health and addiction care facility in the County
- Provided financial assistance to cover 22,552 doctor visits for uninsured residents through the Prince George's County Health Assures Program

## — Serving Our Seniors

- 98% of seniors have been vaccinated against COVID-19
- Expanded senior housing options by creating 1,049 additional senior housing units throughout the County
- Activated new paratransit vans that enabled same day and next day reservations for Call-a-Bus
- Conducted a needs assessment survey to determine ways to improve service delivery to seniors
- Tripled the number of seniors enrolled in our home-delivered meals program since 2019

## — Beautification and Litter

- Launched the *Part of It, Proud of It* beautification initiative to encourage residents, visitors, and businesses to protect and preserve the environment
- Collected more than 5,800 tons of litter and debris on County roadways over 4 years
- Removed more than 410 tons of litter from the Anacostia Watershed over 4 years
- Hosted 135 volunteer cleanup events over 4 years

## — Supporting our Veterans

- Became the first jurisdiction in Maryland to create an Office of Veterans Affairs (OVA)
  - OVA has served more than 10,700 veterans and their families since its establishment in 2019
  - Established the Military Women Veterans Center to better serve women veterans in the County

## — Stormwater Management

- Invested \$1.03 billion into the Stormwater Management Fund, Watershed Protection and Restoration Fund, and Stormwater Management Capital Improvement Program over 4 years, helping improve water quality and reduce flooding due to climate change

# Economic Development

Prince George's County has worked to ensure that our residents, businesses, and institutions are all active participants in the thriving marketplace and have opportunities to enjoy our economic growth.



## — *Blue Line Corridor*

- Developed new Economic Development Platform with historic investments along the Blue Line Corridor
  - Secured more than \$540 million in funding to help build walkable, bikeable neighborhoods with new amenities

## — *Affordable Housing*

- Directly preserved and created over 3,100 affordable housing units since 2020
- Launched the Right of First Refusal Program to help preserve affordable housing
- Created and funded the Housing Investment Trust Fund in partnership with the County Council

## — *Assisting Job Seekers*

- Opened new American Job Center at National Harbor that serves 10,000 residents each year, helping connect them with job opportunities and workforce training to gain new skills

## — *Supporting Minority-Owned Businesses*

- Launched Prince George's Supply Schedule to help County-based small and minority-owned businesses become the prime contract holder for a variety of products and services used by the County Government

## — *Redevelopment Projects*

- Redevelopment in Suitland includes a mixed-use, transit-oriented neighborhood with affordable housing and a new retail space with a grocery store
- Redevelopment in New Carrollton includes a mixed-use development with affordable housing, the new Kaiser headquarters, and retail space
  - Secured \$20.5 million RAISE grant that will support major infrastructure improvements, including a new train hall at the New Carrollton station
- Redeveloping the former hospital in Cheverly to a mixed-use development, including over 1,000 housing units, 40,000 square feet of retail space, grocery space, and a new hotel
  - 40% of sponsor equity will be targeted to minority and local businesses and individuals





# Safe Neighborhoods



We believe that the cornerstone of maintaining safe communities is an unyielding commitment to establishing and maintaining positive collaboration between County Government, law enforcement and the communities we serve.

## — *Body Camera Program*

- All patrol officers in PGPD are now fully equipped with body worn cameras

## — *Police Reform*

- Created the Police Reform Work Group and have made significant progress in implementing 46 reforms from the Work Group to help the Police Department become a model for the nation

## — *Vision Zero*

- Launched Vision Zero Prince George's in 2019 to help eliminate fatalities and serious injuries on County roadways
  - Participated in 170 outreach events
  - Identified 24 street projects, with 5 major street projects completed
  - Completed 123 Neighborhood Traffic Management Studies where the County inspected, repaired, and replaced 1,835 streetlights, installed 46 new speed humps, replaced or installed 860,000 square feet of sidewalk, and resurfaced 18 miles of roadway

## — *Re-entry*

- Established the Office of Returning Citizens Affairs in 2022 to better coordinate resources and serve returning citizens
- Served over 3,700 returning citizens through the Bridge Center at Adam's House from 2019-2022



## — *Reducing Violence*

- Established the Hope in Action Anti-Violence Project to reduce violent crime in our communities
  - Funded 16 non-profits to provide wraparound services to at-risk youth and young adults, including afterschool programming, re-entry services, mental healthcare, mentorship, and more
  - Created a Violence Prevention Task Force with residents and community leaders to develop short and long-term strategies to address violence
  - Engaged 9,919 residents since its establishment in 2021 by providing access to behavioral health services, one-on-one mentorship, addiction and grief management services, healthy meals, and job placement services



# COVID-19 Response

When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Prince George's County Government worked tirelessly to keep Prince Georgians safe while providing resources to address the needs of residents and businesses. With the authorization of a life-saving vaccine, we have continued moving forward to support residents and businesses while ensuring we emerge from this pandemic stronger than ever before.



## — Vaccination Program and Engagement

- Over 1.8 million COVID-19 vaccinations provided to County residents
- Over 5,295 vaccine doses were delivered through homebound appointments
- Hosted over 600 COVID-19 mobile clinics in communities across the County
- Through our vaccination outreach program to ensure vaccine equity, we knocked on 267,210 doors, delivered 201,220 mailers, made 1,383,635 calls, and sent 547,903 text messages

## — COVID-19 Testing

- First jurisdiction in the State of Maryland to stand up a free COVID-19 testing site

## — Planning for the Future

- Created the Prince George's Forward Task Force, which developed dozens of recommendations to help guide the County's recovery and emerge stronger than ever from the pandemic

## — Tackling Food Insecurity

- Created the innovative Stand Up & Deliver program which allowed us to tackle food insecurity while supporting restaurants and non-profits impacted by the pandemic; we provided over 457,000 boxes of groceries, or more than 4.6 million meals, to residents through this program
- Delivered over 1.1 million meals to seniors

## — Supporting Residents & Businesses

- Launched the Emergency Rental Assistance Program, consistently leading the State in distributing money to keep residents safely housed and prevent evictions
  - As of November 2022, we have distributed over \$98 million in rental assistance to over 9,854 households
- Disbursed \$19.7 million to small and local businesses through the Business Recovery Initiative, saving 3,090 jobs
- Disbursed \$14.6 million through the Restaurant Resiliency Fund to support more than 750 local restaurants
- Distributed \$700,000 through the Employee Hourly Relief Fund, providing gift cards to support more than 3,000 residents

# Maryland General Assembly Legislative Sessions

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In collaboration with our County Delegation, we advocated for the needs of Prince Georgians during each year's Legislative Session to ensure that our County's legislative priorities were met.

## — *Total State Funding*

- Secured over \$8 billion in State aid during Maryland General Assembly Sessions from 2019-2022
  - In 2022, we secured over \$2.5 billion in State aid, a record amount in a single session for Prince George's County

## — *Economic Development*

- Secured \$400 million in bonding authority through the Maryland Stadium Authority to create a sports and entertainment destination along the Blue Line Corridor, to include:
  - Amphitheater
  - Market Hall
  - Civic Plaza
  - Library/Cultural Center
  - Youth Sports Fieldhouse

## — *Education*

- Helped secure passage of historic Kirwan legislation to increase education funding
- Secured funding to increase teacher salaries and pre-K opportunities
- Received a \$30 million grant for new school construction in 2022
  - Being used to build a new Career and Technical Education (CTE) Hub at Crossland High School and a new pre-K program in Riverdale

## — *Police Reform*

- Supported historic police reform in 2021, including the repeal of the Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights (LEOBR)

## — *Healthcare*

- Secured \$67 million to build the County's first freestanding cancer center in Largo, which will be completed in 2024



# 2019 Accomplishments

Even as we learned to navigate the County Government, the Alsobrooks Administration had several accomplishments during our first year.

<b>Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passed legislation to establish a Youth Sports Division within the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC)</li><li>• Passed legislation to target illegal dumping</li><li>• Secured additional speed cameras for Maryland Route 210 to address one of the deadliest roads for traffic accidents in the State of Maryland</li><li>• Passed State legislation to create the Alternative Construction Finance Program to build schools faster and at a cost savings</li></ul>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Prince George's County continued leading the State in job growth, adding 21,236 jobs in the last 5 years</li></ul>
<b>Quality of Life Supported by High Performance Government</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Funded \$4.6 million in technology investments in the FY 2020 budget to streamline processes and modernize technology across County Government<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Included funding for an e-Procurement system to make it easier to do business with the County Government</li></ul></li></ul>
<b>Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supported an additional 4,900 pre-K seats in the FY 2020 budget</li></ul>
<b>Youth Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Doubled the size of the Youth@Work/Summer Youth Enrichment Program from 3,000 to more than 6,000 jobs, and expanded the age range to young people ages 14-22</li></ul>
<b>Healthy Communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Installed 29 Big Belly dual solar trash and recycling stations at bus stops in the County to help reduce litter</li><li>• Health Department became part of a national campaign and received new federal funding for community-based partnerships to help address the HIV epidemic in Prince George's</li></ul>

# 2020 Accomplishments

Despite the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Alsobrooks Administration continued to make progress and deliver results for Prince Georgians.

<p><b>COVID-19</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Ambassador Compliance Program conducted over 12,000 inspections to ensure businesses were complying with mask mandates and other safety measures</li> <li>• Established the COVID-19 Hotline to ensure residents had access to information on COVID-19 testing and vaccinations</li> <li>• Partnered with World Central Kitchen to help serve our Latino community during the height of the pandemic</li> <li>• Raised over \$20 million from foundations and private donors for Prince George’s County through the United Way, to support our non-profits, school system, public libraries, and small businesses</li> <li>• Developed over 500 COVID-19 graphics and translated them into Spanish</li> <li>• County Executive Alsobrooks was the first in the State to institute masking requirements in public settings and on public transportation</li> <li>• Throughout the pandemic, County Executive Alsobrooks continued to follow the science, cautiously lifting restrictions when safe to do so</li> <li>• Established the COVID Care Program to assist residents who were exposed to COVID-19 or who were COVID-19 positive</li> </ul>
<p><b>Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secured \$25 million yearly for school construction for Prince George’s County through the passage of the Built to Learn Act in the Maryland General Assembly</li> </ul>
<p><b>Economic Development</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched the Buy Prince George’s campaign to support small and local businesses impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic</li> </ul>
<p><b>Safe Neighborhoods</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Increased civic participation by providing ballots to incarcerated detainees for voter registration and voting during the 2020 Maryland Gubernatorial Election</li> </ul>
<p><b>Quality of Life Supported by High Performance Government</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Established Riding with Curb, a cloud-based scheduling and dispatch system that connects residents to reliable and convenient taxi transportation</li> <li>• The Department of Public Works and Transportation expanded its existing paratransit program to enable dialysis patients to access transportation for treatment on Saturdays, in addition to the regular Monday through Friday schedule</li> <li>• Restored Saturday service on “TheBus,” the County-operated bus service</li> <li>• Prince George’s County exceeded expectations for the 2020 Census through various outreach efforts despite the COVID-19 pandemic, helping ensure we get appropriate allocations of federal resources for the next decade</li> </ul>

# 2021 Accomplishments

After the authorization of a life-saving vaccine, the Alsobrooks Administration moved forward with the County's recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic while delivering on the Proud Priorities developed in 2019.

<b>COVID-19</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secured Dr. Anthony Fauci, Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID) to host a Virtual COVID-19 Town Hall to further educate County residents on the COVID-19 vaccine</li> </ul>
<b>Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Passed Affordable Housing PILOT legislation to help preserve affordable housing for residents, saving up to 1,200 naturally occurring affordable units from becoming out of reach to our working families</li> <li>Secured \$9.2 million for turf fields for PGCPSS, ensuring year-round access to desirable, high-quality amenities for families and youth groups throughout Prince George's County</li> </ul>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launched the Office of Central Services' Mentor-Protégé Program to increase the number of local small businesses that can obtain County Government contracts</li> <li>Launched the Office of Central Services' Green Book, a digital guide for small and minority-owned businesses to help connect them with County Government procurement opportunities</li> <li>Broke ground on a new medical office building, the Ella, serving as the first phase of Carillon development in Downtown Largo</li> </ul>
<b>Safe Neighborhoods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Implemented a new Next Generation 9-1-1 system, becoming the first jurisdiction in the State of Maryland to utilize the new and improved system</li> <li>Hired a new Police Chief that is a national leader in community policing</li> </ul>
<b>Quality of Life Supported by High Performance Government</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The County's first Vision Zero Traffic Garden was installed at Perrywood Elementary School in Upper Marlboro to provide a safe space for children and families to learn the rules of the road away from street traffic</li> <li>Developed and introduced the Prince George's Link in Fort Washington, an on-demand service which supplements transit service with flexible routes, delivering transit to those who previously lacked access</li> <li>Continued to make bike and pedestrian improvements along Marlboro Pike including a road diet, bike lanes, traffic signal upgrades, and pedestrian refuge islands</li> <li>The Department of Public Works and Transportation made traffic calming improvements to Muncy Circle and Muncy Court through speed reduction measures and re-orienting the ingress and egress pattern of the roadway</li> </ul>
<b>Healthy Communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developed the Foster Care Fast Track Program to improve access to healthcare for foster children and families</li> <li>The Health Department implemented a new electronic medical record system to better prepare for public health crises and improve its ability to provide quality and timely care</li> <li>Purchased an additional 30 internet-enabled waste collection stations, which will be installed in high-pedestrian traffic areas to reduce litter and improve removal of trash and alleviate community blight</li> <li>The Office of Veterans Affairs implemented a new Total Management Program to ensure quality customer service</li> <li>Created the new "Help with Hope" model to better address needs of veterans and family members, such as accessing benefits, employment, housing, and education</li> <li>Our Office of Veterans Affairs partnered with national program "Serving Together" to connect with more veterans and organizations across the County and region</li> <li>Transformed the Human Relations Commission into the Office of Human Rights, a stand-alone agency that will better be able to provide civil and human rights education and enforcement in the County</li> <li>In 2021, our Department of the Environment treated 4,143 impervious acres with stormwater management controls, including the Tinkers Creek Stream Restoration Project</li> <li>Investigated over 1,900 drainage complaints to recommend drainage improvement projects throughout the County to alleviate flooding</li> </ul>
<b>Youth Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed and opened the Tucker Road Ice Rink</li> </ul>
<b>Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PGCPSS implemented Canvas as its Learning Management System to enhance instructional delivery for teachers and students and assist with a balanced instructional approach</li> <li>PGCPSS launched a new web-based platform, BH-Works™, that allows the district to identify, track, and address the mental health and social risk factors of its students</li> <li>Professional school counselors and clinicians began new check-ins with students by serving out-of-school suspensions upon their return to determine additional supports needed and to reduce repeat out-of-school suspensions</li> </ul>

# 2022 Accomplishments

The Alsobrooks Administration did not let up during the final year of the first term, continuing to deliver big wins for Prince Georgians in a number of key areas.

<b>Maryland General Assembly Legislative Session</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secured full funding for a new amphitheater in Downtown Largo</li> <li>Secured \$200 million for the FBI to relocate its headquarters to Prince George's County</li> <li>Secured \$20 million for a Next Level Sports &amp; Innovation Center</li> <li>Secured \$20 million in support of affordable housing programs</li> </ul>
<b>Economic Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Launched the Homeownership Preservation Program to assist eligible homeowners with health, safety, energy efficiency and accessibility repairs in their homes</li> <li>Recovered all jobs lost due to the COVID-19 pandemic</li> <li>Opened The Lewis, an affordable senior housing apartment building in Suitland</li> <li>Opened the Gateway at Peerless, a multi-family housing complex in Upper Marlboro</li> <li>Broke ground on the Residences at Springbrook, an affordable senior housing complex in Clinton</li> <li>Utilized our Right of First Refusal at Hamilton Manor in Langley Park, Bedford/Victoria Station in Langley Park, Langdon Park at Fort Washington, and The Haven in Largo, preserving the affordability of these housing units</li> <li>Continued the Commercial Property Improvement Grant Program, allocating \$3,818,634 that assisted 20 shopping centers as of November 2022</li> <li>Conducted a Disparity Study through our Office of Central Services to ensure minority and women-owned businesses have equal opportunity to provide goods and services to our County</li> </ul>
<b>Safe Neighborhoods</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the Department of Corrections, all inmates enrolled in re-entry services receive a "Release Plan" upon their release that provides resources to individuals returning to the community</li> <li>Implemented an updated Cosmetology Natural Haircare Program in the Department of Corrections to help more female inmates obtain cosmetology certifications</li> </ul>
<b>Quality of Life Supported by High Performance Government</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Replaced the existing bridge on Temple Hill Road in Clinton with a larger, wider, and higher structure to improve vehicular safety and accommodate pedestrians and bicycle traffic</li> <li>Completed the installation of the first Electric Bus Recharging Station for TheBus in Forestville and are currently planning the rollout of the County's first fully-electrified bus route in FY 2024</li> <li>Organized the first Cyber Security Unit within the Office of Information Technology and a virtual Cybersecurity Operations Center (SOC)</li> <li>Named the #1 Digital County in the nation in the annual Digital Counties Survey for the second year in a row</li> <li>Hired a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer in the Office of the County Executive to ensure the government reflects the community it serves</li> </ul>
<b>Healthy Communities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Collaborated with major healthcare providers including Luminis and Adventist Fort Washington to help stop the spread of addiction in our community</li> <li>Our Health Department's Health &amp; Wellness/Chronic Disease Program achieved a major milestone in building care capacity and sustainability by gaining CDC Full Plus Recognition, CMS billing, and private insurance patient referrals</li> <li>Began building a Communicable Disease and Emergency Preparedness Unit to improve the County's preparedness and response to future public health emergencies</li> <li>The Department of Social Services established the Office of Food Security to work with community partners to understand available resources, identify gaps, and develop action steps for mitigating food insecurity</li> </ul>
<b>Youth Development</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assembled the Recreation Blue Ribbon Work Group to develop recommendations on improving the delivery of recreation and youth sports services in the County</li> </ul>
<b>Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Opened 80 pre-kindergarten seats at Springhill Lake Elementary School and Cherokee Lane Elementary School</li> <li>PGCPS launched a new online social-emotional learning tool (SEL) for students via Quaver SEL for elementary-aged students and promoted its current Safe Schools modules for 6th to 12th grade students</li> <li>PGCPS expanded its parent support program:             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increased the number of Community Schools from 65 to 77</li> <li>Opened three new pantries in collaboration with the Capital Area Food Bank and provided over 7,000 food boxes</li> <li>Completed over 500 referrals at 20 PGCPS middle schools through the Department of Social Services' Community Resource Advocates</li> </ul> </li> </ul>



**“If you want to go fast, go alone.**

**If you want to go far, go **together.**”**

**~ African Proverb**



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