

# A BETTER MARYLAND

## THE STATE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

SUSTAINABLE GROWTH COMMISSION

CROWNSVILLE

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# A BETTER MARYLAND VISION STATEMENT

**A Better Maryland** is a dynamic, evolving plan that provides a framework to support a thriving economy and environmental stewardship. The plan supports collaboration among state and local governments and all other stakeholders, providing resources and tools for the long term economic success of Maryland



# STATE DEVELOPMENT PLAN: *A BETTER MARYLAND*

- **IMPLEMENTATION OBJECTIVES**

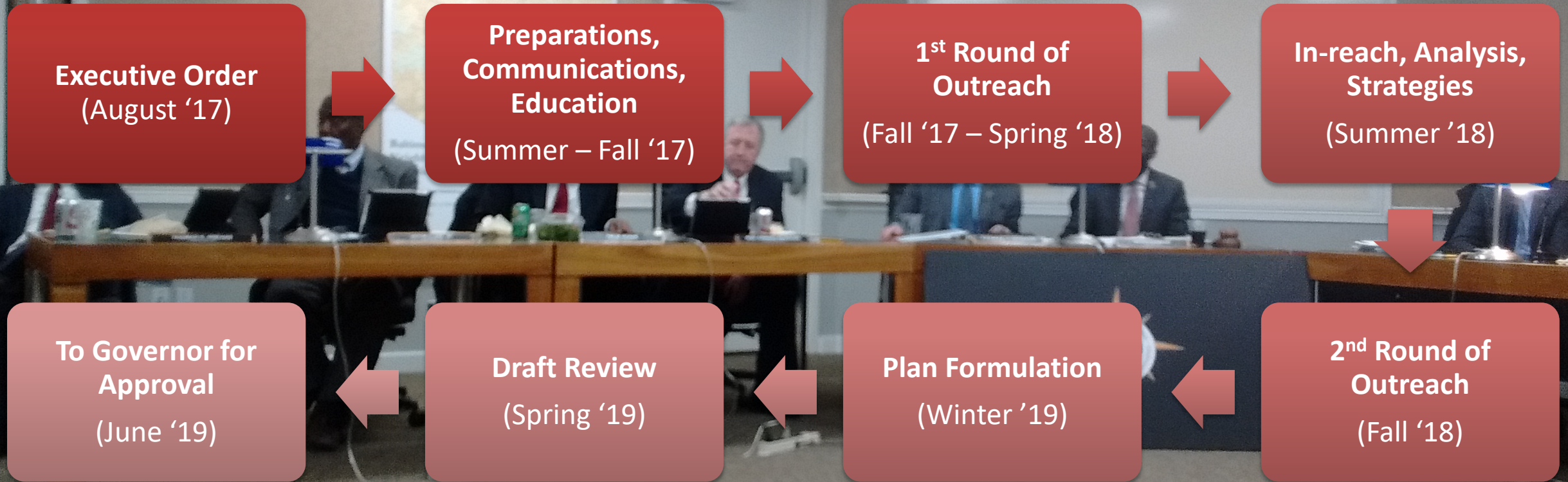
- Improve the Delivery of Programs and Services to Local Jurisdictions
- Improve Collaboration and Coordination Among State Agencies
- Respect Regional Distinctions
- Build Capacity in Communities

- **Implementation Tools**

- Increased Technical Assistance
- Models and Guidelines
- White papers, Interactive Dashboards, Story Maps
- Planning Forums
- Digital Resource Center



# PROCESS



# ROLE OF THE COMMISSION



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## LAYING THE FOUNDATION

- Executive Order
- Outreach Plan and Communications
- Engagement Details
- Commission Involvement
- Goals and Objectives

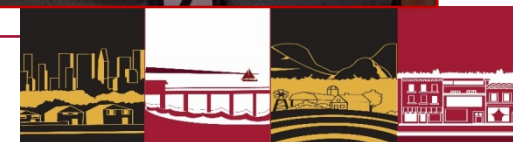
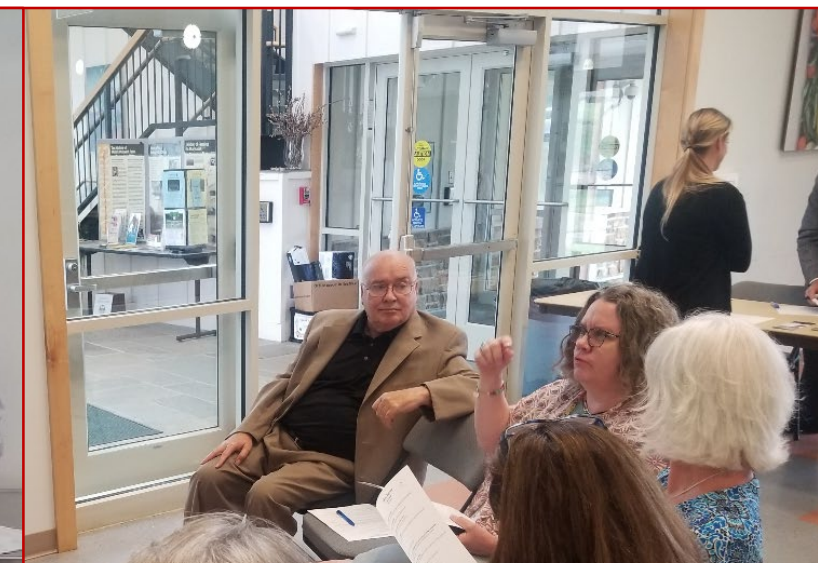
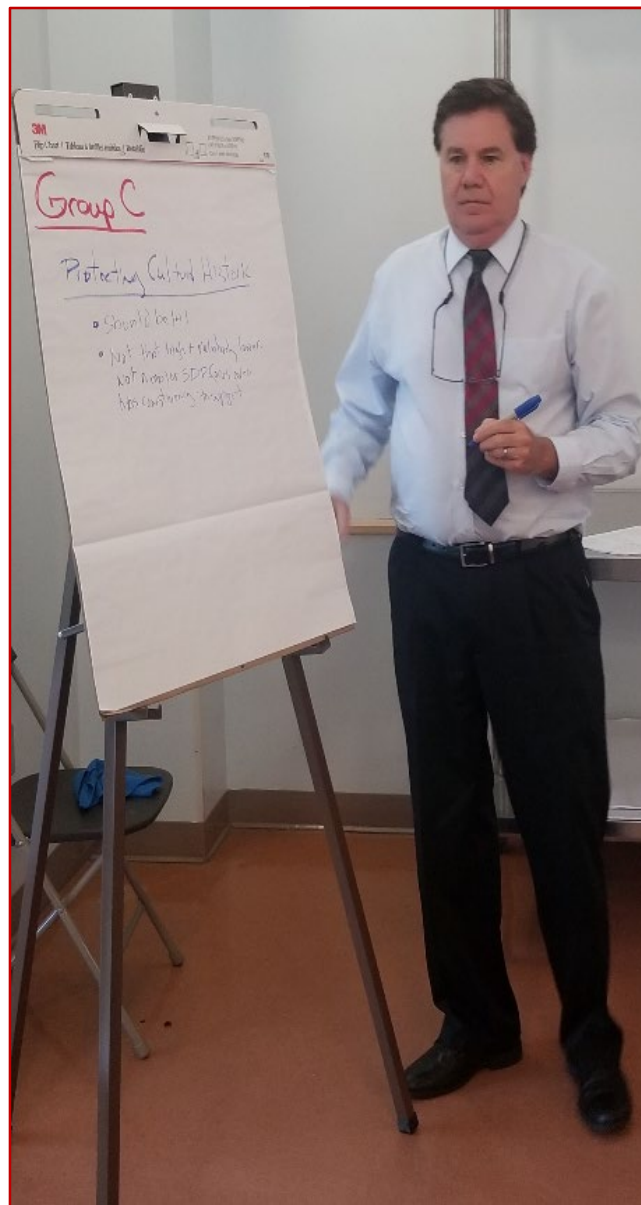


## INVOLVEMENT IN THE PROCESS



## FEEDBACK/GENERATING IDEAS

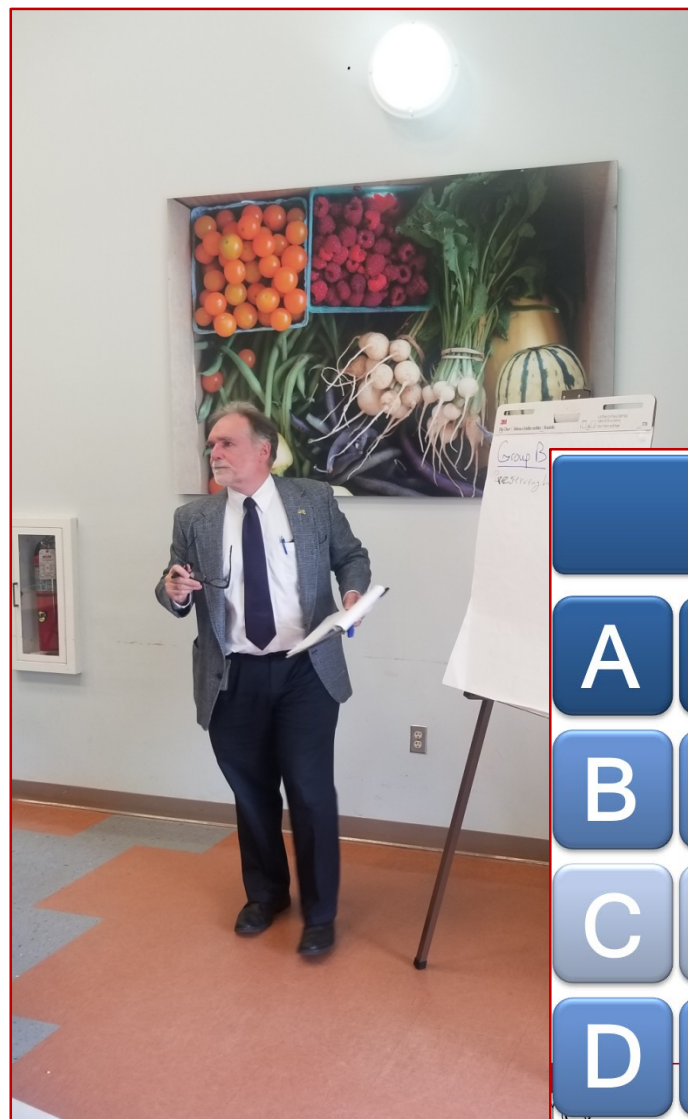
- Stakeholder Input and Themes
- Outreach Support
- Workgroup Feedback
- MACo and MML Conferences
- Brainstorming





## STRATEGY DEVELOPMENT

- Round 2 Prep
- Draft Strategies
  - Feedback
  - Modifications



## Proposed Strategies

- A** Explore strategies for integrating DLLR's data and online resources into Planning's community development workplan (eg. Foreclosure Registry, Workforce MD Expressway Portal, Maryland Workforce Exchange)
- B** Use existing groups and organizations such as Maryland Economic Development Association, and the Regional Councils as strategic partners to collaborate on local and regional economic development needs
- C** Facilitate Economic Opportunity and Reduce Congestion in Maryland through Strategic System Expansion
- D** Support and develop active and healthy agriculture businesses based upon Statewide and regional needs and differences

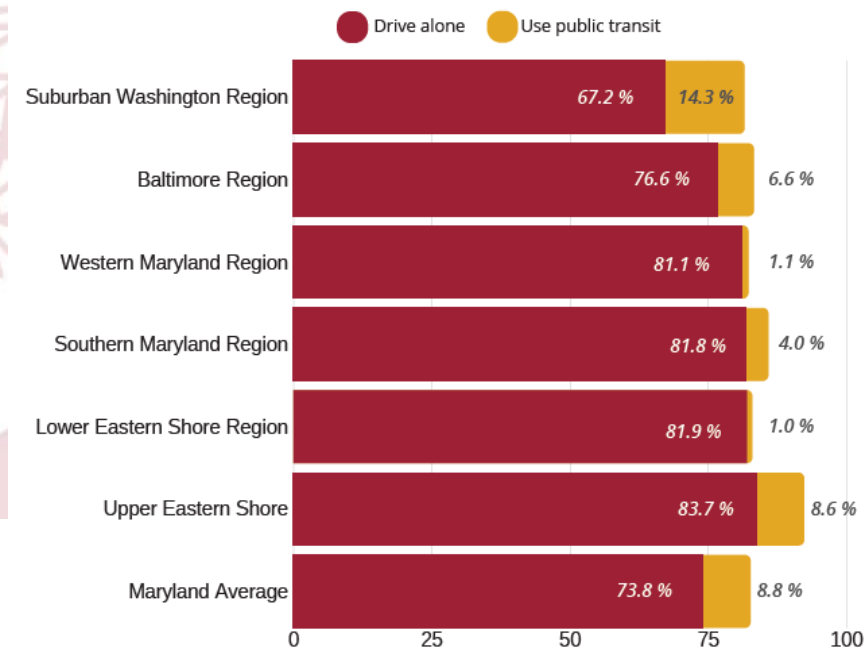
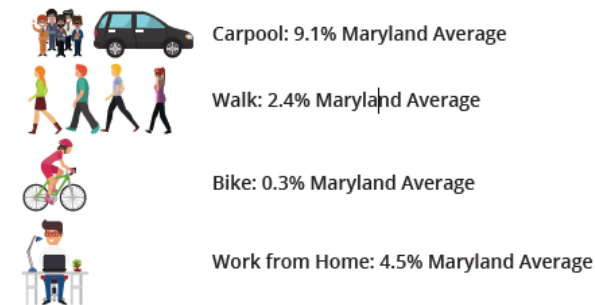


## DOCUMENT

- < 50 pages
- Four Objectives
- Ten Topics
- Areas of Critical State Concern
- Strategy Context and Connectivity Table



Mode of Transportation to Work: Percent of Workers by Mode



# COMMENTS RECEIVED

- Deadline for Public Comments - May 17
- 12 formal comment submissions, covering 29 different areas
- Category of individual items
  - General (6) - including technical corrections
  - Environment (4)
  - Transportation (4)
  - Housing (4)



# COMMENT RESPONSES AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- Several of the comments identified issues that can be addressed by the existing objectives and strategies
- Several of the comments suggested clarifications / modifications to either the objectives or strategies
- Requested additional strategies to address:
  - Maryland's aging population
  - Improved coordination between transit systems
  - Agriculture Industry modernization



# NEXT STEPS

- Growth Commission discussion
  - Comments on draft *A Better Maryland*
  - Recommendations on changes to draft *A Better Maryland*
  - Consideration of endorsing submission of *A Better Maryland* to the Governor
- Smart Growth Subcabinet Meeting on May 22
- Finalization of *A Better Maryland* document & website
- Transmittal of *A Better Maryland* to the Governor by July 1

