



Mayor Report (April 2023) Key Highlights Rollup

Mayor Cashenna A. Cross Report (March 27, 2023 - April 27, 2023)

1. Accomplished:

a. Resolutions/Council Actions:

- i. Met with HOA Woodmore Town Center at Glenarden discussions on the Woodmore Town Center at Glenarden conveyance of roads and DPIE findings. The roadway detailed on the approved storm drain and paving plan called for under drain behind the curb and gutter. DR Horton wants something in writing stating that the City of Glenarden was okay with DR Horton not installing the under drain prior to releasing the permit. There also has been some violations and civil citation written in the pass for noncompliance items. In my research it is NOT advisable to permit the builder to walk away without conducting this fix under DR Horton's responsibility.
- ii. Annual Budget submitted to City Council April 15, 2023 from the Executive branch and the Administration for FY24. The Treasurer and City Manager briefed Mayor on the compiled overall budget submissions for public briefings starting May 1st, 2023. PG County Office of Finance, deadline for submitting the tax rates for billing already met. Feedback to be sent to SDAT by May 26, 2023 deadline.

- b. State of Glenarden delivered to City council 31 January 2023; Mayoral Forum planned for residents May 10th 2023; time: 6:30pm -7:30 pm Glenarden Nutritional Center.

2. The Mayor's Office has been extremely successful in moving the mission forward in county and statewide effort full of activity supporting Glenarden youth and families/fielded 18 office calls/meetings.

- i. Glenarden International Cultural Day May 13th, 2023, Glenarden Community Center
- ii. JSWES Community School Steering Committee meeting: Monday, April 24th, 2:30pm.
- iii. Prince George's County Council DCAO Meeting on April 18, 2023 at the Wayne K. Curry Administration Building, 1301 McCormick Drive in Largo. Shared ideas with DCAO Holt and the Government Infrastructure, Environment, and Technology team. GOVERNMENT INFRASTRUCTURE, TECHNOLOGY & ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES" G.I.T.E.S CLUSTER PGCMA MEETING.
 1. Improve water quality to comply with the County's federal and state NPDES MS4 Permit and implement flood control projects

- a. Increase the total number of impervious acres retrofitted with storm water management controls that filter pollutants through the work of local, county-based businesses.
 - b. Alleviate residential flooding -Investigate constituent service requests for flooding and on private properties with identification of problem sources and corrective measures (FROST HOA)
- 2. Collect, process and divert waste from the County operated landfill, commercial facilities and households to comply with the County's state-required Ten Year Solid Waste Plan
- 3. Educate the community on litter reduction, pollution prevention, climate change and environmental best practices
 - a. Beautification - Litter reduction through a comprehensive, community-based social marketing campaign.
- iv. Dinner with Sheriff Carr Thursday, April 27, 2023, @ 6:30 pm - Community Roundtable executive leader's discussions with Prince George's County Sherriff share his vision for "Building Strong Community Partnerships."
- v. Meeting with Frost HOA April 24th, 2023
- vi. Opening night with stage play Poor Man, Rich Soul by Jimmy Jenkins. Based on the unfair life of Richard "Rich" Soul, a former world boxing champion, now drunken husband and father who was falsely accused of murder. First Baptist Church of Glenarden Pastor Jenkins and Pastor (Dr.) Queen New Mindz Ministry, Inc. sponsored event.
- vii. Amazing opportunity to witness a trailer premiere of The 30 Days movie. A movie of mystery and suspense recorded in multiple languages Pashto, Hindu, English, and Tere Yaadein song release. Operating in inclusion not just Diversity.
- viii. Interview on the state of Modern Democracy with Global Television Networks. Broadcast on FOX5 PLUS. WDCA. Washington, DC. GTV/FOX5 TEAM.
- ix. Attendance of the Prince George's County Mayors Association monthly meeting.
- x. Meeting with the Residents at Glenarden Hills property manager on Executive Office actions taken to support internet tablets being distributed to every resident. This benefit to the middle to low income and senior community drives home the broadband expansion strategy for nearly 169 eligible residents! Partner: Emerald Coast Government ACP sponsored Tablet Program & Ascended Motion Pictures Inc.
- xi. NAACP Prince George's County Board of Directors; April 2023 Executive Committee meeting.
- xii. Help is available if you or a loved one are experiencing depression, anxiety, thoughts of suicide, or dealing with another type of mental health or substance use concern. Connected residents, especially our youth, to services and resources during event called the Greatest of All Time (G.O.A.T.) Mental Health Expo on Saturday, April 29, 2023, at Bowie State University's Student Center (14000 Jericho Park Rd., Bowie, MD 20715). In conjunction with the kick-off of

Mental Health Awareness Month in May, this one-day event included a variety of interactive activities and workshops to engage County youth ages 18 to 24 and their families in managing mental health or substance use issues, as well as connected them to community resources and support networks.

- xiii. Office of the Mayor is working with non-profit titled: The Blue Runway for Autism. They partner with Macy's and Law Enforcement to host fashion shows for people/kids with autism/special needs to promote positive self-esteem. They also host workshops with Law Enforcement to create a safe approach not knowing if a person has an invisible disability. This program is titled: "DRESSED IN BLUE". The next Blue Runway for Autism fashion show is scheduled on Saturday April 29, 2023, at the F.O.P. Lodge 89 located at 2905 Old Largo Road, Upper Marlboro, Maryland from 3pm-7pm. If your family has been impacted by autism or have an autistic child, please reach out to POC: Linda Carpenter-Grantham, Founder Email: bluerunwayforautism@gmail.com website: <http://www.thebluerunwayforautism.com/>
- xiv. Glenarden Financial Youth Financial Literacy.
- xv. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. Youth Financial Literacy Conference at Prince George's Community College.
- xvi. Office of Emergency Management Prince George's County Office of Homeland Security inquiry into the CERT training provided on April 1st and 2nd, This is a two-day training that covers inquiry into the CERT training provided on April 1st and 2nd, This is a two-day training that covers Fire Suppression Training, Basic Search and Rescue Techniques, Disaster Medical Operations as well as Utility Shut-off. Overall, CERT training covers basic skills that are important to know in a disaster when emergency services are not available. Additionally working with community partners to bring an event solely an OHS/OEM presentation to Glenarden residents especially for our seniors. All residents willing to work on this committee please message the Office of Mayor Cashenna A. Cross at 307-773-2100.
- xvii. Office of Emergency Management Prince George's County Office of Homeland Security CPR, AED training. Mayor Cross intends to build a program for the community which enables Continuity of Operations and supports a County-wide solution. Glenarden residents interested in joining the program and getting certified in lifesaving techniques please reach out to the Office of the Mayor to volunteer. The goal is three residents from each Ward. We got your back Glenarden!
- xviii. Growing Green with Pride at Judge S. Woods Elementary School April 29th, 2023, school beautification project(s).

b. Mayoral Proclamation/ Other Actions:

- i. Mayor Cross crafted forward to upcoming publication titled – Perception: The Fallible Truth When Lies are Turned to Truth by Prof. (Dr). Samuel Jacobs-Abbey,

PhD. MBA. BS. AS. CGPP; Chief Executive Officer- Jacobs-Abbey Global Institute for Leadership Studies; Professor- Corporate Governance, Morris Brown College, Atlanta (HBCU); Global Diplomatic Council Special envoy to United Nations & African Union.

- c. The 2nd quarterly newsletter April-June jammed packed with nuggets of information; delivered to residents the first week of April 2023. Please advise 301-773-2100 if you need to update your address. There are still citizens who state they have not received the newsletter. Additional copies are therefore being made available throughout the quarter for citizens to retrieve from the municipal center front desk.
 - d. Mayor Cashenna A. Cross Mayoral Community Forum: April 12, 2023 "Volunteer Recognition Day highlighted Prince George's County NAACP." here is the link to the video <https://www.youtube.com/live/I5uBCyMujvY?feature=share>
3. Annapolis Legislative communication/ attendance strategy.
- a. News report thank you -thank you! Annapolis Legislators thank you Prince George's NAACP and American Heart Association for allowing me to represent; and statewide allies for supporting our kids! Mayor of the City of Glenarden Md Testifying on behalf of the Prince George's County NAACP & American Heart Association alongside a strong list of witnesses from statewide nonprofits, MaCO, Public Schools Superintendents' Association of Maryland, Maryland Food Bank, Maryland Association of Boards of Education helps increase the appropriation by \$4,500,000 bring breakfasts to classrooms across the State of Maryland. Bill imposes a mandated appropriation in the annual State Budget Bill from \$7,550,000 to \$12,050,000!
 - b. Annapolis has closed the 445th Legislative Session and the following passed House of delegated legislations it was an honor to serve as witness on during the PGCHD Late Filed Bill Hearing session.
 - i. **Supported PASSED: PG502-23 // HB1079** Effective Date(s): July 1, 2023, July 1, 2024 – Prince George's County – Board of Education and School System Revisions and Local Public Campaign Financing for Board of Education Members (Chairman Charles)
 - ii. **Also supported PG-302-23 //** House of Delegates partner Bill HB0436 – Approved by the Governor - Chapter 93 Effective Date(s): July 1, 2023, Prince George's County – Alcoholic Beverages – Class B Beer, Wine, and Liquor Licenses, Entertainment Permits, Inspections and Publication of Penalties (Chairman Charles)
 - c. Glenarden here's more great news! PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY BRINGS HOME \$2.1 BILLION IN STATE AID DURING 2023 MARYLAND GENERAL ASSEMBLY SESSION - full list of major funding secured by Prince George's County and key pieces of legislation passed during the 2023 legislative session is below:

- i. Education
 - 1. \$17.5 million for the Marlboro Hall Renovation at Prince George’s Community College
 - 2. \$1.1 million for the new Thurgood Marshall Library and Commons building at Bowie State University
- ii. Economic Development
 - 1. \$100 million for the FBI headquarters if they choose a final site in Prince George’s County
 - 2. \$20 million for a Maryland Next Level Sports & Entertainment Innovation Center
 - 3. \$500,000 for the Prince George’s County Re-entry Employment Incentive Program to help employ returning citizens
 - 4. \$100,000 for the Prince George’s Arts and Humanities Council Film Office
- iii. Healthy & Safe Communities
 - 1. \$27 million to continue construction of the new cancer center at the University of Maryland Capital Region Medical Center in Largo
 - 2. \$6 million for the construction of a new tower for obstetrical care at Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center
 - 3. \$5 million for the renovation of the Shepherd’s Cove Homeless Shelter for Women and Children
 - 4. \$2 million for the construction of additional floors and bed space at MedStar Southern Maryland Hospital
 - 5. \$500,000 for the renovation of the Behavioral Health Emergency Department at Luminis Health Doctors Community Medical Center
 - 6. \$100,000 for Prince George’s County Court Appointed Special Advocates
- iv. Legislation
 - 1. Passed legislation giving Prince George’s County representation on the Maryland Stadium Authority
 - 2. Passed legislation to establish the Transit-Oriented Development Capital Grant and Revolving Loan Fund
 - 3. Passed legislation to expand the tax credit for film production activities
 - 4. Passed legislation to establish a Teacher Development and Retention Program
 - 5. Passed legislation to protect and preserve forests as the County grows in a smart way
 - 6. Passed legislation to help attract, support, and retain firefighters and EMS personnel

7. Passed legislation to allow the County to establish business improvement districts that focus on equity
8. Passed legislation to support building new affordable housing units in the County
9. Passed legislation to double the number of speed cameras on Route 210

4. Mayoral/Administration Projected:

- a. Expanded Community Communication Strategy delivery of per house internet laptops started Feb 4th, 2023, with the Youth Creative Arts Conference and Summit. If you are experiencing broadband access issue, contact the office of Mayor, get added to the list for a free internet 10-inch tablet. These go Presidential administration to Presidential administration, but whether extended in the upcoming administration or not the tablet is yours to keep. Please provide your name and phone number for verification and process invitation. Data collected by jmcclung@cityofglenarden.org
- b. Summer programs Youth employment: Eligible SYEP candidates will be entered into a random lottery to receive an offer for an employment assignment. Employment assignment offers will continue to be extended to eligible randomly selected youth until all positions are filled. SELECTION PROCESS
 1. <https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/4226/About-the-SYEP-Program>
 2. Former participants who have demonstrated exemplary performance have been requested by the host site.
- ii. UPCOMING KEY DATES
 1. May 1 - June 24, 2023, Onboarding for Selected Participants
 2. June 29, 2023 - Kick-off Celebration
 3. July 5, 2023 - SYEP Program Begins
 4. August 11, 2023 - SYEP Program Ends
 5. August 11, 2023 - Closing Event Celebration