



Mayor Report (October 2023) Key Highlights Rollup

Mayor Cashenna A. Cross Report (September 27, 2023 - October 26, 2023)

1. Accomplished:

a. Resolutions/Council Actions:

i. Mayoral Actions supporting Signed / approved Ordinance /Resolutions

- O-01-2024 An Emergency Ordinance to Appropriate and Reallocate Funds within the Fiscal Year 2024 Budget. Signed BUT.... City council while I support the expenditures for the nutritional center for our senior citizens, and the American Rescue Funds which must be spent by 2024 being used for the revitalizing of our Wards I, II, III sidewalks and roadways. I find your stashing an additional \$16,000 for more funds for City Council specific special events and charter changes lawyer money is egregious and a tragic waste of tax payer money when the city already has money budgeted in the Administration budget line 10.10.10.8647 \$2,250 supporting this year's Thanksgiving food giveaway at the municipal center for our citizens it's held every year and supports nearly 300 citizens in need, and Glenarden already has a PAID city attorney.
- City council these actions are an absolute abuse of the citizen's tax dollars in legislative (city council) financial line 10.30.10.8647 as a **whopping \$94,900 you awarded yourselves in the June 2023 budget reviews already!** The costs of these **8 events alone** costs the citizens of Glenarden **633% more tax dollars** than the 24 citywide events which the office of Mayor held at only \$27,000 for the entire year 2021-2022. Your fiduciary tactics are wasteful and in attaching yet **an additional \$16,000 increasing wasteful spending to \$110,900 in legislative only special events spending** is tacky. I request city council gains a conscience about this fretfully horrible lack of transparency spending habit and respect our citizens hard earned money.

Expenditures

- a. Appropriate \$10,000 to Legislative Budget Special Events Account # 10.30.10.8647 for a Thanksgiving luncheon to be sponsored by the City Council and held in November, 2023.
- b. Appropriate \$6,000 to Legislative Budget, Legal Services, Account # 10.30.10.8211, to cover legal expenses associated with the City Charter review that is underway by a Council committee working with Legal Counsel.
 - ii. Support: R-10-2024 A Resolution Authorizing an Agreement with Redlef Group Architects for the Architectural Services for the Glenarden Municipal Building Elevator Project
 - iii. Support: R-17-2024 to maintain order in the common and administrative spaces of the city, "A Resolution to Declare Surplus of Cable Equipment, a Public Works Truck, a Police vehicle and items from the nutritional center."

2. The Mayor's Office fielded 18 office calls/meetings.
 - i. Mayor Cashenna A. Cross Mayoral Community Forum: October 11, 2023, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i1hmz-Bljw&t=205s>
Mayor Cashenna A. Cross Community Forum: October " discussing the importance of sports in redefining our youth's development " with NFL All-star Redskins Football Mr. Ken Harvey and Director 100 Black Men of Prince George's County Walter E. Kirkland. The mayoral community forum builds community, but expanding our knowledge of the things that our community leaders are continuously doing to "positively "change the game.
 - ii. Smile Day with Deanwood Rehab and Wellness Center and Impact Sierra Leone Founder, Dr. Adama Kalokoh calling a cheerful game of bingo and serving up some love. This holiday season give more of yourself to support our community members in residential homes, rehab centers, and nursing homes. Next month socks and hats it's beginning to look a lot like Christmas.
 - iii. X3 Breast Cancer programs.
 - iv. 15th annual WEE Global Conference benefit families from the RESA Angel Tree Hi-Qu Event Center.
 - v. Mayor Cross fall Cover She Exists Magazine photoshoot, this will be consistent of cover and four pages with 4 to 5 pictures. Magazines in the store Books-a-million and one of the largest magazine stores in NY magazine cafe with a Times Square Billboard in NY displaying the cover.
 - vi. Glenarden Post 275 legionnaires' general body meeting.
 - vii. Maryland Municipal League Fall Leadership conference, College Park Maryland.
 - viii. Senator Guy Guzzone and Senator Benson municipality tour.
 - ix. NAACP Prince George's County National Convention Delegate will attend the Maryland State Conference.
 - x. WOMEN'S DAY AT ALL NATIONS BAPTIST CHURCH - SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 - 10:00 AM | keynote HON. CASHENNA A CROSS; Theme was: "Transformed Christian Women" Pastor, The Rev. Dr. James Coleman, chairwoman Sister Lyndia Grant.
 - xi. The agency's new core priorities and those of the Comptroller Brooke E. Lierman is to ensure the resources and expertise of the Office of the Comptroller reach the people of Maryland. Mayor Cross and an elite team of community, local government, and spiritual leaders join the Local advisory committee to the Comptroller State of Maryland. Mayor Cashenna A. Cross and teammates will support the discussions of critical agency-wide improvements to help our state government work better: Invest in our workforce, Modernize technology across the agency so that all Maryland residents and businesses, as well as state agencies, can interact more efficiently with the Office of the Comptroller; Foster a culture of belonging throughout the core principles of inclusion, diversity, equity, and accessibility in decision-making, policies, and practice. Ensure Maryland is well-positioned for responsible long term economic growth and success Modernize and simplify Maryland's tax collection process,

equity in tax administration by analyzing data on audits and uptake of various tax credits, close the wealth gap and invest in disadvantaged communities through targeted procurement programs, well-being of Maryland's economy and revenue structure on a regular basis and clearly communicate economic and fiscal trends.

- xii. Washington Business Journal WBJ - Fastest Growing Companies Awards Dinner, McLean VA Event this October 19th, 2023, invitee of <https://shirleyluuassociates.com/>. Congratulations on making the top 20 Maryland owned business configuring the best financial products and insurance to serve clients' specific financial security needs. Financial Services & Insurance at SHIRLEY LUU & ASSOCIATES.
https://www.bizjournals.com/washington/news/2023/10/20/fastest-growing-companies-50-ranked.html?utm_source=st&utm_medium=en&utm_campaign=ae&utm_content=WA&j=33095746&senddate=2023-10-20&empos=p7
- xiii. The County Executive Angela Alsobrooks hosted the 2nd Annual Mayor's Appreciation Luncheon on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, to celebrate the service of our municipal leaders.
- xiv. Fifth meeting with the municipal Mayors and the Deputy Chief Administrative Officers (DCAO's) Thursday, October 12th from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. at the Wayne K. Curry Administrative Building. DCAO Barry Stanton and his team including Chief Hale Prince George's provided information regarding Public Safety & Homeland Security.
- xv. Prince George's County Executive Angela Alsobrooks groundbreaking ceremony of the new Prince George's County Health Center on Monday, October 23, at 11:00 AM, at 9001 Edmonston Road, Greenbelt, MD. This monumental event will mark the beginning of a state-of-the-art facility that will serve our community's healthcare needs for years to come. Please join us as we celebrate this important milestone in the advance of healthcare in our County.

b. **Mayoral Proclamation/ Other Actions:**

- i. Proclamation Jacobs-Abbey Global Institute for Leadership Studies (Jagils) is celebrating its 5th anniversary, I am delighted to share in supporting Jagils alongside the Governor of the Commonwealth of Virginia who has issued a proclamation and citation in honor of the Jacobs-Abbey Global Institute for Leadership Studies.
- ii. Letter of support Code Super Powers objective -provide fully subsidized STEM programs, empowering local youth and adult learners. Code Super Powers is actively collaborating with corporate partners such as Exelon and T. Rowe Price to make this vision a reality.

3. **Mayoral Upcoming Activities:**

- a. Calling all Sports Fanatics. Youth grades 6-12 of the city of Glenarden will you have provided the community response options to combatting violence. Six lucky youths 3 middle school 3 high school will have the opportunity of a lifetime to accompany Mayor

Cashenna A Cross to a Commanders, Mystic, Capitols Wizards, or other sports game this season. Youth should submit a 500-word essay, recording of rap, or artistic graphic to help tell the narrative of a better Glenarden response and anti-violence campaign. Youth I can't wait to hear from you hurry deadline fast approaching Nov 7th. Send to ccross@cityofglenarden.org; jmcllung@cityofglenarden.org; or drop off to the Mayor's office.

- b. Notification| Senior Citizens Trips call the group the City of Glenarden FOREVER GRAND TRAVELERS
 - i. Welcome age 60+ to join the City of Glenarden Forever Grand Travelers as we take to the streets to explorer and celebrate living the "good ageless life." Travel dates:
 - 1. Quick sign up by emailing ccross@cityofglenarden.org; jmcllung@cityofglenarden.org space is limited for the November 30, 2023 [Harriet Tubman Museum tour- supported by the Director Maryland State Parks]
 - 2. March 14, 2024; location being sorted by Maryland State parks TBD
 - 3. June 20, 2024; location being sorted by Maryland State parks TBD
 - 4. Oct 17, 2024; location being sorted by Maryland State parks TBD
 - ii. <https://www.sight-sound.com/location/lanaster>
 - 1. Special event December 13, 2024, time 11am SIGHT & SOUND Ronks, PA show **DANIEL**
 - 2. SIGHT & SOUND Trip has a fee attendees will have to *pay \$150 all-inclusive price [travel, meal, show]*.
 - 3. **Need to Know by November 17, 2023 by name all that interest only 50 seats will be secured.**