

Maryland Department of Planning

MISSION

The Maryland Department of Planning collaborates with state agencies, local governments and the private sector, providing assistance and data so that each community can shape their future in a way that reflects local values, honors its heritage and presents opportunities for Maryland to flourish.

VISION

To lead as a premier resource of planning excellence that promotes economic vitality consistent with environmental stewardship, respects local authority, and inspires and supports local vision.

KEY GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Goal 1. Provide efficient State Clearinghouse review of federal, state, and local plans and projects requiring intergovernmental coordination.

Obj. 1.1 Maximize funding opportunities and ensure consistency with state policies and requirements.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Total number of projects reviewed	931	973	963	1,017	899	950	1,000
Total value of projects reviewed	\$1,602,374	\$1,996,972	\$1,476,677	\$1,850,507	\$1,612,677	\$1,650,000	\$1,700,000

Goal 2. Provide timely data and intelligent tools to aid in implementation of state and local land use, conservation, community enhancement and business development policies.

Obj. 2.1 Update applications that utilize special data decision support tools for various users.

Obj. 2.2 Provide local governments with timely and accurate information to improve their decision-making process.

Obj. 2.3 Provide State public school enrollment projections that are at least 95 percent accurate.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
¹ MDP data product downloads	N/A	10,964	22,685	23,771	22,995	25,000	25,000
MDP applications/tools/dashboard and special project webpage views	N/A	329,739	428,742	326,250	320,442	321,000	321,000
Accuracy (percent) of State public school enrollment projections							
Actual Number	865,491	876,810	858,519	853,307	N/A	N/A	N/A
MDP Projection	869,250	871,360	886,250	875,650	856,540	859,590	862,360
Accuracy	99.6%	99.4%	96.9%	97.4%	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Goal 3. Support and enhance the vitality of towns, cities and rural centers with existing or planned infrastructure.

Obj. 3.1 Provide local government with technical assistance to encourage growth that is consistent with state and local policies.

Obj. 3.2 Provide local government with technical assistance to encourage land preservation and conservation.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
² Annual measure of compact new residential development occurring within Priority Funding Areas (PFA)	79.0%	74.9%	70.7%	73.9%	75.0%	75.0%	75.0%
Number of acres protected (under easement or public ownership, excluding military bases, school fields and tot lots)	1,667,185	1,680,318	1,773,458	1,797,294	1,835,698	1,856,205	1,876,711
Percent of land under protective easement or publicly owned	26.9%	27.1%	28.7%	29.0%	29.7%	30.0%	30.3%

Goal 4. Encourage economic development by enhancing historical resources and leveraging non-state investment.

Obj. 4.1 Achieve target non-state investment leverage ratios for the following programs: 1:1 or greater for Maryland Heritage Areas Authority (MHAA) grant awards and 4:1 or greater for Commercial historic properties using the Historic Revitalization Tax Credit (HRTC).

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Ratio of non-state investment leveraged to MHAA funds awarded	2:1	2:1	3:1	5:1	3:1	3:1	3:1
Ratio of non-state commercial investment leveraged to HRTC funds awarded	24:1	5:1	6:1	3.44:1	26:1	4:1	4:1

Goal 5. Protect and interpret historic resources.

Obj. 5.1 Assist state and federal government agencies to consider the effects of their projects on historic and archeological resources.

Obj. 5.2 Increase annual visitation at Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum (JPPM).

Obj. 5.3 Maintain a qualified curation facility capable of processing archeological artifacts and upgrading documents consistent with professional standards.

Performance Measures	2018 Act.	2019 Act.	2020 Act.	2021 Act.	2022 Act.	2023 Est.	2024 Est.
Number of federal and state undertakings reviewed annually	6,405	6,419	5,747	4,949	4,963	5,000	5,000
Visitors to Jefferson Patterson Park and Museum	88,349	104,481	107,314	120,461	134,655	140,500	148,000
Number of artifacts and documents accessed and treated at the Maryland Archaeological Conservation Laboratory	829,898	946,257	1,421,428	1,399,335	4,164,834	1,957,500	2,207,500

NOTES

¹ Download statistics were not captured from September 18, 2021 through June 30, 2022, so a pro-rated number was used for FY 2022.

² 2022 data is estimated because it is reported on a calendar year basis.