



Sustainable Maryland Community Certification Report

This is the Sustainable Maryland Certification Report of Hyattsville, a Sustainable Maryland bronze certified applicant.

Hyattsville was certified on October 15, 2019 with 535 points. Listed below is information regarding Hyattsville's Sustainable Maryland efforts and materials associated with the applicant's certified actions.

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Actions Implemented

Each approved action and supporting documentation for which Hyattsville was approved for in 2019 appears below. Note: Standards for the actions below may have changed and the documentation listed may no longer satisfy requirements for that action. Additionally, points associated with actions prior to 2013 certifications may not be accurate.

Community Action

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Community Action

50 Points

Program Summary: 1. Hyattsville Clean and Safe Team 2. Solid Waste Team Daily Litter Blitz 3. Hyattsville Annual House Tour 4. Economic Development Week 5. Juneteenth Celebration 6. Teen Center

PDF: [COUNCIL APPROVAL CLEAN AND SAFE TEAM](#)

IMAGE: [JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION](#)

PDF: [HOUSE TOUR AND ECODEVWEEK INFO](#)

PDF: [ECONOMIC DEV.-TEEN CENTER](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP COMMUNITY ACTIONS](#)

Conduct Community Barriers and Benefits Assessment

15 Points

Program Summary: The City has updated The Community Sustainability Plan. As part of this update, the City is again performing a SWOT analysis to identify the barriers and benefits of the City. Approximately 150 stakeholders from different groups have been or will be invited to participate in a focus group style SWOT. Targeted stakeholder groups include the following: business owners, nonprofit organizations, houses of worship, schools, elected officials, government agencies, utility companies, developers and property owners, seniors, youth, non-native English speakers and civic groups. One month into the update, the City has interviewed 35 of those stakeholders. A summary of the responses from the SWOT analysis will be completed in the upcoming months and used to guide the priorities of the City for our 2017-2022 Community Sustainability Plan. see results link below
<http://www.hyattsville.org/DocumentCenter/View/4340/Appendix-Final-Copy-052417-Spread?bidId=> Prior to the start of the public process for the 2010 Community Legacy Revitalization Plan, the Hyattsville Community Development Corporation, in conjunction with the City's Office of Community Development engaged the community in a classic Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, and Threats (SWOT) analysis. The process included six publicly held Community Assessment workshops and seven SWOT Analysis workshops conducted over the course of one month. Additionally, more than 20 similarly structured stakeholder interviews were conducted with the municipal government, businesses and development communities.

PDF: [2017 SWOT REPORT](#)

PDF: [2018 PROGRESS REPORT](#)

Participate in SM Green Team Training

5 Points

Program Summary: A Green Team Training took place on May 14th, 2019.

IMAGE: [GREEN TEAM](#)

PDF: [PARTICIPATE IN SMC GREEN TEAM TRAINING SIGN SHEET](#)

: [PARTICIPATE IN SM GREEN TEAM TRAINING DOCUMENTATION](#)

Green Team Action Plan

10 Points

Program Summary: The City has developed a new Sustainability Plan for the period of 2017-2021. The new plan can be found at <http://www.hyattsville.org/DocumentCenter/View/4364/Plan-Final-Copy-062017-Spread?bidId=>. The Environment Committee/Green Team has also developed a GAP Analysis and presented a few actionable items to council. See report attached. The City has developed policies (City Sustainability Policy) and a plan (City of Hyattsville 2011-2015 Community Sustainability Plan) to implement sustainable actions. The City's Sustainability Plan was approved by the Governor's Sub-Cabinet for Smart Growth in 2011, and it was utilized by Maryland Department of Housing & Community Development as a benchmark for local community sustainability plans in the State of Maryland. The Sustainability Plan was developed through a 14 month public process and distributed to 500 community and regional stakeholders, including local, County and State officials. The City of Hyattsville has already implemented and adopted this document as our community's Green Team Action Plan. The action plan within the Strategic Plan identifies 12 specific Implementation Actions that are necessary for the City to achieve local sustainability. The City is currently in the process of updating our Community Sustainability Plan. We have already begun performing a Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Analysis, which will be complemented by a series of public meetings scheduled to take place in the Fall of 2016. To start off the update process, the City created a scorecard report, noting the status of each of the Implementation Actions and their corresponding Critical Action Items. As of April 2016, two of the Implementation Actions are fully complete, seven are in progress, and three have seen minimal action. Upon completion of the plan update, it is likely that the City will develop new Implementation Actions and their corresponding Critical Action Items. As of April 2016, two of the Implementation Actions are fully complete, seven are in progress and three have seen minimal action. Upon completion of the plan update, it is likely that the City will develop new Implementation Actions to move toward becoming an increasingly sustainable City. The 2011-2015 Community Sustainability Plan, as well as notification regarding the update to the plan can be found at <http://www.hyattsville.org/210/Planning-Zoning>.

WORD: [LINK TO 2017-2021 SUSTAINABILITY PLAN](#)

PDF: [GREEN TEAM ACTION PLAN - GAP ANALYSIS](#)

Green Team

10 Points

Program Summary: Hyattsville's Green Team was created in response to the City's interest in becoming Sustainable Maryland Certified. The Green Team has joined Hyattsville's Environmental Committee to provide a diverse mixture of private citizens, elected officials and City employees. The Green Team meets monthly. On September 12, 2011, the mayor and Council designated the City's Environmental Committee as the City's Green Team. Current members of the Green Team are as follows: Dan Broder, Chair; Jim Groves, Ward 2r; John Fisher, Ward 1; Megan Haidet, Ward 1; Patrice Woods, Ward 3; Jack Nackoney, Ward 2; Richard Canino, Ward 2; Theresa Goedeke, Ward 5; and Brielle Welzer, Ward 1.

WORD: [AGENDA MARCH 11 2019](#)

PDF: [MEETING MINUTES 11-13-18 AND 1-15-19](#)

WORD: [GREEN TEAM/ENV. COMMITTEE MEETING DATES](#)

WORD: [JULY AGENDA](#)

Community Based Food System

Local Food Cooking & Preservation Classes

5 Points

Program Summary: The 218 Hyattsville Farmers Market is a producer-only market that provides a space for farmers, growers, and/or producers to bring the best in fresh local produce to the residents of Hyattsville. The market operates every third Friday of the month (a total of 5 market days) from 6-8p in conjunction with our "Summer Jam Concert Series", (5/18, 6/15, 7/20, 8/17, & 9/21), at 4310 Gallatin Street (City Municipal Building Parking Lot). This year the UMD Extension was at the market every week doing a food demo with samples and recipe cards. Pictures and additional details can be obtained from the City Facebook page. The Farmers Market will return 2020.
<https://www.facebook.com/262604790594543/photos/a.263380297183659.1073741827.262604790594543/575244135997272/?type=3&theater>

IMAGE: [UMD STUDENT CREATION](#)

IMAGE: [FARMERS MARKET 2018](#)

Community Gardens

15 Points

Program Summary: Community Gardens are Active and still in use. There are currently 29 plots and the cost is \$30 per year. On December 13, 2010, the Mayor and Council authorized a Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Hyatt Park Community Garden Association, which outlines the management and operations of the Community Garden, budgets costs and states membership requirements. The MOU was again renewed on December 7, 2012. The garden is located on a quarter-acre of the two-acre Hyatt Park, which is at the intersection of 36th Avenue and Hamilton Street. The Hyattsville Park Community Garden Association provides and maintains organic vegetable plots within Hyatt Park. A total of 60 Hyattsville residents participate in the garden. The garden's website (www.hyattparkgarden.org) provides information for gardening questions and resources, as well as maps of the plots and the organization's rules and bylaws. The group is required to have two formal meetings each year, led by informally elected co-lead, secretary, plot monitor and treasurer positions. Members pay an annual fee that is used to maintain the garden.

PDF: [COMMUNITY GARDEN](#)

PDF: [FALL 2018 MINUTES](#)

IMAGE: [COMMUNITY GARDEN PHOTO \(JUNE 2016\)](#)

Energy

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Energy

20 Points

Program Summary: 1. Renovation of Public Works Facility 2. Municipal Wind Energy 3. Energy Efficient Communities 4. White Roof

PDF: [2. MUNICIPAL WIND ENERGY](#)

PDF: [1. RENOVATION OF PUBLIC WORKS FACILITY](#)

PDF: [WINDENERGYENERGYAUDITSRFPENERGYEFFICIENTCOMMUNITIES](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP ENERGY](#)

Municipal Energy Audits

30 Points

Program Summary: Our "White Roof" continues to provide energy efficiencies. This year a section of the city's street lights were moved to LED and 90% of the light in the Garage at 4310 has been upgraded to LED. An RFP has been solicited to change the roof top HVAC units at the Municipal building (4310) to Variable frequency drive. The new VFD's would cost \$2,905.00 and PEPCO's incentive would pay for \$2,850.00 and our cost would be \$55.00. With this change we could see an upgraded efficiency cost savings of \$3,194.60 annually from our energy bill. This number come from the PEPCO estimated savings of 31,946 KWH and our average per KWH of \$.10 per KWH. Cooling spaces naturally using air from outside to cool whenever possible help save energy. In conjunction with our new MOU with Pepco (Energy Efficient Communities), moving forward additional energy audits will be scheduled for each phase of construction as designs are completed. Since the audits were performed, several changes have been made to the City owned building in order to improve their energy efficiency. Improvements include the installation of additional insulation and a white roof on the top of 4310 Gallatin Street; designing the new DPS building to LEED standards; changing the incandescent can lights in the Council Chambers to LED lights; and in all buildings replacing the old, magnetic light ballasts with electronic ones. Though not actually in a City building, the City is also in the process of upgrading city street lights to LED building. See previous 2011 audits in attachments below labeled Buildings 1-5. In 2011, the City contracted Hess Construction and Engineering Services, Inc. for a complete facilities assessment of all five building. The five buildings assessed are located at the following addresses in Hyattsville: 4310 Gallatin St., 3505 Hamilton St., and 4633 Arundel Place, 4318 Gallatin St. and 3911 Hamilton Street. The audits assessed a wide range of issues regarding the municipal building. Building were inspected from their foundation to their exterior to their heating, electrical and plumbing systems. The reports addressed deficiencies in the current status of the buildings and recommended improvements that among other things would make the building more energy efficient and environmentally friendly. The assessments included an existing conditions report, space utilization analysis and the development of a 20-year Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) that identified capital replacement costing and incorporation of more efficient and renewable energy technology

PDF: [BUILDINGS 1 AND 2](#)

PDF: [BUILDING 3 AND 4](#)

PDF: [BUILDING 5](#)

PDF: [RFP UPGRADES TO HVAC UNITS](#)

PDF: [MOU ENERGY EFFICIENT COMMUNITES](#)

Greenhouse Gas

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Greenhouse Gas

35 Points

Program Summary: 1. Police Vehicle Anti-Idling Device Installation 2. Neighborhood Electronic Vehicle Purchases - see new Bolt at link below <https://www.chevrolet.com/new-roads/electric/bolt-ev-electric-car-police-vehicles> 3. Charging Stations 4. Electric Car Show

PDF: [2016 IDP GREENHOUSE GAS](#)

IMAGE: [BOLT EV PURCHASE](#)

PDF: [CAR SHOW](#)

PDF: [EV AND CHARGE STATIONS](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP GREENHOUSE GAS DOCUMENTATION](#)

Health & Wellness

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Health & Wellness

50 Points

Program Summary: 1. NFC - Fitness Court 2. Ageless Grace 3. HEAL City 4. Moving with the Mayor 5. Annual Cyclocross/5k Race/Zombi Run 6. Trolley Trail Extension Celebration 7. Water fountains

PDF: [MOVINGWITHMAYOR-BIKE/WALK/RUN/TROLLEY DAY](#)

PDF: [FITNESS COURT AGELESS GRACE HEAL CITY](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP HEALTH WELLNESS 70PTS REQUESTED](#)

IMAGE: [INDOOR FOUNTAINS](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP HEALTH & WELLNESS](#)

IMAGE: [FITNESS COURT](#)

Workplace Wellness Program

15 Points

Program Summary: As one aspect of the HEAL initiative, the City has committed to promoting a healthy municipal workplace. In the past year there have been several actions contributing to our healthy workplace including a Brown Bag Lunch series, the annual Employee Wellness Fair, which features insurance information, health screenings and fitness demonstrations, the "Anytime Fitness Challenge," which encourages employees to take a few minutes out of their day to get in some exercise. Additionally, when snacks are provided to staff during all hands events and celebrations, the City commits to providing a healthy snack option for every "treat" available. For example, birthday celebrations may feature cupcakes, but also will have fruit and nuts available as healthier options. The workplace wellness program managed by Ellarose Preston, the City's Wellness Program Coordinator. As part of her duties Ellarose also runs the Hyattsville Farmer's Market. Funding for the program is from a combination of the annual Human Resources budget and grants received through our HEAL designation. On average events falling into the "employee wellness program" category see a participation rate of 40-45%. The national average seems to be 35-38%. Below is a full listing of actions the City participates in as part of our Workplace Wellness Program. · National Fitness Court - Circuit Training Brown Bag Lunch Series o Men's Health o Smoking Cessation o Financial Wellness o Juicing for Wellness · Employee Wellness Fair · Walking challenge (5,525 active minutes logged by staff) · Anytime Fitness Challenge – 2/3 times per week with exercise ideas and tips · Walking meeting policy · Healthy snacks at all-hands events · Blood Pressure machines available in each office · Desk treadmill check outs · Standing desks

IMAGE: [AFC SAMPLE 2019](#)

IMAGE: [EMPLOYEE WELLNESS FAIR FLYER](#)

IMAGE: [ANYTIME FITNESS CHALLENGE POLICY](#)

PDF: [BROWN BAG APRIL-MAY 2019](#)

IMAGE: [HEALTHY MEETING & EVENT POLICY](#)

PDF: [ADDITIONAL SAMPLES OF WORKPLACE WELLNESS](#)

Local Economies

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Local Economies

15 Points

Program Summary: 1. BigBelly Trash Compactors 2. Business Resource Guide

PDF: [BIGBELLY LOCATIONS](#)

: [BIGBELLY PRESENTATION](#)

PDF: [INNOVATIVE DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS DOCUMENTATION](#)

PDF: [BUSINESS RESOURCE GUIDE](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP LOCAL ECONOMIES](#)

Local Purchasing Preference Policy

10 Points

Program Summary: The Public Purchasing Agent is responsible for the review of departmental purchases to ensure guidelines of the policy are being followed. RFPs are solicited on e-Maryland, the city website and by individual emails. As part of the City of Hyattsville's Procurement Policy, adopted April 2012, it is the desire of the City to purchase from vendors located within the City whenever possible. The City will endeavor to encourage local vendors and suppliers to compete for all City business. If goods and/or services are not available from vendors located within the City, preference may be given to those within Prince George's County and then the State of Maryland. Vendors are currently kept informed about bid via the eMaryland marketplace.

IMAGE: [PROCUREMENT POLICY - LOCAL PURCHASING](#)

Local Business Procurement Notices

10 Points

Program Summary: On going to date: In Lieu of a Local Vendor's List, a "Preferred Vendors List" is in development. This list will include not only local vendors but minority businesses and women owned businesses as well. The completion of the list is anticipated by the end of 2019. As part of our local business procurement notices, the City provides the following "doing business with" link on our municipal website, <http://www.hyattsville.org/360/Bids-and-RFPs>. The webpage posts all Requests for Proposals and Requests for Qualifications. Additionally, the City distributes all RFPs through the eMaryland Marketplace, a state run procurement portal used to search for bids and contracts, as well as vendors. A number of vendors located within the City are registered as vendors on the eMaryland site, ensuring that they have access to all RFPs placed out to bid. Local vendors are used when ever available vendors

IMAGE: [HYATTSVILLE WEBSITE - BIDS&RFPs 2019](#)

Evaluate Current Purchasing Practices

10 Points

Program Summary: In Nov. 2018 An Environmental Preferred Purchase Working Group was established to review current Purchasing and create a sustainable Preferred Purchasing List. The first step in this process will be to review the top 25 products purchased and their environmental impact. Brie Welzer of our Green Team and Environment Committee has begun the review of the top 25 products and their environmental impact. Once this list has been review recommendations will be made to change to more environmentally sound products where applicable. This was the first meeting. The entire processed is expected to take a minimum of 12 months, maybe more however more clarified guide lines will be outlined in the next meeting which is scheduled for some time in August 2019.

PDF: [EPP WORK GROUP 1ST MEETING](#)

PDF: [TOP 25 PRODUCTS IN REVIEW](#)

Green Purchasing Policy

15 Points

Program Summary: New this year DPW began recycling Oil filters from the mechanic shop this year. Instead of sending these filters to a landfill they are now picked up at a cost of approx. \$35 per container. The filters are smashed and then put through a process that burned up any remaining oil before metals are recycled. We are currently researching cost to recycle absorbent waste from the clean up of oil spills and leaks in the mechanic shop. As part of the City's Procurement Policy, adopted April 2012, it is the desire of the City to reduce waste by increasing product efficiency and effectiveness; purchase products that minimize environmental impacts; purchase products that include recycled content, and use wood from sustainably harvested forests. The Procurement Policy continues to state specific specifications on source reduction, remanufactured products and recycled content products that are the preferred alternatives in City purchasing. The policy continues that the City shall comply with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) established minimum recycled content standard guidelines, such as those for printing paper, office paper, janitorial paper, construction, landscaping, parks and recreation, transportation, vehicles, miscellaneous, and non-paper office products, shall contain the highest post-consumer content practicable, but no less than the minimum recycled content standards established by U.S. EPA Guidelines. The City shall purchase remanufactured products such as laser toner cartridges, tires, furniture, equipment and automotive parts whenever practicable, but without reducing safety, quality or effectiveness. The City's Green Purchasing Policy is most evidently seen in our Requests for Proposals (RFP) for various City services. Where applicable, our RFPs state our preference for green products or service models, and adherence to the green purchasing policy is a line on the rubric for scoring RFP responses. A prime example is the City's March 2016 solicitation for building cleaning services. On the scoring rubric, the use of green products can boost a firm's score by up to 10%. In this specific RFP, only 6 points separated the top two firms, so the use of green products could make or break whether a specific firm is selected or not. There has been limited feedback from residents regarding the green policy, but of the feedback gathered, all seems to be positive. The policy can be found on the City's website (<http://www.hyattsville.org/417/Policies-Documents>). The procurement policy was last updated in 2012. Many parts of the policy, including the local buying and green purchasing policies are currently in review by the newly developed Environmentally Preferred Purchasing (EPP) work group.

PDF: [GREEN PURCHASING POLICY](#)

PDF: [BUILDING CLEANING RFP SCORECARD](#)

PDF: [BUILDING CLEANING RFP](#)

Natural Resources

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Natural Resources

50 Points

Program Summary: 1 Wells Blvd. Green Street Project 2. Stormwater Study Ward 1 3. Composting Program Expanded 4. Leaf Mulch Program 5. Trail Restoration 6. Sustainable Land and Building Management Policy 7. Organic Field Maintenance - Stoneyfield Grant 8. Tree Inventory 9. Tree Canopy Study 10. Ivy Removal

PDF: [TREE INVENTORY-CANOPY STUDY-IVY BROCHURE](#)

PDF: [TRAIL RESTOR-SUSTAINABLE LAND POLICY-ORGANIC FIELDS](#)

PDF: [WELLS BLVD CONCEPTS](#)

PDF: [STORWATERSTUDY-COMPOSTADD-LEAFMULCH](#)

PDF: [IDP 2019 NATURAL RESOURCES DOCUMENTATION](#)

PDF: [2019 FIELD MAINT. SCHEDULE](#)

Tree City USA

15 Points

Program Summary: The City of Hyattsville have been designated a Tree City USA for the past 28 years The City's Supervisor of Environmental Programs, Dawn Taft is a certified arborist and manages Hyattsville's Tree City USA program and application. To aid in our Tree City USA efforts, the City has created tree inventory database, which identifies species, geolocation, and tracks the health of all trees located within the public right-of-way. The Shade Tree Board currently has five members- Gloria Felix-Thompson, Ward 1; Randy Fletcher Ward 3; Joe Luebke, Ward 3; Millard Smith Ward 2; and Taylor Johnson Ward 1- and is actively pursuing residents to fill the remaining 4 vacancies on the Board.

IMAGE: [TREE CITY STATUS](#)

PDF: [TREE CITY USA APPLICATION](#)

Adopt a Pet Waste Ordinance

5 Points

Program Summary: Policy Still active Chapter 52-2 of the Hyattsville Charter and Code details the City's pet was policy. The policy prohibits persons with dogs or cats from allowing excrement to remain on public property. The lone exception to this is for individuals with seeing eye dogs. Removal and proper disposal are required immediately after the excrement is put on public property.

PDF: [PET WASTE ORDINANCE](#)

Implement a Pet Waste Education Program

5 Points

Program Summary: The City has a total of 17 Pet Waste Station installed and another 4 to be installed by the end of 2019. As part our our educational program signs were created and are posted in our Big Belly trash compactors (see Sign #1 & 2) for location of signage. Brochures and doggy bags are also distributed to residents at city events in English and Spanish (last event distribution Arbor Day in April and Food Forest Tour in June. Lastly, dog waste tidbits are periodically posted on the City's two electronic signboards located at opposite ends of the City as well as on the City list-serve.

EXCEL: [EDUCATIONAL SIGNAGE LOCATIONS - SEE LAST COLUMN](#)

IMAGE: [BIGBELLY EDUCATIONAL DISPLAY](#)

PDF: [EDUCATIONAL EMAILBLASTS, LOCATION LIST AND BROCHURE](#)

Stormwater Management Program

15 Points

Program Summary: Crittenden Street Rain Garden, Melrose Park Trail Conservation Landscaping and Rain Garden, Crittenden Street Renovation Rain Gardens, Huerich Park Rain Garden, Magruder Park Rain Gardens and Carrollton Terrace Rain Gardens have been installed and remain intact and functioning. Bio-retention areas are now inspected annually. Catch basins are cleaned on an annual basis, sometimes more depending on the amount of incoming sediment. Weeding is done at minimum 4 times per year and replacement planting is done annually in spring. Additionally the City has GIS located every bio-retention, rain garden and conservation landscape to assist in maintenance and tracking. The City of Hyattsville's Department of Public Works has created a stormwater management program that has targeted areas on City property that can be transformed into bio-retention features. The 2014 to 2016, the City has installed over 10,000 square feet of rain gardens and bio swales along streets, parks, and at City owned buildings, which helps to mitigate thousands of gallons of stormwater. Each year, DPW targets new areas to retrofit and projects get designed and installed with City staff as community build projects. Projects for FY15/16 that are currently in the process of being installed or are complete include: Crittenden Street Rain Garden, Melrose Trail Conservation Landscaping and Rain Garden, Crittenden Street Renovation Rain Gardens, Huerich Park Rain Garden, Magruder Park Rain Gardens and Carrollton Terrace Rain Garden. These projects have been supported by City funds and grants from outside resources.

PDF: [STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM TRACKING](#)

PDF: [RAIN GARDEN PROJECT APPROVAL](#)

PDF: [MELROSE PARK TRAIL CONCEPT DESIGN](#)

EXCEL: [GARDEN-BIO-RETENTION LOCATIONS](#)

PDF: [PRINCE GEORGES 2018 BEAUTIFICATION AWARDS - RAIN GARDENS & BIO-RETENTION](#)

Stormwater Manager / Coordinator

15 Points

Program Summary: The Position of Environmental Program Supervisor was created and filled by Dawn Taft in July 2018 to manage a broad range of Environmental initiatives for the city. This position is responsible for maintaining our Municipal Storm Water (MS4) Permit and compliance with National Pollutant Discharge Elimination Standards (NPDES). This includes assisting with the tracking, management and implementation of all storm water facilities such as Rain Gardens, conservation landscape and bio-retention areas. The development of a Storm water database to include site specifications (size, maintenance requirements/schedule, plating dates etc.) for all city storm water facilities/green infrastructure is scheduled for completed in spring of 2020.

PDF: [STORMWATER MANAGER PD](#)

Provide Voluntary Opportunities for Citizen Engagement in Watershed Stewardship

10 Points

Program Summary: The City has been holding extensive volunteer watershed stewardship opportunities over the past several years. Hyattsville has monthly invasive non-native plant removals at Magruder Park. The monthly removals average 12-15 volunteers per month. The program is organized by Colleen Aistis, the City's Community Services Manager. In addition to the monthly activities, the City also utilizes a wide range of other organizations to facilitate greater opportunities for its citizens. Hyattsville partners with the Maryland National Capital Park & Planning Commission, PG Parks Park Ranger's Office, Anacostia Watershed Society, Maryland Native Plant Society, our local schools, colleges and universities in the Washington Metro Area. Volunteers are pursued in a vast array of strategies. Hyattsville utilizes traditional methods through the City's Office of Communication; The Hyattsville Reporter, Hyattsville Life & Times, HCTV cable channel, flyers and contacts of both individual & groups volunteers through previous engagements. Public Involvement and Participation Events – River cleanups, park cleanups, storm drain stenciling activities, etc.: Volunteers learned how to identify invasive plants and removed invasive plants in Magruder Woods on the third Sunday Saturday of every month, weather permitting. How many volunteers attend these events? 113 volunteers - 225 hours (includes UMD Terp Service Student every Sat for 8 weeks) How much invasive plant material has been removed between 1/1 and 6/30/19? trash in 10gal bags/invasives in 55gal bags 84 trees saved from English Ivy and/or honeysuckle vine 14 bag trash 25 multiflora rose 485 Bush Honey suckle - from 10' to sappling size 1 Oriental bittersweet 1/10th acre of Henbit 25 bags of Garlic Mustard 5 bags of porcelainberry DeMatha Catholic High School 4-6-2019~ 42nd Ave, Madison Street: 10 bags of trash, recycling sorted Northwestern High School, Teen Center at Magruder 4-6-2019~ Pond 9 (area adjacent to University Christian Church) 40 bags of trash, 10 tires, desk chair, automotive parts, assorted clothing and camp equipment BSA Troop 224 ~4-6-2019 Melrose Skate Park: 10 Volunteers 20 bags of trash, 5 tires, construction debris, 15 broken skate boards The Neighborhood ~ 5-25-2019 city wide, corner of Hamilton Street & Queensbury Road: 15 Volunteers 35 bags of trash, 3 grills, 4 mattresses, clothing, assorted camp equipment (chairs, tarps, tents) The Greater Washington Urban League Young Professionals. 6-29-2019~ Magruder Woods: 10 Volunteers: 10 bags of trash, recycling sorted Did you host any other BMP installation volunteer events, community cleanups, stream cleanups, storm drain assessments, or water conservation events between 1/1/19 and 6/30/19? n/a Food Forest Tour 6/3 - 33 Volunteers and residents learned about Permi-culture and the importance of a cohesive system of plant whereby the pallet works in a symbiotic relationship avoiding the need for pesticides/herbicides or other chemical inputs. After the tour volunteers weeded the garden and harvested.

EXCEL: [UMD TERPS SPRING SEASON ACCOMPLISHMENTS](#)

IMAGE: [WATERSHED CLEANUP WEBSITE](#)

IMAGE: [WEB NOTIFICATION](#)

Facilitate Engagement in Existing Watershed Stewardship Opportunities

20 Points

Program Summary: Work with the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS) is ongoing. We continued maintenance-weeding, staking, etc., of trees planted in previous years. This maintenance is done with city volunteers during our invasive removals the 3rd Sat. of each month in addition to individual groups led by AWS. Using city volunteers helps educate them on the importance of trees and their relationship to the watershed while also teaching them about the effects and control of unwanted invasive plants. We will ramp up activities with AWS this fall. We are planning a more detailed partnership - and are currently organizing an under story planting on the West side of Magruder to fill vacant space where invasive bush honeysuckle has been removed and a community planting of Stormwater bmps in University Hills. We will continue to ensure the survival of previous plantings and look to assist AWS with maintenance of the Meadows that line the North West Branch trail at the edge of Magruder Park. We currently work with UMD Terps for Change Students on invasive removals in the spring and fall of each semester. This program helps students organize and guide a group while helping the environment, removing invasive species and helping to maintain the understory. Because these students work every Saturday during the semester they are teamed up with community volunteers on the 3rd Sat. of each month which has proven educational for all involved. This year AWS sponsor a Boat tour of the Anacostia River for UMD volunteers. This tour will help drive home the impact they are making on the watershed by their involvement/volunteer efforts removing invasives and helping maintain the urban forest at Magruder Park. Additionally we held a public Tree Pruning Workshop sponsored by the Department of the Environment (29 registered and 14 attended) and a city wide search for the largest tree in Hyattsville (28 submissions and 1,2 and 3rd Place Winners), all geared toward education on how to maintain a healthy watershed and the import role of trees in this process.

IMAGE: [MEETING UPDATES WITH ANACOSTIA WATERSHED](#)

IMAGE: [ANACOSTIA WATERSHED SOCIETY](#)

PDF: [TREE PRUNING WORKSHOP-CHAMPION TREE HUNT](#)

PDF: [TERPS FOR CHANGE - UMD VOLUNTEERS](#)

Planning & Land Use

Innovative Demonstration Projects - Planning & Land Use

50 Points

Program Summary: Asking for 75 Points 1. Citywide Biking Improvements 2. Capital Bikeshare (CaBi) 3. IPS Smart Meters/Solar Meters 4. Sidewalk Retrofit Pilot 5. Shuttle UM Partnership 6. Transportation Study 7. Magruder Re-Imagining 8. Hyatt Park Placemaking

PDF: [TRANSPORTATION STUDY](#)

PDF: [UMD SHUTTLE-GOODNEIGHBORPARKINGGUIDE-WAYFINDING](#)

PDF: [MAGRUDER DESIGN OPTIONS](#)

PDF: [HYATT PARK DESIGN](#)

PDF: [WAYFINDINGMAP-SIDEWALKRETROFIT-HYATTINSTALL](#)

PDF: [2019 IDP PLANNING AND LAND USE](#)

Participation in DHCD Sustainable Communities

20 Points

Program Summary: See updated designation Hyattsville received a Sustainable Community Designation from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development in October 2011. The designation lasts for five years, meaning that it will expire in the fall of 2016. The City's application details the current situation and areas for improvement in the four key areas in the City (Prince George's Plaza Transit District, West Hyattsville, U.S. Route One Corridor, and Neighborhoods and Parks). The application contains a profiles of the City's demographics, as well as information on recent projects and sustainable policies. For several years now the City of Hyattsville has used DHCD Community Legacy funding to implement a commercial facade program in the City's three revitalization districts (Prince George's Plaza, West Hyattsville and Gateway Arts District). In order to receive Community Legacy Funding, a municipality must be deemed a DHCD Sustainable Community. Our Commercial Facade Program provides matching grants of \$10,000-\$45,000 to commercial businesses making approved improvements, such as new signage, windows, masonry or painting to the exterior of their building. Our program guidelines, application and information can be found at: <http://www.hyattsville.org/477/Commercial-Facade-Improvement-Program>

PDF: [SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES LETTER](#)

PDF: [SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES APPLIC](#)

PDF: [PRESS RELEASE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES](#)

PDF: [SC APPLICATION 2017](#)

Transportation

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Program Summary: 1. Emerson Street Food Forest Annual Tour 2. McClanahan Food Forest installation

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