



Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail Tour

Date: Saturday, Oct. 18, 2025 10 am-12 pm, [Sign up](#)

Location: Busboys & Poets, 5331 Baltimore Ave, Hyattsville, MD 20781

Sponsored by Coalition for Smarter Growth, RISE Prince George's, the Capital Market, LISC & WABA

Join us to explore how the Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail is helping to build a stronger, more vibrant community. See how the trail helps support local businesses, strengthens community bonds, and improves accessibility.

Agenda	Speakers
Stop 1: Meet in front of Busboys & Poets - Welcome - Introduce Council Member Shayla Adams-Stafford, & other elected officials - Quick introductions from local business owners - Economic Impact of trails	Dan Behrend & Kyle Reeder, RISE Prince George's Jeff Ulysse, City of Hyattsville
Stop 2: Trail behind Franklin's (via Jefferson St) - Planning & building trail; public art - Franklin's history with the trail & use of the trail to connect with business	Bob Patten, MNCPPC Trail Planner Mike Franklin, owner, Franklin's
Stop 3: Start of Trolley Trail extension (Farragut St & Rt 1) - Trolley Trail - construction and extension to Charles Armentrout Dr; Rt 1 redesign - MDOT re. trail economic benefits - Small Businesses - Hyattsville CDC/Gateway Arts, economic benefits of trails	Luis Gonzalez, MDOT SHA Daron Lovaas, MDOT
Stop 4: Charles Armentrout Dr/Trolley Trail connection to Anacostia Tributary Trail System - MDOT & transportation trails, protected intersection, dedicated signals, other multimodal safety improvements; - Future trail extension further south to DC	Luis Gonzalez, MDOT SHA Dan Behrend, WABA Jarrett Stoltzfus, former Mount Rainier City Councilmember & Vice Mayor
Stop 5: Franklin's Conclusion & socializing	Bernard Holloway, RISE Prince George's Sen. Alonzo Washington D2 Council Member Wanika Fisher

Del. Asante Martinez

Full Route



Zoomed to Busboys/Franklins





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Outreach -

Central Av. stakeholders - TCM & LISC, BH

Cheryl :

CM Adams Stafford

CM Oriadha

CM Burroughs

CM Fisher

Sen Washington

CC -

Glaros - /David Smith

UMD Partnership

Speakers

- Mike Franklin, Franklins owner (confirmed)
- Bob Patten, M-NCPPC (confirmed)

Businesses

- owners@Haraka.run
- Chris Militello @ Arrow Bicycle
- Jeff Harner @ Sangfroid Distilling
- Rumi Matsuyama, Mead Works (maybe, but unlikely)

Invited/Possible

- City of Hyattsville
- City of Hyattsville staff (Jeff Ulysse, Renee Harris)
- MDOT SHA - MDOT SHA Ped/bike person - Luis Gonzalez, Urooj [Cant come: Margueritte Kane
- Ask Meg]

Audience: Elected officials and leaders from the Blue Line Corridor. Tour will showcase how a transportation trail can support and benefit economic and community development efforts.

Description:



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