









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













NOTES

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:











Join RISE Prince George's, the Coalition for Smarter Growth, and WABA for a walking tour and explore how the Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail is helping to build a stronger, more vibrant community.

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The Rhode Island Avenue Trolley Trail connects communities and businesses in College Park, Riverdale Park, and Hyattsville. Built in phases over the last several decades, Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) opened the latest section in late 2023, connecting the Trolley Trail to the Anacostia Tributary Trail system and creating an important connection in the regional trails network.

NOTES 9/29/25

Dan, Bernard, Kennedy, Cheryl

- Photos ask Bob Patten, Dan
- Create new logo Co-sponsors Capital Market, WABA, RISE PGC, CSG

Who - invitations

- BLCC invitations to event Kenney Brooks, LISC
- Electeds CM Adams-Stafford, Oriadha, Wanika 11 am-12 pm, Blegay (staff),
 Burroughs (staff) (check open meetings law check committees composition), Ask Julio Murillo (Bernard)

Next meeting: Monday Oct. 6 10 am

[No: ATHA - Megan Baco, Valeire Woodall - no (DB)Solomon, Chandler) Candace -fmr Mayor, EYA]