

Help us create the best trail system for Prince George's County by **joining us for a presentation and discussion** on the preliminary recommendations in the Draft Trails Master Plan on

# Wednesday, May 25, 2016

Doors open at 6pm.

Presentation from 6:30pm-8:00pm

Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex 8001 Sheriff Rd., Hyattsville, MD 20785

To download the **Draft Trails Master Plan**, provide comments on the plan or learn more about the project, visit: www.pgparks.com/TrailsMasterPlan.html

#### The Trails Master Plan Vision:

"Creating a trail system that provides all residents and visitors with access to nature, recreation and daily destinations; enriching the economy, promoting sustainability; and increasing opportunities for health."



### Highlights of the Draft Trails Master Plan

- Build a trails network where 95% of the population live within ½ mile of a trail, up from 70% today
- · Develop state-of-the-art trail design guidelines and training
- · Prioritize trail maintenance operations and budgeting
- Establish and grow partnerships to help build and promote the trails network
  - Health community
  - Private developers
  - Utility companies
  - Schools and churches
  - Arts community

## Trails are a good public investment.

### Trails support the economy.



- Trail visitors spend money locally: For example,1.7 million use the W&OD trail in Northern Virginia and spend \$12 million a year related to recreational use of the trail.
- Businesses located near the Great Allegheny Passage trail in Maryland and Pennsylvania attribute 30% of their gross revenues to the trail.

### Trails promote healthy activity and wellness.



- Trails provide **safe and comfortable places** to get regular physical activity by walking, running, biking, inline skating and more!
- The Centers for Disease Control says that providing access to places for physical activity, such as trails, increases the level of physical activity in a community.

#### Trails attract residents.



- **Homebuyers** want trails: 60% say walking and jogging trails seriously influence their choice when selecting a home.
- Americans want more travel choices: in 2010, two-thirds of people polled said they want more walking and biking choices to get around their community.