



MONTGOMERY COUNTY

Where Heritage and Innovation meet Opportunity.

VISION STATEMENT

Montgomery County is a full-service, inclusive community focused on the future where citizens and businesses benefit from a diversified economy, receive excellent public services and enjoy a superior quality of life while sustaining and protecting the natural environment and rural heritage for future generations.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Montgomery County Board of Supervisors provides residents, businesses and visitors alike with superior public services and programs in a fiscally prudent and responsible manner.

CORE VALUES

Transparent Respectful
Teamwork Stewardship
Accountable

2016-2018 Strategic Initiatives and Action Agenda

INITIATIVE ONE

Foster Community and Economic Well-Being

Montgomery County seeks to capitalize on its location, rich heritage, healthy mix of assets and natural resources to grow, diversify and strengthen the community and economic well-being of citizens and businesses.



ACTION AGENDA

- Support local businesses and entrepreneurs by establishing a focused business appreciation and expansion program.
- Create a business recognition program to honor and celebrate business tenure with recognition plaques.
- Expand wireless technology.
- Sponsor a business futures forum for community input on identifying the mix of business and commercial enterprises needed to grow and diversify its economic base.
- Sponsor a business appreciation day/week by way of a Board of Supervisors proclamation.
- Develop a plan for locating a future business/ industrial development park.

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INITIATIVE TWO Practice Good Governance

Montgomery County's commitment to good governance means focusing on the County's mission, performing defined roles and government functions effectively and being accountable to the citizens.

ACTION AGENDA

- Develop and adopt an annual Code of Performance that demonstrates the Board of Supervisors' commitment to the values inherent with good governance.
- Place a Board of Supervisors' message on the County's website and social media platforms on a quarterly basis.
- Initiate discussions with the School Board to focus on finding ways to streamline service costs by working collaboratively.
- Develop a memorandum of understanding with the School Board indicating the County's fiscal commitment to support public education.
- Develop an annual county report inclusive of a citizen's guide to County government and share it with residents and businesses.
- Develop a policy guide for appointing citizens to boards and commissions, and create a volunteer bank.
- Develop fact sheets for major policy issues and community projects to share with citizens and the news media.



INITIATIVE THREE Strengthen Community Partnerships

To be successful, the Montgomery County Board of Supervisors must have a positive and interactive relationship with citizens and must be committed to helping them gain a greater understanding of and connection with their County government.

ACTION AGENDA

- Sponsor district based community listening sessions to learn about citizen concerns on a quarterly basis.
- Sponsor an annual appreciation dinner for board and commission members.
- Engage Virginia Tech in a conversation focused on the impact the university's growth and development will have throughout the County.
- Host the Blacksburg and Christiansburg Town Councils twice a year to discuss matters of mutual concern and to foster cooperative and respectful work relationships.

INITIATIVE FOUR Fund the Future

Montgomery County's future will require a commitment to identifying and discussing the range of revenue options authorized by the Commonwealth of Virginia.

ACTION AGENDA

- Develop a five-year revenue and expenditure forecast focused on services and programs including personnel, support and capital costs.
- Add capital maintenance costs to the Capital Improvements Program (CIP).
- Identify the range of revenue options the County can use to finance local government programs and services.
- Explore options available for delivering services in collaboration with other localities and entities in the private and/or non-profit sectors.
- Develop, in partnership with County administration, an employee staffing plan (full-time and part-time) that reflects fiscal and program service priorities.

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