



MMMPO 2026 Summer Newsletter

2026 MPO COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE

Next MPO Policy Board

Thursday, October 15th, 2026

Time: 6pm

Next Citizens Advisory Committee

Thursday, October 8th, 2026

Time: 6pm **subject to change, be sure check website.*

Next Technical Advisory Committee

Monday, October 6th, 2026

Time: 1pm

Policy Advisory Committee

Meets 2nd Monday of the Month at 9 AM as
Morgantown Area Partnership Transportation
Committee

How to attend

The Policy Board Meetings are held at City of Morgantown Council Chambers. The meeting is also broadcasted live on our YouTube channel.

Meetings of the Citizens Advisory Committee and the Technical Advisory Committee are held at the MPO's conference room at 243 High Street, Morgantown. The meetings are accessible virtually on Zoom. Stay tuned to our website for the updated links.

MMMPO STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS: **WELCOME MARK DEBALD**

Mark Debal, the transportation program administrator for the Dutchess County (New York) Transportation Council has been hired as the local MPO's next executive director. The DCTC is the designated MPO for Dutchess County. Currently living in the Poughkeepsie, New York, area, Debal is expected to step into the role this fall. He will bring more than 30 years of experience to the job, including 26 years with the Dutchess County MPO, where he's served as a planner, senior planner, and, for the last 16 years, executive director. Prior to his planning career, Debal served as a transportation officer in the U.S. Army.



• Want to report road repairs that are needed? Below is contact information for Monongalia County:

Citizen's Request For Assistance - Marion and Monongalia Counties
Chelsea Holyfield: 304-326-0102, chelsea.r.holyfield@wv.gov

• Our MPO Policy Board Meetings are recorded on our YouTube Channel: [@morgantownmonongaliampo5733](#)

• MPO Social Media: Stay Connected!

Facebook- Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization

Instagram- [@morgantownmonongaliampo](#)

YouTube- [@morgantownmonongaliampo5733](#)

LinkedIn- Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization

X- [@MonongaliaMpo](#)

MPO UPDATES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS: COMMUNITY GARDENS

Check out these Community Gardens in the Morgantown area funded via a one time grant overseen by the MMMPO! Check out the final report on our website: https://www.plantogether.org/_files/ugd/613794_79ad6c4ef3324224b5a8d1916839e1eb.pdf

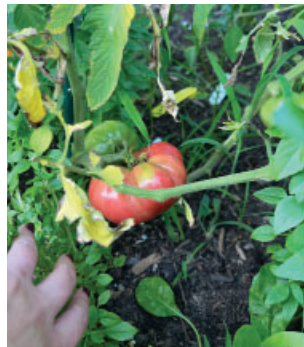
Freedom Fighter's Community Garden (morgantownmutualaid@gmail.com)



Chris White's Community Garden (304-276-2485 or Facebook @MILF Acres Community Garden)



Greenmont Neighborhood Association Community Garden (GNAMorgantown@gmail.com)



Scott's Run Settlement House Community Garden (info@srsh.org)



PARTNER AGENCY: CITY OF MORGANTOWN- PEDESTRIAN SAFETY BOARD



The Pedestrian Safety Board meets at 4:30 p.m. quarterly on virtual meetings via Microsoft Teams. They discuss how to promote and encourage a pedestrian-friendly environment in the City of Morgantown. The Chair is Matthew Cross. If you would like to get involved, email the board at pedestriansafetyboard@morgantownwv.gov

Website Link: <https://www.morgantownwv.gov/297/Pedestrian-Safety-Board>

PARTNER AGENCY: MOUNTAIN LINE



Mountain Line Transit Authority is the public transportation operator serving Monongalia County, West Virginia, including Morgantown and the campus of West Virginia University. Keep up with Mountain Line Transit Authority and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.

Facebook: @ Mountain Line Transit Authority

Instagram: @ mountainlinetransit

Linked-In: @ Mountain Line Transit Authority

X: @ MLticker

Website Link: <https://www.busride.org/>

PARTNER AGENCY: MON RIVER TRAILS CONSERVANCY

Since 1991, the non-profit Mon River Trails Conservancy continues its work to construct, manage, and maintain the Mon River and Deckers Creek Rail-Trails for walking, running, cycling, and cross-country skiing. Keep up with the Mon River Trails Conservancy and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.



Facebook: @ Mon River Trails Conservancy

Instagram: @ monrivertrails

X: @ monrailtrails

Website Link: <https://montrails.org/>

PARTNER AGENCY : CITY OF MORGANTOWN

Keep up with the City of Morgantown and their updates on their various social media sites! See the list below.

Facebook: @ City of Morgantown - City Hall

Instagram: @ cityofmorgantown

Linked-In: @ City of Morgantown

Youtube: @ CityofMorgantown

Website Link: <https://www.morgantownwv.gov/>



ABOUT THE MMMPO

The Morgantown Monongalia Metropolitan Planning Organization (MMMPO) was established in 2003 to be the areas transportation planning agency. Any urban area with a population greater than 50,000 citizens is required by Federal Legislation to form a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The two main functions of an MPO are developing a Metropolitan Transportation Plan (MTP) and ensuring that the use of federal funds for transportation projects aligns with the goals of the MTP.

Policy Board Officers:

Russ Rogerson (Non-Voting)
Morgantown Area Partnership
Board Chairman

Maria Smith, MLTA
Board Vice-Chairman

Mayor Patricia Lewis,
Granville
Board Treasurer

Andrew Gast-Bray
Interim Executive Director

Policy Board Members:

Monongalia County Commission:

Jeffrey Arnett
Tom Bloom
Sean Sikora

City of Morgantown City Council:

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Mark Downs
Jennifer Selin

Mon County Board of Education- Michael Kelly

Joe Statler, Blacksville

West Virginia University- Ron Justice

Star City- Steve Blinco, Recorder

City of Westover- Mayor Bob Lucci

West Virginia Department of Transportation-Division of Highways- Brian Carr

In accordance with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the MMMPO strives to provide equal access to all members of the public at our public meetings and hearings. If you require mobility assistance, sign language interpretation, or interpretation in a foreign language, please contact us at least 4 business days prior to the scheduled meeting or hearing. Our contact information is as follows:

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planning@plantogether.org

304-291-9671

The MMMPO is committed to ensuring that everyone has the opportunity to participate and be heard at our public meetings and hearings.

Our Partners

