



District 5 Newsletter



Baltimore County Councilman David Marks
Serving Bradshaw, Carney, Loch Raven, Parkville, Perry Hall, and Towson

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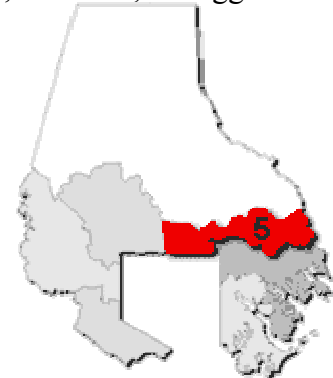
Welcome

It is a great honor to represent the citizens of the Fifth District on the Baltimore County Council. Our district stretches from Charles Street in the west to the Harford County line in the east. Moving from west to east, the Fifth District includes such vibrant communities as Towson, Loch Raven, Carney, Parkville, Perry Hall, and Bradshaw.

Our district office can be reached at (410) 887-3384 or council5@baltimorecountymd.gov. Paula Houck, Judy Gregory, and Julianne Grim staff the Fifth District office.

We will be circulating this update periodically, as well as other important reminders. Please feel free to contact our office if you have any questions, concerns, or suggestions.

David Marks
Baltimore County Councilman, Fifth District



Upcoming Legislative Meetings

The Baltimore County Council Web Site includes information about upcoming Council meetings and legislation. Visit this site at <http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/countycouncil/index.html>.

Councilman Marks is a cosponsor with Councilman Quirk of Bill 2-11, which would create a Baltimore County Pedestrian and Bicycle Advisory Committee. This panel would work to make the county's transportation system more accessible to pedestrians and bicyclists, improve safety, and develop more trails, which can boost the local economy. If you or your organization is interested in testifying on this bill, contact Councilman Marks at council5@baltimorecountymd.gov.

Public Hearing Scheduled for Two New Community Plans

The County Council will hold a hearing on **Tuesday, January 18 at 7:30 p.m.** on two Community Plans affecting the Fifth District.

The Council will consider the Perry Hall Community Plan and the Ruxton-Riderwood-Lake Roland Area Improvement Association Community Plan. Sign-up starts at 6 p.m. outside the County Council chambers.

Community Updates

Action on School Overcrowding

Councilman Marks has long been concerned about overcrowding in Baltimore County’s public schools. He has joined with Councilman Todd Huff, Senator Jim Brochin, and Delegates Susan Aumann, Bill Frank, and Steve Lafferty in urging the Baltimore County Board of Education to approve funding for the addition at Hampton Elementary School. Councilman Marks will continue to press for action to reduce overcrowding throughout the Fifth District.

Fifth District Community Advisory Council

Councilman Marks has created an advisory group that will include community leaders from throughout the Fifth District. The Fifth District Advisory Council will allow the Councilman to update representatives about issues, but also to learn about local priorities. If your group would like to be represented, please contact Julianne Grim at jgrim@baltimorecountymd.gov.

Friends of the Loch Raven Library

The Friends of the Loch Raven Library is getting organized! This group will support the library located at 1046 Taylor Avenue near the Loch Raven and Hillendale communities. An organizational meeting will be held on **Wednesday, January 19 at 6:30 p.m.** at the library.

Disaster Assistance in Parkville

Homeowners, renters, businesses, and nonprofit groups affected by the November 17 tornado in Parkville must file disaster loan applications for physical damage with the U.S. Small Business Administration by February 7. For additional information, call the SBA’s Customer Service Center at 1-800-659-2955 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., or send an email to disastercustomerservice@sba.gov.

Other Important Issues

- As a reminder, Christmas trees should be placed on curbs by **Saturday, January 15.**
- Speed limit signs will be erected shortly along Richmond Avenue in Carney, which experiences significant cut-through traffic between Harford and Joppa Roads.
- If you would like to sign up for the community updates sent out regularly by Baltimore County that list major planning and development issues, please visit this page: <http://www.baltimorecountymd.gov/Subscribe/updates/district5.html>.