# **COLLABORATIVE VISIONING**

in partnership with:

Greater **Baybrook** Alliance

**Greater Baltimore** Wilderness Coalition

**EnviroCollab** Landscape Architecture + Planning

**CityScape Engineering** Water Resources Engineering

University of Maryland, College Park Landscape Architecture Program



# **Pilot Project Site Selection**

Website: https://bit.ly/gb-blue-green

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### Maryland **Department of** Natural Resources

# **Goals for the Blue-Green Master Plan**



Improve Water Quality



Connect the Community to Green Resources



Increase Environmental & Community Resilience

The Greater Baybrook Blue-Green Master Plan is a community-led effort to better connect the Brooklyn Park, Brooklyn, and Curtis Bay neighborhoods to each other and to the many green resources found within the Patapsco/Back River basin. Rebuilding native ecosystems and enhancing neighborhood green spaces will provide more opportunities for recreational activities and a cleaner environment to live and work in. A healthier environment means a happier and healthier community!

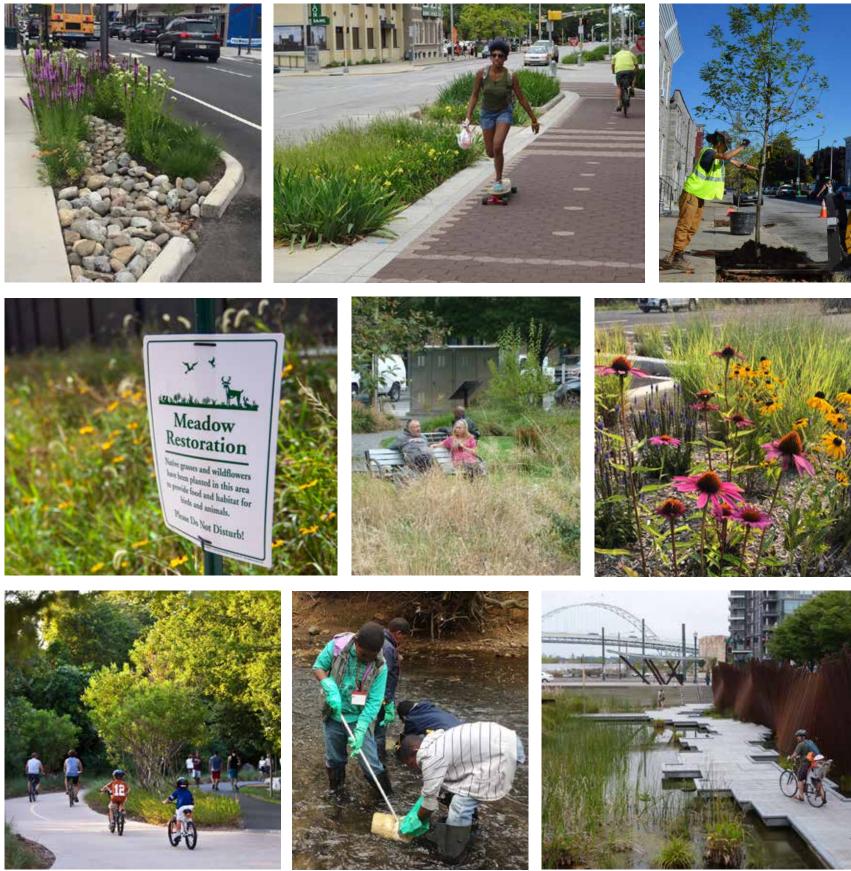


# Enhance the Quality of Life



# The Blue-Green Master Plan will identify:

- Potential greenways
- Open space interventions
- Connection or development of bluegreen resources
- Runoff mitigation strategies
- Phased implementation strategy
- 2 pilot project sites for design, to kick off master plan implementation

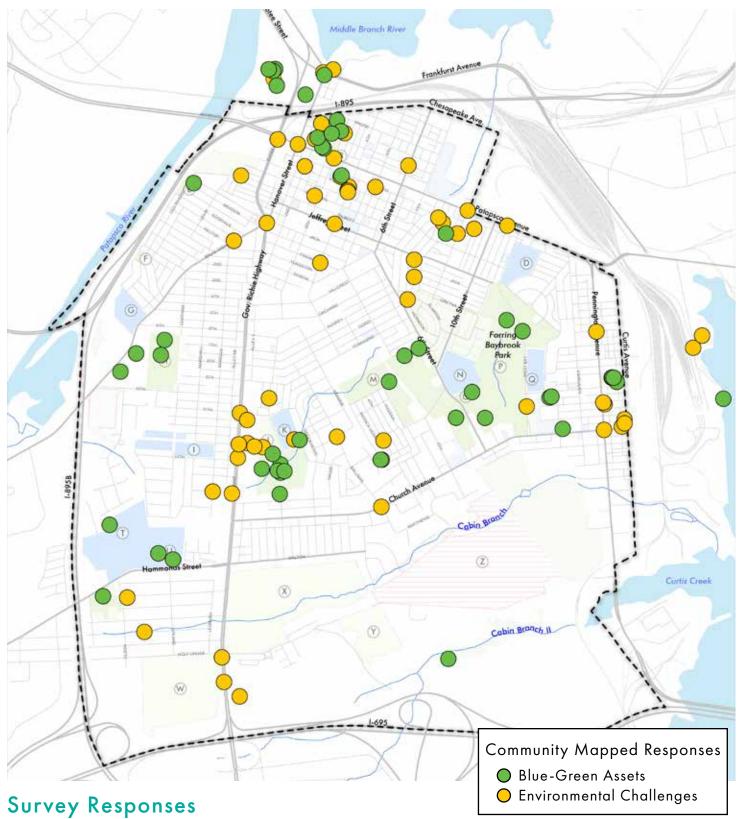


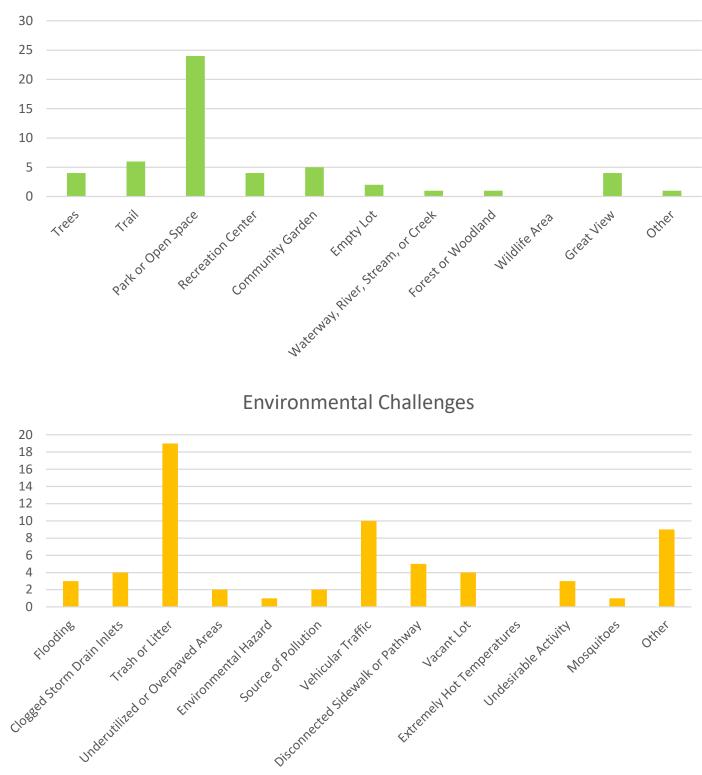




# COMMUNITY OUTREACH: PROJECT WEBSITE AND COMMUNITY SURVEY

### PUBLIC INPUT THROUGH A COMMUNITY SURVEY (IN-PERSON AND ONLINE)





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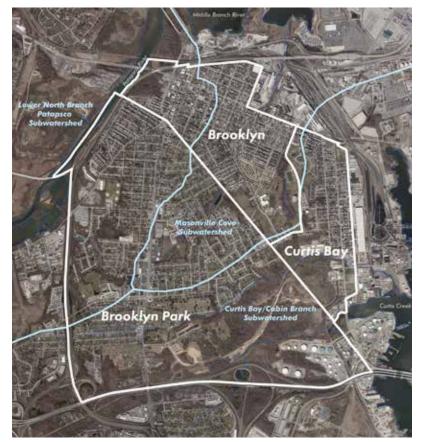
#### **Blue-Green Assets**



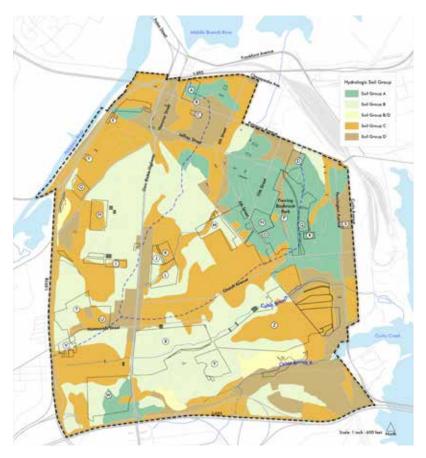


# COMMUNITY ANALYSIS: SUITABILITY CRITERIA FOR BLUE-GREEN PROJECT SITES

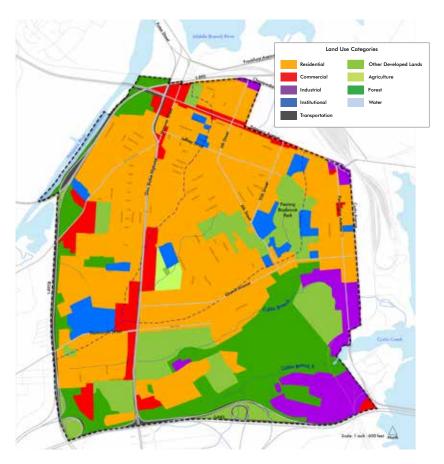
### WATERSHED ANALYSIS



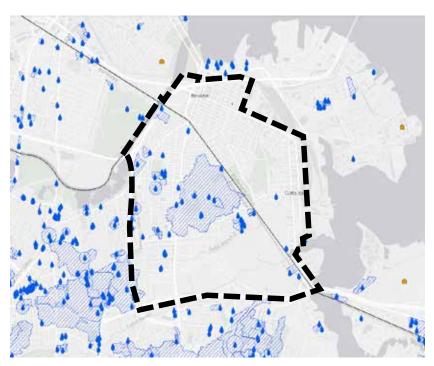
Subwatershed Drainage & Health



### Hydrologic Soil Groups



Land Uses



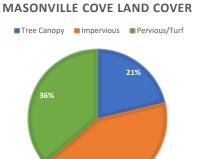
**Existing BMP Locations** 

#### LNB PATAPSCO LAND COVER



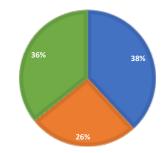


Land Cover



#### CURTIS BAY/CABIN BRANCH LAND COVER

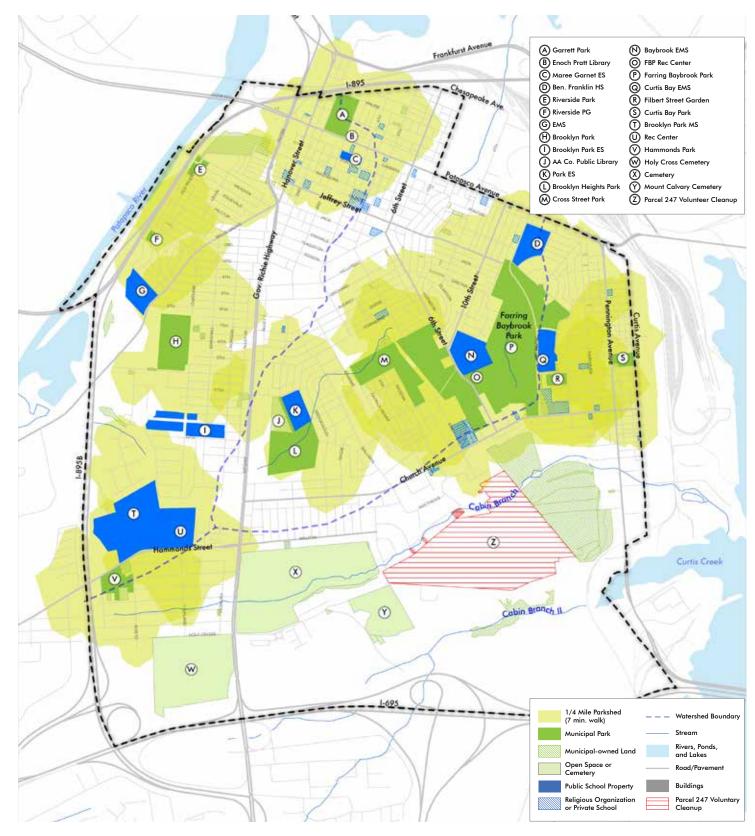




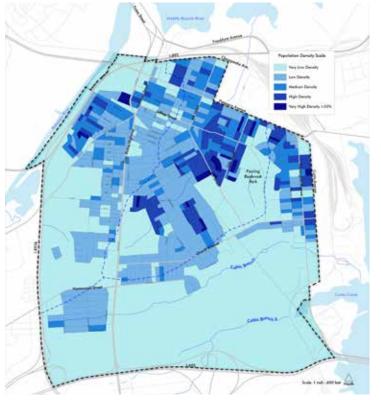


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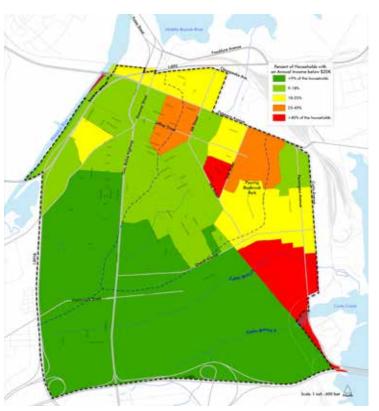
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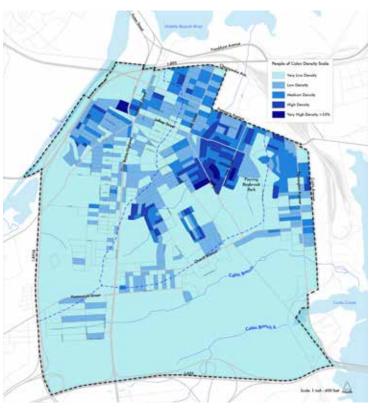
### POPULATION ANALYSIS



**Population Density** 



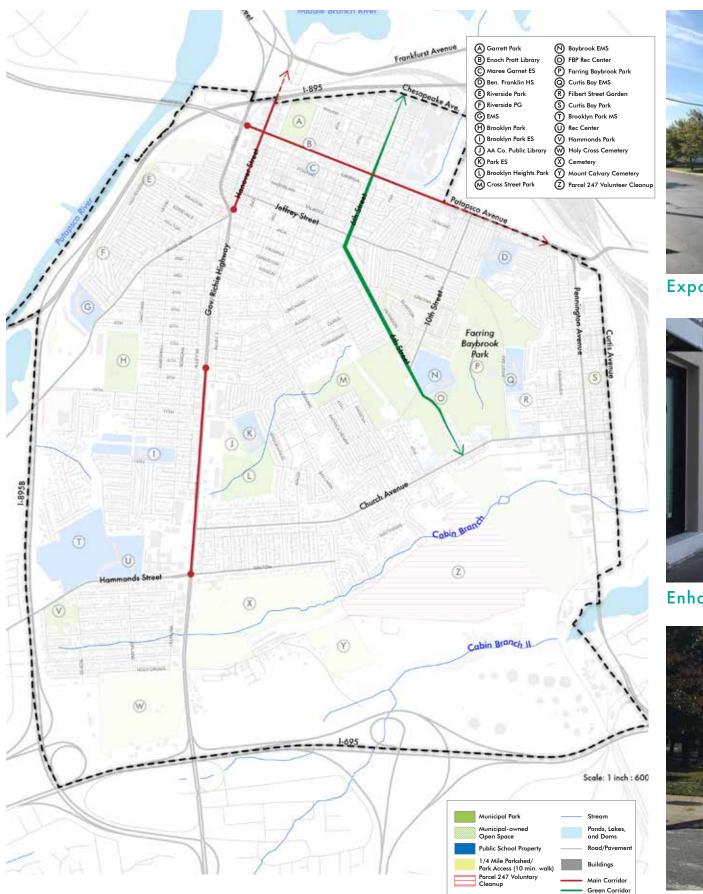
Percentage of Households with Annual Incomes below \$20,000

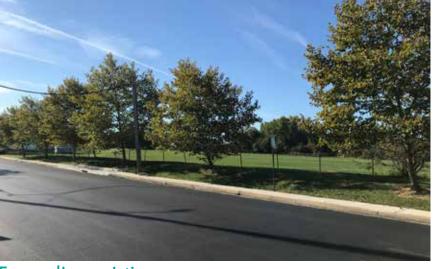


People of Color Population Density



## COMMUNITY ANALYSIS: DESIGN TEAM SITE VISITS





Expanding existing green spaces



Enhancing commercial and retail frontages with green infrastructure



Using green infrastructure to improve pedestrian safety and traffic calming within the right-of-way

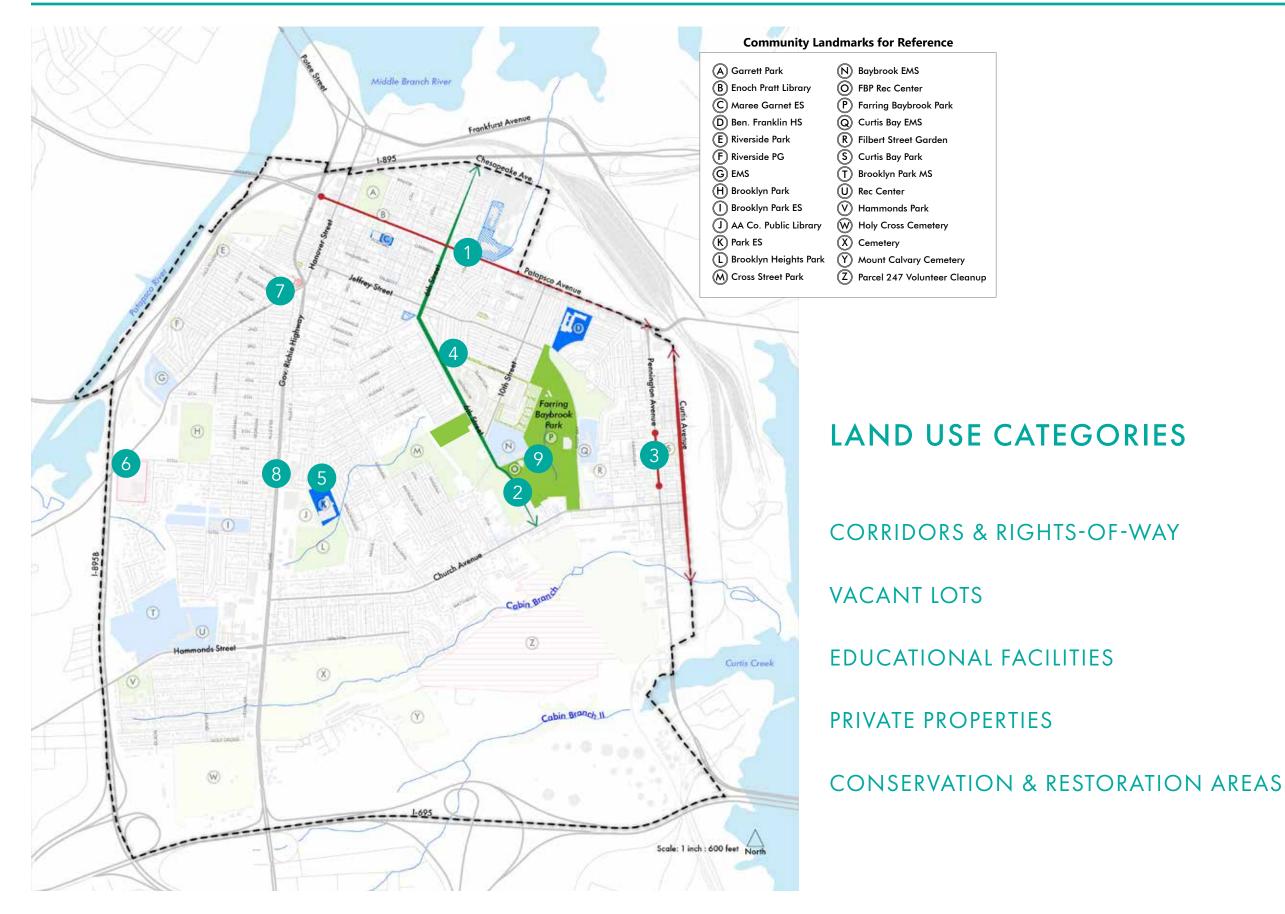


Creating greenways within residential areas





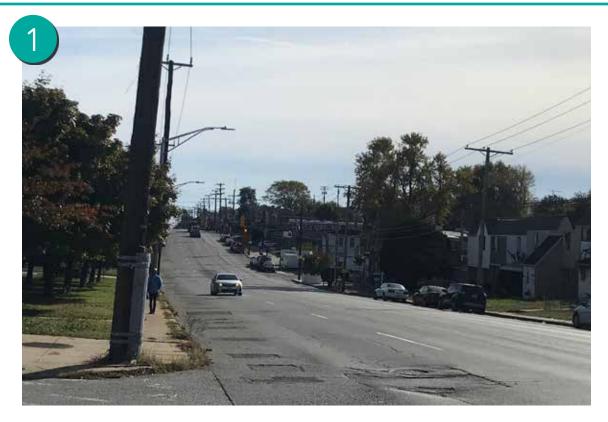
# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: 9 SITES OF VARIOUS LAND USES





# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: CORRIDORS & RIGHTS-OF-WAY





#### Green Stormwater Infrastructure Examples





**Bioretention Median** 

Stormwater Bumpouts

#### Patapsco Avenue

Address: Patapsco Ave. from Potee St. to Curtis Ave.

**Project Size:** ~1.27 miles

Project Partners: Baltimore City Department of Transportation, Baltimore City Department of Public Works, Enoch Pratt Free Library, Baltimore City Recreation and Parks, businesses and merchants along the corridor

Potential Green Infrastructure: Impervious surface removal, SWM bumpouts, bioretention medians, conservation landscaping, tree planting, sidewalk expansion/connections

**Pros:** Main street corridor, adjacent to various property types (commercial, residential, park/ open space, library/public institutions), highly visible and active corridor

**Cons:** Need to get in early with discussions with DOT

Sidewalk Expansions/Connections



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: CORRIDORS & RIGHTS-OF-WAY







path

#### 6th Street

Address: 6th St. from Chesapeake Ave. to Church St.

**Project Size:** ~1.43 miles

Potential Green Infrastructure: Impervious surface removal, SWM bumpouts, bioretention medians, conservation landscaping, tree planting, trail/shared use

**Pros:** Centrally located corridor, adjacent to various property types (park/open space, residential, public housing, commercial, religious), identified as in-need of public safety interventions

**Cons:** Limited ROW within parts of the corridor, overhead utilities are not consistently located

#### Pennington Avenue

Address: Pennington Ave. from Locust St. to Cypress St.

**Project Size:** ~0.2 miles

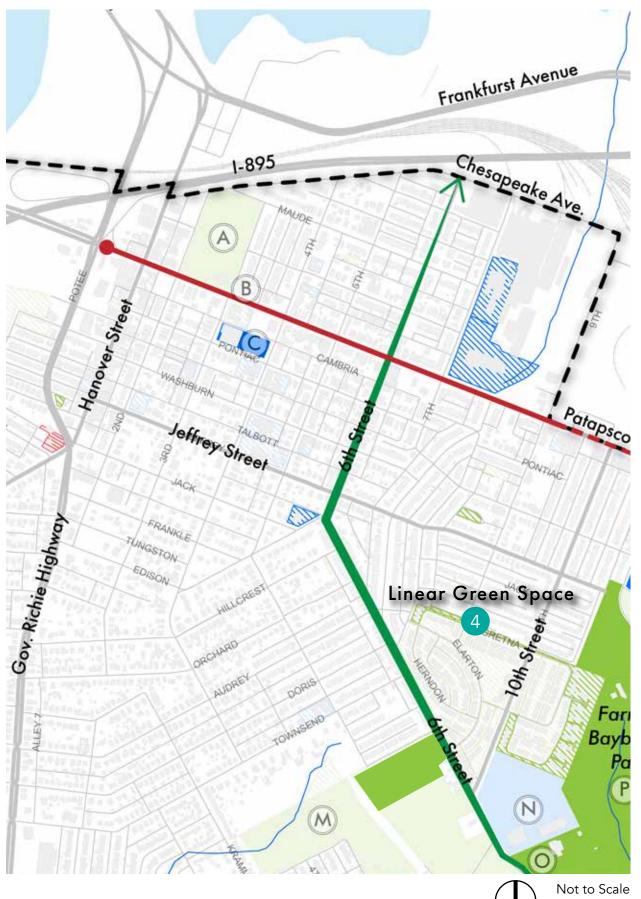
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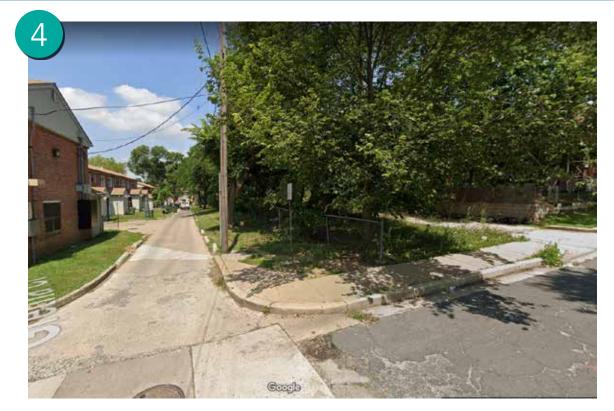
**Pros:** Adjacant to various property types

**Cons:** Need to get in early with discussions with DOT



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: VACANT LOTS





#### Green Stormwater Infrastructure Examples



Greenway & Trail



**Conservation Landscaping & Tree Planting** 

### Vacant Lot/Linear Green Space

Address: 800 block, green parcel along Gretna Ct.

**Project Size:** ~64,500 sf (1.48 acres)

Project Partners: Baltimore City Department of Transportation, Baltimore City Department of Public Works, Baltimore City Housing Authority, Brooklyn Homes Housing

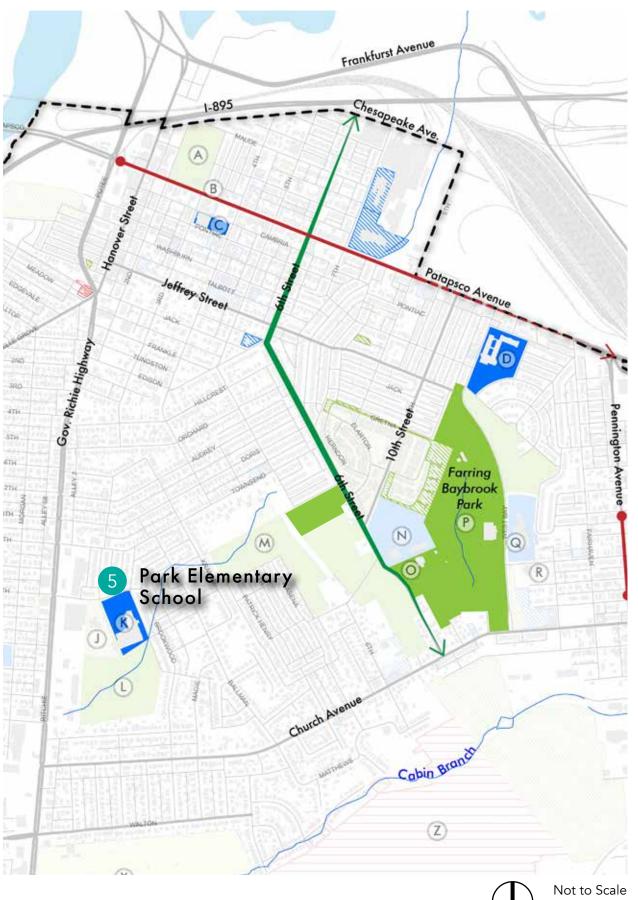
Potential Green Infrastructure: Greenway, bioretention facilities, conservation landscaping, tree planting

**Pros:** Several green blocks connected along residential area, can accommodate largescale BMP's, possible trail connection to Farring-Baybrook

**Cons:** One of the blocks is privately owned, will need to get in early with discussions with Baltimore City Housing Authority



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES





Green Stormwater Infrastructure Examples



**Bioretention Facilities** 

#### Park Elementary School

Address: 201 E 11th Ave.

**Project Size:** ~261,400 sf (6.0 acres)

Potential Green Infrastructure: Impervious surface removal, conservation landscaping, tree planting, bioretention

**Pros:** Community hub, education center, adjacent to public library, highly visible to surrounding community, area that can accommodate large-scale BMP's, address crime and litter issues adjacent to school

**Cons:** need to get in early with discussions with Anne Arundel County Public Schools Department of Planning, Design and Construction



Permeable Paving & Conservation Landscaping



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: PRIVATE PROPERTIES





#### Green Stormwater Infrastructure Examples



**Bioretention Parking Islands** & Tree Plantings



Impervious Surface Removal & **Conservation Landscaping** 

### Bingo World

Address: 4901 Belle Grove Rd.

**Project Size:** ~401,700 sf (9.22 acres)

Project Partners: Bingo World owner(s), Anne Arundel County Department of Public Works

Potential Green Infrastructure: Impervious surface removal, bioretention, conservation landscaping, tree planting

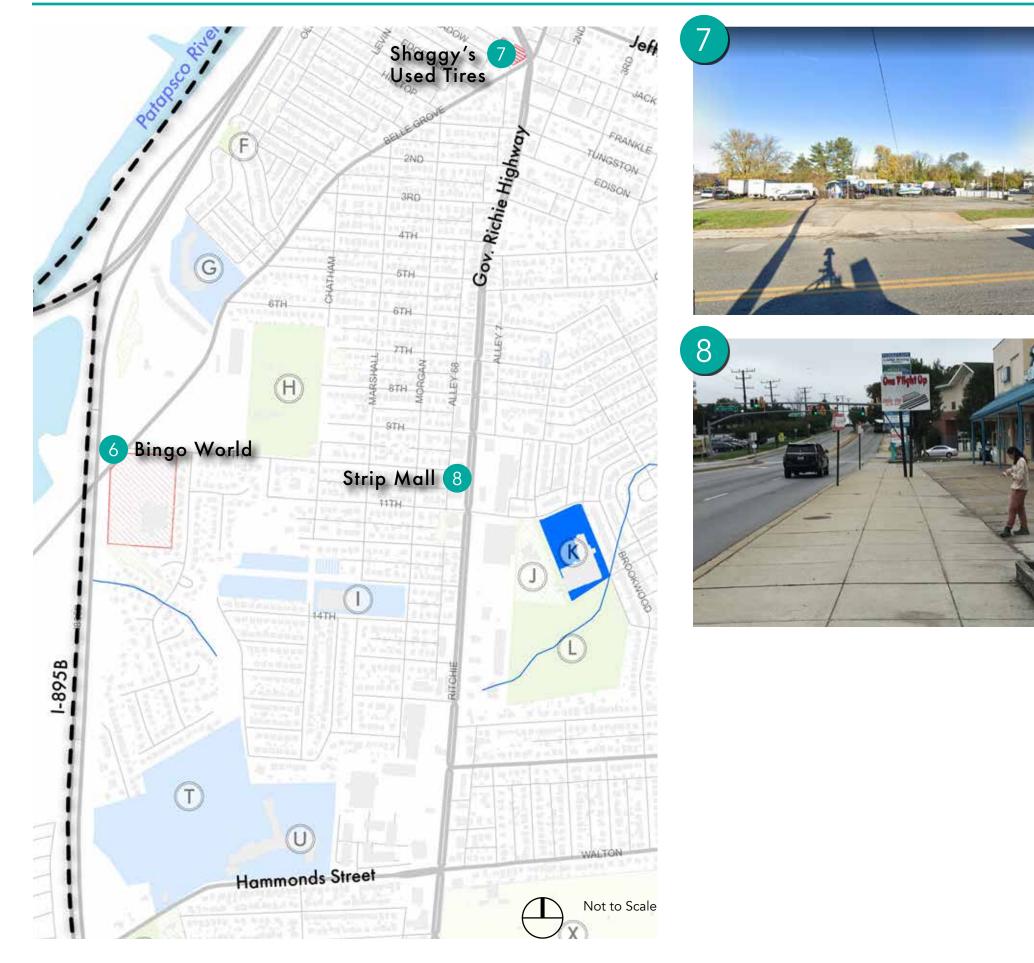
**Pros:** large area that can accommodate large-scale BMP's

**Cons:** private property, not publicly accessible, not centrally located

Permeable Paving



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: PRIVATE PROPERTIES



### Shaggy's Used Tires

Address: 4000 Belle Grove Rd.

**Project Size:** ~20,900 sf (0.48 acres)

Potential Green Infrastructure: Impervious surface removal, conservation landscaping, tree planting, bioretention

**Pros:** Highly visible at main street intersection of Richie Highway, Potee Street, and Hanover Street

**Cons:** Private property, not publicly accessible

#### Strip Mall at 5026 Gov. Ritchie Highway

Address: 5026 Gov. Ritchie Hwy.

**Project Size:** ~32,177 sf (0.74 acres)

Potential Green Infrastructure: Conservation landscaping, tree planting, impervious surface removal, bioretention planters, green roof

Pros: Main street corridor, adjacent to commercial property, highly visible and active corridor

**Cons:** need to get in early with discussions with AADOT and EZ Associates (PO)



# POTENTIAL PILOT SITES: RESTORATION & CONSERVATION AREAS





#### Green Stormwater Infrastructure Examples





**Stream Restoration** 

**Meadow Restoration** 

Not to Scale

#### Farring-Baybrook Park and Recreation Center

Address: 4501 Farring Ct.

**Project Size:** ~1,210,000 sf (27.77 acres)

**Project Partners:** Baltimore City Department of Recreation and Parks, Baltimore City Department of Public Works

**Potential Green Infrastructure:** Stream restoration, reforestation, trail/shared use path, tree planting, conservation landscaping, environmental teaching center

**Pros:** Highlight existing natural park features, publicly accessible, centrally located, community hub, education and recreation center

**Cons:** Existing green space, relatively updated open space adjacent to rec center

Conservation Landscaping & Environmental Education



 WHICH PILOT PROJECT SITES DO THE GBA STEERING COMMITTEE & COMMUNITY MEMBERS WANT TO SEE BUILT FIRST?

FILL OUT THE SURVEY! (HTTPS://BIT.LY/GB-BLUE-GREEN)

- GBA & PROJECT CONSULTANTS TO WEIGH MOST POPULAR CHOICES AND SELECT 3-4 POTENTIAL PILOT SITES TO VISIT.
- GBA & PROJECT CONSULTANTS TO SELECT 2 PILOT SITES FOR DESIGN.
- COMMUNITY OUTREACH TO CONTINUE IN THE SPRING WITH PUBLIC INPUT ON THE DESIGN OF THE 2 PILOT SITES.

