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You are invited to the **Maryland Bicycling and Walking Annapolis Symposium**

Wednesday, February 7, 2001
9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Exhibits and Displays

St. John's Hall in the Lowe Office Building
9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Come see the progress in making Maryland a better place for bicycling and walking.

Bicycling groups and government agencies are invited to have displays promoting any facet of bicycling and walking in Maryland. This symposium, scheduled for the legislative period, is an effective forum to show representatives the widespread interest in bicycling and walking in Maryland. Exhibits are expected from transportation, health, planning, recreation, tourism, and environmental organizations. This is an exciting time with elected officials, agency staff, community leaders, advocates, planners, and consultants talking with each other about bicycling and walking. To sign-up to have an exhibit, contact Jim Hudnall, 301-567-0089, info@ohbike.

Reception

Location to be announced
4:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Meet fellow Marylanders who want walking and bicycling to be safe, convenient, and viable modes of transportation and integral parts of the overall transportation system.

Making Maryland the best for bicycling and walking

Panel Discussion and Q&A Session

Location to be announced
6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

A panel of top Maryland officials will discuss making Maryland a national model for bicycling and walking. The panel will answer questions from the audience.

This symposium is sponsored by the Maryland Department of Transportation and the Maryland Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Committee, with support from College Park Area Bicycle Coalition, Washington Area Bicyclist Association, National Center for Bicycling and Walking, One Less Car: Maryland Campaign for Bicycling and Walking, and Oxon Hill Bicycle and Trail Club. For more info, see ohbike.org/mbpac/symposium or phone Bill Kelly at 301-441-2740.

**Welcome
Michael Jackson,
Maryland's new
Director of
Bicycle and
Pedestrian Access**

MBAC MEETINGS

Meetings are normally the 2nd Friday of every month from 10 am to noon. For info call Harvey Muller at 410-545-5656.

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The signing of House Bill 1147, Bicycle and Pedestrian Access 2001 was a highlight of 2000.

The bill passed the House 127-6 and the Senate 45-2 in the final minutes of the General Assembly session. This bill established the Director of Bicycle and Pedestrian Access, requires the Director to develop a 20 year Statewide Bicycle-Pedestrian Master Plan, requires that the best practices be used by the state for bicycle and pedestrian facilities, and expanded the focus of the state Bicycle Advisory Committee to include pedestrians.



On May 18, 2000, advocates of bicycling and walking look on as Governor Parris Glendening signs the Access 2001 bill. Sitting next to the governor are the leaders of the General Assembly. Standing behind the governor is Paul Lebow, President of One Less Car: Maryland Campaign for Bicycling and Walking, the statewide advocacy group that was the driving force behind the legislation. Next to him is Delegate Joan Pitkin who introduced the bill and spearheaded its passage through the General Assembly.

Thank You Governor Glendening and all the members of the General Assembly who supported Bicycle and Pedestrian Access 2001.

**Dan Burden's Workshop on Walkable Communities
Saturday, January 13, 2001, 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

School of Architecture Auditorium, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland

Walkable communities are more livable communities, where the streets and roads are safer and more appealing to pedestrians and bicyclists.

Dan Burden is nationally known for his success in using *charrettes* - highly interactive workshops - to bring together elected officials, planners, designers, and community interests to look at roads that need improvement and to come up with a solution that meets everyone's needs. Dan has seen success in hundreds of cities across the country and will illustrate his presentations with many examples and photographs of what other communities have done to reconstruct roads so that they better serve all users. Attendees will find Dan's presentations interesting, fast-moving, and informative. He is an expert on traffic calming and will present many ideas on how our roads can be made safer and more appealing to bicyclists and pedestrians. This workshop is for planners, designers, elected officials, bike/ped advocates, business leaders, and anyone interested in the Process of Building Communities for Better Living.

Registration fee of \$15 includes lunch and refreshments during breaks. To register for this workshop or for more information, contact the office of the Washington Area Bicyclist Association, 202-628-2500, waba@waba.org. For more info on Dan Burden and Walkable Communities, see www.walkable.org.