

# Clean Water Partnership PROGRESS REPORT







# Residents, Partners, Stakeholders, and Supporters of Prince George's County, MD

#### WE DELIVERED ON THE PROMISE! WE TURNED A MANDATE INTO AN OPPORTUNITY!

It is with great pride that we share this third annual Clean Water Partnership Progress Report, highlighting all of our successes. On the third anniversary of the program the Partnership achieved a tremendous milestone. The Clean Water Partnership completed the initial pilot phase to retrofit 2,000 acres, in half the time, for half the price, all while increasing our outreach to key community stakeholders and investing in Prince George's County's small minority and disadvantaged businesses.

Three and a half years ago, Prince George's County set out to turn a regulatory mandate and fiscal burden into an opportunity to improve both the environment and the community with greater socio-economic impact. Prince George's County partnered with Corvias to create the Clean Water Partnership (CWP). The CWP developed and implemented a turnkey stormwater management program that proved the ability to achieve regulatory compliance requirements, and create greater community buy-in and education along with long-term local economic benefits for residents and local small minority disadvantaged businesses. We are pleased to highlight through our third annual progress report, that we have done just that! And in doing so, completed the initial pilot retrofitting 2,000 acres using greater than 85% local minority and target class County businesses, and saving the County more than 40% compared to traditional budgets.

This program is about progress and ensuring there are opportunities created with and for our community members. The value of this collaborative effort is evident and proven through the past three years of local community impact completing

- 15 church retrofits through the alternate compliance program (ACP), 22 schools through the partnership with the Prince George's County Public Schools System (PGCPS), and 23 retrofits on municipal properties throughout the County through the municipal outreach program
- Investing \$500,000 to youth and educational programs, creating an incubator and mentor protégé development program for over 15 Prince George's County local small minority disadvantaged businesses, supporting paid internship opportunities for 50 students
- Greening and beautifying our landscape planting 250 trees and over 6,000 shrubs and improving our local rivers and streams removing over 1.8M pounds of sediment across our County.

Our efforts have focused on community-based programs that necessitate targeted outreach, engagement, education and visibility by Prince George's County stakeholders and the region.

Throughout this report you will find the celebration of progress, government innovation and being at the forefront of environmental stewardship through the CWP's third year program accomplishments, stories and results.

None of this would have been possible without the leadership and support provided by the County Executive's administration and the County Council. We thank you!

#### Sincerely,

Adam Ortiz Director Prince Georges County Department of Environment **Roland Jones** Director Prince Georges County Office of Central Services **Keisha Brown** Partnership Liaison Corvias **Peter Littleton** Sr. Operations Manager Corvias



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# The Proof is in the Data Points





#### ALTERNATIVE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM



Alternative compliance retrofits focused on Faith-Based community NGO properties; requires coordination and relationship building with church leadership and congregation

#### **COMMUNITY IMPACT**





**MORE THAN 200 OUTREACH EVENTS** IN THE BUSINESS

## SMALL CHURCHES

**CONNECTING WITH CONGREGATIONS AS PART OF OUR CWP PARTNERSHIP WITH** FAITH-BASED AND 501(c)(3) **NON-PROFIT GROUPS** 

# **30 Years of Growth and Investment**

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\$132 MILLION TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACT OF LOCAL SPENDING





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**\$14.6** MILLION TOTAL TAX REVENUE FROM RETROFITS 94 PERCENT

OF TOTAL ECONOMIC IMPACTS WILL BE LOCAL

# **Total Expenditures Social & Economic Development**

| CBBE (County Based Business):   | \$55,093,427 |
|---------------------------------|--------------|
| CMBE (County Based MBE):        | \$17,365,342 |
| CLBE (County Located Business): | \$3,778,256  |
| MBE (Minority Business):        | \$11,540,703 |
| CL-MBE (County Located MBE):    | \$207,862    |
| Target Class Total:             | \$87,985,590 |
| Non-Target Class:               | \$13,355,136 |





Economic and Fiscal Impact Analysis of the Prince George's County Stormwater Retrofit Program Regional Economic Studies Institute, Towson University Daraius Irani, Ph.D., Chief Economist Jessica Grimm, Senior Research Associate

82% Actual Performance

50% Required Performance

**Target Class Participation** of Local Businesses

57% Actual Performance

51% Required Performance

**County Resident** Person Hours

# Clean Water Partnership Turns a Mandate Into An Opportunity

# **Public-Private Partnership**

In 2014, Prince George's County stepped out of the crowd to pioneer a new approach to stormwater making them a leader in the State and Nation. The leadership took a risk at a time when stormwater was characterized with "rain tax", to take their regulatory mandate and turn it into a holistic program that benefits both the environment and the community. An effort difficult to achieve but strongly supported by federal, state, and local leadership who believed in what could be, championing this program from its inception. The Community-Based Public Private Partnership (CBP3) model was developed in collaboration with EPA Region 3 to bridge the gap between the public and private sectors to "benefit local economic development by creating a market place for a meaningful water quality impact" (https://www.epa.gov/sites/production/files/2015-12/documents/gi\_cb\_p3\_guide\_epa\_r3\_final\_042155\_508.pdf).



The CWP has proven itself successful in creating a program where stormwater management at a large scale, positively impacts the health of the local watersheds, Chesapeake Bay and broader community. We acknowledge the effort of the EPA's Dominique Lueckenhoff, Senior Advisor to the Regional Administrator, who wanted a carrot versus stick approach to incentivize communities to put more effort into stormwater. Her vision created the opportunity for the Clean Water Partnership to be what it is today.

"We are delighted that Prince George's County is leading the way in finding solutions for stormwater pollution – that help us better prepare for the future. The project is one of many that will be completed in the County to alleviate polluted runoff from reaching the Anacostia River and Chesapeake Bay, thereby making our community clean and healthier."

Derrick Leon Davis, Councilman Prince George's County

"We see this program as a win-win-win for everyone. The public, private, and government sectors can all win if we can come up with creative ways to tap into the resources of the private sector."

> Larry Coffman, Former Deputy Director, Prince George's County Department of the Environment (DOE)

# **Clean Water Partnership P-3 Program Timeline**

### **Program Key Milestones Dates**

#### FIRST CONSTRUCTION SEASON SEASON

#### Planning, Design & Construction

#### April 2015

Recognized by the White House as a leading "high road infrastructure" program under the Build America Initiative

September 2015 Church First ACP Project

April 2016 4000 Edmonston Road, First Municipal Project

July 2016 Rosa Parks Elementary School, First School Project

July 2016 Greenbelt Lake First Public Pond

2015 2016 2017

**PRE-CONSTRUCTION Permitting & Program** 

Agreements

January 2, 2014 NPDES Permit Issued

November 2014 CR-099-2014 County Council Approval of multi-year P3 agreement comprising Prince George's County's Urban Stormwater Retrofit Program

March 26, 2015 Master Program Agreement (MPA) for P3 executed

Apr-Oct 2015 Program Team Formation including initial Corvias/CWP

# 2014

SECOND CONSTRUCTION

Planning, Design & Construction

October 2016 SRF Funding Approval by MDE

June 2017 CWP Long-Term Maintenance **Program Start** 

August 2017 CWP hits 1,000 completed & certified acres milestone

August 2017 Mentor Protégé Cohort 1 Graduation

October 2017 **CWP Spirit Week Celebration** 

#### THIRD CONSTRUCTION SEASON

Planning, Design & Construction

April 2018 Prince George's County & Corvias LOI - Expanded Area Program

May 2018 CWP hits 2,000 completed & certified acres milestone

July 2018 Completion of Initial Pilot **Program Projects** 

August 2018 **Begin Expanded Area** Program toward 4,000 acre qoal

November 2018 **Commencement Mentor** Protégé Cohort 3

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# Delivering on the Promise! CWP Exceeds Everyone's Expectations with Transparency

# By the Numbers

The CWP has completed and exceeded the goals of the initial phase of work through 94 retrofitted projects with 2,129 completed and certified impervious acres. We have met our goal of delivering up to 2,000 acres on budget, at a cost of \$100M and on schedule within the three year allotted contract term! All with full transparency to the community through our CWP website, public dashboard and social media channels.

#### **Achieving Performance Based Results**

- **94** projects delivered in only 36 months
  - Across 9 County Council Districts, 27 Municipalities
- 2,000 acres retrofitted for MS4/TMDL permit compliance
  - 11 watersheds across 5,000 square miles
  - Over 5K AF/yr in Stormwater capture and filtration
- Diversified projects on **Public** and **Private** property
- **\$183M**\* initial local County economic impact
  - 87% target class utilization
  - 51% County resident work hours



# • Government properties (public right of ways, municipal, DOT, federal, etc.) • Quasi-public properties (schools, faith-based, parks, NGO's) • Private properties (residential, HOA, commercial, industrial, etc.)

### Estimated Project Sites Completed by County Council District





IBEX Pond Lanham, Maryland

# CWP Cornerstones: Education & Socio-Economic Development

# Education & Social-Economic Development

The Prince George's County Council and Department of the Environment recognized that meeting regulatory stormwater requirements was also an opportunity to promote economic development and improve education opportunities, while restoring and protecting the environment. The County Council recognized the advantages of providing economic development, enhancing environmental stewardship, and educating residents, and unanimously approved the adoption of the CBP3 business model to implement stormwater management retrofits across the County.

The CWP recognizes and leverages support from partners that are crucial to the success of both the CWP and the County's expanded capital improvement program (CIP). Partnering, collaborating, and being transparent across the public sector with private residents, local businesses, HOA's, faithbased institutions, nonprofits, NGO's, schools and towns and cities has reinforced and rejuvenated the culture of connectivity and engagement which allows support the County in gaining these important resources to meet regulatory requirements and water quality improvement in the local streams, watersheds and the Chesapeake Bay.

The CWP is comprised of multiple programs; municipal, schools, faith-based and private property with various community partners, all uniquely important to the overall program playing an important role in supporting the communication and education of the CWP through volunteer, educational and outreach programs that touch community members young and old across the County.

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The CWP is committed to impacting the local economy through local targeted disadvantaged subcontractor development and utilization. Ensuring long term sustainability, employment of County residents, and the investment in local, small and disadvantaged businesses is paramount to Prince George's County and Corvias. Because of that focus, the program has adopted broader policy priorities as accountable goals, beyond just cost and schedule, to include operating under prevailing wage, transparent competitive bidding and being held to key performance indicators (KPIs) for the utilization of local, small and disadvantaged minority businesses and participation of County residents. For the third consecutive year, the CWP has been compliant with the socio-economic participation goals required by our agreement with Prince George's County, and as of June 2018, the program has successfully met or exceeded all of the inclusion participation goals. The Community Outreach, Contractor Development, and Compliance Programs are critical to ensuring procurement opportunities for target class contractors, subcontractors, consultants, and suppliers are provided. It is evident through public engagement, inbound mentor protégé program inquiries and contracts awarded, the substantial level of outreach to businesses and the community have proven successful.

"We are leveraging the efficiency of the private sector and connecting that with the knowledge of County employees, businesses, and industry experts to complete a monumental task."

> Mel Franklin, Prince George's County Councilman

Micro-Bioretention Facility Installation, High Point High School, Beltsville, MD



### Prince George's County Public School System

The CWP Schools Program was designed as a pilot to assist Prince George's County Public Schools (PGCPS) with treating and managing stormwater runoff from impervious sites by utilizing LID/GI BMPs. The program kicked off its third year adding 12 schools, totaling 22 schools combined receiving retrofits through the partnership. Schools are selected to receive new, green stormwater retrofits to help with managing untreated runoff from impervious areas, and reduce the impact of sediments and pollution that flows into our natural waterways. The program includes an educational component to assist the schools in meeting their environmental literacy goals. Rain gardens become outdoor classrooms for Prince George's County students who will receive instructive signage, education about the benefits

of managing stormwater runoff and displaying how installed BMP's will perform at each site. At the end of the summer, students and faculty participate in volunteer tree planting sessions that support the installed BMPs during school hours giving students a hands-on experience in preserving our environment. This collaborative effort between PGCPS and the CWP ensures Prince George's County students are provided an education on the importance of sustainable stormwater management, teachers and faculty are provided the opportunity to participate in workshops to increase their knowledge and obtain resources on stormwater and the program creates a legacy for future generations committed to managing the water quality in our communities.

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"Our school is becoming pro-active in helping our waterways and the environment in general as a result of this partnership."

Patricia Walker, Library/Media Specialist and Green Team Coordinator, Laurel Elementary School

# Success in every district



|  | Phase 1 | Phase 2 | Total<br>Combined<br>To Date |
|--|---------|---------|------------------------------|
| Total PGC Resident Utilization                       | 112,712 | 19,438  | 131,150                      |
| Total Non-Resident Utilization                       | 124,097 | 18,348  | 142,535                      |
| Total Combined Resident/<br>Non-Resident Utilization | 221,821 | 37,786  | 259,607                      |
| Total PGC resident Utilization<br>Percentage         | 51%     | 51%     | 51%                          |

# 66 Busineses Contracted 1,594 Businesses Reached 221,821 Work Hours Generated

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#### **DISTRICT 1** (13 BUSINESSES)

Business Outreach 260 Companies CelSue Construction Services Inc (MP)

Kim Engineering, Inc. Assedo Consulting, LLC Rapp Contracting, Inc Mid-Atlantic Site Contracting, Inc. GeoTech Engineers, Inc. Low ImpactDevelopment (LID) Bradley Site Design Inc. Capital Development Design, Inc. Video Pipe Services, Inc. NARDI Construction Joseph Canova & Son, Inc. Bulldog Distribution, LLC

#### DISTRICT 2 (2 BUSINESSES) AFD

DAD Environmental Construciton (MP)

#### **DISTRICT 3** (4 BUSINESSES)

Business Outreach 216 Companies End Time Harvest Ministries Apercon, Ltd. Total Civil Construction Empowering Ideas

#### **DISTRICT 4** (5 BUSINESSES)

Business Outreach 212 Companies Anavo Transformation Solutions, LLC Bourn Environmental, LLC (MP) Dirt Plus, Inc. HRPro4You, LLC SMI Services AKRF. Inc. Independent Consulting Service Three E Consulting Group, LLC M&G Services. Inc. D&F Construction Co Inc. Ben Dyer & Associates, Inc. JNL Services, LLC Linemark LLC VH Sign Company Ngen BrewtonMos. LLC Copeland Financial Group, Inc. Turning Point Coaching Gryphon Consulting HR In Motion LLC Prince George's Community College Westphalia Training Center

### DISTRICT 7 (2 BUSINESSS)

Business Outreach 51 Companies Dickey & Associates, LLC Ascendant Materials II, LLC

#### **DISTRICT 5** (9 BUSINESSES)

Business Outreach 216 Companies Anacostia Watershed Society BOTA Consulting Engineers, Inc.

Estime Enterpresies (MP) Kirila Earthworks (MP) Printing Express & Design

Total Civil Construction Harris Plus Printing Sutter Group

#### **DISTRICT 6** (15 BUSINESSES) Business Outreach 785 Companies

#### **DISTRICT 8** (5 BUSINESSES)

#### Business Outreach 70 Companies

Alpine Snow Removal and Landscape, LLC Faulkner Lawn Care & Landscaping (MP) Treknot Organization Beltway Paving of Southern Maryland Denison Landscaping

#### **DISTRICT 9** (11 BUSINESSES)

Community Bridge, Inc. (MP) F&F Landscaping Inc Clinton Sewer Expert G-11 Enterprises, Inc. (MP) Dirt Plus, Inc. Century Fence Construction, LLC Essex Construction, LLC Grace Management & Construction, LLC (MP) Green Forever Landscaping (MP) Denison Landscaping & Nursery Inc

MP Mentor Protégé

Meeting and exceeding the County's social and economic development goals are a key component of the CWP's Contractor Development and Outreach Program. Collaboration and partnership with County agencies to include the Prince George's County Supplier Development & Diversity Division, the Prince George's County Economic Development Corporation and the Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce remain important to ensuring visibility of CWP projects to local businesses and firms to increase participation, gain an understanding of qualifications and support firms in obtaining County certification so they have access to new contract opportunities.

Contractor Development and Business Outreach meetings and networking with firms to ascertain interest and share potential CWP contracting opportunities.

#### Listing of Organizations/Events:

ABC Metro Washington 2018 Celebration Kick Off, Whiting Turner Outreach Event, Baltimore City, Women in Construction Workshop, Greater Washington Hispanic Chamber of Commerce, PGC Economic Development Corporation Workforce Construction Meeting, DDOT DBE Washington Regional Transportation Opportunities Conference, DC Chamber of Commerce Small Business Summit, County Connection Contractor Reception, MD/Washington Minority Companies Association Minority Outreach Business Fair, Prince George's County Chamber of Commerce – Excellence in Business Gala, Student Environmental Alliance Green Summit

County Council Member Deni Taveras (District 2) – Prince George's County Supplier Development & Diversity Division (SDDD) County Connections Eventt



# Workforce Development & Mentor Protégé Program **Building Capacity of County-Based Businesses**

## **Participating Companies**

- Estime Enterprises, Inc.
- Faulkner Lawn Care & Landscaping
- Grace Management & Construction, LLC
- Green Forever
- Kirila Farthworks
- M&G Services Inc.
- Phoenix Infrastructure
- Bourne Environmental
- Celsue Construction

- DAD Environmental
- G-11 Enterprises
- United Construction Services, LLC
- I. F. Blue Associates. Inc.
- Hybrid Construction, LLC
- BOTA Consulting Engineers, Inc.
- Community Bridge, Inc.
- DAD Environmental Construction
- Arya Civil, LLC

# **CWP Mentor Protégé Training**

The following capacity building workshops have been hosted by the CWP:

- 1 Basic Blueprint Reading/BMP Construction
- Pilot Project Constructed Protégé Only Bid
- **3** Safety Program Development
- 4 Cash Management Cost Accounting
- **G** Erosion and Sediment Control (Part 1 & 2)
- 2018 Tax Reform Law How it Affects Businesses

Mentor Protégé performance to date includes awards to multiple firms with expertise in sitework construction, landscaping, and electrical work in the amount of \$11,501,089. Through the CWP Mentor Protégé Program, firms listed below have increased their business capacity leveraging experience obtained from Clean Water Partnership projects.

### **Protege Expansion - From** Subcontractor to Prime

- 3rd Cohort kicked off in November 2018 -9 Companies
- Protege Prime Maintenance Contractor -Community Bridge, Inc.
- Protege Prime Contractor Kirila Earthworks
- Protege Prime Contractor In Negotiation - Grace Management
- Protege Design Engineering Primes AED, Inc. and Arya Civil, LLC

Click to view video: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TJghKDX5wrM

## **ORIGINAL GOAL**

Mentor two businesses each year

### **GOAL EXCEEDED**

Ten business completed the 2nd Cohort of the CWP Mentor Protégé Program in December 2018



### **Capacity Building Facts:**

- Grace Management & Construction referred to Baltimore, landed significant Green Infrastructure contract
- Bourn Environmental County Based SDVOSB - Start up. 80% of contracts with CWP - significant bonding increase
- Green Forever Landscaping referred to DCWater, received \$135K contract with Skanska, also building outdoor schools in PGC since referral from CWP
- Estime Enterprises first ever Green Infrastructure projects with CWP, now on PGC UMD Hospital in Clark JV

# **Opportunity Awaits You!**

### **Kirila Earthworks** County Based, Union Contractor

#### What is the best thing you have learned since joining the CWP team?

The best things I've learned since joining the CWP team are just how many opportunities exist in the MS-4 compliance space beyond our core competency of earthwork and civil construction, and how this may indicate the direction which our business will grow in the future.

Kirila Earthworks was incorporated in June 2015 and focused on green infrastructure construction, stormwater management and BMP installation, land management and restoration, complete site development and underground utilities. Kirila is extending their experience to their fellow MPP's through a three session estimating training course. Paying it forward!

**Grace Management & Construction** County Based, MBE

What has been your experience with the Clean Water Partnership Mentor Protégé Program? We are proud to be a team member of the Mentor Protégé Program (MPP). The program provides us with executive level training and work experience to build our business and workforce within stormwater management infrastructure. We have participated in all MPP activities throughout the first year of the program, have supported the 2nd Cohort and have established a teaming arrangement with APEX Companies, LLC. We have received a bond for a WMATA project for \$300,000, participated in the City of Baltimore's Stormwater Program for Small Businesses, both through referrals of the MPP Program. Subsequently, we were awarded a two year \$3.2M Stormwater Maintenance contract with Baltimore County and a \$764K Infrastructure Inspection contract with Baltimore City.





### **Bourne Environmental**

County Based, Service Disabled Veteran

#### What is the best thing you have learned since joining the CWP team?

Patience. The CWP is a large and ambitious undertaking that we have been proud to participat in since the start in 2015. It has been a learning process for everyone, but I think that we are on the right track to reach the program's goals.

Prince George's County based certified veteran owned small business established in 2014 by Christopher Perry. Bourne specializes in stormwater management, stream restoration, wetland enhancement, shoreline stabilization, wildlife and habitat management, and consulting services. Many of Bourn's initial projects have been as a result of bidding and winning opportunities with the CWP.

**Celsue Construction Services** County Based, MBE

#### What is the best thing you have learned since joining the CWP team?

The best thing is learning to work with others in achieving a greater common goal that has been created not only for the benefit of the community of Prince George's County, but also for the state of Maryland.

Women owned Prince George's County company established in 1986, operating under the ownership of Ruth Davila, PE since 2004. Celsue specializes in excavation/site-work, stormwater management facility construction, asphalt and concrete, sediment construction, clearing and demolition, asphalt and concrete paving. Celsue has performed multiple projects for the CWP and was awarded their first contract under the CWP Maintenance Program.

# Community Partnerships

"This is an exciting project to be involved in because its moving beyond transactional interactions, and its transformative interactions. Corvias embodies that transformative impact on the community so this was just a perfect fit."

Jodi Rose, Executive Director Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake

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The Clean Water Partnership program has continued to invest in community partnerships to ensure education and community investment continues to be extended to the County's youth and volunteers of all ages.

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### **End Time Harvest Ministries** Wellness Ambassadors Youth Wellness Leadership Program

For the third consecutive year, the Clean Water Partnership supported the End Time Harvest Ministries (EHTM) Environmental Health Summer Employment Program. The six-week, paid internship allows students to work as summer interns with twentyseven local businesses and organizations throughout Prince George's County, connect stormwater management to health, and gain tangible skillsets and experiences through participation in real life work experiences. Seventy (70) Bladensburg and Parkdale High School students were the primary recipients of summer jobs that related to the students' post graduate careers they desire to pursue. The objectives of the program include the

interns ability to improve their environmental literacy, enhance critical thinking skills, explain the connection between what they learned on their jobs and how that learning impacts the health & safety of PGC residents and explain the importance of managing stormwater runoff. This year students increased their stormwater management and environmental literacy knowledge gain by 12%. EHTM and the CWP would like to thank Eco City Farms, Port Town Municipalities, the Department of the Environment (DOE) and all the other local businesses and organizations that supported and employed these wonderful students through their summer internship experience.



"Our partnership with Corvias has taken us to another level. It has permitted us to engage young people in stormwater management, problems and solutions, and in that engagement, we have been able to engage other communities around them."

Rev. Gail Addison, President and CEO End Time Harvest Ministries

# Anacostia Watershed Society

Through the Treating and Teaching program we are working to educate teachers and building supervisors from the schools that are receiving stormwater retrofits through the Clean Water Partnership. We host a series of professional development workshops for teachers and building supervisors each year to equip them with content knowledge about stormwater and provide them with lessons and resources to educate their students. Since the stormwater retrofits are not present at all schools within PGCPS, these lessons and resources are not embedded into the curriculum but rather provided to teachers to implement where and when they can. "Working with the CWP Team on the Storm Water Treatment project at Laurel Elementary has been an exciting learning experience for our staff and students. This project brought the importance of treating storm water BEFORE it enters our water system to the forefront. It made our staff and students realize the impact we can have on our waterways for good or bad. They have become more vigilant in their recycling efforts."

Patricia Walker, Library/Media Specialist and Green Team Coordinator, Laurel Elementary School



### **Junior Achievement Finance Park of Greater Washington**

Corvias' partnership with Junior Achievement of Greater Washington (JA) included stormwater retrofits at the JA Finance Park site in Landover Maryland in 2016. The CWP participated in its annual volunteer day at Junior Achievement (JA) in October with is largest group of volunteers to date, which included a diverse mix of participants to include volunteers from the CWP. Corvias'

corporate team, Howard University and Fort Meade partnerships, and Prince George's County. In addition to the JA personal finance curriculum, the CWP stormwater retrofit projects provide visibility and education to every 8th grader in the County, highlighting the importance of stormwater management.

"The IA Finance Park runs such an amazing program! Everything was extremely organized and the staff was great to work with. It was great to connect with the students and assisting them in preparing for adulthood. They really appreciated hearing some of our real life experiences also. I would volunteer there again in a heartbeat! I loved getting to connect and meet other Corvias team members. At lunch we got an opportunity to chat with each other about our jobs that we do within Corvias and it was interesting and exciting to learn all the other things that our company does! I've only ever been in the Military housing side so it was a great experience and I would love to participate in more partnerships with everyone!"

Nicole Briggs, Leasing Consultant Corvias Fort Meade

"First of all, I would like to thank you for the opportunity to volunteer with the children. I think the program is really beneficial if applied by the students. It deals with real life situations that almost certainly will occur. I wish we would've had something like this for us when I was coming up. It was awesome to interact with the students to see what they see and try to get things from their vantage point. It also felt go to see a student get the understanding right before your eyes." Trov Wilkins. Resident Associate. Corvias Fort Meade



"Thank you for sticking with us, finding something that works for both JA and The Clean Water Partnership, but most importantly, for the kids in the program. We're fortunate to call you our partner, and to have the opportunity to work with and deepen our relationship with you in the coming years."

**Rachael Doss, Vice President of Development** Junior Achievement of Greater Washington

# Community Engagement & Public Awareness

"We have learned that in order to achieve maximum impact and maximum efficiency, we must emphasize outreach and priority alignment with our partners and the community with whom we work."

Roland L. Jones, Director, Prince George's County Office of Central Services

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# The More You Know

### Putting P3s to Work in the United States





SPECIAL REPORT: Taking the 'high road'

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for green stormwater infrastructure

When Nikita Floyd was 11 years old, his father

took him to a job site in a low-income area of

Washington D.C. and put him to work picking

up trash and mowing lawns. At the time, Floyd







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KEYWORDS: EXECUTIVE COUNCIL ON INFRASTRUCTURE, INFRASTRUCTURE, LIVE NOW, P3S

WHEN: Wednesday, May 16, 2018 10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. ET WHERE: Bipartisan Policy Center, 1225 Eye St NW, Suite 1000, Washington, DC, 20005





Have you wondered what all that commotion is at the end of Foxwood Circle? Well rest assured that it is not some developer building more homes. Those backhoes and bulldozers are working on a storm water project.

The Clean Water Partnership (CWP) of Prince George's County is retrofitting ponds throughout the county in order to clean and filter water before it goes out to the various waterways; meeting US Environmental Protection Agency clean water regulatory requirements. An increased rate and volume of

Construction hours are Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., with no work on weekends. The completed pond will resemble an open field with enhanced landscaping. It will be constructed using an environmentally sensitive design and will be 1.5 feet deep. The CWP will maintain the pond for 30 years. Frogs, wet plants and other vegetation will help form a balanced ecosystem. Other locations where similar ponds have been constructed are Glen Arden Library. Largo-Kettering Library and Quandris Promise in Fairwood.

Submitted by Greg Loftin

If during the course of construction you see anything out of place or improper such as litter left behind at the construction site, blocked parking spaces or disrespectful construction workers, please contact CVI Community Manager Asharelah Watford at 301-596-2600 ext.423 or awatford@cviinc.com.

A big thank you to CWP Community Jam Kendrick, Clean Water Partnership Community Outreach Coordinator, who provided the information for this article and who also presented at our July 19, 2017 HOA meeting.

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Through transparency, engagement and flexibility, the Clean Water Partnership has delivered on its promise to be a Community-Based Public Private Partnership that supports the County's local economic development goals and objectives.

Through the success of the initial pilot program, Prince George's County, MD and Corvias have expanded the scope of the 30 year partnership working toward the completion of up to 4,000 acres of retrofits including long-term maintenance, already underway for completed projects in the initial phase.

Many communities throughout the US are realizing the importance of improving their stormwater systems, especially with the benefits that Green Infrastructure (GI) and other low impact designs have on the broader community. Beyond managing stormwater, green infrastructure provides many environmental and social co-benefits, including improving air quality, providing jobs in construction and maintenance (design engineering, and community engagement), and increasing green space across the county.

Prince George's County is the first to implement a CBP3 as a solution to focus on its socioeconomic and local capacity issues through an infrastructure program. As a result, many jurisdictions in the State and around the country are looking at Prince George's County as the global center of stormwater innovation and production and further the CWP and its results as a model to address their specific needs and requirements to tackle aging infrastructure.

Corvias is proud to be partnered with Prince George's County on a program that has significant long-term value, benefit and impact to the local, regional and national communities and looks forward to the years ahead continuing to create greater value by building on the successes we've achieved together!





"Stormwater never had the legitimacy to fulfill the multiple outcomes and benefits that could come about. It was clear that innovation and sustainable solutions come from local companies. The beauty in creating solutions that will be adaptable to other communities is that everyone can get something out of it by way of jobs, safety, education and connecting young people to what is so important about clean streams and waterways."

Dominique Lueckenhoff, Senior Advisor to the Regional Administrator – on Public-Private Partnership, **Technologies and Market-Based Solutions, EPA** 



"This wasnt just about meeting a mandate and this wasnt just about stormwater. This was about community development. So we tried to engineer this program to be an economic driver, to help build a new industry in Prince George's County that can be used everywhere."

Adam Ortiz, Director Department of the Environment **Prince George's County** 

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"The Prince George's County public-private partnership is a great example of the type of activity that EPA's Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center hopes to encourage.

Gina McCarthy, Former EPA Administrator

The first-of-its-kind public-private partnership for green stormwater infrastructure is leading the way for communities across the country. The new Clean Water Partnership supports the goals of the President's Build America Investment Initiative by uniting the public and private sectors to invest in a 21st century American Infrastructure."

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"Through the stormwater management workforce training" and minority business development program, the CWP will help create long-term career opportunities in landscaping, construction, engineering and technology."

Roland L. Jones, Director, Prince George's County Office of Central Services



Christy Goldfuss, Managing Director of the White House

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