**YOU ARE INVITED**

The Department of Planning, Coalition for Smarter Growth, and the Urban Land Institute are convening 150 community and business leaders, public officials and national experts for three community discussions about the challenges and opportunities associated with planning in a maturing county. Each session will focus on different topics.

**DISCUSSION DATES:** Wednesday, May 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00
Wednesday, May 17 from 6:30 p.m. to 10:00
**Wednesday, September 27 from 4:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.**
**(Lite dinner provided)**

**LOCATIONS:** May 3 and May 17
The Johns Hopkins University
Shady Grove Campus, Building III
9601 Medical Center Drive
Rockville, MD

**September 27**
**Brookside Gardens Conference Center**
**Wheaton Regional Park**
**1800 Glenallan Avenue**
**Wheaton, MD**

The discussions will explore a wide variety of topics and expand our understanding of the critical planning issues facing Montgomery County. Where will new residents live? How do we sustain livability in existing communities? How do we prevent decline of our older communities? How will the growth affect residential development in the future?

RSVP to the Strategic Planning Division at 301.495.2192 by **September 1, 2006** or send e-mail to: margaret.gahelrasoul@mncppc-mc.org.

**Participants may benefit from reading publications at the following websites:**
www.mc-mncppc.org (Click on "A Framework for Planning in the Future")
www.mc-mncppc.org/research/data_library/montgomery_county_glance/ataglance.pdf
www.mc-mncppc.org/research/analysis/residential_capacity/rce2004.pdf
www.mwcog.org/store/item.asp?PUBLICATION_ID=241
www.realitycheckwashington.org/pdf/RCfinalLR.pdf
http://www.washingtonpost.com/wp-dyn/content/article/2006/04/02/AR2006040201268.html
(Cameron Barr's: "Planners Imagine a More Walkable Montgomery")