

Vision

A long-term vision for the Crownsville Community has been developed. The essential elements include:

1. The Crownsville area is defined as a “Greenbelt” and functions as a buffer between the Parole Town Center, the Odenton Town Center, and the Crofton area.
2. The Crownsville area is to retain its rural or semi-rural character. Its rich heritage is to be preserved through protecting its extensive woodlands and natural beauty, historic sites, buildings, and roads-- particularly along Generals Highway, St. Stephen's Church Road, and Severn Chapel Road.
3. Sensitive and fragile areas are to be preserved and restored, particularly sensitive wetlands and steep slopes along the Severn River and South River watershed. Both surface and ground water quality are to be protected, and a healthier Severn and South Rivers are envisioned.
4. Safe and convenient access within the community is to be assured with adequate transportation serving the needs of the people without destroying the natural character and environmental qualities. Convenient access would be provided for all segments of the population regardless of age or dependency.
5. A community center is envisioned to bring together future public facilities in a convenient location and to serve as a focal point for the Crownsville area. A complement of services, both public and quasi-public, would be provided.
6. Surplus property at Crownsville State Hospital Site would be preserved and enhanced as a major public asset to the area serving community needs through adaptive reuse.
7. Recreational opportunities would be expanded for community residents with convenient access to the water, parklands, and a greenway system including a hiker/biker trail and wildlife corridors.

In summary, Crownsville residents and business interests would assume an active role in stewardship of the land, associated waters, and the community.