

DEVELOPING THE PLAN

THE SW ECODISTRICT TASK FORCE AND STAKEHOLDER COORDINATION

NCPC convened the SW Ecodistrict Task Force, comprised of 17 federal and local agencies, to guide the development of the plan. In consultation with area stakeholders and the public, the Task Force was instrumental in ensuring that the plan recommendations and proposed Revitalization Scenario advances their shared goals and targets.

An important component of the *SW Ecodistrict Plan* is the *Maryland Avenue SW Small Area Plan* prepared by the District of Columbia Office of Planning (DCOP). Completed in the summer of 2012, this plan was prepared in consultation with the public, nearby residents, and an Advisory Committee of private property owners, transit and rail operators. The plan focuses on infrastructure, land use, and zoning; it addresses how to reconstruct Maryland Avenue, SW to create a more diverse land use, and improve public space along the corridor.

Several venues were used to solicit input during preparation of both the *SW Ecodistrict Plan* and the *Maryland Avenue, SW Small Area Plan*. The SW Ecodistrict Task Force and Working Group held a series of 17 Task Force or working meetings; the Maryland Avenue, SW Advisory Committee held four meetings; and seven public meetings, hosted independently or jointly by NCPC and DCOP, were held to obtain citizen input. Throughout the study, comments were collected via a city initiated on-site user survey, a public comment forum called Ideascale on NCPC's website, an online live chat with the Washington City Paper, and community blogs.



(Upper right) Public Meeting Open House

(Right) Working Group Meeting