

Howard County Executive Calvin Ball is

# Making Howard County a Leader in Sustainability

In February 2019, Howard County joined states and jurisdictions across the nation in signing the "We Are Still In" declaration, affirming to the rest of the world that despite the lack of leadership at the federal level, Howard County is committed to stemming the effects of climate change. The county is committing to reducing greenhouse gas emissions of county government operations 45 percent below 2010 levels by the year 2030 and reaching zero emissions by 2050.

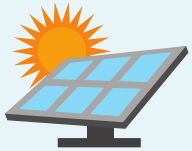
## Affirming Our Commitment

### ENERGY-EFFICIENT STREET LIGHTS

Converting nearly 8,000 streetlights to LED within 4 years

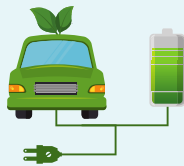


## Setting New Goals BY 2024...



Howard County will get 20% of power for local government operations from renewable sources.

Petroleum consumption will be reduced in Howard County's fleet by 20%



Energy use in county facilities will be reduced by 25%



### INVESTIGATING ENERGY USE

Implementing a routine and detailed investigation of energy use at county buildings to identify and address inefficiencies

### GOING GREEN

Going beyond basic requirements in green building whenever possible



## Bold, New, Initiatives

## Leading the Way

Designated a "Maryland Smart Energy Community" by the Maryland Energy Administration, Howard County has been awarded a \$75,000 grant to improve energy efficiency in county government.

Howard County is also the first county to accept the Natural and Working Lands Challenge!

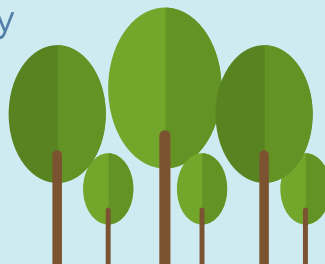


### NEW EV INFRASTRUCTURE

Actively pursuing installation of 25 new EV Charging stations in public places. First county in MD to require new home construction to provide EV charging stations

### PROTECTING OUR LANDS

Committing to making communities more resilient to climate change through better land planning



"One of our greatest shared responsibilities is the stewardship of our planet and natural resources...To address the very real challenge of climate change, we need bold leadership and decisive action."

- County Executive Calvin Ball