



MEDA Winter Conference
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ONLINE - Zoom
2022 LEGISLATIVE OUTLOOK FOR
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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Anne Arundel Economic Development Corporation
City of Annapolis Economic Development

Public and private sector leaders share their thoughts on economic development-related legislation that will be considered by the Maryland General Assembly during the 2022 session.

- 9:00 – 9:05 am **WELCOME TO WINTER CONFERENCE**
Danny Thompson, MEDA President
- 9:05 – 9:30 am **WELCOME FROM ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY & ANNAPOLIS**
Introduction: Ben Birge, President/CEO, Anne Arundel Economic Development Corporation
Honorable Steuart Pittman, Anne Arundel County Executive
Introduction: Stephen Rice, Economic Development Manager, City of Annapolis
Honorable Gavin Buckley, Mayor of Annapolis
- 9:30 – 9:45 am **MEDA BUSINESS MEETING**
President’s Welcome – Danny Thompson
Secretary’s Report – Denise Beaver, CEcD
Membership Report – Renée Winsky and/or Ebony Stocks
Public Policy Awareness Committee Report – Andrea Mansfield / Lori Valentine
Awareness Report - John Hickman, Director, BEACON at Salisbury University
- 9:45 – 10:45 am **MARYLAND BUSINESS LEADERSHIP REPORT**
Moderator: Shelonda Stokes, President, Downtown Partnership of Baltimore
Donald C. Fry, President/CEO, Greater Baltimore Committee
Mary E. Kane, President/CEO, Maryland Chamber of Commerce
Todd Marks, Chair, Maryland Tech Council
Jack McDougale, President/CEO, Greater Washington Board of Trade
- 10:45 – 11:00 am **BREAK**
- 11:00 – 12:00 pm **MARYLAND LEGISLATIVE OUTLOOK**
Moderator: Laurie M. Boyer Babb, CEcD, Manager Economic Development, Office of the County Executive – Business Advancement Team, Montgomery County
Honorable Bill Ferguson, Senate President
Honorable Adrienne A. Jones, Speaker of the House
Honorable Justin Ready, Senate Minority Whip
Honorable Jason C. Buckel, House Minority Leader
- 12:00 – 12:30 pm **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**
Introduction: Mike Gill, Secretary, Maryland Department of Commerce
Honorable Boyd K. Rutherford, Lt. Governor