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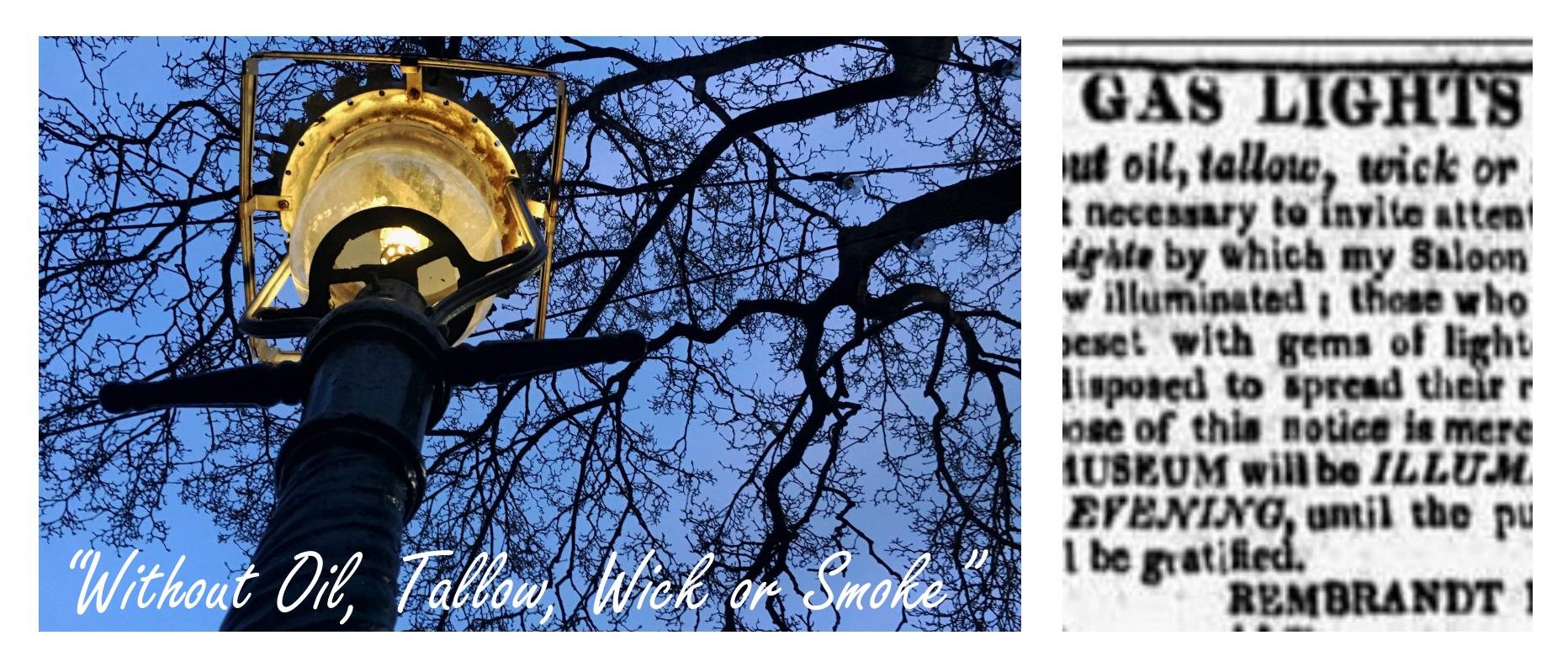
# Utilities in Economic Development

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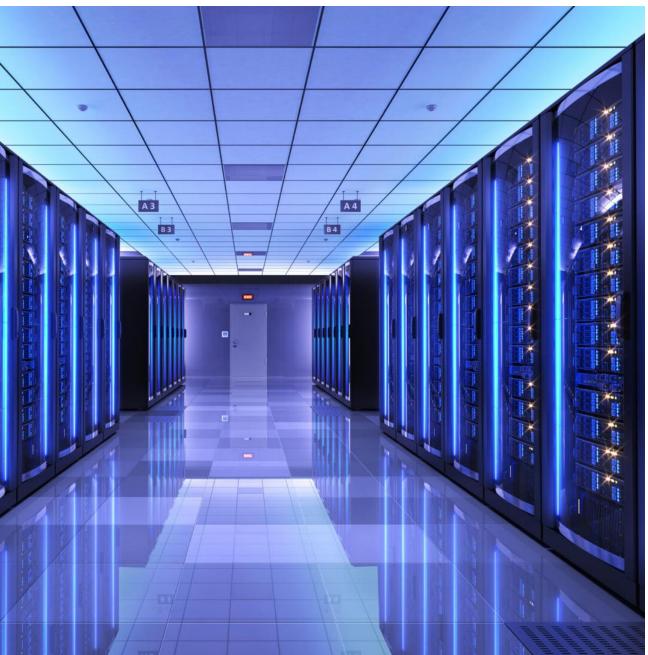


### Gas Light Company of Baltimore (1816) – The Nations First Gas Utility



### From The Past to BGE Present





### About Baltimore Gas and Electric

BGE is a Transmission and Distribution Company

Employs Approximately 3,200 People

Significant Property Owner in Maryland





## **BGE Service Network**

### Distribution & Transmission Power Lines:

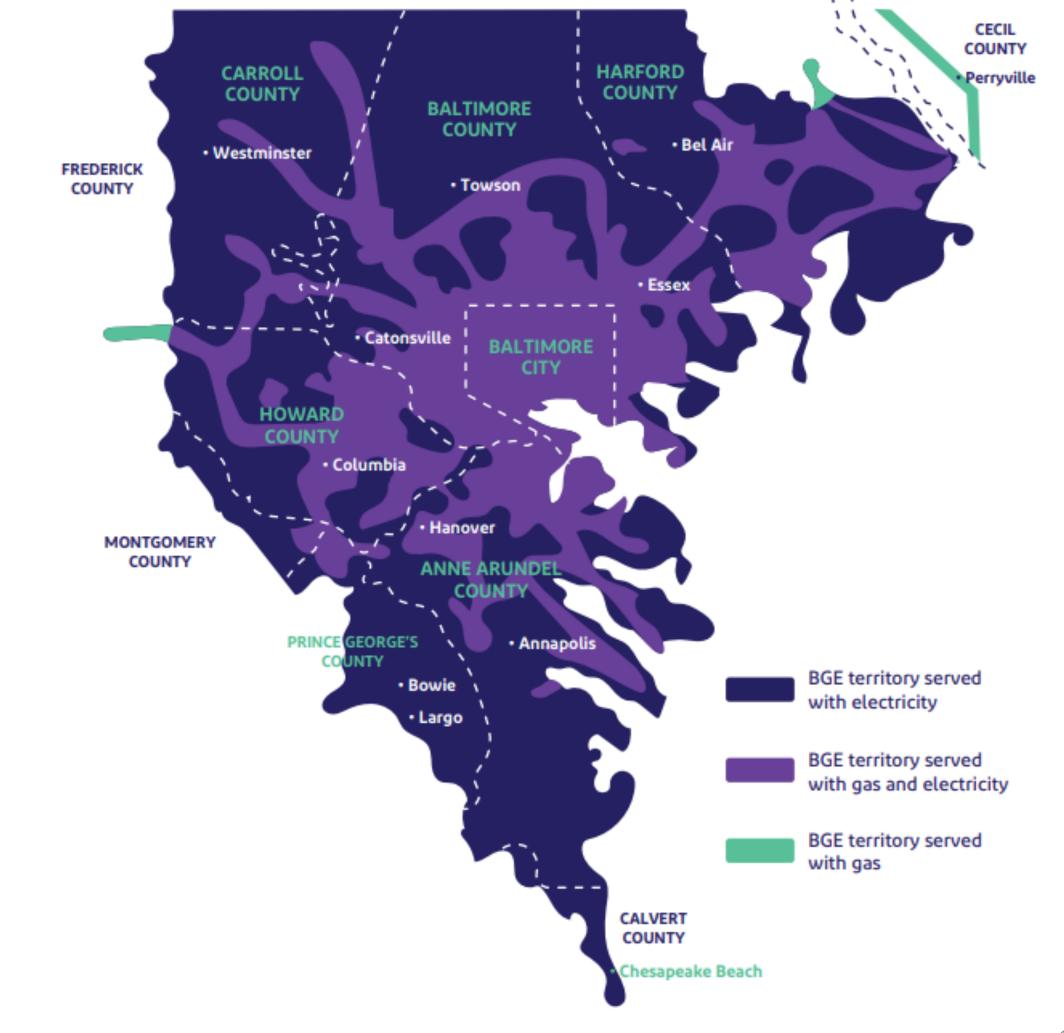
- 26,600 Miles (Distribution)
- 1,300 Miles (Transmission)

#### Natural Gas Pipeline Network:

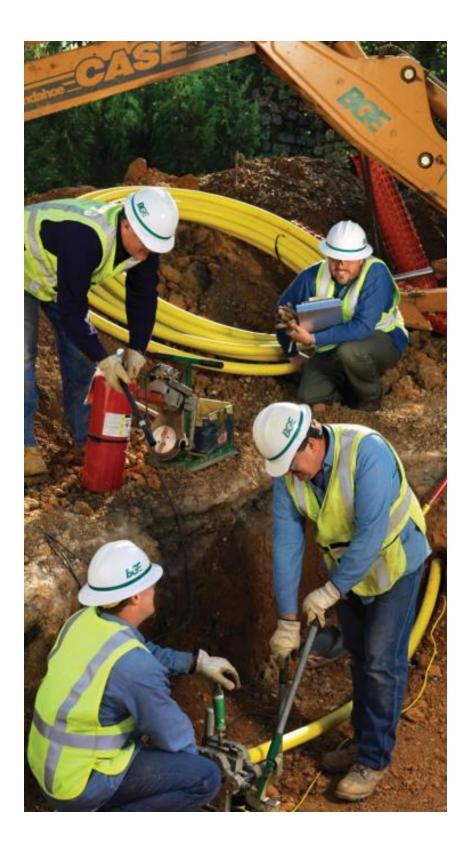
• 7,600 Miles

#### **Customers:**

- 1.3 Million Electric
- 700,000 Natural Gas



### Getting Gas and Power To Your Projects

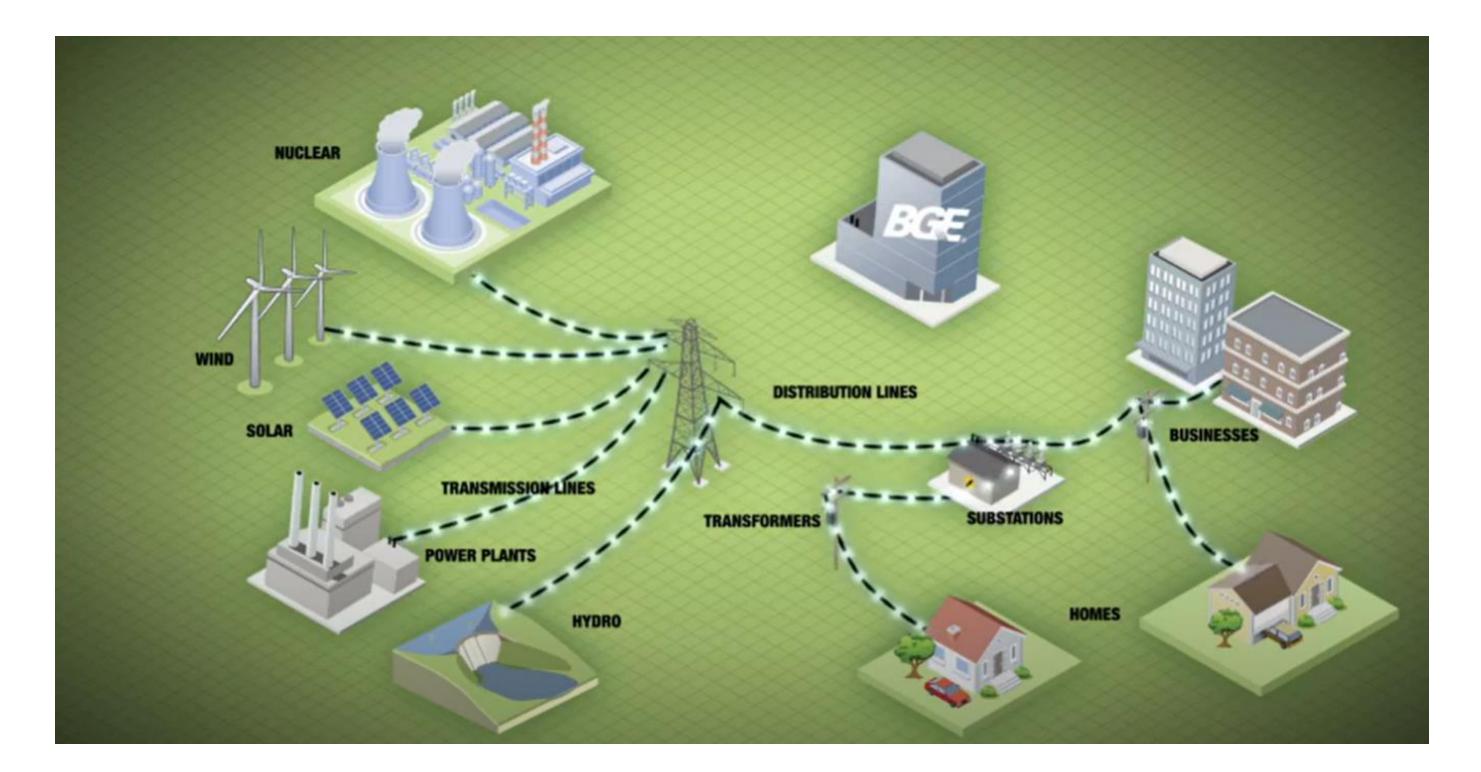




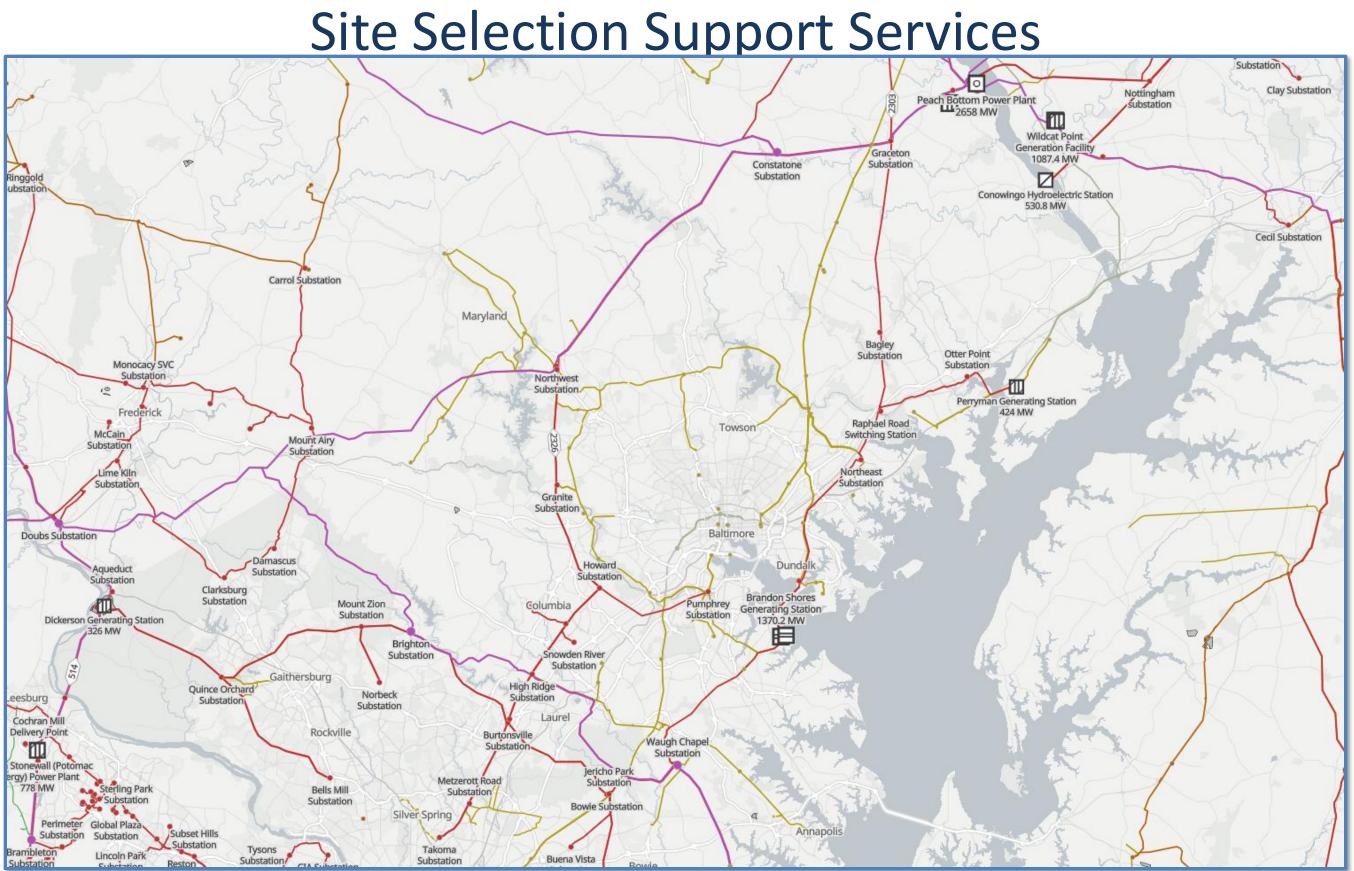




## Grid Reliability Is Essential To Economic Success



# Supporting Economic Development

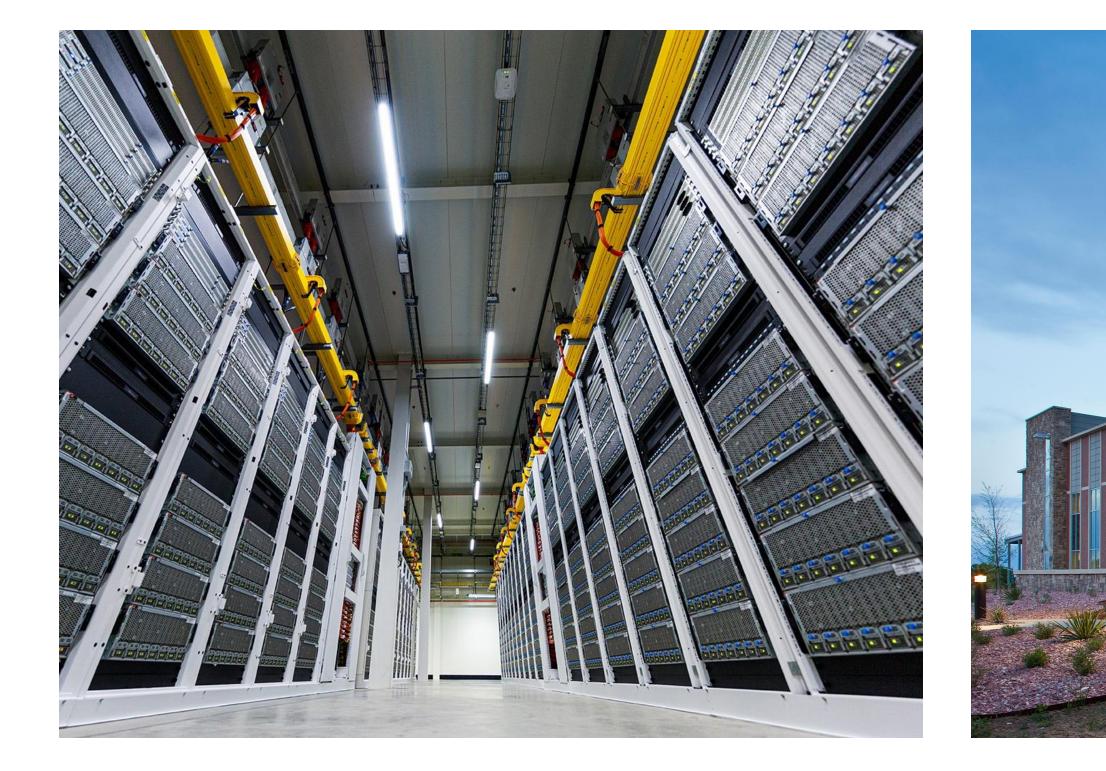


### Finding Transmission & Distribution Solutions



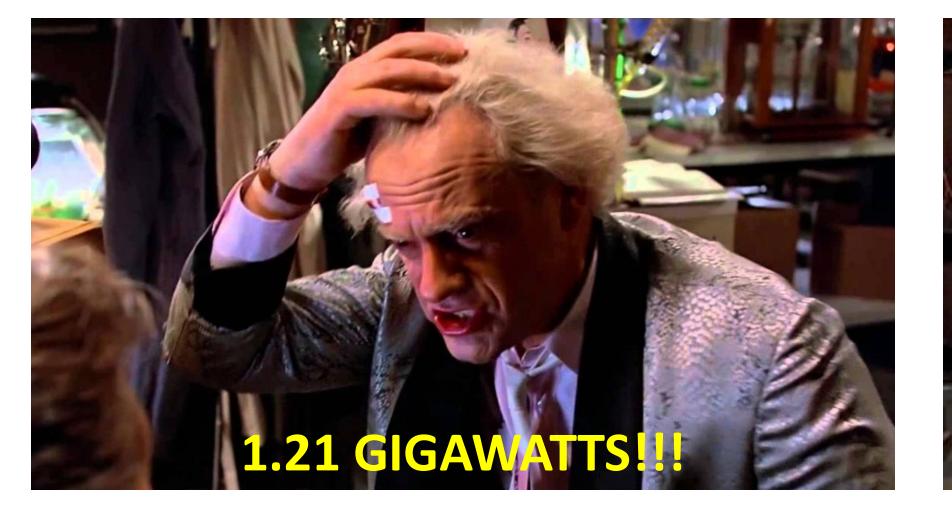


## Supporting Maryland's Data Center Industry





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#### (UTILITIES / DATA CENTERS)



BGE Economic Development

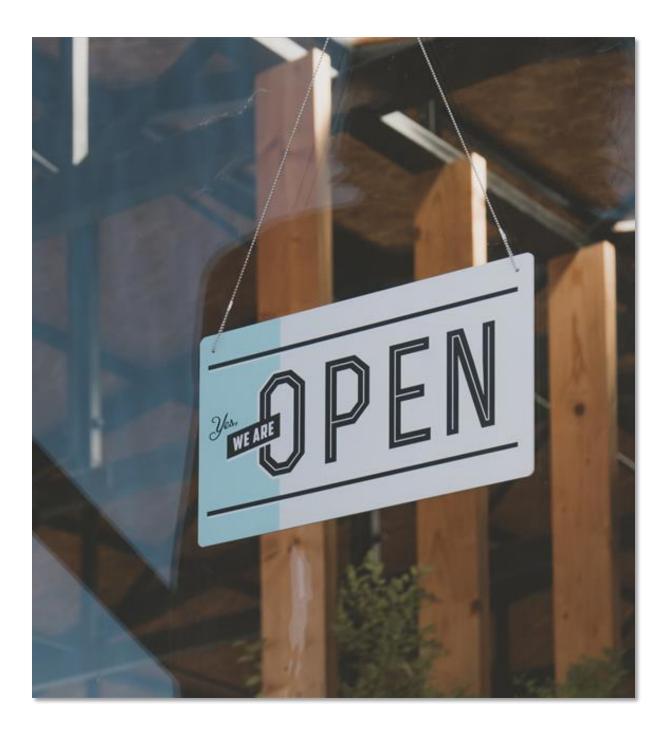
#### (ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OFFICES/ GOVERNMENT **OFFICIALS**)



Unique Economic Development Programs

## Smart Energy for Economic Development (SEED)

- Program encourages new and expanding companies to choose central Maryland as the place to do business.
- The SEED Program offers eligible commercial customers:
  - –25% discount on electric/gas distribution and demand charges
  - -75% discount on service extension costs





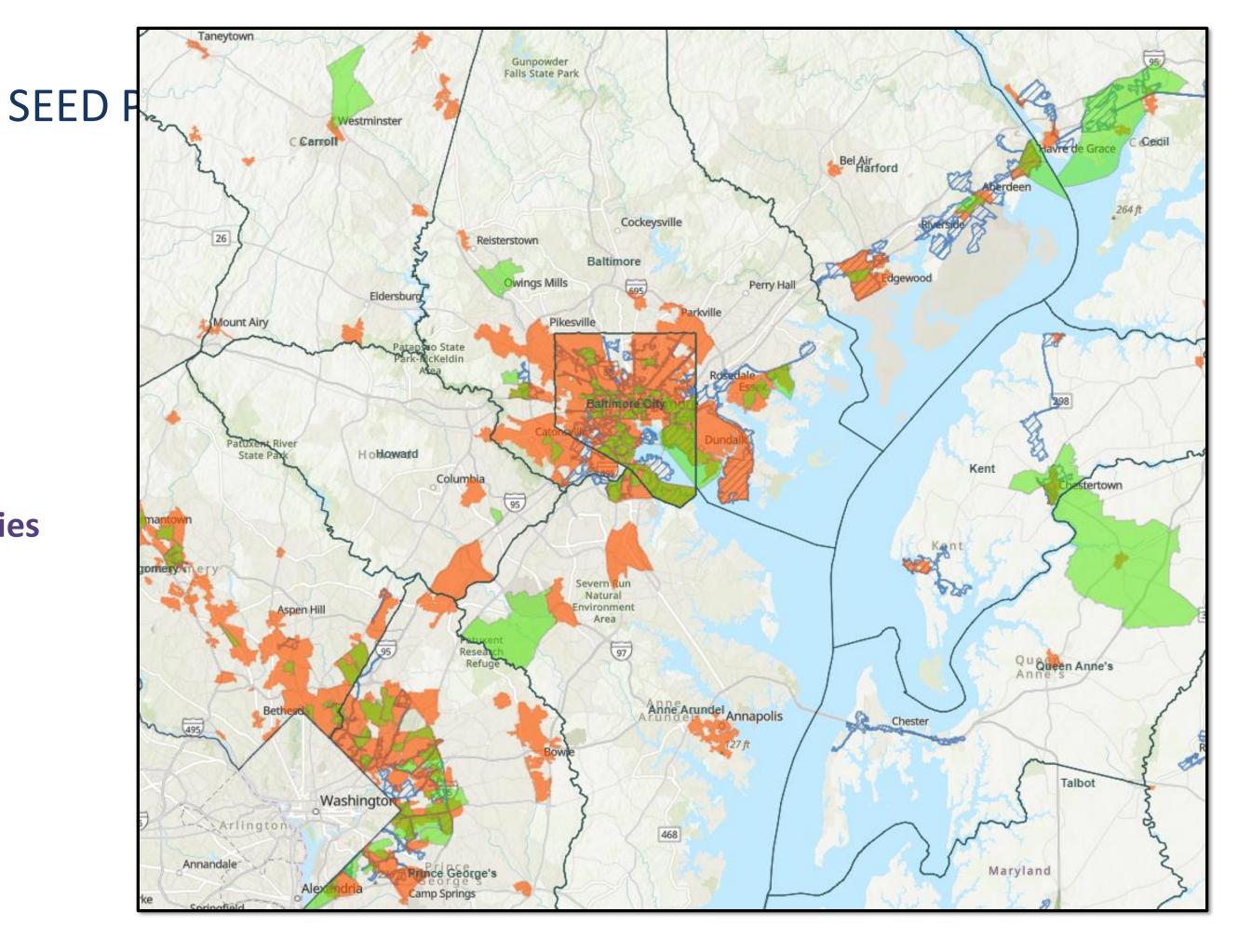
### **Enterprise Zones**



### **Opportunity Zones**



### **Sustainable Communities**



### **Energizing Small Business Grants**

- 741 businesses
- 66 percent owned by people of color
- 69 percent owned by women
- \$14.86 million since 2021





# bge ENERGIZING Small business GRANTS

## BGE Smart Energy Savers Program

Incentives for Upgraded:

- Lighting
- HVAC Equipment
- Kitchen Equipment
- Miscellaneous High Efficiency Equipment

Programs:

- Energy for Business
- Small Business
- Instant Discounts





### BGE Small Business Advisory Council (SBAC) **PURPOSE:**

• BGE SBAC is to better understand the interests and needs of our small and medium business customers.

# **BGE Economic Development Advisory Council (EDAC)**

#### **PURPOSE:**

• BGE EDAC was founded create an opportunity to collaborate directly with the economic development offices inside our service territory.



# Thank You!

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