

Baltimore Avenue Connected Communities: Smart Cities Roundtable
Friday, November 15, from 2-3:30 pm

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Please note: this session will be recorded.

Agenda:

1. **Tara Burke** 2:05-2:10 pm
UMD Smart Cities Initiative, Welcome and Introduction

2. **Tania D. Mitchell** 2:10-2:40 pm
Associate Provost, UMD Center for Community Engagement



Tania D. Mitchell is the University of Maryland's inaugural associate provost for community engagement. She is also a professor in the department of Counseling, Higher Education, and Special Education in the College of Education.

Her teaching and research focus on leadership and community engagement, particularly considering issues of identity, race and racism, power, policy, and practice. She interrogates practices in higher education that aim to contribute to a more just world. Dr. Mitchell's scholarship has been published in numerous books and journals, most recently *New Directions for Student Leadership, Race and Pedagogy*, and the *Journal of College Student Development*.

3. **Community Leader Panel** 2:40-3:20 pm
Jhoselyn Rodriguez, CEO and Founder, Coaching Salud Holistica

Jhoselyn Rodriguez is a dynamic advocate for holistic health who established Coaching Salud Holistica in March 2022. With a rich background in serving Maryland communities, Jhoselyn has worn many hats, including community health worker, organizer, case manager, health coach, Latino & immigrant advocate, and health educator. As a first-generation Latin-American, Jhoselyn is proficient in both English and Spanish, facilitating meaningful connections within diverse populations. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science with a minor in Psychology and Health.



Jhoselyn's commitment to professional development is evident through a diverse array of certifications, including lifestyle coaching, nutrition, wellness, mental health first aid, first aid and CPR, childbirth education, diabetes self-management coaching, diabetes prevention coaching, and more.



Ron Nicholson, Executive Director, Bcauseican Inc

Ron Nicholson is a Co-Founder and currently serves as Executive Director for Bcauseican Inc. Bcauseican is a 501c3 nonprofit located in Greenbelt, MD that provides STEM education to students and adults in underserved communities.

BCauseican conducts computer coding classes for grades K-12 and Artificial Intelligence classes to grades 6-12. Bcauseican also conducts Adult Technology classes in English and Spanish.

BCauseican is a member of the recently formed Prince George's County Artificial Intelligence Task Force. Mr. Nicholson has spent most of his 30-year computer engineering career working for Georgetown University in the Main Campus Information Technology department. His Operational Team was responsible for bringing virtualization technology to Georgetown University in 2008. Mr. Nicholson studied Computer Science at N.C. State University.

Pastor Michael S. Dickson, II Founding President & Executive Director Metamorphosis Community Project & Immediate Past Co-Chair, Greater Riverdale Thrives

Pastor Michael S. Dickson, II, is the Associate Pastor of Solid Rock Church, Founding President & Executive Director of the Metamorphosis Community Project (Metamorphosis) and The Immediate Past Co-Chair of the Greater Riverdale Thrives Community Coalition (GRT) in Riverdale, Maryland. Pastor Dickson, a native Prince Georgian, is a dedicated leader, visionary, and community advocate with almost three decades of experience in ministry, outreach, and organizational leadership.



Pastor Mike's work is marked by a commitment to community engagement, personal development, and organizational excellence. He has been instrumental in spearheading numerous community-based benefit initiatives that focus on holistic health and personal growth, empowering individuals and fostering collaboration among diverse groups.

Under his leadership, Metamorphosis is impacting lives in its community through community building events, food security programming, programs for youth, and the Greater Riverdale Thrives Community Coalition (an inclusive, non-partisan network of organizations and individuals seeking to act as one voice and body in allocating resources, services and opportunities in the Greater Riverdale Area). It is through this infrastructure that Pastor Dickson and the Metamorphosis Community Project, Inc. seeks to Work for the GOOD of All!

4. Round Robin: announcements, events, adjourn

3:20–3.30 pm

RSVP-Yes

Jurisdictions/Municipal/County/State

- Erica Bannerman —Prince George's County, Sustainable Energy
- Andrew Facey —New Carrollton
- Bill Gardiner —College Park
- Lora Katz —Riverdale Park Sustainability Committee
- Diego Lopez —Maryland Energy Administration – Clean Transportation
- Carlos Nunes —City of College Park
- Regine Watson —Bladensburg

Industry/Organizations

- Samantha Berenschot-Bucciero
- Susan Cargill-Collura —CISCO
- Michel David
- Pastor Michael S. Dickson, II —Metamorphosis Community Project; Greater Riverdale Thrives
- William Ellis —Pepco
- Matthew Fitzsimmons —hord | coplan | macht
- Susan Slingluff Hartmann —College Park City-University Partnership
- Chanel Langley —BCAUSEICAN INC
- Caroline Lara —Central West. US
- Ron Nicholson —BCAUSEICAN INC
- Scott Pomeroy —Smart City Media
- Cristiano Quijano —BG&E
- Jhoselyn Rodriguez —Coaching Salud Holistica
- Valarie Woodall —Anacostia Trails Heritage Area

UMD/Academia

- Paul Abonjuah —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation – Real Estate Development
- Gloria Aparicio Blackwell — Sr VP Academic Affairs & Provost
- Shahrzad Ateffi —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Urban Studies & Planning
- Charlotte Avery —College of Computer, Mathematical & Natural Sciences, Art. Int. Interdisc. Institute
- Priscila Alves —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation; Urban Studies & Planning, SIRJ Lab
- Ebenezer Amanguah —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, Urban Studies and Planning
- John Baras —A James Clark College of Engineering and the Institute for Systems Research
- Carol Boston —College of Information Studies
- Darleen Joy Bucciero—C. Agricultural & Natural Resources -UM Extension, Agriculture Experimental Station
- Tara Burke —S. of Architecture, Planning & Pres; National Center for Smart Growth, Smart Cities Initiative
- Medessa Burian —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation - Environmental Finance Center
- Jennifer Cotting—School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation - Environmental Finance Center
- Qingbin Cui —Civil and Environmental Engineering
- Brandy Cypress —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Urban Studies & Planning
- Amanda Dykema —Vice President for Research – Research Development Office
- Sheena Erete —College of Information; Artificial Intelligence Interdisciplinary Institute
- Brandy Espinola —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation - Environmental Finance Center
- Miracle Etim-Andy —College of Information
- Andrew Fellows —College of Information, Campus Community Connection; iConsultancy
- Vanessa Frias-Martinez —C. of Information, UM Institute for Advanced Computer Studies
- Jenna Gilbert — School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, Urban Studies and Planning
- Navid Goudarzi —College of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering

- Priyanshu Gupta —College of Information
- Chester Harvey —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, National Center for Smart Growth
- Clara Irazabal —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, Urban Studies and Planning
- Hiro Iseki —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, Urban Studies and Planning
- Virinchi Juttukonda—Vice President for Research, Economic Development -UM Ventures
- August Kenner —Univ Police Officer; VPA-Public Safety
- Roy Kohn —Vice President for Research Office
- Danish Kumar —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation - Environmental Finance Center
- Amanda Lazar —College of Information
- Carrie Leonard —College of Agricultural and Natural Resources – Animal and Avian Sciences
- Eamon Lesko —School of Architecture, Planning & Preservation, Real Estate
- Kathleen McPhaul —S. Public Health - Global, Environmental, and Occupational Health
- Alexander McRoberts —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, National Center for Smart Growth
- Ana Ndumu —College of Information
- Sammy Popat —Economic Development & Innovation
- Mia Romano —University of Maryland student
- Korey Rothman —College of Behavioral & Social Sciences
- MegAnn Smith —School of Public Health
- Tina Squibb —College of Agricultural and Natural Resources -UM Extension - Family and Consumer Sciences
- Thomas Suchecki —School of Architecture, Practice, & Preservation, Urban Studies and Planning
- Le-Marie Thompson —Smith School of Business - Management & Organization
- Margaret Udahogora —College of Agricultural and Natural Resources -Nutrition and Food Science
- Xuan Wei —College of Agricultural and Natural Resources, UM Extension - Field Operations
- Gary White —University Libraries, Research and Academic Services
- Troi Williams —UM Institute for Advanced Computer Studies
- Susan Winter —College of Information