

MEET IN MONTGOMERY COUNTY MARYLAND



Montgomery, MD

Close. For comfort.

GROUPS+MEETINGS



Home to Key Federal Agency Headquarters

Montgomery County has long cemented its status as a leader in BioHealth research and discovery. The County is home to global leaders like AstraZeneca, GSK and United Therapeutics, along with emerging companies that are shaping the future of the life sciences industry. Local innovators are researching, discovering and sending to market new ideas and therapies that save lives. With more than 300 biotech and life sciences companies and numerous support resources and funding opportunities, the County is also home to NIH and FDA.

By the Numbers

More than **50** Hotel & Meeting Facilities

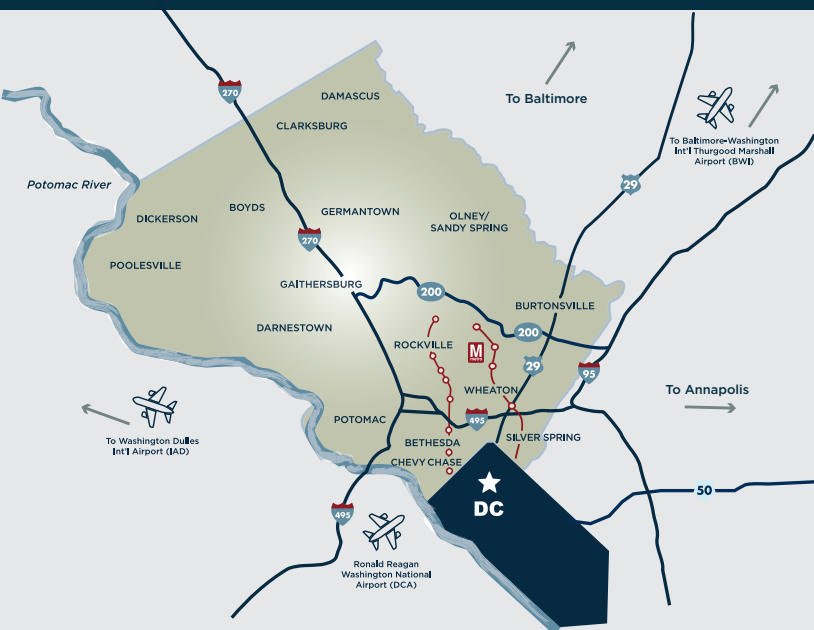
Over **970,000** sq. ft. of Meeting Space

Nearly **10,000** Guest Rooms

Over **1,000** Unique Culinary Experiences

Montgomery County, Maryland

Chevy Chase | Bethesda | Rockville
Silver Spring | Gaithersburg | Germantown



One-Stop-Shop for Meeting Assistance

Our Destination Sales Team assists with venue selection, room blocks, and making the connection with local hospitality and tourism partners to foster the economic impact in our community. As county experts, we are also a resource for offsite activities, FAM's, connection to local thought leaders, speakers and Community Service Agencies. Providing free support and collaboration with the meeting professional to meet objectives and business outcomes.



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MOCO COMPANIES LEAD THE CHARGE AGAINST COVID-19

Altimune | Gaithersburg

Actively developing a new COVID-19 vaccine using the same technology used for its NasoVAX™, Altimune's recombinant intranasal vaccine for influenza.

Amerex | Germantown

Working with multiple partners, it has executed five rush COVID-19 related submissions to the FDA in March 2020.

AstraZeneca | Gaithersburg

Accelerating diagnostic testing to scale-up screening and is partnering with governments on existing screening programs to supplement testing.

CosmosID | Rockville

With the SARS-CoV-2 genome in their database, researchers can upload metagenomic sequence files to CosmosID for SARS-CoV-2 rapid identification and characterization.

Emergent | Gaithersburg

Partnering with Novavax to serve as a contract development and manufacturing organization to produce their experimental vaccine, now in human clinical trial.

GenArraytion | Rockville

Providing a validated real-time PCR assay to identify the COVID-19 causing virus. Also developed a multiplexed assay to identify and discriminate the COVID-19 virus from other major coronaviruses.

GeneDx | Gaithersburg

Along with parent company, BioReference Laboratories, an OPKO Health company, GeneDx offers a RT-qPCR COVID-19 test to ensure patients receive appropriate care and to help contain the spread of the virus.

GlaxoSmithKline | Rockville

Offering to share its vaccine adjuvant, an agent that can be added to vaccines to help boost immune responses, to others developing vaccines.

Mememics | Gaithersburg

Collaborates with the government's Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) on the development of a rapid, Bluetooth-connected SARS-CoV-2 diagnostic test.

HSR | Rockville

Adapted its Health Risk Index geospatial application, built with FEMA and the U.S. Geological Survey, for a Transmission Risk Index to predict locations of outbreaks.

Immunomic Therapeutics | Rockville

Developing a vaccine candidate that leverages the company's investigational Universal Intracellular Targeted Expression (UNITETM) platform.

Next Molecular Analytics | Rockville

Providing RNA sequencing for COVID-19. The FDA is also reviewing its SARS-CoV-2 molecular diagnostic test for the in vitro qualitative detection of RNA.

Novavax | Gaithersburg

Starting human trials for a COVID-19 vaccine, working in partnership with Emergent BioSolutions. Novavax received

\$4 million from the Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations.

PepVax | Bethesda

Developing its SMARTmid™ platform to address COVID-19 with a pre-clinical candidate, PVX-010, as a first-in-class DNA immunotherapy to fight the virus.

Qiagen | Germantown

Creating test sample processing kits and adding the new coronavirus to its infectious disease test panel.

Sanaria | Rockville

A partnership to develop a COVID-19 antibody test to identify individuals who have built up protective immunity to the novel coronavirus. Collaborating with the Univ. Of MD, Baltimore and Germany's Univ. of Tübingen.

Sequella | Rockville

Directing anti-infective drug manufacturing capabilities for combatting COVID-19.

Vigene Biosciences | Rockville

Uses GMP manufacturing slots to help manufacture the vaccines for COVID-19 along three different categories. Vigene is a leading viral vector and plasmid GMP manufacturing company.

USP | Rockville

Ensures the availability of public quality standards critical in the treatment and prevention of SARS-CoV-2 and helping build a more resilient global medicines supply chain.

Zalgen Labs | Germantown

Developing diagnostic tests and antibody-based therapeutics to help detect and potentially treat COVID-19 infections.

20/20 Genesystems | Rockville

Offering a CE-marked, rapid diagnostic test kit to identify COVID-19 for emergency use in the U.S. The blood test, CoronaCheck, can identify antibodies to COVID-19 within 15 minutes.

Federal Agencies

FDA | White Oak

Working with medical product developers to clarify regulatory and data requirements to move products forward to develop as quickly as possible. Examples include authorizing a saliva test for emergency use for diagnosing and debuting a new online portal to encourage donation of plasma from recovered COVID-19 patients.

NIH | Bethesda

NIH, our country's leading medical research agency, is partnering with 16 drug companies to accelerate COVID-19 treatments and vaccines, including AstraZeneca and GSK in Montgomery County.

NIAID | Bethesda

NIAID, an NIH Institute directed by Dr. Anthony Fauci, is building research efforts on earlier research on severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) and Middle East respiratory syndrome (MERS), also are caused by coronaviruses.