



Waldorf Urban
Redevelopment
Corridor

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Important Milestones in the WURC

- 2004** The Waldorf Sub-Area Plan identified Waldorf as the principal center of population, employment and commerce for Charles County and Southern Maryland.
- 2007** The Waldorf Urban Design Study began with a focus on 300 acres along the Old Washington Road Corridor (MD Route 925) from Leonardtown Road (MD Business 5) to Acton Lane and between U.S. 301 and the CSX railroad tracks. The purpose of the study was to create a cohesive, attractive and walkable urban environment that serves as a hub for urban transit. The study included a series of public forums to solicit input from Downtown Waldorf property owners and the public in the development of a vision and design guidelines for the area. The study also included a very active Waldorf Citizens Advisory Committee.
- 2010** The Charles County Commissioners adopted the results of the study: The Downtown Waldorf Vision Plan, Design Guidelines, and Zoning Ordinance. Two new zoning districts were created to support the Waldorf Urban Redevelopment Corridor. Waldorf Central includes two to five –story mixed-use buildings and a transit hub beginning as a new park and ride lot; later transitioning into a future light rail station. Acton Urban Center consists of three to ten-story mixed-use buildings, larger employment facilities, and a future transit, light rail station.
- 2013** The Phase One Development Plan for Downtown Waldorf was launched with a \$30 million commitment to infrastructure improvements, a \$300,000 operating budget, and a community presentation.
- 2014** WURC implementation began with staffing, organization of cross-departmental teams, and plans for a Downtown Waldorf Office. Transitional zoning regulations were adopted by the Charles County Commissioners to assist existing businesses in preparing for anticipated changes.