



PTA COUNCIL HOWARD COUNTY

APFO Basics For New
Delegates

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FIRST PRIORITY - THANK YOU

- PTA MEMBERS RECOGNIZED A NEED TO UPDATE HOWARD COUNTY'S APFO
- PTA MEMBERS ADVOCATED FOR APFO IMPROVEMENTS AS ELECTION ISSUE
- PTA MEMBERS CONTRIBUTED TO APFO TASK FORCE
- PTA MEMBERS SELF-EDUCATED & INFORMED OTHERS OF APFO
- PTA MEMBERS COMMUNICATED ACROSS EDUCATION STAKEHOLDERS
- PTA MEMBERS ACTIVELY ADVOCATED IN STATE AND LOCAL LEGISLATION
- PTA MEMBERS MAINTAINED & GREW EFFECTIVENESS DESPITE DELAYS
- PTA MEMBERS RECOGNIZE & ADVOCATE THROUGH INTERRELATED ITEMS
- PTA MEMBERS SEEK CONTINUAL PROCESS IMPROVEMENT FOR THE EDUCATION & WELLBEING OF STUDENTS.
- PTA MEMBERS ARE EFFECTIVE!

APFO FOR NEW DELGATES

- What Does APFO Stand For? - Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance
- What Does APFO Do? - Most counties in Maryland have an APFO to try to pace growth so that a county can provide enough adequate faculties .
- How does this affect Education? - APFO Can include tests for roads, police, fire, water, sewer, parkland and other capital expenses.. The largest is EDUCATION.

WHY IS APFO IMPORTANT?

- APFO regulates HOW MUCH building growth can occur with unit allocations.
- APFO regulates WHERE enrollment growth can occur.
- The growth patterns and resultant school CAPACITY determine if REDISTRICTING and other options need to occur at individual schools or systemwide.
- The growth patterns also effect HOW MUCH & WHERE school CAPACITY is needed, funded and built.

APFO IS NOT ALONE

- Technically APFO is simply regulations written in Howard County SUBDIVISION regulations
- APFO is a term to describe and PART of a system of interrelated items including...
 - The GENERAL PLAN – Which specifies the available number of Housing Units
 - State and Local FEE regulations – Determine the amount of REVENUE for MITIGATION
 - The CAPITAL BUDGET – The yearly disbursement of funds among competing priorities
 - The yearly APFO chart – The values used to determine if a school or region is projected to be OVERCROWDED
 - HCPSS FEASIBILITY STUDY – Yearly update of 10 year school construction plan
 - IAC Construction, Housing Policy, Subdivision Exemptions, Spending Affordability and more...

IS APFO TOO COMPLICATED TO UNDERSTAND?

- **SIMPLY PUT – APFO INTENDS** to pace growth so that **ADEQUATE** infrastructure is in place as it occurs.
- The various regulations define **WHAT** tests occur and **WHEN** they occur.
- The **STANDARDS** of what is **COVERED**, what is **ADEQUATE** and how to **MITIGATE** are in the Details.
- **APFO IS A PROCESS** which achieves **RESULTS** you can see in real-life all around you **TODAY**.
- If the **RESULT** are not met, there need for **PROCESS IMPROVEMENT**

APFO IMPROVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- **EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS – HCPSS – NOW**
- **MITIGATION LEVELS – IAC Matching – October 2018**
- **MITIGATION LEVELS – State Delegation 2018-2019 Cycle – November 2018**
- **MITIGATION LEVELS – Howard County Administration & Council – December 2018**
- **APFO “Multipliers” – Items that change Effective APFO tests - Unlimited**
- **The General Plan Update – 1-2 years**
- **Next APFO Review -3-4 years**