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A SMART PLACE TO

LIVE

COMMUNITY OVERVIEW

"I love the rhythm of living in a college town with the quiet summers and winters combined with the buzz of the school year. I love seeing my students in restaurants, on a run at Lake Artemesia, and at the pool with my kids. It's a great place to make lifelong friends and raise a family."
- Lis Maring, resident and University of Maryland professor

Smarter. Closer. Home.

College Park is unlike any other community in the Washington, DC region. Between a **world-class research and top-20** public institution in the University of Maryland, **one-seat rail connections** to Baltimore and DC, and **30,000 jobs** our residents have access to it all in a housing market with a reasonable entry point.

While the City's main thoroughfare, Baltimore Avenue, offers a variety of dining and shopping options, there is a diverse set of neighborhoods just blocks away ranging from **historic districts** steps from Metro to enclaves of single-family homes near a **scenic lake, community pool, and trails**.

While the greater region offers a wealth of amenities and attractions to explore, there's plenty to discover and experience within College Park from a night out at the theatre and dinner at one of our **75 restaurants** to cheering on the Terps with 58,000 of your closest friends.

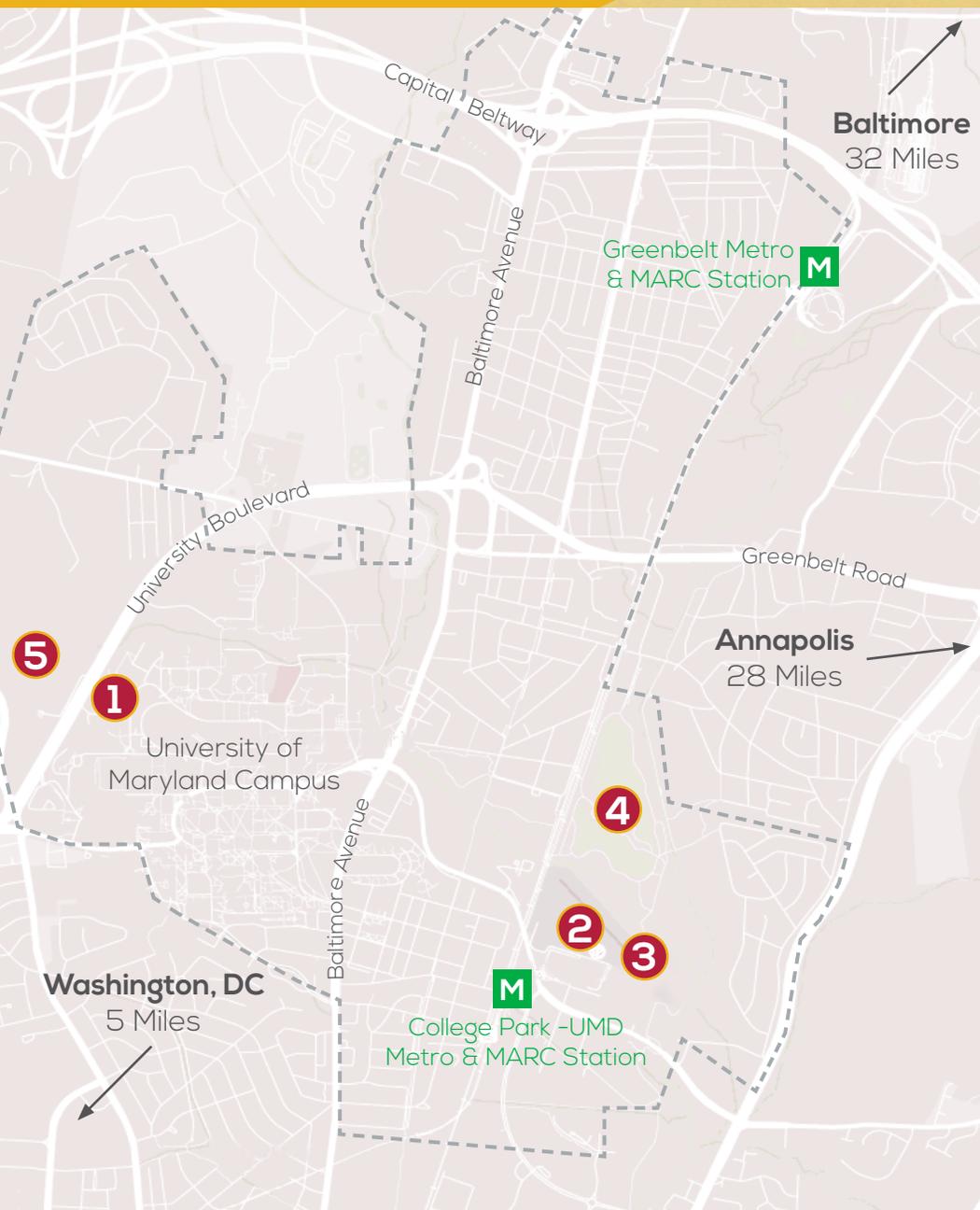
College Park is home to a highly-educated and youthful population of more than **31,000 residents**. Over 70% of residents have attended some level of college and more than **25% have earned a graduate or professional degree**, which both far exceed national averages.

The City's K-12 population is afforded a wealth of educational options with **17 private and public schools** to choose from. Opportunities in the area include a University-affiliated charter school, sought-after summer camps, a competitive science and technology high school curriculum, project-based learning models, and programs in Chinese language, French immersion, Montessori, and creative/performing arts.

With a high quality of life including safe neighborhoods, quality schools, numerous recreational amenities, and convenient public transportation, College Park is the **smart choice** for your next home.

PRIME LOCATION

"It is convenient to Washington and Baltimore and everyone wants to be here because of Metro. It is cheaper than DC, while being friendly and diverse with good shops and restaurants within walking and biking distance. My husband and I both work here and we know all our neighbors."
- Kimberly James, resident



1 Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center

Top-notch dance, music, and theatre offerings

2 College Park Airport & Aviation Museum

World's oldest continuously operating airport

3 College Park Tennis Club

Premier regional club with kids' camps and lessons

4 Lake Artemesia Natural Area

38-acre lake with trails, fishing, and aquatic gardens

5 University of Maryland Golf Course

18-hole course set in Audubon sanctuary

Dining and Shopping

Best Buy	Elizabeth Arden Spa (2017)
Fishnet	Four Farmers Markets
Franklin's Grill/Oyster Bar (2017)	Ikea
MOM's Organic Market	Nando's Peri-Peri
Original Ledo Restaurant	Ovo Simply Veggie
REI	TargetExpress
The Board and Brew	Whole Foods (2016)

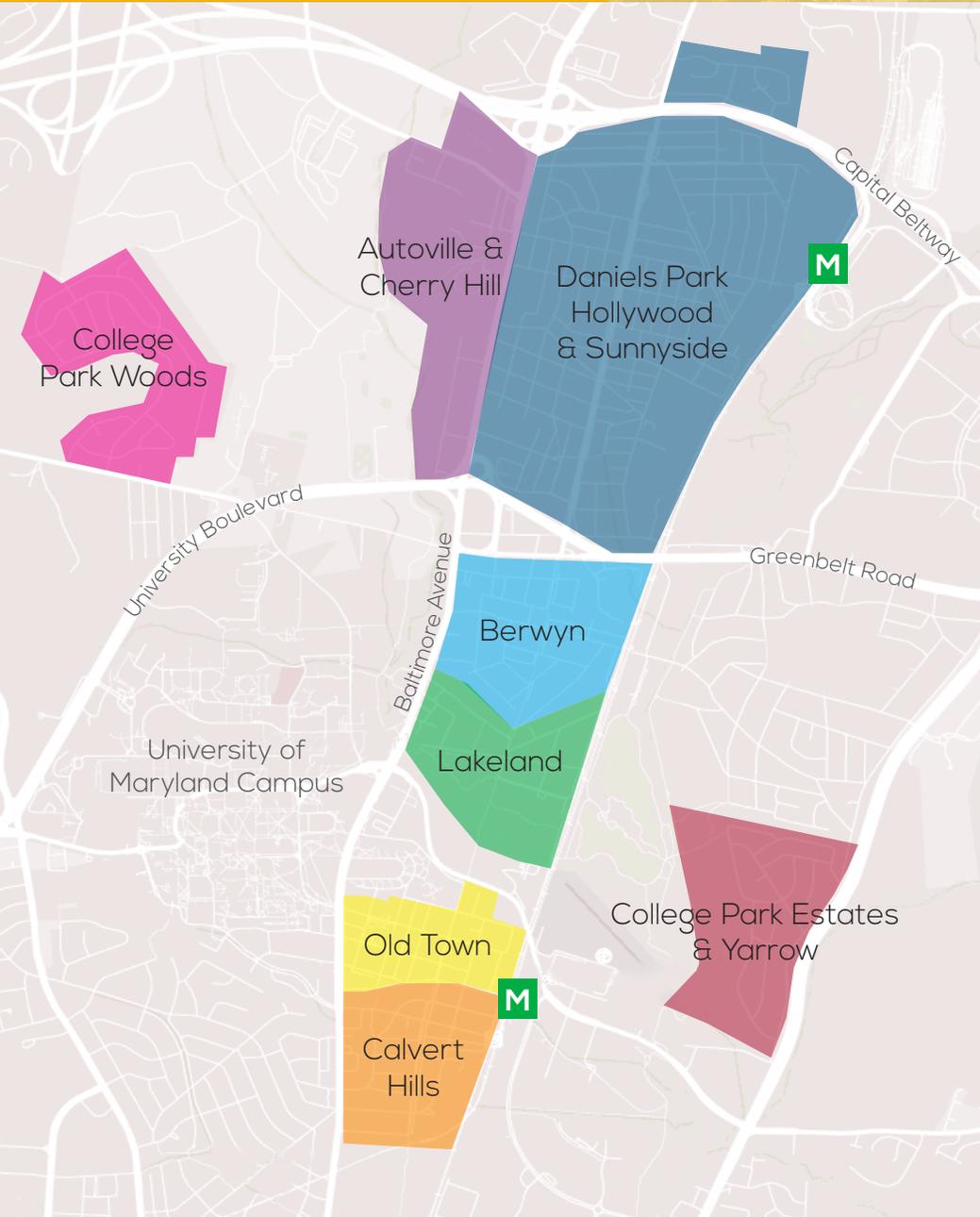
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American Center for Physics	Federal Drug Administration
National Archives II	NOAA
University of Maryland	UMD University College

NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILES

"As a lifelong resident, I have always enjoyed living in a community with a rich history, unique homes and amenities, and neighbors that work hard to take care of their community and one another."
- Kevin Young, Berwyn District Civic Association president



Autoville & Cherry Hill

Predominately an enclave of single family homes, these neighborhoods back up to an extensive wooded area in Paint Branch Stream Valley Park. Amenities include easy access to the Beltway and retail like Best Buy, Home Depot, Peg Leg Vintage Furniture, and Shoppers Food Warehouse.

Berwyn

Blocks off Baltimore Avenue, the neighborhood features historic homes, tree-lined streets, bike trails, and a central community park. The quaint commercial district is home to the popular Fishnet restaurant, a karate studio, and the longstanding Smile Herb Shop.



NEIGHBORHOOD PROFILES

"It is an extremely friendly and interactive city. I can be outside working in my garden and people will stop by to visit, even strangers will stop and talk. I know almost all of my neighbors in Old Town and Calvert Hills."
- Kathy Bryant, Old Town Civic Association President

Calvert Hills

A registered Historic District at the City's southern end, the neighborhood is comprised mainly of single-family homes along the Rhode Island Ave. Trolley Trail. Nearby are the Downtown commercial district, the Metro and MARC stations, and the Whole Foods opening in early 2016 in Riverdale Park.

College Park Estates & Yarrow

Located on the City's eastern boundary, these purely residential areas feature single-family homes in colonial, ranch, and split-level styles. They offer easy access to recreational amenities including Lake Artemesia, Northeast Branch Trail, College Park Tennis Center, and Linson Pool.

College Park Woods

A single-family neighborhood surrounded by an abundance of green space with the National Agricultural Research Center to the north and University of Maryland golf course to the south. The neighborhood is also home to the City's only community swimming pool.

Daniels Park Hollywood & Sunnyside

The largest and most populous neighborhoods provide easy access to the Beltway and the Greenbelt Metro/MARC station. Amenities include an elementary school, athletic fields, and a commercial district with more than 35 shops including MOM's Organic Market and REI.

Lakeland

Comprised of single-family detached homes and multifamily housing for students and senior citizens, the neighborhood is home to a community center, elementary school, and park. Lake Artemesia and dining/shopping options along Baltimore Avenue are just a short walk away as well.

Old Town

A registered Historic District, the neighborhood features a variety of housing styles including Craftsman, Cape Cod, Colonial Revival, and Queen Anne. The community is the closest to the College Park-UMD Metro/MARC station and the Downtown shopping district with its 70 retail businesses.

THE SMART CHOICE

"College Park has what most people claim they want: walking distance to shops, restaurants, and Metro- it's hard to beat that."

- Kristy Maddux, resident and University of Maryland professor

\$283,200 average home value in 2014 (up 5.7% from 2013)

130 locally-owned and independent retailers

15 parks, playgrounds, and tot lots

22/29 minutes to National Mall/Nationals Park by Metro

50 minutes to Baltimore's Inner Harbor by MARC train

6 bike trails with connections to regional network

\$500 M in new redevelopment activity by 2018

CLOSING THE DEAL

"As first-time owners, we were welcomed with open arms by our neighbors who are friendly and invested in the area. We love the socio-economic diversity and feel it would be an ideal place to raise a family."

- Nancy Sharpe, resident

PROGRAM

AMOUNT

DETAILS

MORE INFO

New Neighbor Homeownership Grant

\$5,000

The program provides homeowners with down payment or closing cost assistance for eligible homes, including former rentals, foreclosures, and short sales. Buyers must live in the home for at least five years, or repay a pro-rated share of the grant.

City of College Park
Planning Department
(240) 487-3538
collegeparkmd.gov/newneighbor

City-University Partnership Home Ownership Program

\$15,000

The program is part of an effort to increase the number of University of Maryland employees living in College Park. University employees can receive down payment or closing cost assistance for a home purchased anywhere in the City.

College Park
City-University Partnership
(240) 416-3184
collegeparkpartnership.org/homeownershipprogram

Maryland Mortgage Program

\$8,500

The program provides assistance to families with moderate household income levels. Beyond access to home loans, buyers are eligible for down payment assistance in the form of a no-interest, deferred loan.

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