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November 2024

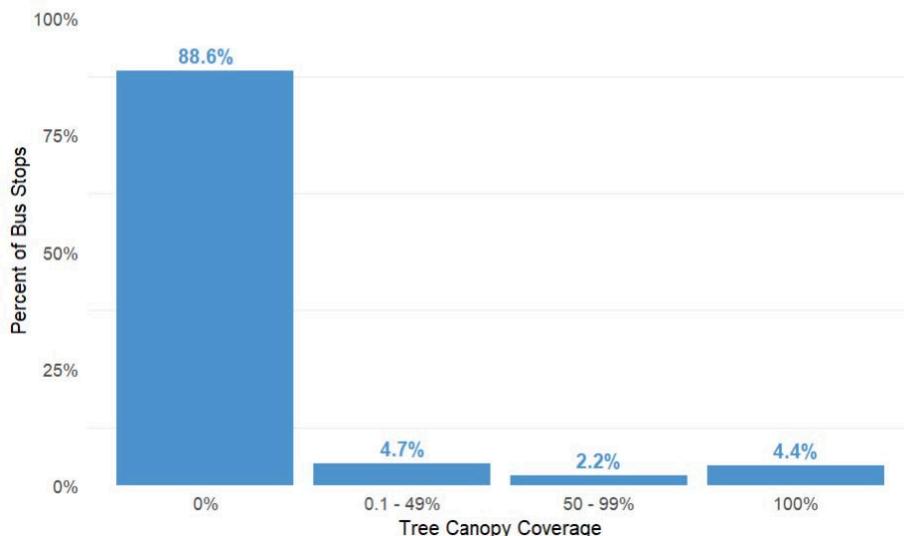
### Hampton Roads Economic Monthly

#### ***Shady Stops***

The Hampton Roads PDC/TPO recently claimed the top prize at the Hampton Roads 2024 Datathon, an annual competition that brings teams from across the region to tackle regional issues through data-driven solutions. This year's theme centered on infrastructure, inspiring our team to investigate the role of trees as a green infrastructure solution to mitigating Urban Heat Islands (UHIs) at bus stops in Hampton Roads.

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## Tree Canopy Coverage At Bus Stops in High or Severe Heat



### **Map of the Month: Team HRPDC/HRTPO Places First in the 2024 Hampton Roads Datathon**

Team HRPDC/HRTPO took home first place in the 3rd Annual *Hampton Roads*

*Datathon* hosted by *CivicLab Norfolk*, an agency that promotes data-informed decision making and transparency for the community.

The event brought together 13 teams from local government agencies, colleges/universities, and others to create and share projects relating to the theme of "Infrastructure."



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### **Celebrate America Recycles Day in the 757**

Nationally recognized—and locally celebrated—America Recycles Day on November 15 champions the benefits of recycling. The awareness day is timely for our organization as our askHRgreen.org Environmental Education program has begun implementing a \$1.9 million Recycling Education and Outreach grant from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).



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### **FishSwimPlay.com Wins Best Web Application at the 2024 Virginia GeoCon**

The HRPDC's *FishSwimPlay.com* website won Best Web Application in the professional division as the The 32nd Annual Virginia GIS Conference (GeoCon). The event is sponsored by the Virginia Association of Mapping and Land Information Systems (*VAMLIS*) and was held at Kingsmill Resort near Williamsburg on November 6-7, 2024.

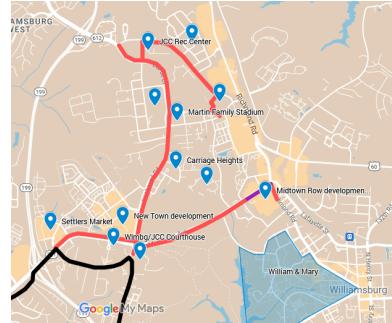
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### **Trail of the Month: Paths in James City County and Williamsburg's "New Urbanism" Development Connect Life, Liberty and Commerce**

Considering all the history just a few miles away on Duke of Gloucester Street, the New Town district is literally the “new” kid on the block. Located near the James City County/City of Williamsburg line, along Monticello Avenue between Route 199 and Ironbound Road, New Town, is a 365-acre example of a ‘New Urbanism’ community.



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### **Adopt a Drop for Neighbors in Need this Holiday Season**

As the holiday season approaches, we are reminded of the importance of kindness and giving back to our community. This time of year, giving a little hope and support to families in need can make all the difference. In Hampton Roads, many neighbors face financial challenges due to unexpected circumstances. A sudden illness, injury, or family loss can leave resources stretched thin, with families forced to make difficult choices.



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# THREE WAYS TO ADOPT A DROP AND DONATE



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**Congratulations Hampton Roads Housing Heroes:  
The Hampton Roads Housing Consortium (HRHC) 18th  
Annual Housing Awards Recipients**



*The HRPDC would like to congratulate this year's Hampton Roads Housing Consortium's 18th Annual Housing Awards Recipients!*

*From left to right, **Sheri Payton**, Hampton Redevelopment RHA, Across the Region Award; **Janet Green**, Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg, Lifetime Achievement Award; **Tanisha Davis**, Housing Warrior Excellence Award; and **Yvonne Hodges**, Hampton Redevelopment RHA and **Jonathan McBride**, City of Hampton, (Along with the **Habitat for Humanity Peninsula and Greater Williamsburg**) Housing Partner-Special Project Award for "Rock the Block."*

## Public Comment Opportunities

**PUBLIC NOTICE: HRTPO FY 2024-2027 TIP - Proposed TIP Amendments 2 - November 2024** (Comments received through November 20, 2024)

**PUBLIC NOTICE: HRPDC/HRTPO Public Engagement Plan DRAFT 2024**  
(Comments received through December 2, 2024)

**PUBLIC NOTICE: State of Transportation in Hampton Roads 2024: DRAFT Report** (Comments received through December 6, 2024)

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## HRPDC/HRTPO In the News

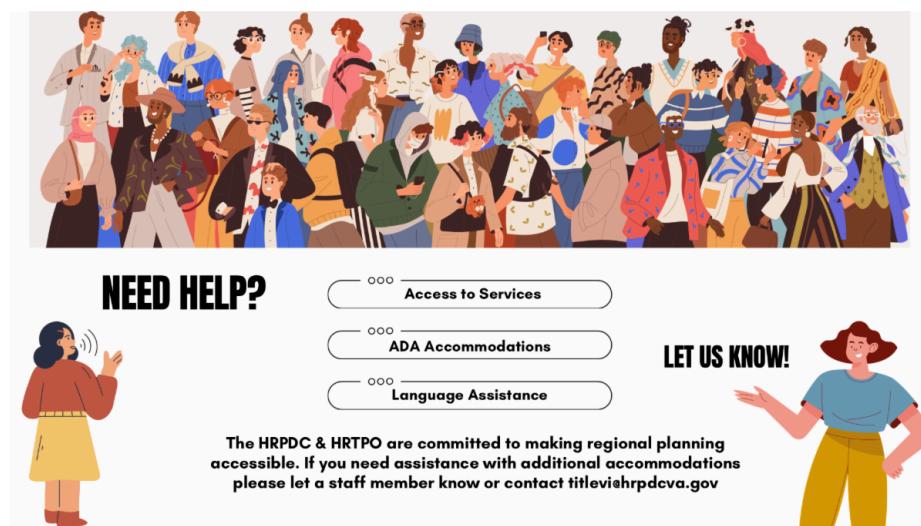
*ExxonMobil sued for fraudulent recycling claims* (*Spartan Echo*, November 4, 2024)

*Isle of Wight county administrator to retire* (*Smithfield Times*, October 18, 2024)

*Barclay joins the Suffolk Bench* (Suffolk News-Herald, November 7, 2024)

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## Upcoming Meetings

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