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**Re:** Market and Opportunities Assessment

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I am transmitting herewith the Market & Opportunities Assessment report prepared by the Chesapeake Group, Inc, under contract to Jakubiak & Associates, Inc. The purpose of this Assessment was to provide information and economic insights into the development district that would inform our work on the update of the Lexington Park Development District Master Plan. The Assessment has been useful in a number of key respects among them are the following:

- The consumer and attitudinal survey conducted as part of the assessment during the summer of 2011 provided insights into the shopping and spending patterns of area residents.
- The Assessment indicates that, compared to a number of similar development areas and counties, there are underrepresented sectors in the local economy. Businesses in these sectors could be targeted as part of a business recruitment program for the Lexington Park Development District.
- The Assessment confirms our view that household and population growth in the Development District will generate a demand for retail space of a magnitude sufficient to bring about commercial development and redevelopment opportunities through 2020. It is reasonable to expect continued retail growth after 2020 as population and employment increases as projected.

The study also introduces research and development (R&D) ideas in emerging technology sectors which could both diversify the County's economy and draw on the agricultural and rural resource strengths of the region.

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# Market & Opportunities Assessment

## *Introduction*

To facilitate the identification of opportunities, substantial survey work and analyses were performed. Included are: a survey of residents in a multi-county area; a comparative assessment that provides guidance with respect to opportunities by defining “gaps”; demand forecast of goods and services that are supported by the population; and analysis of Research and Development (R & D) and emerging technologies opportunities for non-defense related activity. Highlights of these and the identified opportunities follow.

## *Comparative Assessments*

The purpose of the comparative assessment is to identify potential business “gaps” in the economic structure of the area when compared to other similar “communities” throughout the country. In some cases, those gaps become opportunities that can be filled through either business expansion or recruitment activity.

The U. S. Census Bureau provides annual information on business patterns throughout the nation in three different geographical formats. These are county, zip code, and metropolitan statistical area. This analysis includes assessments of local business patterns on both a County and zip code level. Because of the nature and scale of the Development District, this assessment required comparing the combined business structure of zip code tabulation areas (ZCTA) 20619 (California), 20634 (Great Mills) and 20653 (Lexington Park) to that associated with other ZCTAs and communities that are similar based on various factors. The identified business “gaps” defined in this process may or may not be appropriate for any and all locations in the Lexington Park Development District or St. Mary’s County because of the nature of operations, scale, or other factors.

### *Zip Code 20619, 20634 & 20653*

In determining communities for which the comparison can be made, the following criteria are used:

- ✓ The population size and household numbers had to be similar to those associated with ZCTAs 20619, 20634 and 20653, since demand for goods and services are ultimately dependent largely upon the size of the market served.
- ✓ The selected communities all have reported median household incomes that are comparable to the LPDD’s reported incomes.
- ✓ Transportation and interstate highway access had to be similar.
- ✓ Military installations, preferably those involved with technology, had to be within or nearby.
- ✓ All are adjacent to or in proximity to significant bodies of water.
- ✓ If possible climatic conditions are somewhat similar

Based on the criteria, nine communities defined by ZCTA were identified for which the comparison in economic structure was made. These are:

Bellmore, New York  
Schenectady, New York  
Bear, Delaware  
Clinton, Maryland  
Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Annapolis, Maryland  
Alexandria, Virginia  
Midlothian, Virginia  
Cumming, Georgia

It is noted that all population and household estimates for all areas were derived from the same source – the U. S. Census Bureau. Also for consistency purposes, the U. S. Census Bureau’s County Business Patterns was employed to define the business structure and activity within all counties and zip code areas.

The North American Industry Classification System (NAICS) was introduced in 1997 as a more effective business classification system that identifies and groups establishments according to the activities in which they are primarily engaged. It replaces the older Standard Industry Classification (SIC) coding system which was first employed in 1938. NAICS identifies and groups 1,170 different types of “industries” or establishments into twenty major industry sectors ranging from Agriculture (Sector 11) to Public Administration (Sector 92). This analysis examined and extracted data from all of the twenty sectors for all areas. These sectors are:

- ✓ Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing and Hunting (Sector 11): Crop and animal production, forestry and logging, fishing, hunting, trapping, support activities for agriculture and forestry.
- ✓ Mining (Sector 21): oil and gas extraction, mining, support activities for mining.
- ✓ Utilities (Sector 22): power generation, transmission, and distribution, water, sewage, and other systems.
- ✓ Construction (Sector 23): building, developing, general contracting, heavy construction, special trade contractors.
- ✓ Manufacturing (Sector 31-33): food, beverage and tobacco product, textile and textile product mills, apparel, leather and allied products, wood product, paper, printing and related support activities, petroleum and coal products, chemicals, plastics and rubber products, nonmetallic mineral products, primary metals, fabricated metal products, machinery, computer and electronic products, electronic equipment, appliances, and components, transportation equipment, furniture and related products.
- ✓ Wholesale Trade (Sector 42): durable and nondurable goods.
- ✓ Retail Trade (Sector 44-45): Motor vehicle and parts, furniture and home furnishings, electronics and appliances, building material and garden equipment and supplies, grocery and beverage, health and personal care, gasoline stations, clothing and accessories, sports, hobby, books and music, general merchandise and miscellaneous store retailers.
- ✓ Transportation and Warehousing (Sector 48-49): air, rail, water, and truck transportation, transit and ground passenger transportation, pipeline transportation, scenic and sightseeing transportation, support activities for transportation, postal service, couriers and messengers, warehousing and storage.
- ✓ Information (Sector 51): Publishing, motion picture and sound recording and exhibition, broadcasting and telecommunications, information services and data processing.
- ✓ Finance and Insurance (Sector 52): Monetary authorities, credit intermediation, securities, commodities, insurance, funds, trusts, and other financial vehicles.

- ✓ Real Estate, Rental and Leasing (Sector 53): Real estate, rental centers and leasing services.
- ✓ Professional, Scientific and Technical Services (Sector 54): Lawyers, accountants, engineers, computer services, veterinary services, etc.
- ✓ Management of Companies and Enterprises (Sector 55): Management, holding companies, corporate and regional offices.
- ✓ Administrative and Support, Waste Management and Remediation Services (Sector 56): Administrative and facilities support services, employment and business support services, travel arrangements, investigative and security systems and other business services.
- ✓ Educational Services (Sector 61): Public sector schools, business, technical, trade schools and instruction.
- ✓ Health Care and Social Assistance (Sector 62): Ambulatory health care services, hospitals, nursing and residential care facilities and social assistance.
- ✓ Arts, Entertainment, and Recreation (Sector 71): Performing arts, spectator sports, museums, historical sites, amusement, gambling and recreation industries.
- ✓ Accommodation and Food Services (Sector 72): Accommodations, food service and drinking places.
- ✓ Other Services (Sector 81): Repair and maintenance, personal and laundry services, and religious, grant making, civic and professional organizations.
- ✓ Public Administration (Sector 92): executive, legislative, and other general government support.

Under-represented “industries” were then defined as those where the combined Development District related zip code areas had a lesser number of businesses, in absolute terms, than at least five of the other seven communities. Thus, the number of businesses in the Development District zip codes compared to the other communities was below what might be expected. Once again, under-representation does not mean that the identified categories of businesses are desirable for the Development District.

The following are the “industries” or businesses identified as being under-represented in the Lexington Park Development District area. Forty-four are identified.

*Table 1 – Under-represented Industries at the Zip Code Level\**

NAICS Code	Type of Business
115210	Support Activities for Animal Production
<b>236220</b>	<b>Commercial and Institutional Building Construction</b>
<b>237130</b>	<b>Power and Communication Line and Related Structures Construction</b>
<b>238110</b>	<b>Poured Concrete Foundation and Structure Contractors</b>
<b>238130</b>	<b>Framing Contractors</b>
<b>238140</b>	<b>Masonry Contractors</b>
<b>238160</b>	<b>Roofing Contractors</b>
<b>238210</b>	<b>Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation Contractors</b>
<b>238220</b>	<b>Plumbing, Heating, and Air-Conditioning Contractors</b>
<b>238310</b>	<b>Drywall and Insulation Contractors</b>
<b>238320</b>	<b>Painting and Wall Covering Contractors</b>
<b>238330</b>	<b>Flooring Contractors</b>
<b>238350</b>	<b>Finish Carpentry Contractors</b>
423830	Industrial Machinery and Equipment Merchant Wholesalers

425120	Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers
443111	Household Appliance Stores
444220	Nursery, Garden Center, and Farm Supply Stores
445120	Convenience Stores
454111	Electronic Shopping
484110	General Freight Trucking, Local
522120	Savings Institutions
523120	Securities Brokerage
523930	Investment Advice
524126	Direct Property and Casualty Insurance Carriers
531320	Offices of Real Estate Appraisers
541410	Interior Design Services
541430	Graphic Design Services
541810	Advertising Agencies
541820	Public Relations Agencies
551114	Corporate, Subsidiary, and Regional Managing Offices
561310	Employment Placement Agencies
561320	Temporary Help Services
561410	Document Preparation Services
561730	Landscaping Services
561740	Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning Services
611110	Elementary and Secondary Schools
611620	Sports and Recreation Instruction
621340	Offices of Specialty Therapists
621610	Home Health Care Services
623210	Residential Mental Retardation Facilities
624410	Child Day Care Services
713910	Golf Courses and Country Clubs
812310	Coin-Operated Laundries and Drycleaners
812320	Dry cleaning and Laundry Services (except Coin-Operated)

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.

It is noted that there are two industry clusters that stand out as gaps, whether or not they are appropriate for the LPDD. These are contracting associated with construction and home improvement (highlighted by bold lettering in the table) and segments of the Finance, Insurance & Real Estate industries (shaded in light grey in the table).

It is also important to note that the above list does not contain many retail operations, or the vast majority of professional services.

### *County Level Results – St Mary’s County*

As noted, analyses at the county level were also performed. For this assessment component, the same criteria were employed as that for the zip code level. Based on the criteria, seven counties were identified for which the comparison in economic structure was made. These seven counties are:

Cecil County, Maryland  
Putnam County, New York  
Warren County, New Jersey  
Hanover County, Virginia

Geauga County, Ohio  
Columbia County, Georgia  
Kendall County, Illinois

Under-represented “industries” were then defined as those where St. Mary’s County had a lesser number of businesses than at least five of the other seven counties. Thus, the number of businesses in St. Mary’s County compared to the other communities was below what might be expected. Once again, under-representation does not mean that the identified categories of businesses are desirable for the Development District or St. Mary’s County. More than 125 are identified.

*Table 2 – Under-represented Industries at the County Level\**

NAICS Code	Type of Business
115210	Support Activities for Animal Production
<b>236116</b>	<b>New Multifamily Housing Construction (except Operative Builders)</b>
<b>236210</b>	<b>Industrial Building Construction</b>
<b>237130</b>	<b>Power and Communication Line and Related Structures Construction</b>
<b>237210</b>	<b>Land Subdivision</b>
<b>238130</b>	<b>Framing Contractors</b>
<b>238170</b>	<b>Siding Contractors</b>
<b>238210</b>	<b>Electrical Contractors and Other Wiring Installation Contractors</b>
<b>238220</b>	<b>Plumbing, Heating, and Air-Conditioning Contractors</b>
<b>238310</b>	<b>Drywall and Insulation Contractors</b>
<b>238320</b>	<b>Painting and Wall Covering Contractors</b>
<b>238330</b>	<b>Flooring Contractors</b>
<b>238340</b>	<b>Tile and Terrazzo Contractors</b>
<b>238350</b>	<b>Finish Carpentry Contractors</b>
<b>238910</b>	<b>Site Preparation Contractors</b>
314121	Curtain and Drapery Mills
321920	Wood Container and Pallet Manufacturing
327331	Concrete Block and Brick Manufacturing
327991	Cut Stone and Stone product Manufacturing
332323	Ornamental and Architectural Metal Work Manufacturing
332710	Machine Shops
339112	Surgical and Medical Instrument Manufacturing
332996	Fabricated Pipe and Pipe Fitting Manufacturing
339112	Surgical and Medical Instrument Manufacturing
339116	Dental Laboratories
339950	Sign Manufacturing
423110	Automobile and Other Motor Vehicle Merchant Wholesalers
423220	Home Furnishing Merchant Wholesalers
423310	Lumber, Plywood, Millwork, and Wood Panel Merchant Wholesalers
423430	Computer and Software Merchant Wholesalers
423450	Medical Equipment Merchant Wholesalers
423510	Metal Service Centers and Other Metal Merchant Wholesalers
423610	Electrical Equipment and Wiring Merchant Wholesalers
423830	Industrial Machinery and Equipment Merchant Wholesalers
423840	Industrial Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
423850	Service Establishment Equipment and Supplies Merchant Wholesale
423910	Sporting and Recreational Goods and Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
424120	Stationery and Office Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
424930	Flower, Nursery Stock, and Florists’ Supplies Merchant Wholesalers
425120	Wholesale Trade Agents and Brokers
<b>443111</b>	<b>Household Appliance Stores</b>
<b>444110</b>	<b>Home Centers</b>
<b>444220</b>	<b>Nursery, Garden Center, and Farm Supply Stores</b>
<b>446110</b>	<b>Pharmacies and Drug Stores</b>
<b>448120</b>	<b>Women’s Clothing Stores</b>

<b>448130</b>	<b>Children's and Infants' Clothing Stores</b>
<b>448310</b>	<b>Jewelry Stores</b>
<b>451110</b>	<b>Sporting Goods Stores</b>
<b>453910</b>	<b>Pet and Pet Supplies Stores</b>
<b>454111</b>	<b>Electronic Shopping</b>
454113	Mail Order Houses
484110	General Freight Trucking, Local
484121	General Freight Trucking, Long-Distance, Truckload
484122	General Freight Trucking, Long- Distance, Less than Truckload
484220	Specialized Freight (except Used Goods) Trucking, Local
484230	Specialized Freight (except Used Goods) Trucking, Long-Distance
485320	Limousine Service
448410	Motor Vehicle Towing
488510	Freight Transportation Arrangement
492210	Local Messengers and Local Delivery
493110	General Warehousing and Storage
511120	Periodical Publishers
522110	Commercial Banking
522120	Savings Institutions
522220	Sales Financing
522310	Mortgage and Non-mortgage Loan Brokers
523120	Securities Brokerage
523910	Portfolio Management
523930	Investment Advice
524126	Direct Property and Casualty Insurance Carriers
542210	Insurance Agencies and Brokerages
531320	Offices of Real Estate Appraisers
532120	Truck, Utility Trailer, and RV (Recreational Vehicle) Rental and Leasing
532310	General Rental Centers
541110	Offices of Lawyers
541191	Title Abstract and Settlement Offices
541211	Offices of Certified Public Accountants
541213	Tax Preparation Services
541310	Architectural Services
541340	Drafting Services
541410	Interior Design Services
541430	Graphic Design Services
541613	Marketing Consulting Services
541810	Advertising Agencies
541860	Direct Mail Advertising
541921	Photography Studios, Portrait
541940	Veterinary Services
561110	Office Administrative Services
561310	Employment Placement Agencies
561320	Temporary Help Services
561410	Document Preparation Services
561431	Private Mail Centers
561611	Investigation Services
561622	Locksmiths
561730	Landscaping Services
562111	Solid Waste Collection
562910	Remediation Services
611420	Computer Training
611610	Fine Arts Schools
611620	Sports and Recreation Instruction
611692	Automobile Driving Schools



621111	Offices of Physicians (except Mental Health Specialists)
621210	Offices of Dentists
621310	Offices of Chiropractors
621320	Offices of Optometrists
621340	Offices of Specialty Therapists
621420	Outpatient Mental Health and Substance Abuse Centers
621511	Medical Laboratories
621512	Diagnostic Imaging Centers
621610	Home Health Care Services
623312	Homes for the Elderly
624120	Services for the Elderly and Persons with Disabilities
624410	Child Day Care Services
711110	Theater Companies and Dinner Theaters
711510	Independent Artists, Writers, and Performers
713910	Golf Courses and Country Clubs
713940	Fitness and Recreational Sports Centers
721191	Bed and Breakfast Inns
722310	Food Service Contractors
<b>722410</b>	<b>Drinking Places (alcoholic beverages)</b>
<b>811111</b>	<b>General Automotive Repair</b>
811121	Automotive Body, Paint, and Interior Repair and Maintenance
<b>812112</b>	<b>Beauty Salons</b>
<b>812310</b>	<b>Coin-Operated Laundries and Drycleaners</b>
<b>812320</b>	<b>Dry cleaning and Laundry Services (except Coin-Operated)</b>
<b>812910</b>	<b>Pet Care (except veterinary) Services</b>
813910	Business Associations
813920	Professional Organizations

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Four clusters are identified as being under-represented at the county level. These are:

1. Construction and home improvement related contractors, designated in the table by bold lettering and light grey shading.
2. Segments of the Finance, Insurance & Real Estate industries, designated by light grey shading in the table.
3. Segments of retail goods and related services activity, designated in the table by bold lettering and light grey shading.
4. Medical and senior related services, designated in the chart by white lettering with a dark grey shaded background.

### *Common Under-representative Industries*

A total of thirty-four industries are identified as being under-represented at both the zip code and county levels. These businesses are identified in Table 3.

*Table 3 – Common Under-represented Industries\**

NAICS Code	Type of Business
115210	Support Activities for Animal Production
<b>237130</b>	<b>Power and Communication Line and Related Structures Construction</b>
<b>238130</b>	<b>Framing Contractors</b>
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### ***LPDD Concentrations***

A total of twelve “industries” are identified as being over-represented within the LPDD’s zip codes but under-represented within the County-wide analysis. This distribution generally implies either dominance in the “industry” or for the type of operation or a unique niche. These business types are contained in the following table.

*Table 4 – Over-represented at the Zip Code Level But Under-represented at the County Level\**

<b>NAICS Code</b>	<b>Type of Business</b>
238910	Site Preparation Contractors
444110	Home Centers
448310	Jewelry Stores
488510	Freight Transportation Arrangement
532310	General Rental Centers
541921	Photography Studios, Portrait
561110	Office Administrative Services
621210	Office of Dentists
713940	Fitness & Recreational Sports Centers
722410	Drinking Places (Alcoholic Beverages)
812112	Beauty Salons
813910	Business Associations

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## Demand Forecasting

Future demand for all types of goods and services will generally come from the residential population living within the Development District, elsewhere in St. Mary’s County, and Charles and Calvert Counties. Employees at Pax River and elsewhere in the Development District are most often subsets of the larger residential population of this tri-county area.

The number of households and housing units in each of the counties has grown in the past and are expected to continue to grow in the future, assuming investment and mission for the military at Pax River continues into the future.

Between 2005 and 2011, St. Mary’s County issued roughly 3,900 housing permits for new units. Of these, about 1,400 were issued in the County’s defined “rural areas,” with the remainder in development districts/growth areas. Of the roughly 2,500 growth area/development district permits, all but a few were issued in the Lexington Park Development District (LPDD). Thus, 64% of the permits were associated with the LPDD.

*Table 5 – New Unit Housing Permits in St. Mary’s County from 2005 through 2010*

Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Growth Areas	478	475	851	275	249	165
Rural Area	401	350	229	210	144	71
Total	879	825	1080	485	393	236

This average proportion of growth is somewhat skewed by the year 2007 figures when a substantial number of permits were issued for multi-family units. As found in Table 6, the proportion generally ranged from 52% to 62% annually.

*Table 6 - New Unit Residential Building Permits Issued For the LPDD & County for 2005 Through 2010 and Proportion of Growth in LPDD*

Area/Year	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Lex. Park Dev. Dis.	471	460	831	252	203	147
St. Mary’s County	879	825	1080	485	393	236
% of Growth	54	56	77	52	52	62

As would be anticipated by current economic conditions, residential permits since 2007 have declined. Yet, there is continued growth; and further growth is anticipated. Based on historical patterns, two estimates for growth for St. Mary’s County and the Development District have been developed, providing a range. It is noted that both involve annual rates of growth less than the growth in 2007. The first is based on average annual growth rate from 2005 to 2010, excluding 2007; while the second involves a growth rate somewhat below that achieved in 2005 and 2006. This is done so based on the assumption that structural changes in financing from the 2005-2006 time period have changed for the foreseeable future. It is also assumed that the first few years of the 2011 to 2020 period will see lesser numbers of permits for new units than the latter years.

The projected permits issued for the period from 2011 through 2020 for St. Mary’s County are expected to range from a low of 6,431 to a high of 7,725, with between 4,090 and 4,750 of the units permits issued within the LPDD.

## Retail Goods & Related Services Demand

In an effort to obtain critical information on potential spending on commodities, a survey of more than 640 households in the tri-county area was conducted. The survey was conducted on-line during the spring of 2011. The results, with modifications to adjust for biases associated with this type of survey, were employed in computer modeling.

Salient information with respect to commercial spending from that large sample includes but is not limited to that which follows.

- ✓ The average annual household income of respondents is roughly \$127,000. The figure includes income derived from employment as well as retirement sources and is higher than the anticipated average household income in the total markets.
- ✓ About six out of every ten households have annual household incomes in excess of \$100,000. (Once again, there is higher than the anticipated share of households with such incomes in the total markets.)
- ✓ An additional 18% of the households have annual incomes between \$75,000 and \$100,000.
- ✓ 88% of the households frequent commercial areas and establishments at any and all locations more than once per week; while 72% do so in the Development District.

*Table 7 – Total Household Income\**

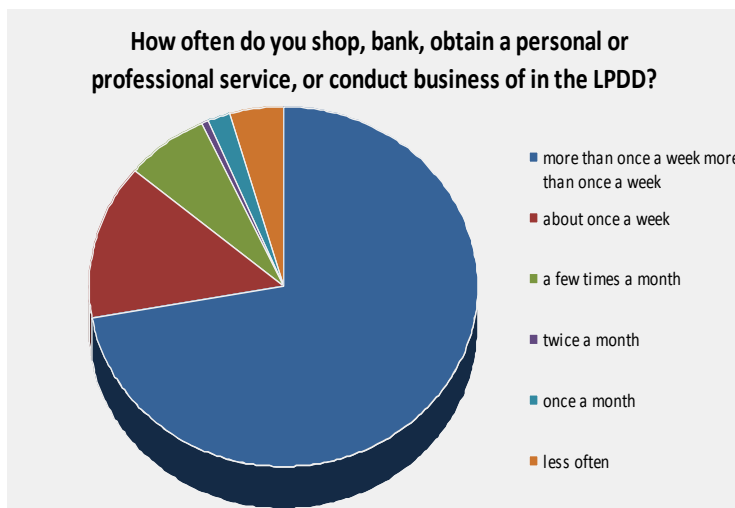
Income	Response Percent
Less than \$14,999	1
\$15,000 to \$24,999	3
\$25,000 to \$49,999	5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	12
\$75,000 to \$99,999	18
\$100,000 to \$149,999	33
\$150,000 to \$199,999	16
\$200,000 to \$299,999	10
\$300,000 or more	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>100</b>

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.

*Table 8 - Frequency of Trips\**

Frequency Of Trips	% Conducting Any Business	% Conducting in LPDD
More than once a week	86.2	72.1
About once a week	8.5	13.9
A few times a month	3.8	7.1
Twice a month	0.2	0.6
Once a month	0.5	1.7
Less often	0.9	4.5

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.



There are essentially three commodities upon which households spend much of their incomes and assets over time. These are food, transportation, and housing. The type and variety of each commodity often changes with income and other fiscal resources.

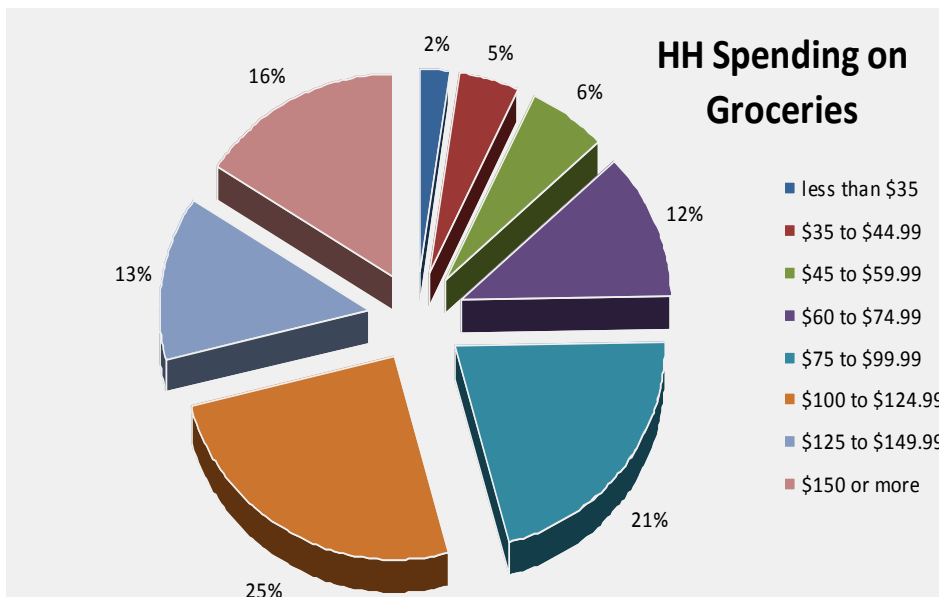
### Food

- ✓ Food for home consumption is generally purchased at supermarkets or other facilities that have a supermarket component, such as Wal\*Mart. Households report a range of weekly grocery expenditures. While 54% typically spend more than \$100 per week on groceries; about one-fourth spends less than \$75 each week on grocery and related items. The average household spends about \$95 per week on groceries and related merchandise.

Table 9 – Average Amount Spent on Groceries and Related Merchandise Per Week\*

Amount Spent	Percent of Households
less than \$35	2.2
\$35 to \$44.99	4.6
\$45 to \$59.99	6.3
\$60 to \$74.99	11.6
\$75 to \$99.99	21.0
\$100 to \$124.99	25.4
\$125 to \$149.99	13.2
\$150 or more	15.7

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.



- ✓ There is little variation by income in grocery spending. For example, households with incomes \$25,000 or under spend on average about \$83; while households with incomes between \$50,000 and \$100,000 spend about \$105 on average. Therefore, a greater proportion of income in lower income strata households is spent on food purchases at supermarkets and other merchants with food components.

Table 10 – Spending on Food and Related Merchandise at Various Income Clusters\*

Income	Under \$25000	\$25 to \$49,999	\$50 to \$99,999	\$100 to \$199,999	\$200,000 or More
Grocery Spending	\$83.18	\$85.97	\$104.98	\$81.89	\$125.79

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.

- ✓ The frequented businesses for grocery shopping include: BJ's Warehouse, Pax River, Food Lion, Giants, McKay's, Safeway, Wal\*Mart, and Target.
- ✓ Other food spending is associated with lunch and dinner trips as well as entertainment activity often sought simultaneously with food or beverage consumption. As revealed in Table 10, 65% of the households have someone who eats lunch out at the rate of at least once a week.
- ✓ Almost 90% eat lunch out at a frequency of at least once per month.

*Table 11 - Frequency Lunch is Consumed Outside the Home or Workplace\**

Frequency	Percent
a few times a week	36.1
about once a week	28.6
twice a month	16.3
once a month	7.3
4 to 9 times a year	4.0
a few times a year	3.7
less often	4.0

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- ✓ Full-service restaurants were the most popular choice for lunch for about 43% of the households; while about 29% generally eat lunch out at fast food establishments and 16% at sub shops.

*Table 12 - Type of Establishment Most Often Associated With Lunch\**

Type Of Establishment	%
Full-Service Restaurant	43
Fast Food Operation	29
All You Can Eat Buffet	3
Sub Shop	16
Other	10

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- ✓ As is typical, households eat dinner out with a lower frequency than they do lunch. As detailed in Table 12, 58% have dinner at an establishment at least on a monthly basis.

*Table 13 – Frequency Dinner is Consumed Outside the Home\**

Answer Options	Percent
a few times a week	19.0
about once a week	37.5
twice a month	19.3
once a month	12.5
4 to 9 times a year	5.9
a few times a year	3.2
less often	2.6

- ✓ Full-service restaurants are preferred by 89% of the households for the evening meal outside of the home.
- ✓ 79% of the households indicated that they do not go out to view movies at a theater more often than once per month. These trips often involving food consumption.

*Table 14 - Frequency Household Members Go Out to the Movies\**

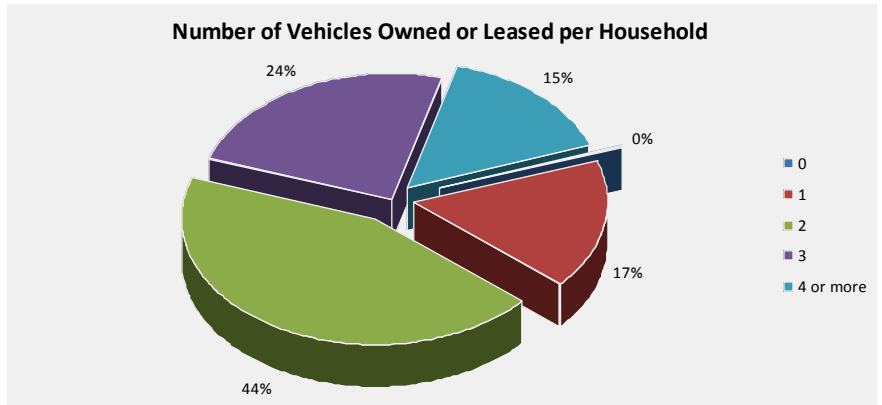
Answer Options	Percent
more than once a week	0.8
about once a week	1.7
a few times a month	5.2
twice a month	3.8
once a month	9.3
less often	79.1

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## Transportation

Transportation is the second major household expense reviewed.

- ✓ The majority of households have two or more vehicles available for use by household members.



## Housing

The third major area of household spending is shelter or housing. Spending on housing over time is dependent upon a number of factors. Ownership and tenure are two of those factors. In general, mortgages have a tendency to increase at a slower pace, if at all, than do payments for rent.

- ✓ A majority of 81% of the households reported that they owned rather than rent their residences.
- ✓ A relatively small proportion of 14% have lived at the same address for more than twenty years and only about one-third of the households have lived at the same address for at least 10 years. (Those living in their residence for less than ten years have a greater chance of owing more on their home than the value of their home at this time and may or may not be “under water” depending upon the amount owed, the purchase price, and the current value. On the other hand, some major employers pay relocation and other costs when their employees relocate, lessening the impact.)

*Table 15 – Number of Years Living at the Address\**

Tenure at Address	Percent
2 years or less	28.2
3 to 4 years	15.7
5 to 9 years	22.5
10 to 19 years	19.9
20 or more years	13.8

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- ✓ Roughly 10% of the households reported that they do not have a monthly mortgage or rent payment as a result generally of having paid off the mortgage or other circumstances. 16% pay less than \$1,000 per month while about one in ten households pay more than \$2,500 per month.

*Table 16 – Amount Spent on Rent or Mortgage Per Month\**

Monthly Rent or Mortgage	Percent
Do not pay rent/mortgage	9.5
Less than \$599 per month	3.5
\$600 to \$799 per month	5.0
\$800 to \$999 per month	7.5
\$1,000 to \$1,249 per month	15.3
\$1,250 to \$1,499 per month	13.8
\$1,500 to \$1,999 per month	23.7
\$2,000 to \$2,499 per month	13.0
\$2,500 to \$2,999 per month	5.5
\$3,000 or more per month	3.2

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- ✓ When those without monthly rent or mortgage payments are excluded, there is a strong correlation between income and monthly mortgages or rents.
- ✓ The overwhelming majority of responding households reside in single-family detached units.

*Table 17 – Type of Housing Unit\**

Type of Unit	Percent
single-family detached house	78.5
townhouse or row house	8.9
duplex or side-by-side	1.8
mobile or manufactured home	2.6
condo	2.4
apartment complex	4.7
accessory apartment/'in law suite'	0.8
other structure	0.3
Total**	97.6

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\*\*The total does not equal 100% since the options included "condominiums, which is a form of ownership and not a physical form of housing.

## *Other Spending*

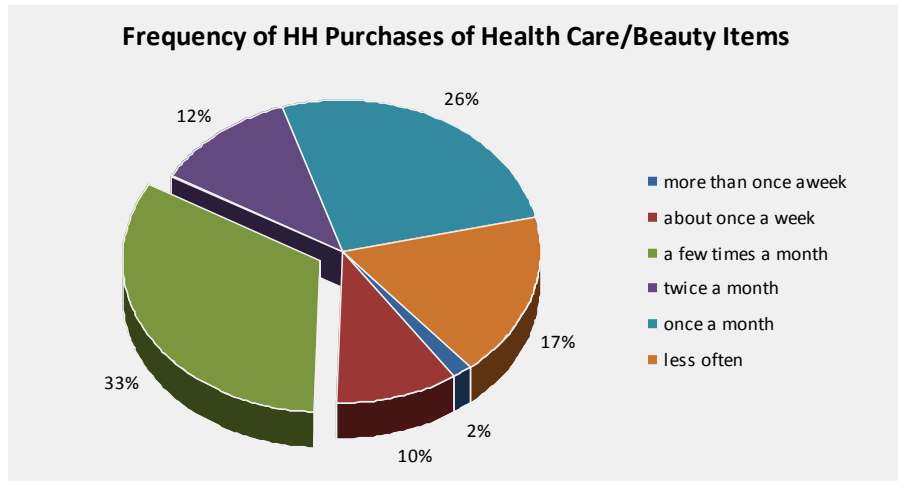
- ✓ Information on other household spending was also generated. Health and beauty aid shopping, along with food shopping, are surrogates for "convenience" shopping in general. About 45% of the households purchase health and beauty aids at least a few times each month; while shoe purchases on a significantly less frequent basis.



*Table 18 - Frequency of Health & Beauty Aids Purchases\**

Frequency of Purchases	Percent
more than once a week	1.6
about once a week	10.0
a few times a month	32.9
twice a month	11.8
once a month	26.4
less often	17.4

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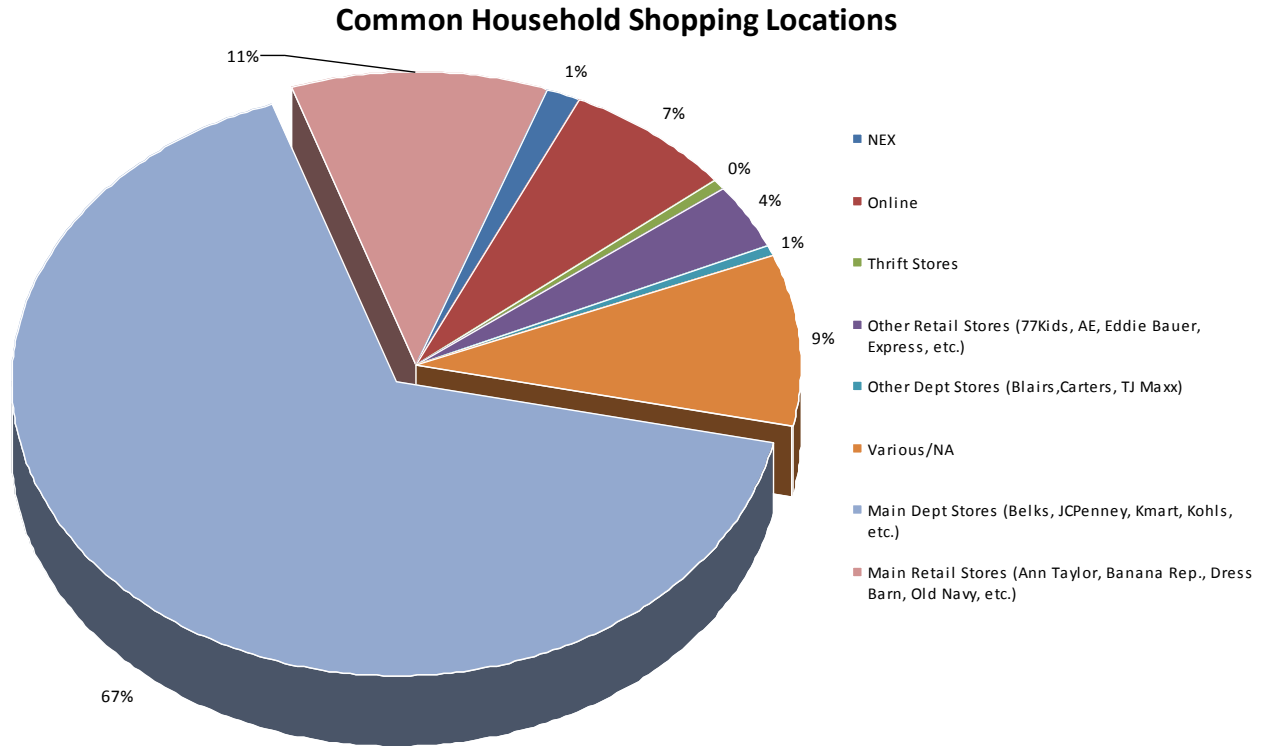
- ✓ Apparel shopping is generally a surrogate for non-convenience goods shopping. Generally, non-convenience goods shopping trips are made further from home than convenience shopping trips and with less frequency. For example, only 3% purchase shoes a few times per month.

*Table 19 - Frequency of Shoe Purchases\**

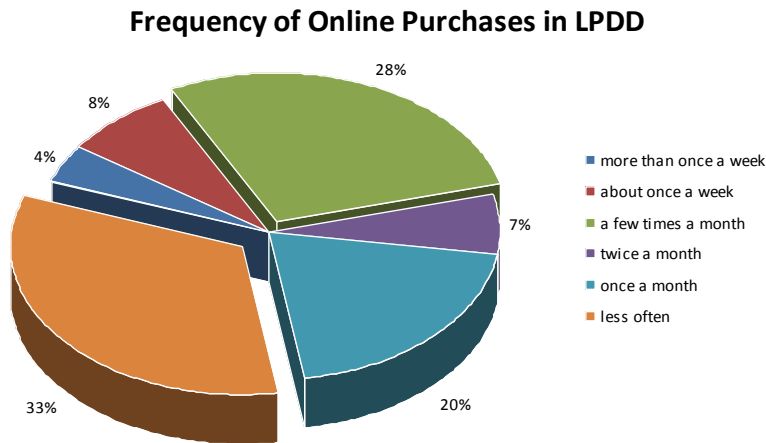
Frequency	Percent
more than once a week	0.2
about once a week	0.8
a few times a month	2.1
twice a month	3.2
once a month	12.7
less often	81.1

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- ✓ Shopping is generally done for clothing and other goods at a variety of stores, like department and discount stores, and at a variety of locations.



- ✓ As indicated by the above graphic, many dollars are exported as shopping is often done elsewhere, including “on-line” or by catalog. About two-thirds of all responding households make such purchases at least once per month.



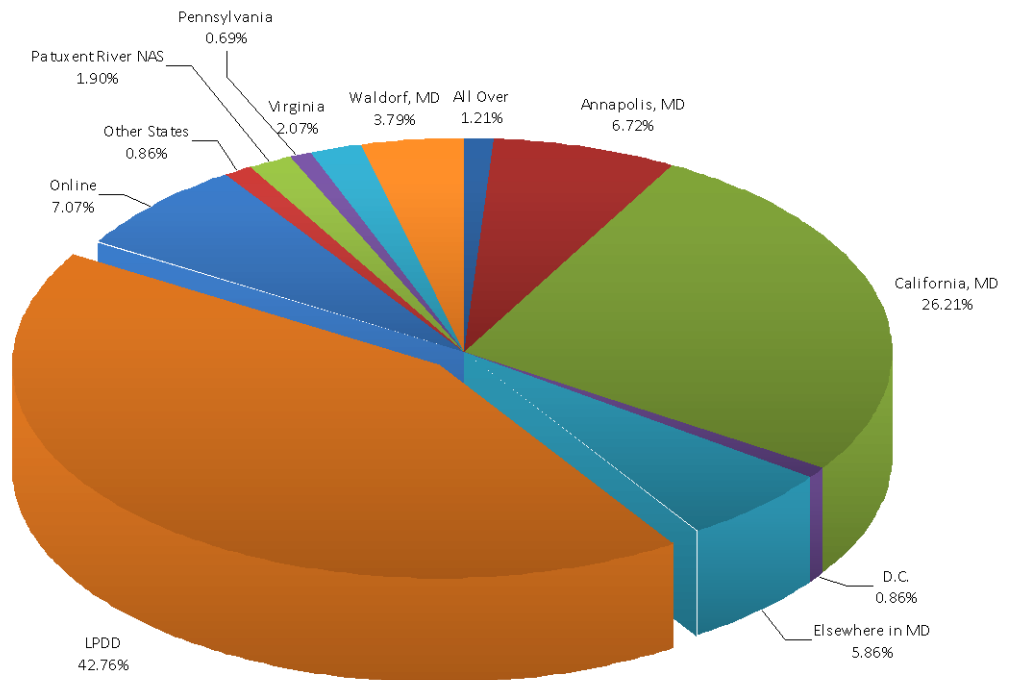
*Table 20 - Frequency of Purchases by Catalog or On-Line\**

Frequency of Purchases	Percent
more than once a week	4.1
about once a week	7.9
a few times a month	28.4
twice a month	6.6
once a month	20.0
less often	33.0

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- ✓ Yet, the majority of trips for shopping are made within the Development District.

### Where Respondents Do Most of Their Non-Food Shopping



### Commercial Demand Market Areas

The market is the driving force behind economic viability, whether it is commercial, service, or residential opportunity. In an effort to define opportunities, a forecasting of demand for goods and services was performed. It is noted that:

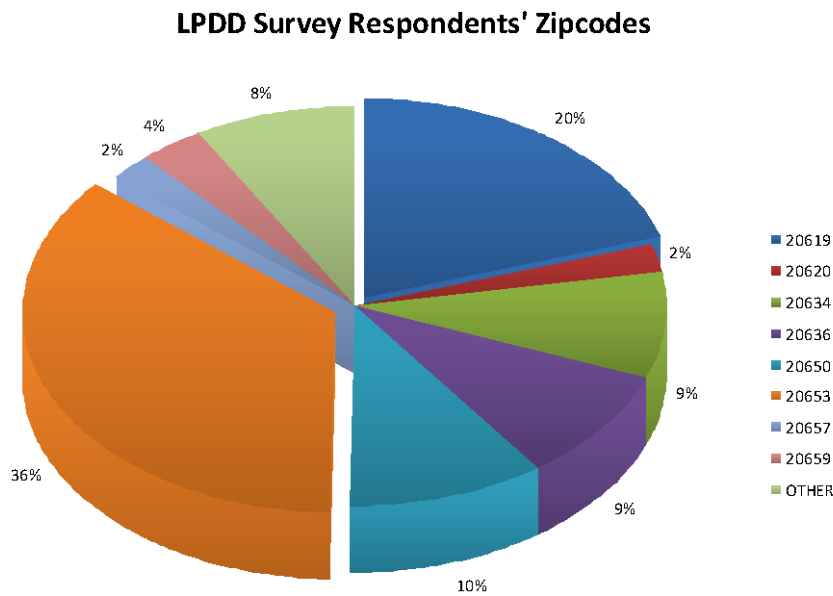
- ✓ All estimates are in 2011 dollars.
- ✓ There have been some substantial changes nationally in consumer spending in the past two years that are anticipated to remain relatively constant over the next few years if not longer.
- ✓ The estimates are considered conservative in nature, underestimating rather than overestimating potential.

Based on the survey results, the Development District attracts patronage from a broad geographic area that is associated with specific zip codes found in Table 21 as well as others identified as “Others”.

Table 21 – On Line Sample Zip Codes Associated with Those that Come to Activity in the Development District\*

ZIP CODE AREA	ZIP CODE	Percent
20653	Lexington Park, MD	36
20619	California, MD	20
20650	Leonardtwn, MD	10
20634	Great Mills, MD	9
20636	Hollywood, MD	9
Others	Not app.	8
20659	Mechanicsville, MD	4
20620	Callaway, MD	2
20657	Lusby, MD	2

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This is likely a result of a number of factors. Most probably, it reflects employment activity in the area associated with Pax River as well as the distribution of commercial development within St. Mary's County.

There are several markets for activity in the Development District, whether that is the established Lexington Park section, Hollywood or elsewhere. It is noted that the employees associated with the military instillation and related contractors generally reside within the markets. The markets included and analyzed are:

- ✓ Those residing within the Development District.
- ✓ Those living elsewhere in St. Mary's County.
- ✓ Those living in Charles County.
- ✓ Those living in Calvert County.

For both the Development District and the remainder of St. Mary's County, two alternatives (defined as Option A and Option B) are developed based on the previously noted range in household and housing unit growth anticipated. The noted estimates are made for the period through 2020. Longer term estimates would be more open to greater variation by unknown factors. Thus, estimates beyond 2020 are more conjectural. If it is assumed that continued military spending and presence will grow in the area and indicated additional non-military R & D suggested activity is pursued; then one could double the anticipated growth from 2011 to 2020 to determine additional supportable activity from 2020 to 2030.

### ***Generated Demand for Retail Goods and Services***

Aggregate retail sales figures represent a compilation of sales associated with ten major categories and the types of operations within those categories. The ten major categories of retail goods and related services demand are as follows:

- Food, such as groceries and related merchandise generally purchased for home preparation or consumption.
- Eating and drinking, consisting of prepared food and beverages generally consumed on the premises or carried to another location.
- General merchandise, including variety stores, department stores and large value oriented retail operators.
- Furniture and accessories, including appliances and home furnishings.
- Transportation and utilities, including the sale of new and used automotive and other personal vehicles and parts and basic utilities for the home.
- Drugstores, including those specializing in health and beauty aids or pharmaceuticals.
- Apparel and accessories.
- Hardware and building materials, including traditional hardware stores and garden and home improvement centers.
- Auto services, including gasoline and vehicle repair.
- Miscellaneous, including a plethora of retail goods and services ranging from florists to paper goods.

Many of today's better known operations in fact fall into more than one category. For example, many of the "big box" general merchandisers, such as Wal\*Mart, have traditional supermarket components within their operations.

Aggregate retail goods and related services sales generated by residents of the Development District are estimated at over \$500 million in 2011. In Option A, demand is expected to grow by 2020 by an additional \$97 million based on slight changes in incomes and housing growth. For Option B, based on assumptions of higher housing growth than for Option A, demand for retail goods and services generated by residents of the Development District would increase by about \$117 million.

It is important to understand that irrespective of the strength, location factors, mass, or other issues; no community or development is capable of attracting all of the sales generated in any market or market area. As examples, people employed elsewhere often spend resources at or near their places of employment. At other times, people make visits and spend money with relatives and friends living in other locations or while on vacations.

Retail sales and related services revenues are converted to supportable space through the application of sales or revenue productivity levels. A sales or revenue productivity level is the level of sales or revenues per square foot at which it is assumed that the business will generate sufficient revenue to cover all costs of operation as well as provide a reasonable return on investment for the ownership or operating entity.

Sales productivity levels vary for each sub-category, type of business operation, or store-type. The productivity levels vary from low figures for bowling centers to hundreds of dollars for others. Supportable space is derived by dividing the amount of sales by a productivity level.

Table 22 contains a breakdown of retail goods and related services supportable square footage of space associated with the respective sales by category generated by the Development District for Options A and B and anticipated changes from 2011 to 2020. It is noted that the range in additional supportable retail goods and services space between 2011 and 2020 is from roughly 276,000 to 331,000 square feet.

*Table 22 – LPDD Generated Options A & B Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Category for 2011 to 2020\**

Category	Existing LPDD A or B Sales 2011	LPDD A Sales 2011-2020	LPDD A or B Space 2011	LPDD A Space 2011-2020	LPDD B Sales 2011-2020	LPDD B Space 2011-2020
Food	\$124,830,000	\$21,346,000	233,127	39,864	\$25,590,000	47,791
Eat/Drink	46,968,000	8,032,000	117,420	20,080	9,628,000	24,070
General Merchandise	96,957,000	16,580,000	316,265	54,081	19,876,000	64,835
Furniture	34,770,000	5,946,000	107,098	18,315	7,128,000	21,956
Transportation	55,176,000	9,435,000	160,555	27,455	11,311,000	32,913
Drugstore	25,137,000	4,298,000	50,274	8,596	5,153,000	10,306
Apparel	28,785,000	4,922,000	89,572	15,317	5,901,000	18,363
Hardware	52,326,000	8,948,000	222,436	38,037	10,727,000	45,599
Vehicle Service	60,021,000	10,264,000	146,120	24,988	12,304,000	29,954
Miscellaneous	45,030,000	7,700,000	173,917	29,741	9,231,000	35,653
TOTAL	\$570,000,000	\$97,471,000	1,616,784	276,474	\$116,849,000	331,440

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Table 23 – LPDD Generated Options A & B Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Sub-category for 2011 to 2020\*

Sub-category	LPDD A Sales 2011	LPDD A Sales 2011-2020	LPDD A or B Space 2011	LPDD A Space 2011-2020	LPDD B Sales 2011-2020	LPDD B Space 2011-2020
Food	\$124,830,000	\$21,346,000	233,127	39,864	\$25,590,000	47,791
Supermarkets	104,233,050	17,823,910	176,666	30,210	21,367,650	36,216
Independents	9,986,400	1,707,680	24,966	4,269	2,047,200	5,118
Bakeries	2,746,260	469,612	9,154	1,565	562,980	1,877
Dairies	1,622,790	277,498	4,508	771	332,670	924
Others	6,241,500	1,067,300	17,833	3,049	1,279,500	3,656
Eat/Drink	46,968,000	8,032,000	117,420	20,080	9,628,000	24,070
General Merchandise	96,957,000	16,580,000	316,265	54,081	19,876,000	64,835
Dept. Stores	34,322,778	5,869,320	114,409	19,564	7,036,104	23,454
Variety Stores	6,980,904	1,193,760	26,850	4,591	1,431,072	5,504
Jewelry	6,690,033	1,144,020	9,423	1,611	1,371,444	1,932
Sporting Goods/Toys	10,568,313	1,807,220	35,228	6,024	2,166,484	7,222
Discount Dept.	36,358,875	6,217,500	121,196	20,725	7,453,500	24,845
Antiques, etc.	484,785	82,900	2,108	360	99,380	432
Others	1,551,312	265,280	7,051	1,206	318,016	1,446
Furniture	34,770,000	5,946,000	107,098	18,315	7,128,000	21,956
Furniture	5,250,270	897,846	16,936	2,896	1,076,328	3,472
Home Furnishings	7,232,160	1,236,768	20,663	3,534	1,482,624	4,236
Store/Office Equip.	5,493,660	939,468	18,312	3,132	1,126,224	3,754
Music Instr./Suppl.	1,495,110	255,678	7,476	1,278	306,504	1,533
Radios, TV, etc.	15,298,800	2,616,240	43,711	7,475	3,136,320	8,961
Transportation	55,176,000	9,435,000	160,555	27,455	11,311,000	32,913
New/Used Vehicles	19,311,600	3,302,250	48,279	8,256	3,958,850	9,897
Tires, Batt., Prts.	24,332,616	4,160,835	81,109	13,869	4,988,151	16,627
Marine Sales/Rentals	2,924,328	500,055	7,904	1,352	599,483	1,620
Auto/Truck Rentals	8,607,456	1,471,860	23,263	3,978	1,764,516	4,769
Drugstore	25,137,000	4,298,000	50,274	8,596	5,153,000	10,306
Apparel	28,785,000	4,922,000	89,572	15,317	5,901,000	18,363
Men's and Boy's	3,770,835	644,782	9,427	1,612	773,031	1,933
Women's and Girl's	9,556,620	1,634,104	25,829	4,416	1,959,132	5,295
Infants	604,485	103,362	2,015	345	123,921	413
Family	8,002,230	1,368,316	26,674	4,561	1,640,478	5,468
Shoes	6,016,065	1,028,698	21,877	3,741	1,233,309	4,485
Jeans/Leather	115,140	19,688	384	66	23,604	79
Tailors/Uniforms	518,130	88,596	2,591	443	106,218	531
Others	201,495	34,454	775	133	41,307	159
Hardware	52,326,000	8,948,000	222,436	38,037	10,727,000	45,599
Hardware	25,325,784	4,330,832	101,303	17,323	5,191,868	20,767
Lawn/Seed/Fertil.	994,194	170,012	2,924	500	203,813	599
Others	26,006,022	4,447,156	118,209	20,214	5,331,319	24,233
Vehicle Service	60,021,000	10,264,000	146,120	24,988	12,304,000	29,954
Gasoline	20,407,140	3,489,760	14,074	2,407	4,183,360	2,885
Garage, Repairs	39,613,860	6,774,240	132,046	22,581	8,120,640	27,069
Miscellaneous	45,030,000	7,700,000	173,917	29,741	9,231,000	35,653
Advert. Signs, etc.	720,480	123,200	2,620	448	147,696	537
Barber/Beauty shop	2,746,830	469,700	13,734	2,349	563,091	2,815
Book Stores	2,071,380	354,200	5,598	957	424,626	1,148
Bowling	1,035,690	177,100	10,357	1,771	212,313	2,123
Cig./Tobacco Dealer	315,210	53,900	630	108	64,617	129
Dent./Physician Lab	1,801,200	308,000	5,542	948	369,240	1,136
Florist/Nurseries	3,377,250	577,500	7,946	1,359	692,325	1,629
Laundry, Dry Clean	1,531,020	261,800	5,103	873	313,854	1,046
Optical Goods/Opt.	1,080,720	184,800	3,088	528	221,544	633
Photo Sup./Photog.	3,107,070	531,300	8,877	1,518	636,939	1,820
Printing	3,647,430	623,700	13,263	2,268	747,711	2,719
Paper/Paper Prod.	1,936,290	331,100	9,681	1,656	396,933	1,985
Gifts/Cards/Novel.	6,439,290	1,101,100	21,464	3,670	1,320,033	4,400
Newsstands	360,240	61,600	720	123	73,848	148
Video Rent/Sales	5,853,900	1,001,000	29,270	5,005	1,200,030	6,000
Others	9,006,000	1,540,000	36,024	6,160	1,846,200	7,385
TOTAL	\$570,000,000	\$97,471,000	1,616,784	276,474	\$116,849,000	331,440

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For the remainder of the St. Mary's County residents that do not live within the LPDD, two options are provided as well, with Option B resulting in greater demand. Based on the assumptions made for Option B, residents from the remainder of St. Mary's County will generate between \$166 and \$199 million in new retail goods and related services sales by 2020, supporting between 470,000 and 564,000 square feet of additional space at any and all locations beyond that supported in 2011.

Table 24 – Remainder of St. Mary's Co. Residentially Generated Options A & B Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Category for 2011 to 2020\*

Category	St Mary's A Sales 2011	St. Mary's A Sales 2011-2020	St Mary's A or B Space 2011	St. Mary's A Space 2011-2020	St Mary's B Sales 2011-2020	St Mary's B Space 2011-2020
Food	\$212,430,000	\$36,326,000	396,724	67,841	\$43,548,000	81,329
Eat/Drink	79,928,000	13,668,000	199,820	34,170	16,385,000	40,963
General Merchandise	164,997,000	28,214,000	538,204	92,032	33,824,000	110,330
Furniture	59,170,000	10,118,000	182,256	31,165	12,130,000	37,362
Transportation	93,896,000	16,056,000	273,225	46,721	19,249,000	56,012
Drugstore	42,777,000	7,315,000	85,554	14,630	8,769,000	17,538
Apparel	48,985,000	8,376,000	152,429	26,065	10,042,000	31,249
Hardware	89,046,000	15,227,000	378,532	64,729	18,254,000	77,597
Vehicle Service	102,141,000	17,466,000	248,660	42,520	20,939,000	50,976

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Table 25 – Remainder of St. Mary's Co. Residentially Generated Options A & B Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Sub-category for 2011 to 2020\*

Sub-category	St Mary's A Sales 2011	St. Mary's A Sales 2011-2020	St Mary's A or B Space 2011	St. Mary's A Space 2011-2020	St Mary's B Sales 2011-2020	St Mary's B Space 2011-2020
Food	\$212,430,000	\$36,326,000	396,724	67,841	\$43,548,000	81,329
Supermarkets	177,379,050	30,332,210	300,642	51,411	36,362,580	61,631
Independents	16,994,400	2,906,080	42,486	7,265	3,483,840	8,710
Bakeries	4,673,460	799,172	15,578	2,664	958,056	3,194
Dairies	2,761,590	472,238	7,671	1,312	566,124	1,573
Others	10,621,500	1,816,300	30,347	5,189	2,177,400	6,221
Eat/Drink	79,928,000	13,668,000	199,820	34,170	16,385,000	40,963
General Merchandise	164,997,000	28,214,000	538,204	92,032	33,824,000	110,330
Dept. Stores	58,408,938	9,987,756	194,696	33,293	11,973,696	39,912
Variety Stores	11,879,784	2,031,408	45,691	7,813	2,435,328	9,367
Jewelry	11,384,793	1,946,766	16,035	2,742	2,333,856	3,287
Sporting Goods/Toys	17,984,673	3,075,326	59,949	10,251	3,686,816	12,289
Discount Dept.	61,873,875	10,580,250	206,246	35,268	12,684,000	42,280
Antiques, etc.	824,985	141,070	3,587	613	169,120	735
Others	2,639,952	451,424	12,000	2,052	541,184	2,460
Furniture	59,170,000	10,118,000	182,256	31,165	12,130,000	37,362
Furniture	8,934,670	1,527,818	28,822	4,928	1,831,630	5,908
Home Furnishings	12,307,360	2,104,544	35,164	6,013	2,523,040	7,209
Store/Office Equip.	9,348,860	1,598,644	31,163	5,329	1,916,540	6,388
Music Instr./Suppl.	2,544,310	435,074	12,722	2,175	521,590	2,608
Radios, TV, etc.	26,034,800	4,451,920	74,385	12,720	5,337,200	15,249
Transportation	93,896,000	16,056,000	273,225	46,721	19,249,000	56,012
New/Used Vehicles	32,863,600	5,619,600	82,159	14,049	6,737,150	16,843
Tires, Batt., Prts.	41,408,136	7,080,696	138,027	23,602	8,488,809	28,296
Marine Sales/Rentals	4,976,488	850,968	13,450	2,300	1,020,197	2,757
Auto/Truck Rentals	14,647,776	2,504,736	39,589	6,770	3,002,844	8,116
Drugstore	42,777,000	7,315,000	85,554	14,630	8,769,000	17,538
Apparel	48,985,000	8,376,000	152,429	26,065	10,042,000	31,249
Men's and Boy's	6,417,035	1,097,256	16,043	2,743	1,315,502	3,289
Women's and Girl's	16,263,020	2,780,832	43,954	7,516	3,333,944	9,011
Infants	1,028,685	175,896	3,429	586	210,882	703
Family	13,617,830	2,328,528	45,393	7,762	2,791,676	9,306
Shoes	10,237,865	1,750,584	37,229	6,366	2,098,778	7,632
Jeans/Leather	195,940	33,504	653	112	40,168	134
Tailors/Uniforms	881,730	150,768	4,409	754	180,756	904
Others	342,895	58,632	1,319	226	70,294	270
Hardware	89,046,000	15,227,000	378,532	64,729	18,254,000	77,597
Hardware	43,098,264	7,369,868	172,393	29,479	8,834,936	35,340
Lawn/Seed/Fertil.	1,691,874	289,313	4,976	851	346,826	1,020
Others	44,255,862	7,567,819	201,163	34,399	9,072,238	41,237
Vehicle Service	102,141,000	17,466,000	248,660	42,520	20,939,000	50,976
Gasoline	34,727,940	5,938,440	23,950	4,095	7,119,260	4,910
Garage, Repairs	67,413,060	11,527,560	224,710	38,425	13,819,740	46,066
Miscellaneous	76,630,000	13,104,000	295,969	50,611	15,709,000	60,671
Advert. Signs, etc.	1,226,080	209,664	4,458	762	251,344	914
Barber/Beauty shop	4,674,430	799,344	23,372	3,997	958,249	4,791
Book Stores	3,524,980	602,784	9,527	1,629	722,614	1,953
Bowling	1,762,490	301,392	17,625	3,014	361,307	3,613
Cig./Tobacco Dealer	536,410	91,728	1,073	183	109,963	220
Dent./Physician Lab	3,065,200	524,160	9,431	1,613	628,360	1,933
Florist/Nurseries	5,747,250	982,800	13,523	2,312	1,178,175	2,772
Laundry, Dry Clean	2,605,420	445,536	8,685	1,485	534,106	1,780
Optical Goods/Opt.	1,839,120	314,496	5,255	899	377,016	1,077
Photo Sup./Photog.	5,287,470	904,176	15,107	2,583	1,083,921	3,097
Printing	6,207,030	1,061,424	22,571	3,860	1,272,429	4,627
Paper/Paper Prod.	3,295,090	563,472	16,475	2,817	675,487	3,377
Gifts/Cards/Novel.	10,958,090	1,873,872	36,527	6,246	2,246,387	7,488
Newsstands	613,040	104,832	1,226	210	125,672	251
Video Rent/Sales	9,961,900	1,703,520	49,810	8,518	2,042,170	10,211
Others	15,326,000	2,620,800	61,304	10,483	3,141,800	12,567
TOTAL	\$970,000,000	\$165,870,000	2,751,373	470,484	\$198,849,000	564,027

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Sub-category information is found in Table 25.



Growth in Charles and Calvert Counties is also anticipated. Based on anticipated increases in households and related housing units, residentially generated demand for retail goods and related services are expected to increase to amounts sufficient to support an additional 410,000 square feet of space for Charles County residents by 2020.

*Table 26 – Charles Co. Residentially Generated Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Category for 2011 to 2020\**

Category	Charles Co Sales 2011	Charles Co Sales 2011-2020	Charles Co Space 2011	Charles Co Space 2011-2020
Food	\$451,385,000	\$31,597,000	842,988	59,009
Eat/Drink	169,836,000	11,889,000	424,590	29,723
General Merchandise	350,597,000	24,542,000	1,143,614	80,055
Furniture	125,728,000	8,801,000	387,267	27,108
Transportation	199,516,000	13,966,000	580,565	40,639
Drugstore	90,895,000	6,363,000	181,790	12,726
Apparel	104,087,000	7,286,000	323,889	22,672
Hardware	189,211,000	13,245,000	804,331	56,304
Vehicle Service	217,036,000	15,192,000	528,370	36,984
Miscellaneous	162,828,000	11,398,000	628,891	44,023
TOTAL	\$2,061,119,000	\$144,279,000	5,846,295	409,243

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The sub-category information for Charles County generated demand follows.

Table 27 – Charles Co. Residentially Generated Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Sub-category for 2011 to 2020\*

Sub-category	Charles Co Sales 2011	Charles Co Sales 2011-2020	Charles Co Space 2011	Charles co Space 2011-2020
Food	\$451,385,000	\$31,597,000	842,988	59,009
Supermarkets	376,906,475	26,383,495	638,825	44,718
Independents	36,110,800	2,527,760	90,277	6,319
Bakeries	9,930,470	695,134	33,102	2,317
Dairies	5,868,005	410,761	16,300	1,141
Others	22,569,250	1,579,850	64,484	4,514
Eat/Drink	169,836,000	11,889,000	424,590	29,723
General Merchandise	350,597,000	24,542,000	1,143,614	80,055
Dept. Stores	124,111,338	8,687,868	413,704	28,960
Variety Stores	25,242,984	1,767,024	97,088	6,796
Jewelry	24,191,193	1,693,398	34,072	2,385
Sporting Goods/Toys	38,215,073	2,675,078	127,384	8,917
Discount Dept.	131,473,875	9,203,250	438,246	30,678
Antiques, etc.	1,752,985	122,710	7,622	534
Others	5,609,552	392,672	25,498	1,785
Furniture	125,728,000	8,801,000	387,267	27,108
Furniture	18,984,928	1,328,951	61,242	4,287
Home Furnishings	26,151,424	1,830,608	74,718	5,230
Store/Office Equip.	19,865,024	1,390,558	66,217	4,635
Music Instr./Suppl.	5,406,304	378,443	27,032	1,892
Radios, TV, etc.	55,320,320	3,872,440	158,058	11,064
Transportation	199,516,000	13,966,000	580,565	40,639
New/Used Vehicles	69,830,600	4,888,100	174,577	12,220
Tires, Batt., Prts.	87,986,556	6,159,006	293,289	20,530
Marine Sales/Rentals	10,574,348	740,198	28,579	2,001
Auto/Truck Rentals	31,124,496	2,178,696	84,120	5,888
Drugstore	90,895,000	6,363,000	181,790	12,726
Apparel	104,087,000	7,286,000	323,889	22,672
Men's and Boy's	13,635,397	954,466	34,088	2,386
Women's and Girl's	34,556,884	2,418,952	93,397	6,538
Infants	2,185,827	153,006	7,286	510
Family	28,936,186	2,025,508	96,454	6,752
Shoes	21,754,183	1,522,774	79,106	5,537
Jeans/Leather	416,348	29,144	1,388	97
Tailors/Uniforms	1,873,566	131,148	9,368	656
Others	728,609	51,002	2,802	196
Hardware	189,211,000	13,245,000	804,331	56,304
Hardware	91,578,124	6,410,580	366,312	25,642
Lawn/Seed/Fertil.	3,595,009	251,655	10,574	740
Others	94,037,867	6,582,765	427,445	29,922
Vehicle Service	217,036,000	15,192,000	528,370	36,984
Gasoline	73,792,240	5,165,280	50,891	3,562
Garage, Repairs	143,243,760	10,026,720	477,479	33,422
Miscellaneous	162,828,000	11,398,000	628,891	44,023
Advert. Signs, etc.	2,605,248	182,368	9,474	663
Barber/Beauty shop	9,932,508	695,278	49,663	3,476
Book Stores	7,490,088	524,308	20,243	1,417
Bowling	3,745,044	262,154	37,450	2,622
Cig./Tobacco Dealer	1,139,796	79,786	2,280	160
Dent./Physician Lab	6,513,120	455,920	20,040	1,403
Florist/Nurseries	12,212,100	854,850	28,734	2,011
Laundry, Dry Clean	5,536,152	387,532	18,454	1,292
Optical Goods/Opt.	3,907,872	273,552	11,165	782
Photo Sup./Photog.	11,235,132	786,462	32,100	2,247

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Growth in Calvert County is expected to result in supportable space growing by 425,000 square feet by 2020 as found in Table 28.

Table 28 – Calvert Co. Residentially Generated Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Category for 2011 to 2020\*

Category	Calvert Co Sales 2011	Calvert Co Sales 2011-2020	Calvert Co Space 2011	Calvert Co Space 2011-2020
Food	\$273,296,000	\$32,795,000	510,395	61,246
Eat/Drink	102,829,000	12,339,000	257,073	30,848
General Merchandise	212,272,000	25,473,000	692,411	83,091
Furniture	76,123,000	9,135,000	234,472	28,138
Transportation	120,799,000	14,496,000	351,509	42,181
Drugstore	55,033,000	6,604,000	110,066	13,208
Apparel	63,020,000	7,562,000	196,101	23,531
Hardware	114,560,000	13,747,000	486,991	58,438
Vehicle Service	131,407,000	15,769,000	319,908	38,390
Miscellaneous	98,586,000	11,830,000	380,772	45,691
TOTAL	\$1,247,925,000	\$149,750,000	3,539,698	424,762

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Table 29 – Calvert Co. Residentially Generated Retail Goods & Services Sales and Space (Square Feet) and Change in Space Estimates by Sub-category for 2011 to 2020\*

Sub-category	Calvert Co Sales 2011	Calvert Co Sales 2011-2020	Calvert Co Space 2011	Calvert Co Space 2011-2020
Food	\$273,296,000	\$32,795,000	510,395	61,246
Supermarkets	228,202,160	27,383,825	386,783	46,413
Independents	21,863,680	2,623,600	54,659	6,559
Bakeries	6,012,512	721,490	20,042	2,405
Dairies	3,552,848	426,335	9,869	1,184
Others	13,664,800	1,639,750	39,042	4,685
Eat/Drink	102,829,000	12,339,000	257,073	30,848
General Merchandise	212,272,000	25,473,000	692,411	83,091
Dept. Stores	75,144,288	9,017,442	250,481	30,058
Variety Stores	15,283,584	1,834,056	58,783	7,054
Jewelry	14,646,768	1,757,637	20,629	2,476
Sporting Goods/Toys	23,137,648	2,776,557	77,125	9,255
Discount Dept.	79,602,000	9,552,375	265,340	31,841
Antiques, etc.	1,061,360	127,365	4,615	554
Others	3,396,352	407,568	15,438	1,853
Furniture	76,123,000	9,135,000	234,472	28,138
Furniture	11,494,573	1,379,385	37,079	4,450
Home Furnishings	15,833,584	1,900,080	45,239	5,429
Store/Office Equip.	12,027,434	1,443,330	40,091	4,811
Music Instr./Suppl.	3,273,289	392,805	16,366	1,964
Radios, TV, etc.	33,494,120	4,019,400	95,697	11,484
Transportation	120,799,000	14,496,000	351,509	42,181
New/Used Vehicles	42,279,650	5,073,600	105,699	12,684
Tires, Batt., Prts.	53,272,359	6,392,736	177,575	21,309
Marine Sales/Rentals	6,402,347	768,288	17,304	2,076
Auto/Truck Rentals	18,844,644	2,261,376	50,931	6,112
Drugstore	55,033,000	6,604,000	110,066	13,208
Apparel	63,020,000	7,562,000	196,101	23,531
Men's and Boy's	8,255,620	990,622	20,639	2,477
Women's and Girl's	20,922,640	2,510,584	56,548	6,785
Infants	1,323,420	158,802	4,411	529
Family	17,519,560	2,102,236	58,399	7,007
Shoes	13,171,180	1,580,458	47,895	5,747
Jeans/Leather	252,080	30,248	840	101
Tailors/Uniforms	1,134,360	136,116	5,672	681
Others	441,140	52,934	1,697	204
Hardware	114,560,000	13,747,000	486,991	58,438
Hardware	55,447,040	6,653,548	221,788	26,614
Lawn/Seed/Fertil.	2,176,640	261,193	6,402	768
Others	56,936,320	6,832,259	258,801	31,056
Vehicle Service	131,407,000	15,769,000	319,908	38,390
Gasoline	44,678,380	5,361,460	30,813	3,698
Garage, Repairs	86,728,620	10,407,540	289,095	34,692
Miscellaneous	98,586,000	11,830,000	380,772	45,691
Advert. Signs, etc.	1,577,376	189,280	5,736	688
Barber/Beauty shop	6,013,746	721,630	30,069	3,608
Book Stores	4,534,956	544,180	12,257	1,471
Bowling	2,267,478	272,090	22,675	2,721
Cig./Tobacco Dealer	690,102	82,810	1,380	166
Dent./Physician Lab	3,943,440	473,200	12,134	1,456
Florist/Nurseries	7,393,950	887,250	17,398	2,088
Laundry, Dry Clean	3,351,924	402,220	11,173	1,341
Optical Goods/Opt.	2,366,064	283,920	6,760	811
Photo Sup./Photog.	6,802,434	816,270	19,436	2,332
Printing	7,985,466	958,230	29,038	3,484
Paper/Paper Prod.	4,239,198	508,690	21,196	2,543
Gifts/Cards/Novel.	14,097,798	1,691,690	46,993	5,639
Newsstands	788,688	94,640	1,577	189
Video Rent/Sales	12,816,180	1,537,900	64,081	7,690
Others	19,717,200	2,366,000	78,869	9,464
TOTAL	\$1,247,925,000	\$149,750,000	3,539,698	424,762

\*Developed by The Chesapeake Group, Inc., 2011.

It is noted that the supportable space forecasts focus on opportunities created from anticipated growth. From a public policy perspective, growth opportunities are critical. By focusing on opportunities that result from growth and assuming reasonable competitive positions, no sales or revenues are theoretically extracted from existing operations to create or attract new business or businesses. Thus and theoretically, expansions or new businesses do not come at the expense of existing ones.

Total increases in supportable retail goods and related services space generated by the various components of the market are defined by adding the space generated by each component. Current demand is sufficient to support about 13.75 million square feet of space in 2011. This will increase in the lesser of the two alternatives by 1.58 million square feet by 2020. For Option B, the total increase is estimated at 1.7 million square feet by 2020.

*Table 30 - Total Square Feet of Supportable Space Generated by the Combined Markets for 2011 and the Change from 2011 to 2020 for Option A and B\**

Area	2011	Option A 2011-20	Option B 2011-20
LPDD	1,616,784	276,474	331,440
Remainder St. Mary's Co.	2,751,373	470,484	564,027
Charles County	5,846,295	409,243	409,243
Calvert County	3,539,698	424,762	424,762
Total	13,754,150	1,580,963	1,729,472

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As has been previously noted, no matter how large, how “strong,” or how dominant an area; no single area or market will attract all space from within its own markets. All residents have many choices and many make trips outside of their home or place of employment to visit friends or family or take vacations and spend dollars elsewhere through the course of any year. In addition, increasing leakage occurs as a result of rising internet sales.

Based on the available survey information conducted as part of the effort as well as the proportion of housing growth attributable over time to the Development District as well as other parts of St. Mary's County, the probability of attracting a share of the demand or market is estimated as follows.

- ✓ Between 50% and 70% of the LPDD growth could be captured in the Development District based on its historic share of growth in the county.
- ✓ About 50% of square footage associated with the growth elsewhere in St. Mary's County could be captured based on the concentration of employment in the LPDD and the proclivity of shopping near such employment.
- ✓ Roughly 10% to 15% of the growth in square footage in Calvert and Charles County can be captured.

Based on the above “penetration” levels, the LPDD has the potential to capture between 457,000 and 597,000 square feet of additional retail goods and related services space through 2020. This space will come from growth in market forces alone and should not come at the expense of any existing competitive operations.

The above are total figures. Increases in retail within the confines of the military base would lower the amount that could be located in the LPDD area “outside the fences.”

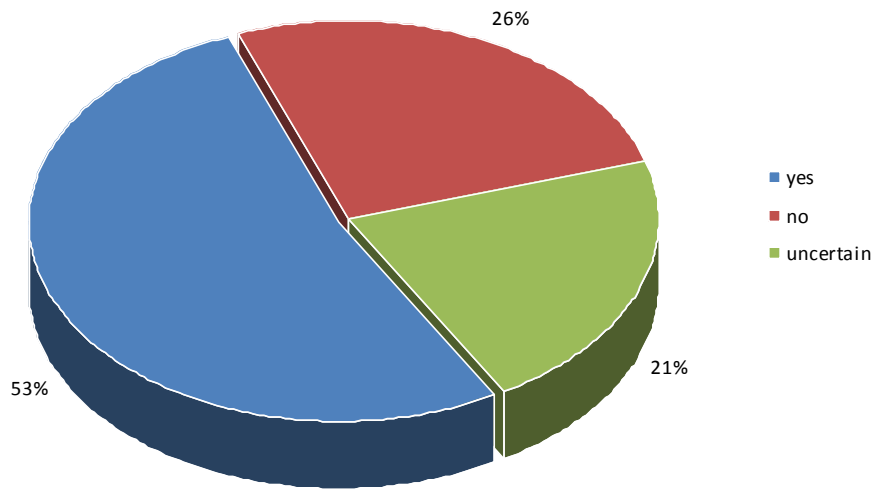
## Generated Demand for Market Rate Housing

Future growth in commercial demand is premised upon market growth. Demand for housing is directly related to continued investment in personnel and mission for the military, existing household movement, internal generation of new households, and in-migration of new households that do not currently reside in the general area.

The potential household and housing unit growth estimates have previously been noted. The survey of area residents that was conducted provides evidence of potential markets for new housing in general and specifically opportunities for housing in the established Lexington Park section of the Development District. The survey identified changes in household sizes and other conditions that will impact the market, current residency, potential distribution and form of housing in the next five to ten years. It is noted that:

- ✓ About one-half of the households indicated that they might seek other housing within the next five years as a result of numerous factors including changes in the household size, employment conditions, rental or housing markets conditions, and physical or fiscal conditions.
- ✓ About one-half of these households that indicated that they might seek other housing within five years feel that a move to another community outside of St. Mary's County was a possibility.

**The Potential for Household to Move Outside of St Mary's County**



- ✓ Many feel the move may be to another state and is likely linked to changes related to employment.

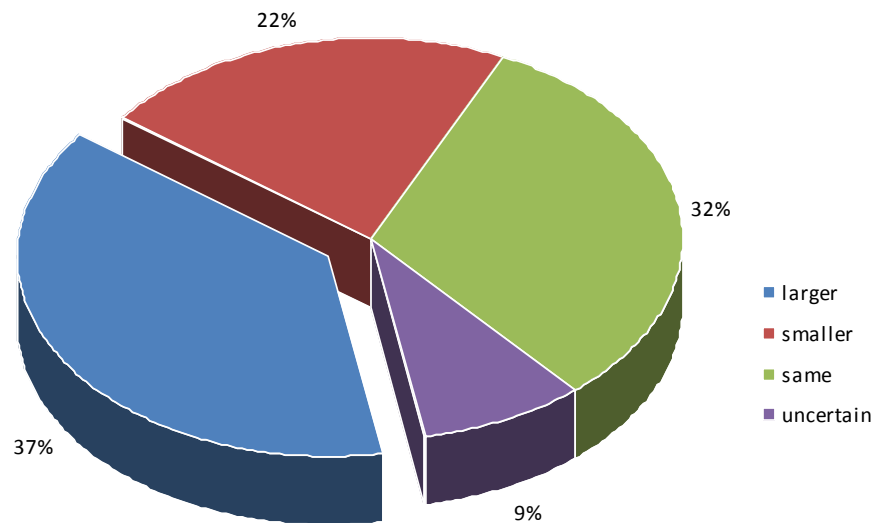
*Table 31 - Potential Relocation Areas for Those that Anticipate a Potential Move\**

Potential Location for Move	% of those that might move
Move near family members or friends near where you live now	5.8
Move elsewhere in your current county	30.2
Move to another Southern Maryland County	8.1
Move elsewhere in Maryland	6.5
Move to another state	48.1
Move outside of the Continental US	1.3

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- ✓ 22% of the households expressing an interest in a change in residence indicated that the new unit would likely be smaller than their current residence; while 38% anticipate it potentially being larger.

### Likely Size of Potential New Housing Unit



- ✓ The most popular characteristics or amenities identified or sought by those expressing the potential to move in the next five years follow in order of their frequency:

- |                             |                                   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| • Near shopping and dining  | • Garages and basements           |
| • Have open space           | • Youth activities                |
| • Security/privacy          | • Walkable/bike-able neighborhood |
| • Quality construction      | • Better schools                  |
| • Near parks and recreation | • Waterfront                      |

- ✓ As the population in the country ages, there is an increasing pattern of relocation associated with parents and their adult off-spring. Two-thirds of the households sampled have adult relatives 60 years of age or older for whom there may be future responsibilities as a result of aging and other factors. Less than 4% of the households have such a parent or relative living with them at this point in time.

- ✓ More than 85% of households with aging relatives for which they may have future responsibilities own their current housing units, with the majority owning them for more than 20 years. Thus, there is a high probability that the aging relatives have equity in their homes that could be used to purchase new units if moves were required.

Table 31 – Type of Housing\*

Type of Unit	Percent
single-family detached house	81.5
townhouse or row house	3.6
duplex or side-by-side	1.0
mobile or manufactured home	1.8
single story apartment/condo complex	2.3
mid or high-rise apartment/condo complex	6.7
other structure	3.1

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- ✓ 60% of the responding households do not envision these relatives moving in the next five years. However, for those who do, about two in ten feel the move will be made to a locations in proximity to them.
- ✓ About one-half feels that their relatives would prefer independent senior housing, but

about one-half feels some level of assisted living is possible or would be required. .

- ✓ 55% feel that the provision of amenities such as recreation, medical care, or nearby shopping would influence their relatives’ choice of new housing.

The range of total housing unit growth in the LPDD between 2011 and 2020 is expected to be between 4,090 and 4,750 units as previously defined.

Based on the survey findings and the anticipated overall growth in housing, it is estimated that there is the potential for 240 to 450 of the market rate units to be in a quality non-traditional setting, such as in redeveloped “town centers” that might evolve in the “Lexington Park” section of the LPDD. Between 100 to 150 of these units could be “adult living” oriented. This would provide the opportunity for both new compatible development as well as reuse of portions of existing structures.

**Generated Demand for Additional Office Activity**

As previously defined and for at least the next ten years, the primary economic engine driving commercial and residential growth in the Development District will be Pax River and related contracting activity. Much of the growth in housing units anticipated as well as the retail growth result from a continuation of the facilities to expand employment. Most of the associated employment will take the form of office space for which the location could be either “within” or “outside” the fence.

In estimating the amount of office space generated, the following assumptions are made.

- ✓ Each office employee requires 250 gross square feet of space. (This includes not just the “office” of the person, but halls, elevator shafts, stairwells, etc.)
- ✓ Each new household will have an average of 1.2 people employed.
- ✓ The number of households added to the Development District from 2011 to 2030 could be between 8,180 and 9,600 units, yielding between 9,800 and 11,500 employees.

- ✓ The conservatively estimated average proportion of “office employment” of all employment associated with the new households is estimated to be between roughly 51% to 52%.

Based on the assumptions, it is estimated that office demand will grow from 2011 to 2030 by between 1.254 and 1.506 million square feet of space. Much of this space will be directly linked to the military and military contracting. The location of some or all of that space could be in rehabilitated structures as well as new structures.

## ***R & D and Emerging Technology Assessment***

While there is a growing concentration of military and technology related research and development increasingly situated on the base or in very nearby locations and some of the technology has transfer potential for new product development which has already been addressed by the County; there are other niches that are not related to the current R & D activity for which there is substantial opportunity that can result in a total “new” direction. Pursuit of the activity has significant implications to the office space market for the community and expansion of educational opportunities in the area in the future. Most importantly, pursuit would allow the Development District and St. Mary’s County to carve out a niche to recruit new major “players,” including private companies, public entities and a range of institutions; and to develop expanded entrepreneurship. This R & D activity is generally related to agricultural products and the natural resources in the area which are abundant.

Numerous prospective research and development programs can be gleaned from agricultural products and the area’s natural resources, including but not limited to bio-medical research, bio-fuel production, animal cognition and communications, DNA genome exploration, chemical defense weapons and environmental monitoring, and climate change and its impacts.

The following is a synopsis of prospective research studies and/or products which can be garnered from St. Mary’s County’s and the Lexington Park area’s natural resources.

The abundance of St. Mary’s County water bodies, including but not limited to, the Potomac, The Patuxent and St Mary’s Rivers and Chesapeake Bay offer a wealth of bio diversity providing resources leading to potentially new pharmaceutical and medical advances; as well as electronics and nanoscale research; fresh/brackish water ecosystems, evaluation, monitoring and mitigation; and others.

Existing technology firms are clustered in and around Lexington Park. Major business parks are located at Lexington Park Corporate Center, Exploration, Expedition, Willows Run, Pine Hill and others can serve as a nucleus for the recruitment of additional research and development interests, institutions and university locations and expansions.

The categories offering significant economic development opportunities include but are not limited to:

1. **Tobacco** - In 2007, The 2007 agriculture census conducted by the Maryland Department of Planning reported St. Mary’s County produced the majority of Maryland’s tobacco (559,694 pounds, or 66.4%) on the majority of tobacco-producing land (292 acres, or 69.0% of the state total). Tobacco is being re-purposed for: plant-made pharmaceuticals including malaria vaccines, cholera vaccines, flu vaccine, antibiotics, cancer treatments, orthopedics, wound healing and



blood substitutes; bio-degradable plastics; phyto-remediation; and biodegradable solar storage cells. In addition, tobacco-made antibodies are in clinical trials to prevent tooth decay causing bacteria.

Transgenic tobacco and potato plants can accumulate high levels of cyanophycin, a possible source for poly-aspartate. This work opens the way to the future production of biodegradable plastics using a plant-based production system. Several problems need to be overcome first, such as growth retardation as a result of cyanophycin accumulating in the cytosol, and a co-production system needs to be developed for economical reasons.

Genetically engineered viruses injected into tobacco plants trigger the plants to grow solar cells. University of California Berkeley researchers used genetically engineered bacteria to produce the building blocks for artificial photovoltaic and photochemical cells. The technique could be more environmentally friendly than traditional methods of making solar cells and could lead to cheap, temporary and biodegradable solar cells.

Evolution has established exactly the right distances between chromophore to allow them to collect and use light from the sun with unparalleled efficiency. Researchers are trying to mimic these finely tuned systems using the tobacco mosaic virus, (TMV), an RNA virus that infects plants, especially tobacco and other members of the family Solanaceae, a large and economically important family of herbs/shrubs/ trees often strongly scented and sometimes narcotic or poisonous.

Hebrew University of Jerusalem's Robert H. Smith Institute of Plant Sciences and Genetics in Agriculture has established the only laboratory in the world that has reported successful co-expression of all five essential genes in transgenic tobacco plants for the production of processed pro-collagen. CollPlant Ltd., a biotechnology company engaged in the development and marketing of collagen biomaterials for the wound care and orthopedic markets. It has been established based on patents and technology developed in the laboratory. CollPlant is a public company traded in "TASE," and the potential revenue for the Hebrew University from this invention is estimated to reach into the multi-million dollar range. The Faculty of Agriculture, Food and Environment succeeded in producing a replica of human collagen from tobacco plants, an achievement with tremendous commercial implications for use in a variety of human medical procedures. Commercially produced collagen (pro-collagen) is used in surgical implants and many wound healing devices in regenerative medicine. The current market for collagen-based medical devices in orthopedics and wound healing exceeds US \$30 billion annually worldwide.

**2. Benthic Communities** - These include both animals and organisms, exist in all water bodies. They are currently being studied in 'vertical zones' exploring how individual organisms, populations, and ecological communities develop over space and time. They are also a primary resource for anti-cancer drug development therapies. Diatoms, are benthic micro-algae, found in aquatic and semi-aquatic habitats, are of ecological importance, and an important part of the food web. They are a critical climate and environmental monitoring tool. They are also being used to create electronics and nanoscale research of photovoltaic cells.

Didymo Algae/Rock Snot is a Diatom. Diatoms are micro-algae characterized by their extraordinary cell walls, made of silica laid down in intricately patterned and perforated geometrical structures. Found in aquatic and semi-aquatic habitats diatoms are of ecological importance, an important part of the food web. Individuals or colonies of diatoms are generally free floating in the water column. These photosynthetic organisms are prolific producers, and one of the most important food sources for many aquatic animals. The Chesapeake and Coastal Bay Life report on diatoms was focused on those that live in Chesapeake Bay and its tributaries. More than 400 diatom species, primarily marine and estuarine taxa, were identified in the sediments.

**3. Crab Shells** - waste from the crabs is chitan, which is a by-product used for medical therapies, including but not limited to blocking tumor-related angiogenesis. Chitosan a product created from chitan is being developed as a drug delivery system, and used by the military for soldier's wound healing.

The blue crab in St. Mary's waters provides the multi-purpose crab shells containing natural chitan, a waste by-product converted into chitosan, which can be used for medical therapies, including but not limited to blocking tumor-related angiogenesis, an effective drug delivery system and a natural wound healing remedy.

Chitin is commercially extracted from crab shells, a waste by-product of picking/cleaning crabs. In a research project financially supported by the European Union, the CARAPAX project, researchers from Germany, France, Norway, and Greece teamed up to optimize the processes of chitin extraction and chitosan production so that chitosans, with specific and well known amounts of [acetic acid](#) attached to the sugar backbone, could be produced.

Using the extraneous crab shells to develop and exploit the economic and ecological potential of the biological raw material, these bio-compatible, bio-degradable, non-allergenic, non-toxic chitosans will be used for their ability to protect economically important crop plants from disease. The upgrading of bulk chitosan into pure, high added value specialty chitosans for consumer-safe, environment-friendly, cost-effective plant protection will add value and improve whole crop utilization for the crab fisheries, improving sustainability in agriculture, and improving the quality of life.

Unstoppable bleeding is one of the leading causes of death on battlefields however; soldiers in Iraq and Afghanistan have a way to reduce bleeding when they're wounded. In "War Bandages," ScienCentral News writes these new bandages contain chitosan molecules extracted from shrimp/crab shells. These positively charged chitosan molecules attract negatively charged red blood cells, stopping hemorrhage in one to five minutes. The Food and Drug Administration approved these bandages for human usage; however, they are exclusively sold to the Army, with a \$90 price tag for a 4-inch-by-4-inch single bandage.

**4. Birds** – Species native to St. Mary's County include, but are not limited to:

- ✓ Chickadees, a species with a high functioning language-shaped brain, being used for research of bird/ human brain comparisons.
- ✓ The Dark-Eyed Junco who's declining population is believed to be due to the hemlock tree's diseases which are the natural habitat of the bird. Increasing evidence suggests climate change is affecting the breeding timing of birds, but there is less evidence to show how such changes affect the population dynamics of birds overall. Scientists have also observed that birds are breeding and laying their eggs earlier and migratory species have altered their wintering and/or critical stopover habitats.
- ✓ Corvids, which include Jays, Jackdaws and Crows, have been used to compare cognitive development with young children. Comparative cognition in animals, with an emphasis on naturalistic models of learning and cognition, has asked the question "are humans the only ones who remember unique, personal past experiences, or can animals do it, too?" Research using crows and several species of Jays (blue jays and scrub jays) has produced positive results that they in fact can see an action, process it and plan to prevent it in the future.

Given the frequency and severity of episodic memory (what, where and when) deficits in humans, it would be useful to have animal models of episodic memory to better understand and treat the loss of episodic memory in humans. Gaining a better understanding of episodic-like memory functions in animals creates the potential for more sophisticated models to determine the effectiveness of drug and behavioral treatments for episodic memory loss attributable to damage or disease. Animal models of episodic memory provide the best hope of developing and exploring treatments for people who have lost the ability to reminisce about their past and seem confined to live in a perpetual present.

5. **Pine trees** - St Mary's County's native pine trees include, but are not limited to the Eastern White Pine, Loblolly pines and on St. Mary's Christmas Tree Farms, the varieties include, but are not limited to the Caanan, Concolor, Douglas and Fraser Firs, Norway Spruce and White Pine. These ubiquitous trees have a variety of alternative benefits including using their cones to produce extract and chiral ionic liquids whose chemistries are applied as an adjuvant with cancer chemotherapies, to create natural chemical weapon defenses, a natural ingredient for phyto-remediation or green chemistry and as a model for smart sports clothing.

6. **Local Produce** - Southern Maryland's local production and crops includes but is not limited to:

arugula	lettuce
asparagus	mesclun
apples - Fuji, Gala, Red/Yellow Delicious/Granny Smith/Stayman/Winesap	mums
beets	shitake mushrooms
lima/snap/string/wax beans	nectarines
blackberries	okra
blueberries	onions
broccoli	white/yellow peaches
buffalo	peas
cabbage	pears
cauliflower	plums
sweet/sour cherries	sweet/hot peppers
chicken eggs	sweet/white/yellow/fingerling/purple/heirloom potatoes
collard/cress/turnip/mustard greens	sheep
sweet/white/bi-color corn	sod
cucumbers	summer/winter squash
eggplant	turnip roots
figs	cantaloupe/honey dew/watermelons
flowers	cooking/jack-o-lantern pumpkins
gourds	raspberries
grain	rhubarb
grapes	strawberries,
hay	Christmas Trees, Douglas Fir, Fraser Fir
honey	wines
kale	

These produce have many applications, including but not limited to research exploring:

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| ✓ cancer,           | ✓ natural gas storage,                  |
| ✓ alzheimers,       | ✓ fetal prevention of asthma,           |
| ✓ paralization,     | ✓ gout treatment                        |
| ✓ shingles therapy, | ✓ hydrogen generation alternative fuels |

The anti-oxidants and flavonoids in the vegetables and fruits are used in the treatment/therapy of cancer and heart disease prevention. Lycopene which offers prostate cancer prevention and prevention of neuro-degenerative diseases (NDD). These NDD include motor neuron diseases such as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). Other ingredient found in both fruits and vegetables is polyphenol oxidase used to treat allergic responses and for therapeutic medicinal extract delivery. These extracts inhibit the growth of cancer cells, protecting the liver from the chemotherapy's toxic effects and increasing the healthy cell's regeneration following radiation.

Apitherapy is the science of using bee sting venom immunotherapy. Its uses include but are not limited to stimulating the immune system to fight cancer. Also, the venom contains several biochemical or pharmacologically active substances, including at least the following: histamine, dopamine, melittin, apamin (mast cell destroyer - MCD), peptide, minimine, and the enzymes - phospholipase A, and hyaluronidase.

The venom causes the body to produce natural cortisone and with treatment has been known to restore paralyzed legs and open end fractures. It has also been used to normalize menstruation periods in women and increase sperm count in men. The venom has been effective in the treating of shingles (having an anti viral effect), and also in the remission of tumors of many different types of malignant diseases, including but not limited to, the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis, reducing calcification of arthritic areas; desensitization of hypersensitive individuals, reducing the growth of leukemic cells by calmodulin: phenothiazines and melittin inhibitors.

Researchers at the University of Missouri-Columbia and Midwest Research Institute in Kansas City have devised a way to use corncob waste creating "carbon briquettes." As opposed to conventional natural gas storage, which compresses to 3,600 psi pressure requiring bulky tanks with reduced driving range and frequent refueling trips; the briquettes store natural gas at 500 psi, pipeline pressure, providing design options for thin-wall fuel tanks to fit under vehicles, vs. a trunk or pickup bed.

Apple consumption may increase acetylcholine production in the brain neuro-transmitter, resulting in improved memory. Acetylcholine is a chemical released from nerve cells that transmit messages to other nerve cells. The role of acetylcholine in the brain is not a new area of research and its medication studies start with the premise that increasing the amount of acetylcholine in the brain can help to slow mental decline in people with Alzheimer's disease. Testing a similar hypothesis, the University of Massachusetts research team found that having animals consume antioxidant-rich apple juice had a comparable and beneficial effect.

Pumpkin Seeds contain chemical substances called cucurbitacins that can prevent the body from converting testosterone into a more potent form called dihydrotestosterone (DHT). DHT is responsible for the development of many male gender characteristics including its accumulation in the prostate that can lead to an enlargement in size, a condition is common in men over 50 and by the age of 80, 9 of 10 men will show symptoms. Pumpkin seed's healing properties have also been investigated with respect to arthritis. In animal studies, the addition of pumpkin seeds to

the diet has compared favorably with use of the non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug indomethacin in reducing inflammatory symptoms.

Engineers at Ohio State University found a way to turn discarded chicken eggshells into an alternative energy resource. The most effective carbon dioxide absorber ever tested, ground-up eggshells could be used in the water-gas-shift reaction. Calcium carbonate, a key eggshell ingredient, captures 78% of carbon dioxide by weight.

**7. Floriculture** – Floriculture or flower farming in St. Mary’s County was the largest single agricultural product by sales volume for any jurisdiction in Maryland in 2007. This discipline includes the hybridizing to produce new varieties of flowers and plants, breeding increased color and bloom quantities, as well as disease protection.

US Department of Agriculture, Agricultural Research Service, U. S. National Arboretum, Floral and Nursery Plants Research Unit in Beltsville, Maryland has conducted projects for engineering resistance and disease management in ornamental crops. Viral diseases of ornamental plants cause major losses in productivity and quality. Host plant resistance offers an effective means of controlling plant diseases caused by viruses. It minimizes the necessity for the application of pesticides. However, there are many ornamentals in which no natural disease resistance is available. Genetic engineering allows the introduction of specific, and in some instances broad spectrum, disease resistance derived from other species, or even from the pathogen itself into plant genotypes that have been selected for desirable horticultural properties.

**8. Stink bugs** - The recent proliferation of the invasive species needs a method to at least manage, if not eradicate their damage to crops and nuisance to residents. The University of Maryland has developed some promising transgenic fungi therapies for the treatment of malaria which may also be applied to many other diseases as well as the stink bug. Other states are spending multiple thousands of dollars researching control and extinction methods.

The brown marmorated stink bug (*Halyomorpha halys*), a native of Asia, is emerging as a major nuisance to homeowners and a devastating pest to orchardists and potentially to soybean growers in Maryland. Damage to fruit and vegetable crops from stink bugs in Middle Atlantic states has reached critical levels, according to a government report. Farmers in Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and other states are battling a pest whose appetite has left dry boreholes in everything from apples and grapes to tomatoes and soybeans, all St. Mary’s local produce.

Agriculture Department’s Appalachian Fruit Research Station in Kearneysville, West Virginia is among three laboratories looking for a stink bug solution. The U.S. D. A. is spending \$800,000 this fiscal year on stink bug research, double last year’s budget, and an estimated seven more full-time researchers are needed, at a cost of about \$3.5 million a year for salaries and research expenses.

The University of Maryland Extension with other research institutions are working to find solutions but there is no quick answer to control this new pest. In 2010, Maryland had significant damage to commercial growers.

The Pennsylvania Apple Marketing Board announced an aggressive stand against the Brown Marmorated Stink Bug providing \$50,000 to fund a two-year research project through the entomology program at Penn State University’s Fruit Research and Extension Center.

9. **Swine** - Swine includes both hogs and pigs which are being used in medical therapies including but not limited to transgenic human organ transplant units, membrane for osteoarthritis treatment, the mandibles for dental research, muscle tissues for regenerative medical therapies, and tendons are being used in ACL corrective knee operations . Lab-grown meats are being made from the pig's stem cells and could provide both a solution for world hunger as well as a tastier alternative to help for astronauts living in space. Swine gelatin is used in foods and has industrial uses for lighting equipment and glossy paper and playing card production.

Scientists in Melbourne, Australia, used a ventilator and pump to keep pig lungs alive and "breathing" while human blood flowed in them, successfully creating a human transplant option.

Atazoa a UK company called has successfully created transgenic pig sperm. Human DNA is now added to the pigs as they are reared to reduce clotting and the number of lungs which are rejected. Atazoa moved its research to the United States and breed the pigs in Missouri, to produce a fully modified animal within the next year (2011 or 2012). They hope to begin clinical trials to demonstrate that the genetically engineered organs are safe for human transplant.

Gelatin, a protein produced by partial hydrolysis of collagen extracted from animal's boiled bones, connective tissues, organs and some intestines, has medical applications, including but not limited to: gelatin peptides to reinforce resistance of the stomach mucous tunic, decreasing the ulcer area by one-half: promoting general joint health and used as a biological substrate to culture adherent cells; and as an ingredient in implantable medical devices, like in some bone void fillers. Gelatin also constitutes the shells of pharmaceutical capsules which makes them easier to swallow;

Designer meat would theoretically be free of hormones, antibiotics, and the threat of mad cow disease or bird flu. Omega-3 fatty acids and vitamins could be blasted into the mixture or dispersed through veins. It may be possible to design a hamburger that prevents heart attacks. Several other groups in the U.S., Scandinavia and Japan are also researching ways to make meat in the laboratory, but the Dutch project is the most advanced.