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Baltimore City - Complete Streets Program Funding - Traffic and Vehicle Monitoring Systems HB226 - FAQ's

What does HB226 do?

- Requires that all net revenue collected by the city's automated camera monitoring systems (e.g. speed cameras, school bus cameras, red light cameras, overhead height monitoring cameras) be used to advance the purpose and goals of the Baltimore City Complete Streets Program
- Supports projects in Baltimore City that make our streets safer and more livable

Why is this Legislation Important for Baltimore?

- The Baltimore City Council passed the Complete Streets ordinance in 2018 and since formed a Complete Streets Advisory Committee to develop a Complete Streets Manual, propose complete streets projects and engage with community members across the city.
- Funding provided by HB226 will support the city's efforts to design complete streets that are:
 - **Equitable:** 33% of Baltimore residents—up to 80% of residents in communities of color - lack access to a car and rely on alternative methods of transit to move around
 - **Safe:** Baltimore City's streets are inhospitable, because they are designed for moving cars, and Baltimore's fatal, injury and property damage crash rates continue to increase.
 - **Cost Effective:** Bike and pedestrian projects are less expensive and have a higher return on investment than traditional road construction

Where does Money from Automatic Cameras Currently Go?

- Revenue created by Baltimore City's automated camera monitoring systems currently goes into the city's general fund.

Did you Know?

- The General Assembly established the Complete Streets Program in 2018 to provide at least \$1 million in state funds each year for local projects that promote livable streets.
- Revenue collected under HB226 will supplement funds already allocated to the Complete Streets Program.
- Baltimore City already uses automatic cameras to enforce traffic safety laws. HB226 takes the revenue generated from these cameras to fund projects that protect people who are most impacted by unsafe drivers: city residents, public transit users, bikers and pedestrians.