

Transit Plan Transit Advisory Panel, 1998-99; Commission on Education Finance, Equity, and Excellence, 1999-; Governor's Task Force on Eastern Shore Economic Development, 1999-.

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