



March 9, 2023

Mr. Aaron Hassinger  
Project Executive  
U.S. General Services Administration Public Buildings Service  
1800 F Street NW  
Washington, DC 20405

Dear Mr. Hassinger,

The Maryland Association of Counties (MACo), on behalf of Maryland's 24 county governments, is in strong support of building a new, consolidated FBI headquarters in Prince George's County, Maryland.

Prince George's County is at the forefront of promoting a more diverse and inclusive economy through a thoughtful and strategic economic development strategy. The County's highly skilled workforce, easy access to all modes of transportation, proximity to several world class academic and research institutions, and commitment to environmental sustainability, make Prince George's County the ideal location for the new FBI headquarters.

Prince George's County offers two build-ready sites that can deliver the new FBI Headquarters between two and four years earlier than the competing site in Virginia, saving taxpayers between \$250 and \$500 million. Furthermore, the State of Maryland has committed to contributing more than \$200 million to the project, resulting in significant costs savings for the federal government.

Prince George's County is a leader in promoting transit-oriented development to ensure dense, walkable, and mixed-use spaces near transit that support vibrant, sustainable, and equitable communities. The County is leveraging smart growth strategies to encourage economic development, reduce sprawl, and maximize the return on existing transit investment.

Maryland is home to 57 accredited two- and four-year colleges and universities, including some of the world's leading academic institutions. Further, Maryland has the largest concentration of cyber expertise and resources in the world. As home to Fort Meade, U.S. Cyber Command, the National Security Agency, 17 NSA/DHS-certified Centers of Academic Excellence, and a variety of education and workforce initiatives, Maryland can deliver the highly skilled workforce to ensure the FBI can carry out its mission on behalf of the safety and security of the American people.

MACo urges the General Services Administration to choose Maryland as the new home of the FBI headquarters and stands ready to provide additional information as needed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Calvin Ball'.

Calvin Ball  
President, MACo  
County Executive, Howard County