

2019 GCAAR Legislative Priorities

First-Time Home Buyer Tax Credit



First-time home buyer rates are at a 30 year low. In the last 10 years median home prices have risen 40 percent. Montgomery County needs to incentivize the next generation to put down roots.

Streamlining Real Estate Contracts



County real estate contracts are over 50 pages, far longer than other area jurisdictions. Removing duplicative & unnecessary regulations will make the county more business friendly.

Improve Permitting Process for Property Owners



Current permitting processes disincentive improving one's homestead. We need to streamline the process for homeowners - without sacrificing oversight or safety - to free up taxpayer time and money.

Lowering Closing Costs



Down payments are too often an obstacle to homeownership. Lower recordation taxes would save prospective homeowners thousands of dollars up front. This small benefit would have a worthy impact.

