Members of the Montgomery County's Zero Waste and Strategic Plan Task Force

- 1. Caroline Taylor has worked on environmental and agricultural issues for much of her professional career. Since 2009, she has been the Executive Director of Montgomery Countryside Alliance, working to protect and promote the Montgomery County, Maryland's nationally recognized 93,000-acre Agricultural Reserve. Prior to the Alliance, she served as the Executive Director for FARM (For a Rural Montgomery) and worked in environmental litigation and policy for National Wildlife Federation. She has served on the County's Facilities Implementation Group and the working group to advance the Strategic Composting, compost Use, and Food Scrap Diversion. Caroline holds a BA from the University of Virginia.
- 2. Lauren Greenberger is the President of Sugarloaf Citizens Association (SCA). Prior to joining SCA, Lauren worked for 25 years on bilateral and multilateral health development projects in West Africa and the Congo. Most of her work centered on operations research in health systems, primary healthcare and sanitation for USAID-funded projects, World Health Organization (WHO) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Lauren has a landscape design and installation business in Montgomery County. Lauren has a master's degree in health science from Johns Hopkins University, Bloomberg School of Public Health.
- 3. Sara Bixby is an experienced executive with a demonstrated history of working with public agencies and non-profit organizations. She is an expert in business development, solid waste management, sustainable development, and environmental compliance. She has been a member of the Montgomery County's Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) since 2014. Sara is the Deputy Executive Director for Administration, Information Technology and Finance, Management, of the Solid Waste Association of North America (SWANA). Prior to SWANA, she was the Director of South Central Iowa Solid Waste Agency from 2003 to 2013. Sara has a Master of Business Administration from the University of St. Thomas, Minnesota and a Bachelor of Arts Journalism and Mass Communication from Iowa State University.
- 4. Chaz Miller has been involved in solid waste and recycling since 1976 when he joined EPA's Resource Recovery Division. He retired last year as the Director for the National Waste and Recycling Association (NWRA), but still works part-time on Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) regulations. NWRA is a trade association for private sector haulers, recyclers, composters, and disposal companies. Maryland Governor Larry Hogan presented a proclamation to Chaz Miller to honor the industry veteran for his 40-plus years serving the waste and recycling industry. Chaz has been a keynoter and speaker at recycling and solid waste conferences in the United States, Canada, Japan and China. He was a plenary session speaker at the United Nations Commission on Sustainable Development Waste Management Conference in Tokyo. Chaz also wrote "The Circular File", an award-winning column for Waste 360 magazine. He was Chairman of the Board of the National Recycling Coalition and was President of the Maryland Recycling Network.

- 5. **Ken Lavish** is a resident of Silver Spring, Maryland. He has been a Department of Environmental Protection's Recycling Volunteer for over 10 years. Ken studied Economics at the University of Maryland. Ken is passionate about protecting the environment. He is also a volunteer of the Patuxent Research Refuge and the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center.
- 6. **Robin Wiener** joined the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, Inc. (ISRI) in 1989 to direct the association's environmental compliance activities. In March 2000, the ISRI's board conferred on her the title of President. ISRI is a trade association representing approximately 1,600 private, for-profit companies in more than 36 countries throughout the globe that process, broker and industrially consume scrap commodities (including scrap metal, paper, plastics, textiles, rubber and electronics). ISRI provides advocacy, education and training, safety outreach, compliance assistance and public awareness of the vital role recycling plays in the U.S. economy, global trade, the environment, and sustainable development.
- 7. **Peter Ettinger** has over 20 years of experience in the fields of business, operational development, marketing, and sales. His advisory and implementation work in both public and private companies has resulted in significant operational and financial gains. Peter has taught entrepreneurship and commercialization strategies at Johns Hopkins Medical School. Peter's recent work has been focused on the agricultural field with organically based products aimed at remedies for soil depletion. Specifically, he is the Director of Marketing and Business for BTS Bioenergy, Inc. (BTS), a technology leader in the biological transformation of organic waste materials, byproducts from alimentary industries, residues and agricultural by-products and crops into energy and organic fertilizer. BTS serves industrial and agricultural companies, local authorities, food industry, food scraps disposal and composting plants.