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Transit Services Launches Pilot Bus Service to Cunningham Falls State Park



FREDERICK, MD – People can now use Transit Services of Frederick County to visit the Manor Area of Cunningham Falls State Park in Thurmont, Maryland thanks to a newly launched pilot bus stop location. This stop is now included on the Emmitsburg/Thurmont Shuttle, with three weekday trips and two Saturday trips passing by the park. The pilot service will run through Saturday, September 20, 2025.

“Access to parks and recreation should be available to everyone,” said Roman Steichen, Director of Transit Services. “Transit Services is proud to make it easier for our community to enjoy places like Cunningham Falls. Our system already connects riders to the C&O Canal at Point of Rocks and Brunswick, as well as to many local and county parks.”

This pilot program supports the Livable Frederick vision of creating a more connected community, where land use, transportation, and public spaces work together to improve quality of life.

Cunningham Falls is one of Frederick County’s most visited outdoor destinations, known for its hiking trails, fishing, boating, swimming area, and Maryland’s largest cascading waterfall. By expanding transit to Cunningham Falls, the County is making progress toward improving mobility and ensuring that everyone, whether they drive, bike, or ride the bus, can explore and enjoy Frederick’s natural treasures.

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Transit is free to ride, but riders will simply need to cover the park's entrance fee when they arrive. Transit Services invites community members and visitors alike to take advantage of this new connection, ride with us to Cunningham Falls, and enjoy one of Frederick County's most treasured outdoor destinations.

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