



Tuesday, March 24th, 2026

RHA prepares for April elections



March 24th, 2026 - The Maryland Residence Hall Association (RHA) is preparing for gearing up for its upcoming elections in April. The deadlines for candidate applications are fast

approaching, and we encourage you to run for our President and Vice President positions or an executive board position as soon as possible. Being part of the RHA is an excellent opportunity to develop leadership skills, make a difference on campus, and make connections with other residents.

Here are the crucial dates to remember:

Sunday, March 28th: Presidential and Vice Presidential Candidate Application and Platform Submission Deadline (11:59 p.m.)

Tuesday, March 31st: Presidential & Vice Presidential Platform Presentations and Q&A during closed Senate Session (7 p.m. @ Prince George's Room 1211 in STAMP)

Tuesday, April 14th: Debate and Voting during closed Senate Session for President and Vice-President Positions (7 p.m. @ Prince George's Room 1211 in STAMP)

Wednesday, April 15th: Executive Board Application Deadline (11:59 p.m.)

If you have any questions about any of the positions don't be afraid to reach out! We also have a recording of overviews for each position [here](#).

NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Hi Terps!

I hope everyone had a lovely spring break safe from the dastardly swings of Maryland weather! Elections are approaching fast, so I want to encourage everyone to be on the lookout for people you want to see apply to the executive board next year! Nudge your peers to pursue this lovely experience. I'll be on the look out for any questions that might pop up.

Best,

- Emily Shoemaker, RHA President 2025-2026

Senate Summary (3/10/2026)

- **AGENDA**
- **Quorum Not Met.**
- **Executive Team + Committee Updates**

Committee Corner

Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC): works with the University's Department of Transportation Services (DOTS). Committee Coordinator: *Attowla Kouadio* (akouadi1@terpmail.umd.edu)

- Meet virtually on Wednesdays biweekly @ 4-5
- Come with any ideas, complaints, concerns, or curiosities about transportation!
- Stay on the lookout for any announcements about the Shuttle UM Route Resets, DOTS will want any and all inputs!

Diversity and Inclusion Action Committee (DIACom): works to ensure students feel safe and comfortable on campus. Committee Coordinator: *Giselle Maravilla* (gmaravil@terpmail.umd.edu)

- DIACom will be meeting next Wednesday March 4th from 7:30-8pm on Zoom

Sustainability Committee (SCOM): works on issues that concern the university's green initiatives. Committee Coordinator: *Claire Bushar* (cbushar@terpmail.umd.edu)

- Upcoming events
 - Earthfest (4/16)
 - Maryland Beautification Day (4/19)
- Meetings this semester (Zoom):
 - 5-6pm Wednesdays through March
 - 5-6pm Mondays beginning in April

Dining Services Advisory Board (DSAB): works with the dining services directors to accommodate student's dining recommendations. Committee Coordinator: *Inemesit Udoakang* (iudoakan@terpmail.umd.edu)

- Meeting's: Wednesdays, 3:30-4:30pm. South Campus Dining (RM. 1107)
- Bring any concerns & ideas pertaining to the dining halls

Resident Life Advisory Team (ReLATE): works directly with the Department of Resident Life to understand the issues faced by the on-campus residents and solve them. Committee Coordinator: *Nicole Barnes* (nbarnes3@terpmail.umd.edu)

- ReLATE meetings will be biweekly on Wednesdays from 4-5pm on non Senate weeks in Annapolis Hall!
- If you have anything ResLife adjacent that you would like to discuss please reach out and I would be happy to meet with you to begin those conversations!

Resident Facilities Advisory Board (ReFAB): works with the structures and attributes that directly affect students living in the resident halls. Committee Coordinator: *Jonas Marquart* (jmarqua1@terpmail.umd.edu)

- Spring Schedule: Non-senate Thursdays, 4:00 - 5:00, Zoom
- Anyone with any interest or questions join ReFAB slack; share critiques, concerns, ideas, opinions, and more!

[CLICK HERE TO LEARN MORE ABOUT A COMMITTEE!](#)

Looking Ahead

- **Thursday, March 26th:** Spring Town Hall (7 p.m. @ ESJ 1202)
- **Sunday, March 28th:** Presidential and Vice Presidential Candidate Application and Platform Submission Deadline (11:59 p.m.)
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- **Friday, April 3rd:** Game Night Extravaganza (7 p.m. @ the Atrium in STAMP)
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- **Wednesday, April 15th:** Executive Board Application Deadline (11:59 p.m.)
- **Sunday, April 19th:** Maryland Beautification Day (12:00-3:00pm @ CC1 parking lot)
- **Tuesday, April 28th:** Last Senate of the Year (7 p.m. @ the Atrium in STAMP)

SPRING TOWN HALL

THURSDAY, MARCH 26TH
ESJ 1202 @ 6PM

Want to know what is
happening on campus?

Join the RHA to hear from
coordinators from the
Department of Resident Life,
Dining Services, and more!



Want to know what is happening on campus? Come to our Spring 2026 Town Hall this **Thursday, March 26th** in **ESJ Room 1202** at **6 p.m.**! This semester's Town Hall will host Dennis Passarella-George from Resident Life, Chris Moore from Dining Services, Lisa Alexander, the Program Manager for Sustainability Programs & Initiatives in Resident Life, Andrew Van Der Stuyf from Resident Facilities, Daniel Satterthwaite (Graduate Coordinator for Deliberative Dialogue and Community Centered Engagement), as well as a representative from the Department of Transportation. There will be a Q&A session to ask questions and bring up any issues that you may have about our campus.



JOIN OUR

GAME NIGHT

Extravaganza



Friday

April 3rd, 2026

8:00 - 10:00pm | Atrium STAMP

Get ready for a night of fun, snacks,
and many board and card games!



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Want to try your hand? The Residence Hall Association is hosting a Game Night Extravaganza **Friday April 3rd** in the **Atrium in STAMP!** There will all sorts of games to help you relax half-way through the Spring semester!



JOIN US FOR

MARYLAND BEAUTIFICATION DAY!

“HELP US MAKE OUR COMMUNITY CLEANER AND GREENER”

APRIL 19, 2026

12PM-3PM

**PARKING LOT CC1
(BEHIND ANIMAL SCIENCE BUILDING)**

**ALL SUPPLIES
PROVIDED!**

**JOIN SOA & RHA IN A CAMPUS WIDE
CLEANUP EFFORT!**



SIGNUP



The Residence Hall Association and Sustainable Ocean (SOA) Alliance are excited to announce Maryland Beautification Day 2026! This annual collaboration between SOA and RHA involves a campus-wide cleanup in the spring. This year, it will be **Sunday, April 19th from 12-**

3pm starting at the **CC1 parking lot** north of the Animal Science Building. To register, just scan the QR code above!

Photo Gallery

Miscellaneous Photos from the past 3 weeks



Senator Recognition (Ava Rollino)



(from left to right) Daria, Claire, and Emily

Missed a previous newsletter? Click [here](#) to see all of the RHA newsletters from past school years.

Have an on-campus idea, comment, or concern? Contact us or visit our website!



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