

INVESTMENTS IN ACTION

With **\$242,000** in ARC support, the **Maryland Broadband Cooperative** will install and upgrade miles of new broadband fiber. These improvements will serve **seven industrial and business parks**, and **retain/create over 8,100 jobs** in Appalachian Maryland. The investment will also position the City of Cumberland, Allegany's county seat, as a Gigabit city with potential to **attract high-tech companies**.

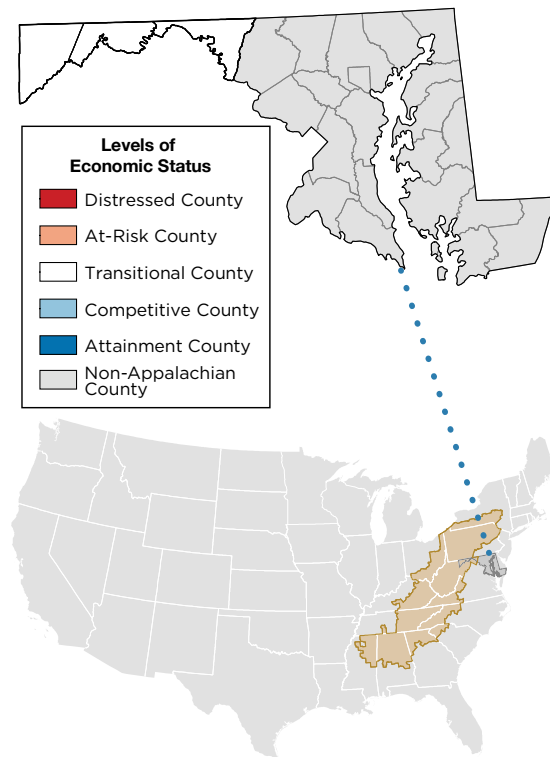


STATE PROFILE | FISCAL YEAR 2018
OCTOBER 1, 2017–SEPTEMBER 30, 2018

MARYLAND

In partnership with the **Maryland Department of Planning**, ARC supported **24 projects** in Maryland totaling over **\$2.6 million** in fiscal year 2018. These investments have been matched by over **\$6.5 million** in Maryland. They will also **create or retain nearly 6,750 jobs**, train and educate **2,590 students and workers**, and benefit the **252,000 residents** in Maryland's **3 Appalachian counties**.

COUNTY ECONOMIC STATUS IN APPALACHIAN MARYLAND, FY 2018



INVESTMENT PRIORITY



Critical Infrastructure

ARC invested over **\$1.7 million** in Maryland's critical infrastructure development, including broadband, transportation, and water/wastewater systems.

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Ready Workforce

ARC invested over **\$477,000** to increase the education, knowledge, skills, and health of Maryland's Appalachian residents to work and succeed.

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Leadership and Community Capacity

ARC invested nearly **\$214,000** to build the capacity and skills of Appalachia's current and next-generation leaders and organizations in Maryland to advance community and economic development.

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Additional Priorities

ARC invested an additional **\$165,000** to leverage natural and cultural assets and strengthen the economy in Appalachian Maryland.