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## **Denise Carnaggio to Lead Chesapeake Science & Security Corridor (CSSC)**

Denise Carnaggio, a 28-year veteran of Harford County government, has been tapped to lead the Chesapeake Science & Security Corridor (CSSC) under the new administration.

Carnaggio was instrumental in the Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) 2005 planning and implementation, conducting relocation outreach for Department of Defense (DoD) civilians and defense contractors in support of Aberdeen Proving Ground.

“Ms. Carnaggio brings to CSSC a long-standing relationship with Aberdeen Proving Ground,” said Karen Holt, Director of Economic Development and former CSSC liaison. “She understands the importance of regionalism in supporting our installation and Harford County’s top employer.”

The CSSC, an arm of the Harford County Office of Economic Development, is a 52-member regional consortium of government, industry and academia representatives whose primary focus is the economic vitality of the region in support of sustaining the mission of Aberdeen Proving Ground. CSSC is also the financial link to federal dollars infused in the APG community for planning and assessment as a BRAC growth community. To date, CSSC has received more than \$10 million in federal funding from the DoD Office of Economic Adjustment and executed more than 25 studies and analyses from curriculum needs to research park feasibility, commuter services and most recently the Joint Land Use Study currently underway with Harford, Cecil, Kent Counties and APG.

Carnaggio is a founding member of the Army Alliance, Inc., a 501(c)4 established in 1999 to advocate for mission success and sustainability at both state and federal levels. The Army Alliance was instrumental in securing more than \$200 million dollars for Army modernization as well as securing test and evaluation and high performance facility support at Aberdeen Proving Ground. The Army Alliance also provided testimony for the BRAC 2005 Commission hearings. On January 29, both the Army Alliance and CSSC executed the strong community support

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shown at the Amoss Center for the Department of the Army Listening Session regarding the proposed 4,300 job loss at APG.

“Due diligence must continue as we seek transparency for future impacts to Aberdeen Proving Ground,” said Holt acknowledging APG’s infrastructure and capacity for continued growth. “Whether it’s a future round of BRAC, sequestration rearing its head again, or the reduced force structure we saw our community respond to most recently, we need the CSSC’s leadership in our region to coordinate the regional response that has brought national recognition to our defense community,” added Holt.

The CSSC Office is co-located with the Office of Economic Development at the Swan Creek Shopping Center on Pulaski Highway, two miles from the MD 22 gate of Aberdeen Proving Ground. For more information, contact Denise Carnaggio at 410-273-5708 or [cssc@harfordcountymd.gov](mailto:cssc@harfordcountymd.gov).