Water Affordability in Maryland

The Maryland Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights is hosting a series of public panels to hear testimony regarding issues of water affordability in Maryland.

Across the U.S., there is increasing attention to the growing problem of water unaffordability. The cost of water has increased 50 percent since 2010. By 2022, water bills are projected to be unaffordable for 36 percent of U.S. households with a disparate impact on communities of color and other protected classes.

When: Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021, at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

Who: The Committee will hear from:
- Mary Grant, Food & Water Watch
- Roger Colton, Fisher, Sheehan & Colton
- Mary L. Washington, Senator, Maryland General Assembly

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These briefings are open to the public. The Committee will have a public comment period at the end of the briefings to hear public testimony, and members of the public are encouraged to share their perspectives and experiences about water affordability in Maryland. Subsequent briefings will be held on November 4, 9, and 16. For more information: ero@usccr.gov

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