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## **Shyam Kannan**

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Mr. Kannan brings extensive planning and transit-oriented development experience in the public and private sectors to WMATA (Metro). At Metro he directs the Authority's strategic planning efforts, called Momentum, as well as supervises long-range planning, sustainability, and smart growth. He has a particular interest in the economic benefits of transit as well as coordinating closely with the business community in the region.

Active in the region's planning community; Mr. Kannan is a committee member of the Urban Land Institute, the Region Forward Coalition of the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments, and is an adjunct Faculty Member of Georgetown University.

Mr. Kannan has a Master's Degree in Public Policy and Urban Planning from Harvard University, and is also a graduate of the University of Virginia.