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Howard County Executive Calvin Ball
Howard County Council Members
George Howard Building
3430 Courthouse Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043



Dear County Executive Calvin Ball and Council Members,

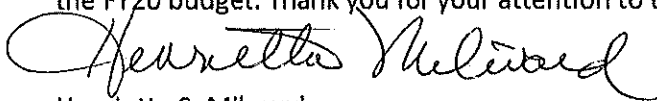
I am writing to express my disappointment and dismay with the omission of construction funds for the Capital project C0335, building a new 50+ Senior Center at the East Columbia library site in the FY20 budget.

In 2015 a Master Plan was developed to "Create an Age Friendly Community". The plan was simply ignored. In the subsequent FY16, FY17, and FY18 budgets there were funds, but no design was undertaken. When the FY19 budget had the same language (4 years of no action) the seniors of East Columbia spoke out loudly in testimony at budget meetings of the County executive and the County Council, wrote letters, and a petition was delivered to the County executive asking that full design money be allocated for FY19 with **construction in FY20 and opening in FY21**. Those efforts led to an amendment to the FY19 capital budget which was approved.

The FY20 proposed capital budget it calls for **design and beginning construction in FY20, construction in FY21 and open in FY22**. The text clearly states that the construction portion of funds for the new 50+ center is in **FY21 not FY20, as expected**. It is now my understanding that the county has concerns about the parking for the site and wants to acquire land for additional parking spots, which is an issue thought to be resolved in the site analysis.

This leaves the seniors feeling ignored and rejected once again. I strongly hope you will reconsider and restore the original schedule as promised in the FY19 budget with full funding for construction in FY20 and an opening in FY21. Seniors are not getting any younger and have been waiting for 5 years for this project to move forward. If this pace continues, many of us will not see this new center. Please do not disappoint us.

A response from the County Executive's office would be greatly appreciated, since an amendment would need to originate from that office. I ask that every Council Member urge the County Executive to amend the FY20 budget. Thank you for your attention to this extremely important matter!



Henrietta S. Millward
Celebration Church Member
Member, East Columbia 50+ Center Advocacy Steering Committee
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THE METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON EAR, INC.

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April 30, 2019

The Honorable Christiana Rigby
Councilperson
Howard County
3430 Courthouse Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

Re: Metropolitan Washington Ear's declination for Community Service Partnership Grant

Dear Ms. Rigby:

Nora and I enjoyed meeting with you on January 16. We appreciated the opportunity to tell you about Metropolitan Washington Ear's (MWE) services for Howard County residents challenged by vision loss. MWE applied for a Community Service Partnership Grant. Unfortunately, our application was denied. As you may remember, MWE provides critical services to people challenged by vision loss. We have a radio reading broadcast, a Telephone Dial-In service, audio description of live theatre, and a lookup service. All our services are free and provide access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Without access to information, Howard County citizens are not able to seek and receive information on issues of importance to the public and their community. Whether it is a local government issue in Howard County or a national news story, people who are blind, have low vision, or have a physical disability that prevents them from reading print cannot fully participate in their communities and make informed decisions without information. This denies them a critical human need, the right to access information.

Information plays a critical role in sustaining a resident's life so providing access to information allows them to fully participate in their family, workplace and community. MWE fills a critical gap that jurisdictions like Howard County cannot fill. We bridge the divide between what the County can provide to blind residents and the information that they need to fully participate. For example, the Howard County Library System refers those with vision impairments to the Maryland State Library for Blind & Physically Handicapped. This requires access to a computer and screen reader to access the LBPH's website. Not all seniors are tech savvy and not all can afford expensive assistive technology. Howard County Library System also provides a screen reader in their branches which could be used with Maryland Digital NewsBank to have an automated voice read national or local news. This is limiting because it is not 24 hours access, requires user to be comfortable with technology, and is available to a limited number of

users. We provide immediate, broad and comprehensive access to current local news including the *Howard County Times* and information necessary to everyday living such as election guides, TV listings, theater schedules, food and general shopping ads, and public service announcements in people's homes 24 hours a day. We also have national news including *The Washington Post*, *New York Times*, and *Wall Street Journal*. This is information that is not readily available 24 hours a day to Howard County residents and requires dependence on transportation to the Library. Howard County is providing very limited services to residents challenged by vision loss. Our service is 24/7 and is read by human voices which many of our seniors say they prefer because it is easier to understand.

Last year, Howard County supported MWE and worked as a partner with MWE to bring information to residents who are blind, low vision, or have a physical disability that prevents them from reading print. Our work continues and the need is great. Our funding request this year which was denied was for the 43 Howard County residents who depend on our service to fulfill a critical human need for information. While it may be tempting to dismiss the needs of a small group of citizens, people who are visually impaired have the same right to access information as the sighted population. MWE's mission is to bring the printed word to the visually impaired. Our service allows them to be self-sufficient and prevents further reliance on costly County services. We are uniquely positioned to provide a service that the County is not able to provide.

Our services fulfill a critical human need, promote self-sufficiency, and prevent dependence on County services. We worked in partnership with Howard County for many years and we hope to work with you in the future to bring access to information to the visually impaired. We respectfully request that you include the Metropolitan Washington Ear's request for \$5,000 in this year's budget amendments to support Howard County residents who are challenged by vision loss.

Sincerely,


Neely Opfinger

Executive Director

cc: Megan Godfrey-Jackson, Community Service Partnerships

Sayers, Margery

From: soehrlein@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sharon Oehrlein
<soehrlein@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, May 20, 2019 12:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Sharon Oehrlein
14004 12 Oaks Ct Clarksville, MD 21029-1152 soehrlein@pathwayschools.org

Sayers, Margery

From: Carolyn Wohnsigl <cwohnsigl@me.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 18, 2019 5:20 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Carolyn Wohnsigl; Kathy A. A. Helt
Subject: Funding to the National Family Resiliency Center

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To the County Council Members:

I am writing to share my disappointment over your recent decision to cut funding to NFRC by fifty percent. My name is Carolyn Wohnsigl and I have proudly served as a coordinator of parent education programs since 2000. I also work as a school counselor in the Howard County Public School System. NFRC is a vital organization that fills a critical need in our county. Even though divorce is rated among the top stressors in the human experience in our nation by the National Institute of Health, I do not know of any other practice that specializes in treating children through the family transition process in our county.

I have had the privilege of helping families to resolve grief, adjust to change, reduce conflict and move forward with hope. The quality of group, co-parent and individual counseling at NFRC is exceptional. Group therapy is truly a transformative experience for the families that we serve. After ten intensive group sessions, special multiple-family groups give families the opportunity to support each other under the expertise and guidance of NFRC therapists. Friends and family members who have been through counseling at one point or another in their lives come back in the role of peer counselors to help others navigate the most difficult times in their lives. Since the 1980's, staff members at first COSD and now NFRC have educated judges, attorneys, educators, and the faith community about how best to support families as they transition. Our center is small but our impact is great.

We do not waste any funds at NFRC. I, like every other person who works at NFRC, am paid by the hour but we volunteer so many more hours because we believe in the work that we do. We work with clients at dramatically reduced rates, spend hours planning group and individual sessions and peer counseling meetings, and volunteer our own time to support our volunteer peer counselors. Just this year, Risa Garon, our Executive Director, drove three hours to attend the college graduation of one of our peer counselors!

Since I have been at NFRC, our office space has shrunk three times. After our most recent move on April 30, our administrative director's desk is now wedged next to a copier in a windowless hallway. We donate and receive donations for furniture, art work and toys for the play therapy room. We truly are an efficient business operating on a no-strings budget. This reduction in funding, though a drop in the bucket of funding in the county, is devastating to us.

Please reconsider this decision to cut funding to NFRC.

Respectfully,
Carolyn Wohnsigl

Sayers, Margery

From: Daisy Gonzalez <daisygmg2019@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 20, 2019 11:38 AM
To: Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; djung@howardcountymd.goc; CouncilMail
Subject: Aviation Unit

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

I am writing in regards to your decision to disband the Aviation Unit - Howard County Police Department. I feel that this is a disservice to residents of Howard County. The Aviation Unit routinely saves lives, such as; missing children; missing elderly; human trafficking; narcotics, etc. How could you not find another solution? Why do residents of the county have to suffer due to that Howard County Council cannot balance their budget year after year? Then, as a result the police department that is so essential to our safety gets the cut. Furthermore, I would not be so upset and disappointed if your "budget numbers" were accurate. Obviously they were over inflated to justify your decision. Also, I have learned that the "available coverage" from the other agencies are too not accurate. I will be reaching out to other about my concerns.

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Sayers, Margery

From: Diana Schneider <dmoyschneider@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2019 9:08 AM
To: CouncilMail; Ball, Calvin
Subject: MPP

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you,

Diana Schneider

MPP Employee

Sayers, Margery

From: heather.urner@yahoo.com
Sent: Thursday, May 16, 2019 9:08 AM
To: Ball, Calvin
Cc: CouncilMail
Subject: Shortage of Affordable Rental Housing Hits Md. Poor Hardest

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<https://www.marylandmatters.org/2019/05/16/shortage-of-affordable-rental-housing-hits-md-poor-hardest/>

Good Morning Mr. Ball,

Have I asked for more money for schools, yes. Can we pay for everything in our yearly budgets, no. I understand that, and I still hope we can give more to our children, with that we cannot forget about housing affordability. It is a County concern and a State concern. Howard County residents deserve to have rentals where we can stay in the county beyond kids aging out of school.

Thank you

Heather Urner

Sayers, Margery

From: no-reply@howardcountymd.gov
Sent: Tuesday, May 14, 2019 4:35 PM
To: adina.ivanica@gmail.com
Subject: Japanese knotweed

First Name: Adina
Last Name: Ivanica
Email: adina.ivanica@gmail.com
Street Address: 9192 Windflower Dr
City: Ellicott City
Subject: Japanese knotweed

Message: Hello I just bought a house in December 2018 in Ellicott City and I have discovered that the county property next to my house is heavily populated with an invasive weed called Japanese Knotweed. This plant is hard to eradicate and has a root system like bamboo that can grow through asphalt and a house foundation. I tried to reach out to the parks and recreation's which the land belongs to, but they said there is no program in place to control for invasive weeds. This is a huge problem for not just for me but for the whole neighborhood and apparently as it's growing along the stream it will spread through the water. We need a joint effort to eradicate this weed before it takes over the whole county. I kindly ask that more research and funds go into this issue. Thank you!

Sayers, Margery

From: Natalie Dillon <natdillon7@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 11:06 AM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Ball, Calvin
Subject: Funding support for Merriweather Post Pavilion

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Thank you,

Natalie Dillon
Merriweather employee

Sayers, Margery

From: Dvorak, Nicole
Sent: Monday, May 13, 2019 11:05 AM
To: Sayers, Margery
Subject: FW: About those developer fees...

From: Leslie Toussaint <l2saint@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 5:07 PM
To: Ball, Calvin <cball@howardcountymd.gov>; Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>; Rigby, Christiana <crigby@howardcountymd.gov>; Jung, Deb <djung@howardcountymd.gov>; Yungmann, David <dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov>; Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: About those developer fees...

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Dear County Executive Dr. Ball and County Council Members:

I was disappointed to learn that Councilpersons Jones, Rigby, and Yungmann voted last Monday (5/6) to approve the Developer Rights and Responsibilities Agreement (DRRA) for the Jessup school property acquisition. This agreement provides various giveaways to the developer at the expense of the taxpayer.

- Allowing development regulations to be frozen, not just on the quarry land by the school site, but hundreds of acres nearby, as well.
- Amended to say the developers would abide by APFO, environmental and other regulations, but also stipulating they don't have to comply if changes to the regs affect them.
- Not subjecting the developer to any moratoriums.

There was an Amendment to Amendment 1 introduced by Deb Jung that would have made the regulations more durable, but it failed. If fully funding schools is a priority for the Council, why did so many of you vote for such a bad deal for the county?

In the coming months, the Howard County council will have the opportunity to introduce legislation to increase impact fees charged to developers. This is an opportunity to reverse the trend of building homes without ensuring an adequate revenue stream to support infrastructure. A 3.5% increase above Maintenance of Effort is insufficient in a school system growing as quickly as HCPSS. I, and my neighbors, will be watching closely with the expectation that you will all work together to end this annual cycle of asking our school officials to choose between cutting critical programs, or increasing class sizes.

Thank you,

Leslie Toussaint
12540 Folly Quarter Rd.
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Sayers, Margery

From: Jody Adams <jodyadams12345@gmail.com>
Sent: Sunday, May 12, 2019 7:03 AM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Ball, Calvin
Subject: Merriweather Post Pavilion - Funding Support

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Thank you,

Jody Adams

8600 Andrew Ellicott Court

Ellicott City, MD 21043

Sayers, Margery

From: Srilatha <latha.temb@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, May 11, 2019 7:35 AM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: BOE@hcpss.org
Subject: Fwd: Music Program

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From: Srilatha Temburni <latha.temb@gmail.com>
Date: May 10, 2019 at 10:31:01 AM EDT
To: hcpsm3@gmail.com
Subject: Music Program

Hi,

I heard rumors about the Music programs being cut at Howard county schools from the next academic year. I strongly condemn and discourage this move as many of the talented students will be left out and kids will be disappointed if there are no music programs. Many kids will lose hope and will effect their day to day activities.

Please please don't try to remove this program and encourage young voices to be heard all through the county and country.

Thank You,
Srilatha(Proud parent of two girls whose passion is singing)

Sayers, Margery

From: Kim MacLean <bkmaclean@verizon.net>
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 9:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Ball, Calvin
Subject: Merriweather Post Pavilion

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Thank you,
Kimberley MacLean
4994 Dorsey Hall Drive #C3
Ellicott City, MD 20142

Sayers, Margery

From: Aubree Corporandy <aubreecorporandy@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 4:48 PM
To: CouncilMail; Ball, Calvin
Subject: Merriweather Post Pavilion

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Thank you,

Aubree Corporandy

5029 Columbia Road, Apt. 202

Columbia, MD

21044

Sayers, Margery

From: Jennifer Robbins <jgrobbins0519@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, May 10, 2019 3:00 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Ball, Calvin
Subject: Funding Support for Merriweather Post Pavilion

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Thank you,
Jennifer Robbins
10891 Hilltop Lane #2
Columbia, MD 21044

Sayers, Margery

From: Jennifer White <jennifer.white@heart.org>
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 3:34 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: FY2020 Capital Budget Testimony
Attachments: Howard County Budget Hearing Testimony_040919.docx; Scanned from a Xerox Multifunction Printer.pdf

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Good Afternoon,

Attached you may find a copy of my written testimony for the FY2020 Capital Budget. In addition, you may find a copy of the affidavit of authorization.

If you have any questions or would like additional information, please let me know.

Thank you,



Jennifer Arice White, MSPH
Community Advocacy Director
Social Determinants of Health Strategic Policy
Lead
American Heart Association
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American
Heart
Association.

To: Howard County Council
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

From: Jennifer Arice White, MSPH
Community Advocacy Director
American Heart Association

Re: Capital Budget Public Hearing

Date: May 9, 2019

To the Chair and Members of the Council:

My name is Jennifer White, Community Advocacy Director at the American Heart Association. Our mission is to be a relentless force for a world of longer, healthier lives. Thank you for the opportunity to address the Council about the capital budget, urging you to fund biking and walking infrastructure paired with a strong complete streets ordinance.

The American Heart Association fully supports the \$2.2M in the budget to expand our bicycling infrastructure and support other bike and pedestrian projects in Howard County. We are delighted to see that transportation is a priority and that our executive leadership is committed to making improvements towards an equitable multi-modal transportation system.



American
Heart
Association.

Throughout Howard County we see areas where there is poor lighting, dangerous crosswalks, roads without protected bike lanes, and limited access to parks and sidewalks that accommodate all users. Because of this, it limits access to our schools, social and cultural institutions, employment, and other key services, which impacts our overall quality of life.

Significant funding for the Bikeway and other bike and pedestrian projects is a positive step in the right direction. Now that the budget reflects this important investment, we now need a complete streets law. This will create a transparent, accountable, and equitable process for community members to identify opportunities to develop a more safe and accessible transportation system that benefits all users.

The American Heart Association is here to support an equitable process and looks forward to work with you, the County Executive, and our community partners to carry out this community's vision for safe and accessible transportation. We strongly support the approval of \$2.2M allotted in the budget for biking infrastructure and to support other biking and walking projects.

Thank you for your time and consideration.



HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
AFFIDAVIT OF AUTHORIZATION
TO TESTIFY ON BEHALF OF AN ORGANIZATION

I, Jennifer A. White, have been duly authorized by
(name of individual)
American Heart Association to deliver testimony to the
(name of nonprofit organization or government board, commission, or task force)
County Council regarding the Capital Budget FY20 to express the organization's
(bill or resolution number)

support for / opposition to / request to amend this legislation.
(Please circle one.)

Printed Name: Jennifer A. White
Signature: [Handwritten Signature]
Date: 5/14/19

Organization: American Heart Association

Organization Address: 215 E. Redwood, Ste 1100

Baltimore, MD 21201

Number of Members: 33 million volunteers; 3,400 employees

Name of Chair/President: Chairman - James J. Postl; President - Ivory Benjamin MD FAHA

This form can be submitted electronically via email to councilmail@howardcountymd.gov no later than 5pm the day of the Public Hearing or delivered in person the night of the Public Hearing before testifying.

Baltimore City, Maryland
Notary Public
Barbara Ann Jennings
My Commission Expires 11/14/2019

[Handwritten Signature]

Sayers, Margery

From: Jolie Weinberg <jgw@wsfamilylaw.com>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2019 6:57 PM
To: Ball, Calvin B; CouncilMail
Cc: Walsh, Elizabeth; Jones, Opel; Rigby, Christiana; Jung, Deb; Yungmann, David
Subject: National Family Resiliency Center

Importance: High

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Dear Dr. Bell and Esteemed County Council Members,

I have been a family law lawyer since 1990 and have practiced throughout the state of Maryland. Over my almost 30 years of practicing family law, I have represented thousands of families and children, served as a mediator, collaborator and children's counsel. My firm's main office has been in downtown Columbia since 1995.

I have become aware that the funding for The National Family Resiliency Center (NFRC) is in jeopardy. To say this would be a grave detriment to our community is an understatement. I can tell you that NFRC touches every one of my clients, their family and the community at large. NFRC, which has changed names over the years, most often known as Children of Separation and Divorce, is and continues to be a pioneer in divorce education, parenting programs, assisting families in a time of stress and transition, and most importantly, teaches children how to navigate the heartache of divorce. Let's be honest, divorce is often a stigma and is embarrassing and traumatic for families and definitely children even into their adulthood. NFRC provides a safe place to navigate the process, the emotional pains and the family relationships. I have watched this county flourish and grow, and I have also watched also how local programs get cut because of budget issues. I can tell you that any loss of any part of NFRC is a loss to all of us.

NFRC provides specialized services to children as young as 3 years old through young adulthood, adults, and services for individuals, families, couples, marriage counselling, pre-marriage counselling, separation/reconciliation/divorce and remarriage counselling. They offer support groups for men, women and children. They also help parents co-parent together after a transition.

Just today I had a 4 day trial that settled out of court thanks to the help of NFRC working with this family over the past year. NFRC puts the children first while allowing parents to maintain their dignity and involvement with their family in a healthy manner. NFRC taught this family how to work through the issues, talk to each other and avoid the heartache of court. All of these services helps families be healthy and also saves taxpayers from costly trials!

Howard County is a very diverse county in terms of religion, ethnicity, and other areas which makes Howard County a desirable place to live and raise a family. I know this as my family has resided in Howard County since 1993. Unfortunately, there is also domestic violence, high conflict situations, untreated mental illness, substance abuse and other complicated issues in our county. NFRC have been advocates for families in Howard County, the state and throughout the country with a national reputation by helping families from all socioeconomic backgrounds.

I could continue to speak about NFRC's laurels, but I will conclude with this thought: without NFRC, we, and I speak for most all of my colleagues, have no place to send our clients and the Howard County community for services that assist them through one of the most difficult times in their lives. NFRC fills the void that allows us to offer valuable services to our community and what a loss that will be to everyone if such services are not available. No other therapist/counselling group offers what NFRC offers! I plead that you do everything possible to keep NFRC funded so they can continue the great work they do for our county.

Thank you for reading this lengthy email and please let me know if I can be of any assistance.

Very Truly Yours,

Jolie Gelman Weinberg



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Sayers, Margery

From: Gina DeLeonardis <hajiinai1@verizon.net>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2019 11:12 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Funding testimony FY20
Attachments: Council2019testimony.docx

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Hello,

Please find attached testimony to be delivered to the Howard County Council members and Dr. Ball for their final funding deliberation.

I have also sent copies to the council members' individual addresses, as I was unsure which would arrive more promptly.

Thank you for your assistance in delivering it for today's meeting.

Gina

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We respectfully submit the following testimony in support of restoring full funding for FY2020 to the National Family Resiliency Center budget.

When an annual grant award arrives at 10 pm on a Friday in late April, it can't be good news.

The National Family Resiliency Center, known to many as the Children of Separation & Divorce, has been located in Columbia for the 30 years of its organizational history, serving at-risk families with clinical and educational services across the state of Maryland and delivering state of the art training nationally. Our director regularly contributes to the national dialogue around family needs and justice system reform. We have proudly served the Howard County community despite our annual budget seeing no increase for the past 6 years in the \$28,000 until last year's allocation of \$28,560.

The news in the dark of night was to cut that allocation in half, now to only \$14,000. Whoever was tasked with delivering that news had to know what a miscalculation it is.

We are the "family" that stretches that dollar beyond what is possible, asking staff and volunteers to go far beyond the job specs to pitch in on behalf of the clients we serve. Our Peer Counselor volunteers have been showcased in numerous venues where they directly help and educate other families to move toward health and recovery when families change. Our model of care targets the needs of vulnerable children to thrive and grow so that the children might not get caught in unhealthy patterns when parents separate.

That County allocation affords families who might otherwise not be able to afford services to have full participation in individual or group supports. We awarded \$20,000 over this year in scholarship assistance for parent education, co-parent skill training, child and adult group therapies and individual crisis and on-going therapeutic services. Over 1600 clients utilized services in FY19. Imagine the positive impact even a part of that service has on our county. Stabilizing families helps us all. That County contribution also stitches together the volunteers who help organize other volunteers to reach out at fairs or educational venues to let our populations know we are here for them.

You know us. We have lived in this county over 30 years. You have probably volunteered with us, done some running with us, raised funds on our behalf through the organizations you belong to. And many have utilized the talent, expertise and compassion of our staff when you most needed it.

This community deserves better than to pull the rug out from under this organization that contributes to the healthy, forward thinking community where we choose to work and live. Not to restore our funding level would indeed be a travesty.

Gina DeLeonardis

– since 1989
Volunteer
Staff member
Trainer
Ex-officio Board member

Tom Vassil

-since 1995
Volunteer
Staff member

Lester Bradshaw

-since 2000
Executive Volunteer
Current Board of Directors President

May 13, 2019

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- I am here to testify about the new proposed East Columbia 50+ Center, project C0335. East Columbia has the largest current and projected Senior population in the county.
- In 2015 a Master Plan was developed to "Create an Age Friendly Community". That plan called for a 35,000 square foot Regional Senior Center in East Columbia to replace the less than 3000 square feet of space we currently have. Given that document, it should have been built by now.
- The FY16, FY17, and FY18 budgets had funds for design but no design was undertaken. When the FY19 budget had the same language (4 years of no action) the seniors of East Columbia spoke out loudly in testimony at budget meetings of the County executive and the County Council, wrote letters, and a petition was delivered to the County executive asking that full design money be allocated for FY19 with **construction in FY20 and opening in FY21**. Those efforts led to an amendment to the FY19 capital budget which was approved. It had 2 options: if the library site was deemed feasible, we would have the new center ready for use in FY21. Otherwise a year of land acquisition would push the opening to FY22.
- Architects were hired and a parking study was undertaken. The library site was indeed deemed feasible and in fact, desirable. A parking study was also conducted with positive results. Architects have met with the community twice in public meetings and the Seniors are very happy with both the design and location.
- The FY20 proposed capital budget has reneged on this promise. It calls for **design and beginning construction in FY20, construction in FY21 and open in FY22**. The text clearly states that the construction portion of funds for the new 50+ center is in **FY21**. This is unacceptable. The East Columbia seniors feel ignored and rejected once again. I have lived in East Columbia for 39 years, paid taxes, and have voted in every election. Seniors do not use many of the resources in Howard County but we do need 50+ Centers.
- I urge you to support the original schedule as promised in the FY19 budget with full funding for construction in FY20 and an opening in FY21. I am not getting any younger and we have been waiting for 5 years for this project to move forward

Complete Streets

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Sayers, Margery

From: margaretmizerak@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Margaret Mizerak
<margaretmizerak@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 8:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Margaret Mizerak
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Sayers, Margery

From: Eatough, Christopher
Sent: Tuesday, April 23, 2019 7:58 AM
To: Jo McLaughlin; Ball, Calvin
Cc: Walsh, Elizabeth; CouncilMail; Sager, Jennifer; Cabellon, Angela
Subject: RE: Complete Streets-Centennial Lane

Hello Ms. McLaughlin.

On behalf of County Executive Ball, thank you for your feedback regarding Centennial Lane and Complete Streets in Howard County.

As you are likely aware, there were several pedestrian and bicycling improvements made in 2017 including adding buffered bike lanes and a new crosswalk with pedestrian refuge islands near Centennial Lane Elementary School. The bike lanes are on the street and are therefore maintained by Howard County Department of Public Works. This includes sweeping and snow removal. Sidewalks are maintained by the adjacent property owner.

Future projects should address some of the issues on Centennial Lane from Old Annapolis Road to the south, such as the crosswalk you mention and the gaps in the sidewalk network towards the school, Centennial Park and 108. These will likely be addressed when that portion of Centennial Lane is ready for repaving.

Making these kinds of improvements is a priority for the Office of Transportation, as laid out in the Howard County Bicycle Master Plan, Pedestrian Master Plan and Draft Complete Streets Policy. The County Administration also raised this as a priority in County Executive Ball's first State of the County address.

Thanks again for your input.

Chris.

Chris Eatough
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Office of Transportation
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Email: ceatough@howardcountymd.gov



From: Jo McLaughlin [mailto:bluebirds09@yahoo.com]
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2019 1:36 PM
To: Ball, Calvin <cball@howardcountymd.gov>
Cc: Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>; CouncilMail <CouncilMail@howardcountymd.gov>; Eatough, Christopher <CEatough@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Complete Streets-Centennial Lane

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Centennial Lane is an incomplete street...

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No crosswalks or signage at Old Annapolis and Centennial Lane -- curb cuts are present from 2014, as are many curb cuts in the areas of Centennial, Font Hill and Gray Rock... No ADA.. Curb Cuts not connected by the required striping. Many curb cuts lead to nowhere... When will the County --at a minimum-- follow or exceed ADA Guidelines on ALL County owned and HOA owned sidewalks?

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Thank you!
Jo

Jo H. McLaughlin, Ph.D.
10138 Century Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21042

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From: chasebh3666@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Chase Blanchette <chasebh3666@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, April 1, 2019 3:28 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

As someone who often relies on a bike to get around, I am all too well aware of how dangerous my local roads can be for bikers. Biking is a mode of transport that is sustainable, healthy, and inexpensive, but the current state of infrastructure often precludes my using it. From my home in Ellicott City, I have trouble finding a safe crossing of 29, or even travelling any meaningful distance in certain directions, due to a general lack of bike lanes and paths.

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Chase Blanchette
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Sayers, Margery

From: mimiamye@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amy Engelsman
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Sent: Sunday, March 31, 2019 9:42 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Amy Engelsman
6050 Red Clover Ln Clarksville, MD 21029-1272 mimiamye@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: dburns91@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dan Burns <dburns91@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, March 31, 2019 2:45 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Dan Burns
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Sayers, Margery

From: jbrandt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Brandt
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Sent: Sunday, March 31, 2019 12:38 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
John Brandt
12575 Indian Hill Dr Sykesville, MD 21784-5416 jbrandt@umd.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: rick.constant@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rick Constant
<rick.constant@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 11:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Rick Constant
5630 Oakland Mills Rd Columbia, MD 21045-3218 rick.constant@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: robertscp@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Colette Roberts
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Sent: Tuesday, March 19, 2019 11:55 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW. We need more moderate income housing too.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Colette Roberts
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Sayers, Margery

From: rganel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Raquelli Ganel
<rganel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 9:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Raquelli Ganel
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Sayers, Margery

From: mmcintos@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marla McIntosh
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Sent: Monday, March 18, 2019 5:58 PM
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Sincerely,

Marla McIntosh

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Sayers, Margery

From: gxknox49@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gabrielle Knox <gxknox49@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 12:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Gabrielle Knox
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Sayers, Margery

From: rlewin8486@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jill Lewin <rlewin8486@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 16, 2019 7:54 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Jill Lewin
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Sayers, Margery

From: kevincropper@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kevin Cropper
<kevincropper@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 11:48 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

I understand there are many priorities for the county to consider. But making it easier to live in and get around should be one of them. And it will have long term benefits for personal health (easier to get outside and move) as well as public capacity (fewer cars necessary).

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW. This is especially true around schools. Our school, Atholton Elementary, has an outdated setup of (not quite) sidewalks that do not support walkers, bikers, strollers (common with families who have elementary school kids!), etc. We are a community school and resource, and with the "walk zone" (i.e., no bus zone) being anyone within a mile of the school, we really need to support and encourage walking, instead of saying "We live too close to the school for the bus, so we'll drive". Yet it is not easy / almost dangerous to walk.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway. Currently, our neighborhood is not easily and intuitively connected to the existing trails. Building a short path and bridge off the end of Allview would bring the network to roughly 500 households, and open the ability to walk or bike to Lake Elkhorn, the East Columbia Library, or even Savage Mill.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority. Thank you.

Sincerely,
Kevin Cropper
6433 Allview Dr Columbia, MD 21046-1001 kevincropper@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: marshcd123@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carlynn Marsh <marshcd123@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 10:27 AM
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Sincerely,
Carlynn Marsh
8941 Rosewood Way Jessup, MD 20794-9588 marshcd123@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sboyd5@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sandra Boyd <sboyd5@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:30 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Sandra Boyd
5107 Golden Leaf Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-7914 sboyd5@outlook.com

Sayers, Margery

From: furstwest@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marlene West
<furstwest@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, March 15, 2019 7:13 AM
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Dear Howard County Council,

I ride my bike regularly through Howard County with the Cycle2 Health program and on my own. Too often I am caught in in dangerous situations like bike lanes that suddenly end. My car was just struck by an inattentive teen, which gives me pause about my vulnerability on my bike. Please help provide safe biking.

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Sincerely,
Marlene West
12214 Sleepy Horse Ln Columbia, MD 21044-2887 furstwest@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Mariac.modresky@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Maria Modresky
<Mariac.modresky@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:52 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Maria Modresky
6210 Latchlift Ct Elkridge, MD 21075-7035 Mariac.modresky@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jglenn301@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Glenn <jglenn301@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:34 PM
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Sincerely,
James Glenn
11729 Farside Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-1527 jglenn301@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: anjalimilano@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Angie Milano
<anjalimilano@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 9:24 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Angie Milano
9823 Solar Crse Laurel, MD 20723-6802
anjalimilano@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: renegade_lxix@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jonathan Schultz
<renegade_lxix@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 8:23 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

I have been a Howard county resident for 18 years, and have been a full-time bike commuter for the last 10+ years. I have biked to various Northrop Grumman locations, including BWI, Troy Hill/Elkridge, and now Sykesville. I work as an Engineering Manager, and many fellow employees have told they would like to bike to work if only the routes were safer.

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Schultz
3784 College Ave Ellicott City, MD 21043-4662 renegade_lxix@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sue@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sue Mangan <sue@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 6:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW. I ride my bike to work and I want my commute to be safe!

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

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Please make this an immediate priority!!!!!!

Sincerely,
Sue Mangan
7553 Red Cravat Ct Columbia, MD 21046-2436 sue@mangan.info

Sayers, Margery

From: findjuliei@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Julie Isaac
<findjuliei@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 5:03 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Julie Isaac
13412 Allnutt Ln Highland, MD 20777-9743 findjuliei@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: byrdhome@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Laura Byrd
<byrdhome@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:52 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, or people with disabilities. The Woodbine/Lisbon area does not have public transportation as an option for the residents. We need safer places for biking, walking, and riding transit NOW.

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We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Laura Byrd
3343 STARTING GATE Ct Woodbine, MD 21797 byrdhome@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: kcn8303@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kim Nguyen <kcn8303@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 4:40 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Kim Nguyen
8303 Wild Cherry Ct Laurel, MD 20723-1067 kcn8303@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jkjtbrandt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kimberly Brandt
<jkjtbrandt@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:59 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

I live within easy biking distance to my work but the route is not safe. Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Brandt
12575 Indian Hill Dr Sykesville, MD 21784-5416 jkjtbrandt@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Craig313228@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Craig Anderson <Craig313228@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Craig Anderson
6112 Little Foxes Run Columbia, MD 21045-5638 Craig313228@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: realestate@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lisa Harbour
<realestate@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Lisa Harbour
5504 Vantage Point Rd Columbia, MD 21044-2632 realestate@LisaHarbour.com

Sayers, Margery

From: vmcbee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Valerie MCBEE
<vmcbee@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 2:23 PM
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Sincerely,
Valerie MCBEE
3230 Old Fence Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-2440 vmcbee@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jbrandt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Brandt
<jbrandt@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:42 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
John Brandt
12575 Indian Hill Dr Sykesville, MD 21784-5416 jbrandt@umd.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: elizabethvanpatten@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Elizabeth Van Patten
<elizabethvanpatten@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:42 PM
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Sincerely,
Elizabeth Van Patten
3202 Brookmede Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-2462 elizabethvanpatten@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: debraharley3@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Debra Harley <debraharley3@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:29 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Debra Harley
9518 Half Dollar Ct Columbia, MD 21046-2071 debraharley3@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: kimmoeller@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kimberly Moeller
<kimmoeller@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:27 PM
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Sincerely,

Kimberly Moeller

8526 Rosecroft Ter Ellicott City, MD 21043-6666 kimmoeller@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: melissaoak7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Melissa Oak <melissaoak7@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Melissa Oak
2804 Brian Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-3398 melissaoak7@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: deleonjo12@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John de Leon <deleonjo12@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 1:10 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,

John de Leon

6517 Smokehouse Ct Columbia, MD 21045-4405 deleonjo12@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: andrew.mullican@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Andrew Mullican
<andrew.mullican@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:21 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Andrew Mullican
5183 Even Star Pl Columbia, MD 21044-1830 andrew.mullican@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rakshamirch@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Raksha Mirchandani
<rakshamirch@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:17 PM
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Sincerely,
Raksha Mirchandani
10064 Whitworth Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5643 rakshamirch@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: shaheen_hameed@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Shaheen Hameed
<shaheen_hameed@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:13 PM
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Sincerely,
Shaheen Hameed
3243 Sonia Trl Ellicott City, MD 21043-3273 shaheen_hameed@hcpss.org

Sayers, Margery

From: pjhunter45@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Patrick Hobbs <pjhunter45@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 12:07 PM
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Sincerely,

Patrick Hobbs

2550 Kensington Gdns Unit 303 Ellicott City, MD 21043-3627 pjhunter45@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sily.mercedes@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Laury Mercedes
<sily.mercedes@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:53 AM
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Sincerely,
Laury Mercedes
8616 Long Meadow Ct Columbia, MD 21045-5645 sily.mercedes@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: grace.mclaurin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Grace McLaurin
<grace.mclaurin@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:45 AM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Grace McLaurin
406 7th St NE Washington, DC 20002-5224 grace.mclaurin@icloud.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ingrammousa@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Anika Ingram
<ingrammousa@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:44 AM
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Sincerely,
Anika Ingram
5172 Flowertuft Ct Columbia, MD 21044-1607 ingrammousa@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: mkrzysko@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael Krzysko
<mkrzysko@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:35 AM
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Sincerely,
Michael Krzysko
4520 Tulip Way Ellicott City, MD 21043-6678 mkrzysko@fordham.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: sayitt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Saira Khan
<sayitt@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:30 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Saira Khan
10232 Hickory Ridge Rd Apt 402 Columbia, MD 21044-4670 sayitt@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jhatzakos@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Janice Hatzakos
<jhatzakos@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:28 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Janice Hatzakos
8617 Water Fall Dr Laurel, MD 20723-2044 jhatzakos@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: hhu002@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Hong Hu <hhu002@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:26 AM
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Sincerely,
Hong Hu
8108 Alloway Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6685 hhu002@umaryland.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: susanthobby@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Susan Hobby
<susanthobby@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:23 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Susan Hobby
4213 Purple Twilight Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5954 susanthobby@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: nlccpastoralh@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Archie Harris
<nlccpastoralh@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:20 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Archie Harris
JAMESTOWN Ct Laurel, MD 20723
nlccpastoralh@msn.com

Sayers, Margery

From: urategreat@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mark Hammert
<urategreat@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 11:19 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,

Mark Hammert

761 Chessie Crossing Way Woodbine, MD 21797-8768 urategreat@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: dysong1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Daniel Song <dysong1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:27 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

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We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Daniel Song
12497 W Nuggett Ct Highland, MD 20777-9568 dysong1@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: shaun.best@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Shaun Best
<shaun.best@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 10:26 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,

Shaun Best

4162 Treadway Rd Apt 2 Beaumont, TX 77706-7138 shaun.best@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: fberko@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Fred Berko
<fberko@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 8:54 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Fred Berko
7718 River Rock Way Columbia, MD 21044-4163 fberko@ieee.org

Sayers, Margery

From: glenn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Glenn and Janice Schneider
<glenn@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 8:25 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Wanted you to know that our family supports everything below, too. Hope you will make it happen!!

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Glenn and Janice Schneider
12106 Blue Flag Way Columbia, MD 21044-2753 glenn@actioncenters.net

Sayers, Margery

From: jt21146@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Josh Taylor <jt21146@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 14, 2019 7:29 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Josh Taylor
10746 Folkestone Way Woodstock, MD 21163-1376 jt21146@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: amirahse@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amirah Elgendy
<amirahse@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 10:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Amirah Elgendy
4638 Woodland Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-6329 amirahse@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: bete3374@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Betelhem Dagne <bete3374@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:44 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Betelhem Dagne
3192 Wheaton Way Apt B Ellicott City, MD 21043-7101 bete3374@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: chamelbenson@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Catherine Hamel
<chamelbenson@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 9:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Catherine Hamel
1038 Henryton Rd Marriottsville, MD 21104-1431 chamelbenson@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: shweta1224@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Shweta Patel Sarkar <shweta1224@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:58 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Shweta Patel Sarkar
14504 Edgewoods Way Glenelg, MD 21737-9608 shweta1224@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: afryer4922@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of ALEXIS FRYER <afryer4922@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 8:15 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
ALEXIS FRYER
11301 Little Patuxent Pkwy Columbia, MD 21044-3922 afryer4922@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: wcholbrook@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Wendy Holbrook
<wcholbrook@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 7:18 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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I love cycling and want to participate in this favorite activity close to my home. I live close enough to bike to many destinations but am afraid to bike in several directions without safe avenues.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Wendy Holbrook
5941 Cedar Fern Ct Columbia, MD 21044-3697 wcholbrook@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: luda.bard@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Luda Bard
<luda.bard@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 5:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.
We need sidewalks everywhere where there are kids and disable people.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Luda Bard
9900 Lamott Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-5624 luda.bard@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: doublebogey2002@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mark Ramstrom
<doublebogey2002@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 5:29 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,

Mark Ramstrom

11435 Little Patuxent Pkwy Columbia, MD 21044-3882 doublebogey2002@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: Renduverneau@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Renald Duverneau
<Renduverneau@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 4:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Renald Duverneau
7112 Stone Throw Way ElkrIDGE, MD 21075-7902 Renduverneau@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: florenzi@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Frances Lorenzi
<florenzi@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 4:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Frances Lorenzi
11429 High Hay Dr Columbia, MD 21044-1027 florenzi@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rwcoburn@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Robert Coburn
<rwcoburn@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 4:31 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Robert Coburn
11429 High Hay Dr Columbia, MD 21044-1027 rwcoburn@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ebarnes2004@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Edward Arneson <ebarnes2004@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 4:19 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

This would not be a issue if bikers and runners/walkers would go with the traffic instead of against the traffic. Make a law that pedestrians and bikers must go with the flow of traffic.

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Edward Arneson
5203 New Prospect Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6679 ebarnes2004@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ktmcgowan@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sarah McGowan
<ktmcgowan@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 4:09 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

I live off of Old Annapolis Rd, which lacks a complete sidewalk. Nearly every day I see people (usually elderly people, but also occasionally the school cross country teams!) using the street because, in addition to there not being a sidewalk, there are no shoulders in the section of the road near Centennial Lane. In this active community we really need a complete sidewalk to ensure the safety of our community. I also have issues with my children walking to school through a neighborhood with no sidewalks, no lights, and no speed humps, where speeding is a definite concern.

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Sincerely,
Sarah McGowan
9921 Carillon Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-6205 ktmcgowan@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: mlynn228@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mick Lynn <mlynn228@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 3:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Mick Lynn
7774 Sandstone Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-7077 mlynn228@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: littlefin@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Linda Beckman
<littlefin@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 3:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Linda Beckman
3526 N Chatham Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-3908 littlefin@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: elfrishberg@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of ELLEN FRISHBERG
<elfrishberg@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 3:16 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
ELLEN FRISHBERG
8605 Littlefield Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6550 elfrishberg@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: nnferry@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Natalie Ferry
<nnferry@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:53 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Natalie Ferry
100 Dasher Ave Bear, DE 19701-1192
nnferry@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: daniefelisha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Danielle Greene
<daniefelisha@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Danielle Greene
7430 Wild Honey Way Elkridge, MD 21075-7292 daniefelisha@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: acates99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Andree Cates <acates99@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:19 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Andree Cates
5405 Hesperus Dr Columbia, MD 21044-1810 acates99@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: silviabravo6@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Silvia Bravo <silviabravo6@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:17 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Silvia Bravo
9537 Kilimanjaro Rd Columbia, MD 21045-3942 silviabravo6@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Rafreas@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Richard Freas
<Rafreas@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:15 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Richard Freas
9465 Glen Ridge Dr Laurel, MD 20723-1338 Rafreas@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: gonzobkr9111@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael Bashore <gonzobkr9111@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Michael Bashore
7203 Sleep Soft Cir Columbia, MD 21045-5252 gonzobkr9111@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: franhoran33@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Francis Horan <franhoran33@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:10 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Francis Horan
5314 Debbie Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6959 franhoran33@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jeffreym715@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeffrey Marks <jeffreym715@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:08 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW. Traditional bike lanes built out of the door zone, buffered bike lanes, smooth shoulders, and wide curb lanes should be included.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Jeffrey Marks
3736 Clarinth Rd Baltimore, MD 21215-2404 jeffreym715@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: booknix@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sheronda Booker
<booknix@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:07 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Sincerely,
Sheronda Booker
8406 Elko Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043-6915 booknix@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Jung, Deb
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:01 PM
To: beertrekker@hotmail.com; CouncilMail
Subject: RE: I support complete streets in Howard County

Hi William,

Thank you for contacting Councilmember Jung's office regarding Complete Streets. Councilmember Jung is in strong support of a policy that will improve safety for all modes of transportation. Deb appreciates your perspective and encourages you to stay involved in the political process.

Warm Regards,
Ginnie

Ginnie Gick
District Aide, District 4
Howard County Council
410.313.2452

-----Original Message-----

From: beertrekker@everyactioncustom.com <beertrekker@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:10 PM
To: CouncilMail <CouncilMail@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
William nichols
10387 Cavey Ln Woodstock, MD 21163-1322 beertrekker@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: berlandd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dan Berland
<berlandd@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 2:01 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Dan Berland
5630 Vantage Point Rd Columbia, MD 21044-2613 berlandd@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Jung, Deb
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:58 PM
To: no@no.com; CouncilMail
Subject: RE: I support complete streets in Howard County

Thank you for contacting Councilmember Jung's office regarding Complete Streets. Councilmember Jung is in strong support of a policy that will improve safety for all modes of transportation. Deb appreciates your perspective and encourages you to stay involved in the political process.

Warm Regards,
Ginnie

Ginnie Gick
District Aide, District 4
Howard County Council
410.313.2452

-----Original Message-----

From: no@everyactioncustom.com <no@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:21 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
No No
No texting me Wherever, MD 99222
no@no.com

Sayers, Margery

From: lbeck2@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lisa Beck <lbeck2@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:56 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Lisa Beck
10642 Sandown Way Woodstock, MD 21163-1363 lbeck2@bcps.org

Sayers, Margery

From: guybrandt11@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Guy Brandt <guybrandt11@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:55 PM
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Sincerely,
Guy Brandt
6604 Welcome Night Path Clarksville, MD 21029-1288 guybrandt11@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Alonzoellison@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Alonzo Ellison
<Alonzoellison@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:55 PM
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Sincerely,
Alonzo Ellison
5339 Brook Way Columbia, MD 21044-1606
Alonzoellison@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: lmrhd1050@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Andrea Moorhead <lmrhd1050@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Andrea Moorhead
8100 Hickory High Ct Apt P Ellicott City, MD 21043-5527 lmrhd1050@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: willmck@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of William McKinzie
<willmck@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

We need a commitment to more funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,

William McKinzie

8126 Brookwood Farm Rd Fulton, MD 20759-9658 willmck@mckintek.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rcgoldman10775@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Richard Goldman
<rcgoldman10775@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:42 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Richard Goldman
10775 Judy Ln Columbia, MD 21044-4211
rcgoldman10775@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: climber5112004@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jennifer Carey <climber5112004@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Carey
12503 Woodbrook Ct Monrovia, MD 21770-9138 climber5112004@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: heather-hcbike@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Heather Wilkerson <heather-hcbike@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:37 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Heather Wilkerson
4036 Wildwood Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5002 heather-hcbike@seanandheather.com

Sayers, Margery

From: chaudhry.sadia@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sadia Chaudhry
<chaudhry.sadia@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:37 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Sadia Chaudhry
6386 Loudon Ave Elkridge, MD 21075-5637 chaudhry.sadia@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: nikibel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Nicole Forsythe
<nikibel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Nicole Forsythe
7564 Weather Worn Way Columbia, MD 21046-2428 nikibel@live.com

Sayers, Margery

From: k-felder@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kimberly Felder <k-felder@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:34 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Kimberly Felder
7417 Hickory Log Cir Columbia, MD 21045-5065 k-felder@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: callink1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of BONNIE CORNELL <callink1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

As both a commuting and recreational pedestrian and cyclist, I know too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
BONNIE CORNELL
6309 Morning Time Ln Columbia, MD 21044-4909 callink1@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: katrina20794@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Darlene Curry <katrina20794@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Darlene Curry
10035 Guilford Rd Jessup, MD 20794-9541 katrina20794@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sharkdee@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Diana Atwell
<sharkdee@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:31 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support complete streets in Howard County

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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer places for biking, walking and riding transit to be a top priority for Howard County.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Diana Atwell
3657 Sharp Rd Glenwood, MD 21738-9504
sharkdee@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: juldash@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Julekha Dash
<juldash@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:27 PM
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Sincerely,
Julekha Dash
3062 Greenhaven Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-7828 juldash@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sreeamnati@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sreenivasulu Ambati
<sreeamnati@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:23 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Sreenivasulu Ambati
14569 Edgewoods Way Glenelg, MD 21737-9610 sreeamnati@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: clive.cameron55@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Clive Cameron <clive.cameron55@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:22 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Clive Cameron
6467 Sedgwick St Elkridge, MD 21075-6198 clive.cameron55@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: no@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of No No <no@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:21 PM
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Sincerely,
No No
No texting me Wherever, MD 99222
no@no.com

Sayers, Margery

From: markgbraganca@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mark Braganca
<markgbraganca@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:19 PM
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Sincerely,

Mark Braganca

3720 Valerie Carol Ct Ellicott City, MD 21042-3770 markgbraganca@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: av8nesq@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Barry Benson
<av8nesq@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:15 PM
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Sincerely,
Barry Benson
10325 Kingsbridge Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-5851 av8nesq@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: beertrekker@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of William nichols
<beertrekker@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:10 PM
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Sincerely,
William nichols
10387 Cavey Ln Woodstock, MD 21163-1322 beertrekker@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: amrlcpa@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Angela Hayes
<amrlcpa@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 1:05 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Angela Hayes
508 Gladhill Rd Odenton, MD 21113-1911
amrlcpa@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: johnmetz@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Metz
<johnmetz@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:55 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority. And THANK YOU for the improvements you have done such as bike lanes on Centennial Lane and other streets.

Sincerely,

John Metz

10248 Bristol Channel Ellicott City, MD 21042-5819 johnmetz@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: nd787@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeff Chamblee <nd787@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:47 PM
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Jeff Chamblee
10141 Hyla Brook Rd Columbia, MD 21044-1706 nd787@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: yelno1jm@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Yelnosky
<yelno1jm@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
John Yelnosky
3108 Josephine Walk Ellicott City, MD 21042-2193 yelno1jm@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sigurd@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sigurd Knippenberg
<sigurd@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:40 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Sigurd Knippenberg
8014 High Castle Rd Ellicott City, MD 21043-5516 sigurd@knippenberg.com

Sayers, Margery

From: mmtcomm@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michele Tuttle
<mmtcomm@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
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If funding is an issue, red light cameras on key roads would more than pay for this initiative and possibly slow drivers down making it safer for EVERYONE!!

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,

Michele Tuttle

5158 Evangeline Way Columbia, MD 21044-1829 mmtcomm@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: dianne.aguilera@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dianne Aguilera
<dianne.aguilera@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 13, 2019 12:36 PM
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Dear Howard County Council,

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, cyclists, transit riders or people with disabilities. We need safer, connected routes for biking, walking and riding transit NOW.

This affects not only the walkers, cyclists, transit riders, and people with disabilities, but fixing this accessibility can help limit car congestion and increase the health of our community. We may not see the full benefits immediately, but creating a safe means for non-car transportation now helps us reap the benefits in the near future instead of the far future - or never.

We need strong funding to achieve this, including for the Bikeway.

We also need strong laws. Please support a Complete Streets Bill that will require new developments and public spaces to have better places to bike and walk. This will improve our quality of life.

Please make this an immediate priority.

Sincerely,
Dianne Aguilera
9317 Millbrook Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-2530 dianne.aguilera@gmail.com

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Sayers, Margery

From: Rigby, Christiana
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 9:32 AM
To: Sayers, Margery
Subject: FW: HCAS CSP Funding in Proposed FY20 Budget
Attachments: 20190430 - HCAS Thank you County Budget Funding final.pdf

From: Roger Thibaudeau <Roger.Thibaudeau@howard-autism.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 8:55 PM
To: Ball, Calvin <cball@howardcountymd.gov>; Jones, Opel <ojones@howardcountymd.gov>; Walsh, Elizabeth <ewalsh@howardcountymd.gov>; Rigby, Christiana <crigby@howardcountymd.gov>; Jung, Deb <djung@howardcountymd.gov>; Yungmann, David <dyungmann@howardcountymd.gov>
Cc: Melissa Rosenberg <melissa.rosenberg@howard-autism.org>; Patrick Boxall <ptjboxall@gmail.com>; Roger E. Thibaudeau <roger.thibaudeau@jhuapl.edu>
Subject: HCAS CSP Funding in Proposed FY20 Budget

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Dear County Executive Dr. Ball and Members of the County Council,

Attached please find testimony from the Howard County Autism Society concerning proposed FY20 funding of the HCAS Community Service Partnership Grant request.

Thank you for your time, and for your continued service to Howard County.

Yours Sincerely,
Roger Thibaudeau
Chair, Education Advocacy Committee
Howard County Autism Society



HOWARD COUNTY AUTISM SOCIETY

April 30, 2019

To: Howard County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball
Howard County Council Chairperson Christiana Mercer Rigby
Howard County Council Vice Chairperson Opel Jones
Howard County Council Member Liz Walsh
Howard County Council Member Deb Jung
Howard County Council Member David Yungmann

From: Howard County Autism Society (HCAS)

Subject: HCAS Community Service Partnership (CSP) Funds in the FY20 County Budget

Dear County Executive Dr. Ball and Members of the Howard County Council,

On behalf of HCAS, I am writing to you today to express our sincere appreciation for the CSP Funds designated to us in the FY20 Howard County budget proposal submitted by Dr. Ball on April 21st. These funds, which we classify as our Family Advocacy and Parent Education (FAPE) program, are instrumental in allowing us to provide critical services and supports to the community.

Our plan for FY20 builds on the community-based services we have been able to deliver with the CSP grant funds we have been fortunate to receive in past years. Some examples of the recent work done with these grant funds include:

- The creation and maintenance of our Special Education News Center, a dedicated on-line location which houses a wealth of information, both local and national, to assist both families and professionals in key areas surrounding Special Education.
- Yearly special education workshops put on in concert with the Howard County Public School System (HCPSS) and other community partners.
- The translation of key autism resource materials into both Spanish and Korean in order to increase access to key services in the community. These materials are offered in both printed and online form.
- One on one special education supports offered to families with questions and concerns related to services they are receiving at HCPSS. These supports can include key discussions with an expert and fellow parent to receive specific advice and consultation on their areas of concern and if needed, a one-time consult with a lawyer from Disability Rights Maryland. All of these services come at no charge to the family.
- The creation of our annual Transition Symposium, which has now grown into a Transition Outreach Partnership with many other like-minded organizations in Howard County which offer several workshops and educational opportunities for those who are nearing transition out of the school system and into the adult community.

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- Support from a family navigator and social worker for matters with extenuating circumstances beyond resources HCAS typically provides. In the first half of last year alone, this support included key items such as securing food, rent and energy assistance, therapeutic services, and connection with a variety of our community partners and other services offered throughout Howard County.

Without the past funds from Howard County, we would not have been able to provide these key services and opportunities to our broader community.

Once again, a sincere thank you to Dr. Ball for including a line item for this HCAS FAPE Program in the FY20 budget. We understand that tough decisions have to be made each budget cycle, and we are grateful for the continued confidence of the County Executive and the County Council Members in our ability to maximize the effectiveness and return to the community that this investment in our many efforts provides. These funds are a critical enabler for many of the programs, services, education and advocacy efforts we undertake here at HCAS; efforts that are instrumental in our mission to continue to improve the quality of and access to services and educational opportunities for those on the spectrum and their families.

Yours sincerely,



Roger E. Thibaudeau, Jr.
Chair, Education Advocacy Cmte
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Melissa Rosenberg
Executive Director
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Patrick Boxall
President, Board of Directors
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Sayers, Margery

From: Karen Carter <3carters@verizon.net>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 9:01 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: testimony for the public hearing for the Howard County Operating Budget on May 1, 2019

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Dear County Council members,

I serve on the Board of Directors for Adaptive Living, Inc. I strongly urge you to approve County Executive Ball's recommendation to fully fund the CSP grant request that Adaptive Living, Inc. submitted. Adaptive Living, Inc. is a nonprofit organization that for 31 years has met critical needs for adults with developmental disabilities in Howard County by providing housing, support, and integration into the community. We are an important resource for a vulnerable population that requires our help.

Sincerely,
Karen E. Carter, member, Board of Directors, Adaptive Living, Inc.

Sayers, Margery

From: Gary Carter <gary@adaptiveliving.net>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 2:38 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Jimmy Schenk; Robin Phillips; Karen Carter; Mike Callison; Lisa Emmerling; Gary Carter; Duke Silvea; Sharon Powdrill; Nitin Nayak; Tim Mitchell
Subject: Testimony for the Public Hearing for the County Operating Budget on May 1, 2019

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By way of introduction, I am the President of the Board of Directors for Adaptive Living, Incorporated (ALI). ALI is a non-profit located in Columbia, MD that provides housing, food, and supervision for adults with developmental disabilities in Howard County. ALI has been in existence for over 30 years and is licensed by Maryland's Department of Human Services. ALI's primary focus is to develop the skills of its residents needed for them to become as independent as possible. ALI has had several recent "graduates" from our program who have gone on to live on their own. Another important goal is to help integrate ALI's residents into the community.

ALI raises about 45% of its operating budget from grants, fundraising, and donations. ALI has been a recipient of Howard County Government's Community Services Partnership (CSP) grant for many years which helps the organization deliver high quality services for a vulnerable population that cannot advocate for itself. The ALI Board of Directors urges you to keep County Executive Calvin Ball's 2020 CSP budget line item intact.

Sincerely,

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Sayers, Margery

From: Joanne Addy <joanne_addy@hcpss.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 11:41 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Support the Budget

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Christiana Rigby,

To Whom It May Concern,

I understand the budget next year might be cut causing class sizes to be increased. I cannot stress enough how detrimental that would be to the students learning. We have classrooms with many needs beyond IEP and physical disabilities. Students need both academic and social support which is hard to do when class sizes are large. I chose to work in Howard County because the county puts students and their needs first. I realize it is difficult to decide where to cut the budget so we are financially secure but doing it at the expense of students is just not the right choice.

Thank you for your attention to this matter!

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Sayers, Margery

From: Nora Hart <development@washear.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 11:26 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Cc: Gelwicks, Colette; Facchine, Felix; neely@washear.org
Subject: Letter to Christiana Rigby re: Metropolitan Washington Ear
Attachments: Letter to Councilperson Christiana Rigby re Funding Declination - 4-30-2019.pdf

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Dear Ms. Rigby:

Neely and I enjoyed meeting with you back in January. We wanted to write to let you know that Metropolitan Washington Ear (MWE) was denied a Community Service Partnership grant. As you know, MWE provides critical, free services for blind residents of Howard County. We respectfully request that you speak with County Executive Calvin Ball to restore MWE's funding in the budget.

Thanks so very much,
Nora

Nora Hart

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The Honorable Christiana Rigby
Councilperson
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Re: Metropolitan Washington Ear's declination for Community Service Partnership Grant

Dear Ms. Rigby:

Nora and I enjoyed meeting with you on January 16. We appreciated the opportunity to tell you about Metropolitan Washington Ear's (MWE) services for Howard County residents challenged by vision loss. MWE applied for a Community Service Partnership Grant. Unfortunately, our application was denied. As you may remember, MWE provides critical services to people challenged by vision loss. We have a radio reading broadcast, a Telephone Dial-In service, audio description of live theatre, and a lookup service. All our services are free and provide access 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Without access to information, Howard County citizens are not able to seek and receive information on issues of importance to the public and their community. Whether it is a local government issue in Howard County or a national news story, people who are blind, have low vision, or have a physical disability that prevents them from reading print cannot fully participate in their communities and make informed decisions without information. This denies them a critical human need, the right to access information.

Information plays a critical role in sustaining a resident's life so providing access to information allows them to fully participate in their family, workplace and community. MWE fills a critical gap that jurisdictions like Howard County cannot fill. We bridge the divide between what the County can provide to blind residents and the information that they need to fully participate. For example, the Howard County Library System refers those with vision impairments to the Maryland State Library for Blind & Physically Handicapped. This requires access to a computer and screen reader to access the LBPH's website. Not all seniors are tech savvy and not all can afford expensive assistive technology. Howard County Library System also provides a screen reader in their branches which could be used with Maryland Digital NewsBank to have an automated voice read national or local news. This is limiting because it is not 24 hours access, requires user to be comfortable with technology, and is available to a limited number of

users. We provide immediate, broad and comprehensive access to current local news including the *Howard County Times* and information necessary to everyday living such as election guides, TV listings, theater schedules, food and general shopping ads, and public service announcements in people's homes 24 hours a day. We also have national news including *The Washington Post*, *New York Times*, and *Wall Street Journal*. This is information that is not readily available 24 hours a day to Howard County residents and requires dependence on transportation to the Library. Howard County is providing very limited services to residents challenged by vision loss. Our service is 24/7 and is read by human voices which many of our seniors say they prefer because it is easier to understand.

Last year, Howard County supported MWE and worked as a partner with MWE to bring information to residents who are blind, low vision, or have a physical disability that prevents them from reading print. Our work continues and the need is great. Our funding request this year which was denied was for the 43 Howard County residents who depend on our service to fulfill a critical human need for information. While it may be tempting to dismiss the needs of a small group of citizens, people who are visually impaired have the same right to access information as the sighted population. MWE's mission is to bring the printed word to the visually impaired. Our service allows them to be self-sufficient and prevents further reliance on costly County services. We are uniquely positioned to provide a service that the County is not able to provide.

Our services fulfill a critical human need, promote self-sufficiency, and prevent dependence on County services. We worked in partnership with Howard County for many years and we hope to work with you in the future to bring access to information to the visually impaired. We respectfully request that you include the Metropolitan Washington Ear's request for \$5,000 in this year's budget amendments to support Howard County residents who are challenged by vision loss.

Sincerely,


Neely Oplinger

Executive Director

cc: Megan Godfrey-Jackson, Community Service Partnerships

Sayers, Margery

From: Margaret Danaher <margaret_danaher@hcpss.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 9:06 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Special Education Students deserve instruction

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Christiana Rigby,

Hello Council Members,

This will be a short letter because my time is very limited.

I am a special educator in a HCPSS elementary school. 5 years ago, I had caseloads between 6-8 students. I co-taught with teachers, modified materials for my students as needed and enjoyed teaching them and watching them progress and grow.

This year, I have "processed" at least 24 students. I still do some teaching but most of my time is spent on casework which means paperwork including of a clerical nature. I am unhappy. This is not why I changed my career path 15 years ago to be a glorified clerk who tries to squeeze in teaching as I can. More importantly, this is not what my students deserve. They have a right to adequate and appropriate staffing and use of school personnel.

I encourage you to do whatever you are able to restore an appropriate instructional environment for the special education students in Howard County.

Thank-you.

Sincerely Yours,

Margaret E. Danaher, MS

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Sayers, Margery

From: Katherine Pagani <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 8:36 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Please fund our operating budget!

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Christiana Rigby,

I'm sending out a brief plea on a personal level to ask for desperately needed funding for my department. Special Ed is dangerously understaffed. I believe that every child should be able to attend their neighborhood school and not be "shipped out" because of their special needs. I was tending to the needs of a student last week by myself and I couldn't control him. He ended up biting me and causing significant nerve damage to my arm and hand. I am in a "wait and see" situation now, as the doctor said it could take months for the nerve to heal. Please please give us the funds to get the staffing we need to tend to our children safely!

Thank you,

Katherine Pagani

Special Education Paraeducator

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Sayers, Margery

From: Allison Meade <Allison_Meade@hcpss.org>
Sent: Tuesday, April 30, 2019 8:35 AM
To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Special Education PLEASE

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Christiana Rigby,

This year, we had a student who was not able to get the required services that they needed - one of the teachers who could have served him was split between two different schools and they other had 15 other kids on her caseload. This student was not able to get the services that they required for their speech, occupational therapy, or behavioral needs. Because of his needs not being met, his general education classroom teacher was acting as his special educator and so she was not able to teach her classroom properly. It caused a chain reaction of students not getting the education that they are legally entitled to. At the end of the day, it's about students getting the education that they deserve and they are required to get. Special education needs more funding so that all students, regardless of their disability or lack thereof, are getting the services that they require.

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Sayers, Margery

From: Kelly McKim <info@email.actionnetwork.org>
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To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Class size

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Christiana Rigby,

Today, in our staff meeting our principal mentioned the possibility of increased class size. This shocked me! As a county, we have been a leader in the educational field. We pride ourselves on the level of quality education we provide EVERY student. As a teacher, I get to know my students and families very well. In order to teach effectively, I need to know them. Recently, I taught a 2nd grade math class of 29 children. I was barely able to get to every student each day. I can't imagine how we can continue to effectively educate all of our students with increased class sizes. I am a product of this county and the school system. As a teacher, I can not afford to live here because of the high real estate costs. These costs are in large part due to the excellent school system. Please consider this when making your budgeting choices.

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Sayers, Margery

From: Melissa Scobell <Melissa_Scobell@hcpss.org>
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To: Rigby, Christiana
Subject: Please Fund Special Education

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Christiana Rigby,

Dear Council Members,

I have seen the effects of limited budget clearly this year at Laurel Woods Elementary School in the department of Special Education. I work as a PreK special educator as a half day employee and also as an employee in the afternoon at BBES. At the beginning of this year we, as a team, spent countless hours before school on Wednesdays problem solving how we can support our special ed students with a limited staff and an always growing need. I started this year with 3 students on my caseload and took on 3 Kindergarten students to help the rest of the special educators in the building since we lost a staff member this year due to budget cuts. I am ending the school year with 11 students on my caseload for just my morning place of work (16 students total including my afternoon placement). This may not seem like a lot of students, but I am servicing 3 different classrooms in the morning (2 prek classes and a Kindergarten class) and it is impossible for me to do this as a half-d ay employee. I have 1.5 hours of instruction time I can provide during my half day schedule daily and student hours that total more than 10 hours daily of needs. I was lucky to gain the help of an excellent para-educator this year, but she is also split between three classrooms and our combined total hours of service we can provide fall short of what our students need on an average day. When we add in all of the meetings, paperwork, and emails/phone calls to parents on top of an already too heavy schedule... the students suffer. That is the bottom line.

Last year I was able to work just in the two PreK classrooms and provide services throughout the morning for both classes and my students are flourishing in Kindergarten. One will be dismissed this year from his IEP and the others are leaps and bounds more successful and able to keep up with grade level work with some support. My students this year, in contrast, are not where they need to be for Kindergarten and it is clearly lack of time and resources.

My story is a small example of the special education department at Laurel Woods on a whole. I have seen a Kindergarten student not receive sensory support he desperately needed due to an overworked OT (she works in 4 different schools!) and lack of resources from the county. Instead of flourishing in Kindergarten, this student destroyed his classroom multiple times and his cries for help were not met, which created an unsafe environment for our students up until right before Spring Break. The list of the effects of removing one special educator from our midst due to budget cuts could go on and on. Next year, due to further budget cuts, we will lose another special educator to a sorely needed ALS program at our school and we will also lose a paraeducator. Next year our students will lose even more than they already are.

I could go on to explain how many hours outside of the school day I need to work and neglect my own children due to filling out paperwork and not taking my planning time, but I hope you come away from this letter with an understanding of how budget cuts for Special Education has been detrimental to the county as a whole and it is tragic to see our resources dwindling even more next year.

Sincerely,
Melissa Scobell

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Sayers, Margery

From: Rigby, Christiana
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 3:30 PM
To: Sayers, Margery
Subject: FW: Support of HoCoWSA
Attachments: rigby letter 4.29.19.docx

From: Mary Price <mcprice92@gmail.com>
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 3:19 PM
To: Rigby, Christiana <crigby@howardcountymd.gov>
Subject: Support of HoCoWSA

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Dear Ms. Rigby,

Attached is my letter asking you to support the Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy for inclusion in the FY 2020 County Budget.

Again thank you for your support.

Mary C. Price

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April 29, 2019

To the Honorable Christiana Rigby,

Last summer when you were campaigning in the Owen Brown neighborhood of Columbia, we spoke on two occasions. I was particularly appreciative of how willing you were to listen to my concerns about the environment. I am writing today to urge you to support the University of Maryland Extension's request to include as a new program the **Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy (HoCoWSA)** into the County's FY 2020 operating budget. HoCoWSA provides valuable service to the Howard County community. The academy trains, educates and empowers local citizens in relevant stormwater and watershed issues through trained Master Watershed Stewards. These stewards assess neighborhoods and residential sites for stormwater management problems and potential solutions, while also guiding citizens as they seek to initiate residential-scale best management practices that will reduce the volume, pollution and potential public health risks that leaves these sites as stormwater runoff.

HoCoWSA is able to access private property within Howard County—property that is outside of the County's authority/ownership and is thus inaccessible—and has collaborated with a number of county departments, nonprofits, schools, Boys/Girls Scout Troops, homeowner associations, and places of worship conducting education and outreach efforts and acting as an effective bridge between the County and its citizens. With the increase in rain events and their resulting impacts to individual properties, the demand for help from homeowners across the county continues to increase.

I have partnered with Cradlerock Elementary School for three years, providing presentations to grades three, four, and five. With the third graders, I discuss the watershed and the effects of pollution on a local river. With the fourth graders, I teach about horseshoe crabs, and how development along the shores of the Bay and along the Atlantic are reducing the land on which they spawn. With the fifth graders, I teach how oysters from the Chesapeake Bay and fresh water mussels from Lake Elkhorn filter sediment from their waters. Educating our youngest citizens about the environment and what we can do to improve the quality of our water is very important to me.

Again, I urge you to support the University of Maryland Extension's request to include as a new program the Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy (HoCoWSA) into the County's FY 2020 operating budget.

Thank you for your support.

Sincerely,

Mary C. Price

Sayers, Margery

From: Millicent Nwolisa <MNwolisa@Laureladvocacy.org>
Sent: Monday, April 29, 2019 12:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
Cc: Leah Paley; Godfrey, Megan
Subject: FY2020 LARS - Howard County Testimony for Operating Budget
Attachments: FY2020 LARS Howard County Testimony for Operating Budget.pdf

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Good afternoon Chair Rigby and County Councilmembers,

Please see the attached testimony from Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services Inc. (LARS) to be read at the Public Hearing for the County's Operating Budget on May 1st, 2019 at 1pm. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions about the attached document.

Kindest Regards, Millicent

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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF THE HOWARD COUNTY FISCAL YEAR 2020
EXECUTIVE PROPOSED OPERATING BUDGET

May 1, 2019

County Council Chair Christiana Mercer Rigby
Howard County Council
George Howard Building
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Good evening Chair Rigby and County Councilmembers:

My name is Millicent Nwolisa and I am the Director of Client Services at Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, Inc. (LARS). I want to thank you for your current commitment of \$15,000 in Community Service Partnership (CSP) funding to LARS. We respectfully request that you approve the Fiscal Year 2020 County Budget proposal for LARS to receive \$15,000 in the upcoming fiscal year.

Your support over the last several years played a critical role in supporting the programs and services we provide to Laurel residents of Howard County who are facing a crisis. In Fiscal Year 2018¹, LARS processed 148 requests for assistance from 57 Howard County households (100 individuals). In total, CSP funds enabled LARS to assist 22 families (55 individuals) with 225 bags of food assistance and 35 households (45 individuals) with referrals to community support services. Fourteen households were financially assisted with securing permanent housing, avoiding an eviction, or maintaining or restoring power to their homes.

For households facing unexpected challenges, LARS provides a critical safety net through an array of emergency assistance services including food, financial assistance, case management, resource referral, as well as permanent housing and self-sufficiency programs. Chief among our emergency assistance services is LARS's financial assistance program which provides residents with short-term rental assistance to help them stay in or move into their homes.

¹ Laurel Advocacy and Referral Services, Inc., Fiscal Year 2018 CSP Financial Assistance Report, 2018.



An estimated 8% of Laurel's residents live below the poverty line, and many who live above it are barely breaking even. A single parent with two children in Howard County would need to earn an hourly wage of \$46.33 (\$96,366 annually) in order to meet their family's basic needs². This number is more than four times the current federal poverty level of \$20,160 for a single parent/two-child household. Ninety Five percent of Laurel households assisted by LARS live below the federal poverty line. Sixty percent earn less than \$2,000 a month in gross income, and another 22% have no income. Many residents are struggling to keep up with the cost of living expenses and are turning to organizations like LARS for assistance.

We appreciate the County's support of \$15,000 as proposed in the Fiscal Year 2020 County Operating Budget. We respectfully request that the County Council continue supporting LARS at this level so that we can continue assisting our neighbors with building a more stable life for themselves and their loved ones.

Sincerely,

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² Economic Policy Institute's 2018 Family Budget Calculator

Sayers, Margery

From: Robert Jackson <rjackson@b-rollmedia.org>
Sent: Saturday, April 27, 2019 11:05 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Written Testimony
Attachments: B-Roll OverviewHC.pdf

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Dear County Council Members

I respectfully submit this letter of testimony on behalf of B-Roll Media & Arts inc.

Thank you for your consideration of a CSP One-Time Grant in the amount of \$3000.

Letter attached!

rj

Robert Jackson
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B-ROLL MEDIA & ARTS INC.

Mission/Purpose of the Organization, History, Mission & Goals

B-Roll is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization that operates on the premise that traditional education is not designed to accommodate non-traditional learners. We flip the script on education, building a student-centered plan for learning through STEM centered media and arts programs. Participants are taught and mentored by industry experts with years of experience in radio, television, film and fine arts with the goal of guiding each individual toward a career path that will support his or her lifestyle while encouraging personal growth. And because B-Roll's programs are available at no cost, there is no financial barrier to participation.

The organization was founded in 2012 by Robert Jackson, a media/arts professional, who experienced the struggles and humiliation of going through school with an undiagnosed learning disability. He found solace and direction in media arts which gave him confidence, built his self-esteem and put him on the path to a successful career in the field. In creating B- Roll, Jackson sought to use his knowledge and life experience to provide positive educational experiences for young people just like him. Last year B-Roll served 200 students through 15 media and arts classes held in The Maryland area. With your support that number will continue to grow as B-Roll expands its programming to additional youth with programs throughout the Howard County area.

The organization's goal is to redirect the lives of young people who struggle to succeed with traditional education, focusing on positive activities that lead to a stable and economically secure future by:

- a) Identifying and recruiting youth from area schools, recreational and rehabilitation programs and churches who will benefit from the B-Roll program;
- b) Ensuring that each participant is fully engaged in the instruction and promotion of media and performing arts;
- c) Supporting each young person in the program with relevant programs, technology, mentors and the opportunity to develop skills, knowledge and confidence;

d) Hiring staff who understand the needs of B-Roll participants and have the capacity to engage them, develop relationships with community leaders, and be in-tune to the issues impacting young people today;

e) Establishing itself as a credible resource for supporting youth in local communities.

Students who complete the full B-Roll curriculum are equipped with the knowledge, skills and confidence required to enter the media arts workforce or successfully transfer those life skills to other post-secondary education and work opportunities.

The needs/problems to be addressed by your support

B-Roll serves under-resourced youth ages 13 through 21 and youth with diagnosed learning disabilities. Fifty percent of our students fall into both categories. The majority of B-Roll students (75%) are African American. Sixty percent are male and 40% are female. Three-fourths of our participants are under the age of 18 and an estimated 10% identify as LGBT.

Low income youth and youth with learning disabilities often struggle to succeed in traditional educational settings. Their dropout rates are higher, and they wrestle with low self-esteem and deficits in both life and work skills. In addition, financial limitations can restrict their access to high quality, enriching arts programs that are readily available to youth from more affluent households.

The combination of B-Roll's high quality, hands-on instruction paired with leadership development, mentoring and internship opportunities can make a real difference in the lives of these young people, giving them new options and opportunities for a successful future. And because B-Roll's programs are available at no cost, there is no financial barrier to participation.

Please visit our website to learn more about the outstanding work we are doing.

www.b-rollmedia.org

Robert Jackson

Robert Jackson,

Executive Director

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Sayers, Margery

From: stukohn@verizon.net
Sent: Friday, April 26, 2019 9:51 PM
To: Ball, Calvin; CouncilMail
Subject: Consideration of County Funding to Howard County General Hospital Needs to Be Reinstated
Attachments: Hospital Funding.docx

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Dear County Executive Ball and Council Members,

We the Howard County Citizens Association, HCCA would appreciate you taking the time to read the attachment for consideration of reinstating County funding to the Howard County General Hospital as previously promised.

Sincerely,

Stu Kohn
HCCA President



HCCA

Howard County Citizens Association

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Date: 26 April 2019

Subject: Consideration of County Funding to Howard County General Hospital Needs to Be Reinstated

Dear County Executive Ball,

We the Howard County Citizens Association, HCCA would appreciate your consideration to follow through to include in the County budget the funding of the Howard County General Hospital (HCGH) as was promised by your predecessor. The former County Executive, in his FY19 budget cover letter, said the county is “providing \$5 million over the next five years, starting with \$500,000 this year. The money will be used to build a two-story addition that will add...an inpatient psychiatry unit and a short stay observation unit.” Howard County has a long history of pledging – and then fulfilling the pledge – to contribute toward capital expansion at HCGH. Quite simply the Hospital cannot recoup capital expenses in the rates charged to patients.

As you know, HCCA has testified over the years as to the significance of the Hospital to ensure we can obtain the best care possible. Please refer to our testimony on 1 May 2018 to County Executive Kittleman -- <http://howardcountyhcca.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/HCCA-Testimony-Hospital-Budget-to-Council.pdf> as to the importance of such funding and the potential benefits for all your constituents regarding the future health of the County. We simply can't afford not to fund the hospital if we care about the welfare of all. When you consider that we have an “aging population, the continuous development, only one hospital for our substantial population of over 323,000 residents, and growing rapidly the following HCGH FY2018 Utilization Statistics are daunting at best:

Fiscal Year 2018 Utilization Statistics

- HCGH provided services to approximately 200,000 people
- Evaluated and treated 78,049 patients in the Emergency Rooms
- Admitted to or observed in the hospital 21,417 patients
- Performed 10,693 surgeries; of these, 2,851 were performed in the hospital and 7,842 were performed as outpatient procedures.
- Delivered 3,369 babies
- Provided outpatient services to 52,063 patients (including laboratory / excluding outpatient surgery)
- Provided outreach, health promotions and wellness programs to over 30,000 people

As a Councilman you and Councilwoman Jen Terrasa saw the importance of attempting to ensure that Quality of Life Issues including the Hospital be considered to be a part of the Adequate Public Facilities Ordinance which HCCA has been promoting for years. We are sure based on your appreciation for your constituents and their welfare that the Health of ALL Howard County residents are a major priority for you and your administration. We are very pleased you recognize that the population health and community-facing programs the Hospital is pursuing are worthy of the partnership, support and benefit for Howard County.

Ralph Waldo Emerson is quoted as saying, "The first wealth is health." We believe this quote says it all as the "Wealth" of our County depends on the "Health" of our residents. This should unequivocally be the number one priority and we would hope it will be yours. It is too important a subject not to be. We would appreciate you renewing the commitment from the previous administration as it is undoubtedly the right thing to do. Your feedback would be appreciated and we hope it will be positive for the betterment of the County.

Sincerely,

Stu Kohn
HCCA President

Sayers, Margery

From: LISA MARKOVITZ <lmarkovitz@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, April 24, 2019 5:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Budget testimony (cannot make it tonight)

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Dear Council Members,

Thank you for your hard work during this busy budget time. So many competing needs and never enough money for all we need and want to accommodate. Due to my involvement with development issues, and the State Impact Fee Bill, I have a suggestion for an area of adding revenues to the budget. A bit of a different "ask" than you are used to reading.

Since the State enabling legislation to increase school surcharges to developers, which will give you that right if/when Governor Hogan signs HB1409, exempted all senior housing, that lost a lot of local income. Many believed that was a helpful consideration toward having more affordable senior housing. Unfortunately, that is not the case. As I forwarded to you recently, in our code, school surcharges do not apply to homes priced under \$200,000 (adjusted for inflation for over a decade, so likely far higher now). Thus, not allowing these fees to be increased, is only favoring high-priced units, not helping lower income seniors.

Therefore, I suggest you look at every single local fee, permit, filing, tax, or any expense associated with development that is under local control, and raise it, every year, to the maximum legal amount possible. It is only right to capture these funds, when your hands have been tied for inaccurate reasons, not to mention the fact that we have foregone so much in fees for so long, them being so woefully low compared to other growing counties. I realize many of these types of charges are capped, but do the best you can. We are the highest growing county, yet again, and we cannot seem to get proper fees to fund needed infrastructure to maintain our high quality of public services for residents current and future.

Thank you,

Lisa Markovitz

President, The People's Voice, Ellicott City

Sayers, Margery

From: Debbie Nix <covenants@harperschoice.org>
Sent: Monday, April 22, 2019 5:06 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: 1st Operating Budget Public Hearing - written testimony

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To the Honorable Council persons Christiana Mercer Rigby, Opel Jones, Liz Walsh, Deb Jung and David Yungmann:

I urge you to support the University of Maryland Extension's request to include as a new program the **Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy (HoCoWSA)** into the County's FY 2020 operating budget.

Here in Harper's Choice, residents (and local HOA's) are often at a loss when facing issues relating to flooding at their homes and local communities and having educated, trained volunteers and an organization with deep knowledge, real concerns and resources is truly an answered prayer for many! The Harper's Choice Community Association has referred quite a number of our residents to the HoCoWSA for help with their personal property water issues and to those interested in becoming watershed stewards. We find this organization to be a great resource for us when working with our residents.

HoCoWSA provides valuable services to the Howard County community. The academy trains and educates local citizens in relevant stormwater and watershed issues using trained Master Watershed Stewards. These stewards assess neighborhoods and residential sites for stormwater management problems and potential solutions, while also guiding citizens as they seek to initiate residential-scale best management practices that will reduce the volume and pollution that leaves these sites as stormwater runoff.

HoCoWSA is able to access private property within Howard County – property that is outside of the County's authority/ownership and is thus inaccessible – and has collaborated with a number of county departments, nonprofits, schools, Boys/Girls Scout Troops, homeowner associations, and places of worship conducting education and outreach efforts and acting as an effective bridge between the County and its citizens. With the increase in rain events and their resulting impacts to individual properties, the demand for help from homeowners across the county continues to increase.

Again, I urge you to support the University of Maryland Extension's request to include as a new program the **Howard County Watershed Stewards Academy (HoCoWSA)** into the County's FY 2020 operating budget.

Thank you for your attention and support.

Sincerely,

Debbie E. Nix
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"Working to keep Harper's Choice the BEST Choice!"

Sayers, Margery

From: LISA MARKOVITZ <lmarkovitz@comcast.net>
Sent: Wednesday, April 10, 2019 2:33 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Senior housing and other suggestions
Attachments: seniorUDGchanges.pdf

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Dear Council Members,

Senior Housing Benefits to Developers - Time for an Offset

Seeing that the State enabling legislation was passed to give you the ability to raise developer school surcharges, but tied your hands on the exemption decision regarding senior housing, I believe it is time to look at senior housing issues in zoning. The Bill exempts ALL senior housing from your fee increases. This adds another to the growing list of benefits to developers of this zoning label. I believe it is time to get more back for the seniors and the community. Please take a look at these zoning areas, in need of change.

1. Senior Affordable Housing - Title 13 subtitle 4, Section 13-402c - Senior housing is exempt from providing affordable options. Time to change that, given the developers will now save an enormous amount in fees, especially in large projects.

2. Senior Housing Density increases - You have ZRA 187 coming to you soon, which deals with disallowing density increases for senior housing in certain zones, unless they have access to a more major road. All the regulations cites are in there. I am going to testify to suggest this be amended to include floating zones, such as CEF, that have customized density. DPZ was favorable on this ZRA. My suggested amendment would encompass larger projects that go for CEF's which often increase density over the underlying zone far more than even the considered zones can in this ZRA.

3. Senior Housing Requirements - Given the large amount of benefits, exemptions in zoning requirements and now no increased fees, it is time to amend the Universal Design Guidelines on Age-Restricted Housing in Howard County (UDG). There are SO many benefits, and more over time, that are given to senior housing projects, those listed herein, and also not having a school test in APFO. All this even though supposedly resales adds more students than new development? In any

event, clearly, it is time to require more to get the label of "senior housing" and all the benefits that come with it. Please see marked up attachment for suggested changes to the UDG. These have not been updated substantively for some time.

4. School Surcharges - where they apply - Title 20, Subtitle I, Part VI, Section 20.142 (e) (1) - School surcharges are rebated for residential units that sell for under \$200,000 (for all housing, not a senior housing issue here). This has been adjusted for inflation since 2004. I couldn't find the current value threshold, but it is much higher now. Given one of the arguments regarding exempting senior housing from increased fees, was that raising fees may raise home prices, it is clear many are not aware of this rebate. I believe market issues bear out regarding costs and home pricing, but regardless, we are losing a lot of fees here. I think the home price threshold should be lower, not eliminated to continue to assist lower income buyers from having higher prices as some fear with higher fees, but the current rate is too high to fully exempt these fees, when large projects go in (remember all not senior here) and the per unit costs get rebated, even though they are adding many students.

Thank you for your consideration of these issues, and all your hard work.

Sincerely,

Lisa Markovitz

Edits/Suggestions
Requirements and from Lisa Markovitz
4/10/19

UNIVERSAL DESIGN GUIDELINES
FOR AGE-RESTRICTED ADULT HOUSING IN HOWARD COUNTY

The Howard County Zoning Regulations allow for “active adult housing” as either a conditional use in residential zoning districts or as a permitted use in the Planned Senior Community, Planned Office Research, Community Center Transition, and Residential Institutional zoning districts. Age-restricted developments must be appropriately designed for adults at least 55 years of age. Site improvements must ensure accessible routes between parking, dwelling units and common areas. Individual dwellings must incorporate universal design features to be adaptable for residents with mobility and functional limitations that often result from aging.

Design standards for site accessibility and usable common areas have been established for multi-family housing by the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Fair Housing Act of 1988. While recognized standards for individual units for older adults have not been established, Universal Design is an evolving concept that provides some guidance.

Accordingly, the Department of Planning and Zoning met with several senior housing developers, representatives of the Homes for Life Coalition of Howard County, the Office on Aging and the Department of Inspections, Licenses and Permits to discuss minimum requirements. Divergent views were expressed regarding the features that should be required vs. optional. Features vary considerably in cost, relevance for different users, and adaptability to different sites and project types. Developers chief concerns were that the current market doesn't perceive a need for most universal design features since the oldest boomers are still relatively young and aren't focused on how their needs may change over time. Concern was also expressed about increasing the cost of senior housing if many universal design features are required rather than optional.

These guidelines reflect a middle position focusing on requiring those features that are relatively inexpensive if part of initial construction, but would require major renovation to retrofit in the future. Items that are either relatively less expensive to retrofit in the future are listed as desirable or optional.

Required

- for multi-family apartment or condo developments, an accessible path between parking, dwelling units, and common areas that meet ADA standards
- for single family detached and attached developments, a “no-step” access to the front door entrance to all dwelling units and community buildings. if a no-step front entrance is not feasible, an alternate no-step side or garage entry to the first floor may be approved. (a no-step entrance is desirable, but not required at other entrances)
- 36” wide front door with exterior lighting at the entrance (exterior doors shall be provided with an artificial light source located in the immediate vicinity of the exterior door; the illumination of the exterior light shall be controlled from inside the dwelling unit. exception: lights that are continuously illuminated or automatically controlled.)

- all interior doorways at least ^{36"}32" clear width in the open position (2/10 doors or a 36" is preferable)
- 36" wide fully accessible route must connect through out the first floor of the dwelling unit. The maximum vertical floor level change is 1/4" inch, except when a tapered threshold is used, the maximum height is 1/2" inch. (40-42" is preferable)
- complete living area including master bedroom & bath on first level floor (or elevator access if multi-story apartments)
- lever handles on interior and exterior doors
- clear floor space of 30" x 48" inches centered on the appliance or fixture shall be provided at each fixture in the kitchen. floor spaces can overlap. (fair housing act)
- reinforced walls to allow for the later installation of grab bars around the toilet, tub, and shower stall.
- maneuvering space within the bathroom to permit a person using a mobility aid to enter the room, close and reopen the door, with a clear floor space of 30" x 48" outside of the door swing. In addition a clear floor space of 30" x 48" should be provided at each fixture and centered on each fixture. the 30" x 48" floor spaces can overlap each other. (note: this is a requirement in the fair housing act guidelines)
- wall mounted light switches, electrical outlets, or environmental controls shall be mounted for a reaching range of minimum 15" off the floor and maximum 48" above the floor.

X Desirable → Location on existing transit route or builder provides three year subsidy after 75% occupancy is reached for a new traffic route or connection to same, for any density increases over 50% of underlying zone.

None or Required

- Low maintenance exterior materials
- Covered main entry
- Entry door approach with 18"-24" of clearance at side adjacent to handle
- Smooth transitions between rooms (vertical threshold of 2" or less)
- Slip resistant flooring
- Maximize accessible path between main living rooms (preferably 38-42")
- Lever handles on kitchen and bathroom sinks, plus shower
- Anti scald devices on all plumbing fixtures
- 5' turning radius or T turn in kitchen and first floor bathroom
- Parallel and forward approach maneuvering space in front of appliances and plumbing fixtures
- Main electrical breaker box located on the first floor
- Switches, doorbells, thermostats, and breaker boxes should be located no more than 48" above the floor; electrical receptacles should be at least 15" above the floor
- Stacking of closets large enough to accommodate future installation of an elevator
- Reinforcing in shower stalls to permit future installation of a wall-hung bench seat.

Custom Options

- Security system
- Visual ID of visitors

- Visual smoke detectors ✓
 - Handrails on both sides of exterior and interior stairs ✓
 - Task lighting in kitchen, bath and other work spaces ✓
 - Rocker light switches
 - Lighting in closets and pantry
 - Closet rods adjustable from 3' to 5'6"
 - Slip resistant flooring in kitchen and bath ✓
 - Multi-level or adjustable kitchen countertops and work spaces
 - Pull-out shelves for kitchen base cabinets
 - Front mounted controls on stove ✓
 - Installation of grab bars in bathroom ✓
 - Hand held showerhead in shower
 - Curbless shower ✓
- Low kitchen overhead cabinets ✓

Check marks denote more to Required.

Sayers, Margery

From: Nancy Wisner <nancywisner16@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, April 9, 2019 4:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Capital Budget Hearing 4/9/19

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To: Council Members
From: Nancy Wisner

I'm unable to attend the Hearing tonight and am submitting a written testimony.
I've lived in Howard County for 41 years, residing in Hammond Village.

I'm addressing the North Laurel Community Center Swimming Pool Facility, which had funding approved to start ground breaking this fall and then a major portion of the funding was diverted to other projects. We're devastated that the pool has once again been put on hold.

I've been honored to represent the Senior Council at the pool planning meetings. With the input from our meetings, the Recreation and Parks Directors and Architect have proposed an outstanding facility for our Center. It includes an 8 lane lap pool, separate Therapeutic Pool and a spiral slide for the kids. Also in the plans are Large Locker Rooms for men, women and and 2 for families. It all looks great on paper and we were hoping for a ground breaking ceremony in a few months.

I'm pleased that County Executive Calvin Ball stated: "The community has requested a North Laurel Pool for many years. Our proposed \$1.5 million funding, together with prior appropriation, will enable the project to move ahead with its planned bid, permits, and site work. Though our fiscal reality does not allow for allocating the full amount in a single year of \$15.3 million, I am committed to moving the project forward."

We're still hanging in there, being hopeful that the reality of the pool is in the next few years.

Thank You.

Nancy Wisner, Past President North Laurel Senior Council.

Sayers, Margery

From: Elizabeth Russell <elizabeth.d.russell@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, March 23, 2019 12:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Funding for NLCC pool in upcoming budget

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Good afternoon,

A neighbor mentioned that there is some uncertainty about funding for the NLCC pool (Capital Project C0358), a project that my family wholeheartedly supports. Do you have any information about its inclusion in the upcoming budget or if there is anything my family can do to show our support for fully funding the project?

Best,
Elizabeth Russell

Sayers, Margery

From: D. Graham Cruickshank <d.graham.cruickshank@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2019 6:43 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: Testimony for Howard County FY2020 Budget

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Good Evening,

My name is Graham Cruickshank. I am a 20-plus year resident of Howard County, and a Program Manager for a major defense contractor with offices in Howard County. I would like the opportunity tonight to submit online testimony with respect to the Howard County FY2020 budget.

As a concerned resident and voter, I urge the Council and Dr. Ball to make funding for Arts and Culture in Howard County a priority in the FY2020 budget. It is easy to lose the "soft items," like recreation and entertainment, in the mix of determining budgets for infrastructure, schools, and other essential services. Indeed, Arts and Culture must not be forgotten, but should be considered essential in their own right to developing and maintaining a healthy community.

In particular, I request that the Council and Dr. Ball ensure appropriate funding for the Inner Arbor Trust's needs in developing Merriweather Park at Symphony Woods is part of the final budget for FY2020. There is a lot of great programming and development being planned and executed there - major pathways and work towards the Butterfly Building, with much-needed bathrooms as well as visual arts space. Without the support of the county which it serves, that work would be hampered, delayed or even prevented.

I have a special needs child who has been able to develop a love of the arts because he is able to access amazing family arts events all summer long in an accessible, friendly space at the Chrysalis. I am a volunteer and donor (\$4,000 in 2018) for the Inner Arbor Trust. As a volunteer, I spend time doing everything from helping raise money to picking up trash. I do this out of love for the Park and the vision for the future of the Park and Howard County.

Supporting the Park in the FY2020 budget also supports businesses in Downtown Columbia as the Park is an attraction, keeping people coming to Downtown Columbia and Howard County. Columbia/Ellicott City and Howard County are not consistently ranked high in various "Great Places to Live" articles in national periodicals solely because of the schools, or the county's attractiveness to businesses. Access to quality Arts, Culture and Recreation also factor highly in each of these assessments.

Again, I am asking that you please ensure Arts and Culture are not ignored or marginalized in the FY2020 budget. As with any efforts in growth and improvement, there must be a balance, and quality family access to Arts, Culture and Recreation must be part of that balance.

I could not find an email address for Dr. Ball. Please forward my testimony to him.

Thank you,

Graham Cruickshank

Sayers, Margery

From: Talvacchio <talvacchio@verizon.net>
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Subject: Budget Hearing FY2020-- Frederick Road Sidewalks/Bridge Project

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Dear Council Members and County Executive Calvin Ball,

I will not be able to attend or present testimony at the FY 2020 budget hearing as I have the past two years on behalf of the Font Hill Community, but I still urge you to please maintain adequate funding for the capital improvement project for crosswalks at the intersection of Centennial Lane and Frederick Road, and sidewalks and pedestrian bridge along the south side of Frederick Road between Centennial and Gray Rock Drive. We understand that 30% plans, a stormwater management report, and construction estimate have recently been completed for this project. These improvements are still critical to increase safety and continue to move Howard County toward walkability, healthy lifestyles, and citizen interaction within neighborhoods. They will also increase community access and support of local businesses nearby on Route 40 and county services such as the Miller Library and 50+ Center.

Thank you for your consideration.

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Sayers, Margery

From: Cathy Spain <cathyspain@verizon.net>
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Cc: jledelson.omca@gmail.com; 'Sandy Cederbaum'; 'Frederick Gottemoeller'
Subject: Support for Testimony of Jonathan Edelson

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Good Afternoon Council Members:

Congratulations on your recent election to the Howard County Council.

I am writing to endorse the testimony given by Jonathan Edelson, Chair of the Oakland Mills Village Board, at the December 12th budget hearing. I especially want to highlight the community association's support and my support for the bus transit link from Howard County Hospital, through Downtown Columbia, across Route 29 near the refurbished pedestrian bridge through Oakland Mills to the Gateway area (the so-called Transitway). This project will be critical to the redevelopment of Oakland Mills and will be an essential solution to the traffic and congestion that will clog the Downtown area as it is being built out. The Oakland Mills neighborhood has great potential but that potential will not be realized unless there is public capital investment to spur private investment. I have lived in the neighborhood since 1977 and long to see it rehabilitated for the next 50 years.

I have been a member of the local advocacy group, Friends of Bridge Columbia, for six years. We worked tirelessly to achieve the improvements on the Route 29 pedestrian bridge that were implemented during the past year and most recently we provided input to the Office of Transportation staff on the initial Transitway planning. We look forward to working with the Council to achieve needed transportation improvements for Columbia.

Sincerely,

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April 23, 2019

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Howard County Executive Calvin Ball
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Dear County Executive Calvin Ball and Council Members,

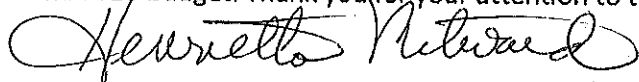
I am writing to express my disappointment and dismay with the omission of construction funds for the Capital project C0335, building a new 50+ Senior Center at the East Columbia library site in the FY20 budget.

In 2015 a Master Plan was developed to "Create an Age Friendly Community". The plan was simply ignored. In the subsequent FY16, FY17, and FY18 budgets there were funds, but no design was undertaken. When the FY19 budget had the same language (4 years of no action) the seniors of East Columbia spoke out loudly in testimony at budget meetings of the County executive and the County Council, wrote letters, and a petition was delivered to the County executive asking that full design money be allocated for FY19 with **construction in FY20 and opening in FY21**. Those efforts led to an amendment to the FY19 capital budget which was approved.

The FY20 proposed capital budget it calls for **design and beginning construction in FY20, construction in FY21 and open in FY22**. The text clearly states that the construction portion of funds for the new 50+ center is in **FY21 not FY20, as expected**. It is now my understanding that the county has concerns about the parking for the site and wants to acquire land for additional parking spots, which is an issue thought to be resolved in the site analysis.

This leaves the seniors feeling ignored and rejected once again. I strongly hope you will reconsider and restore the original schedule as promised in the FY19 budget with full funding for construction in FY20 and an opening in FY21. Seniors are not getting any younger and have been waiting for 5 years for this project to move forward. If this pace continues, many of us will not see this new center. Please do not disappoint us.

A response from the County Executive's office would be greatly appreciated, since an amendment would need to originate from that office. I ask that every Council Member urge the County Executive to amend the FY20 budget. Thank you for your attention to this extremely important matter!



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Testimony by Rev. Tim Siemens, Chairman

Board of Directors, Chin Integration and Advocacy Network USA

April 24, 2019 at 7pm

Capital and Operating Budget Public Hearing Education - HCPSS

Howard County Council

Banneker Room, Howard Building

3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City, MD 21043

Madam Chairperson and Council members,

Thank you for this opportunity to speak before you. My name is Tim Siemens and I am the Chairperson of the Board of Director of the Chin Integration and Advocacy Network USA and a pastor at Grace Community Church for almost 35 years. Howard County is well known for its investment of resources to level the playing field for those who would otherwise be marginalized. On behalf of the Chin Community in Howard County thank you for creating an environment where they can integrate and be contributors as good citizens of the United States. I would like to share about Chin community and our organization.

CIANUSA- Chin Integration and Advocacy Network USA

About Us

Chin Integration and Advocacy Network USA (CIANUSA), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, empowers the Chin community in Maryland, supporting Chins to successfully integrate into U.S. society, to know and exercise their rights, and to fully contribute to our community and to the wider community.

Chins are an ethnic nationality from Burma, and a major recent U.S. refugee group. In 2001, about 800 Chin asylees came to the U.S. through Guam, resettling largely in Maryland, Indiana, Florida, and Texas. Since 2004, the U.S. has resettled many more Chin refugees through Malaysia and India. Chins now number over 60,000 nationally, with about 3,000 in Maryland.

Mission

To support and empower the Chin community in Maryland, advocating for successful integration into U.S. society through educational programs and networking with other Chin communities across the United States.

Programs

Support

- Help access to mainstream benefits (food stamp, health, etc.)
- Provide employment services
- Conduct summer programs for Chin students
- Provide translation and referral services

Education

Our educational programs include the following:

- Legal rights
- Education system
- Financial literacy

- Affordable housing

Advocacy

- Advocate with the stakeholders including County, State, and national level about legal rights and opportunities. In addition, we will advocate for durable solutions for Chin refugees in Malaysia and India with stakeholders including in the U.S. and elsewhere.

Leadership Development

- Organize leadership trainings and conferences in partnership and networking with Chin and other community organizations across the country.

Madam Chairperson,

We are here tonight to advocate for an additional liaison position within Howard County Schools. We understand that there are many immigrant communities within Howard County who also would like liaison position. We believe that as refugees the Chin are the most vulnerable for several reasons

- Our 360+ Chin students are refugees or children of refugees; different from immigrant or migrants
- Most of our Chin students received free & reduced meal services (FARMS)
 - Most families are challenged by the economics of making minimum wage - Both parents working and doing a pass off between one working day shift while the other works night shift
- Many of our Chin students are English Learners (EL) taking ESOL classes
- Many of our Chin students live in multiple family situations
- Some of our Chin parents did not have opportunities to graduate from high school back home and would have a hard time helping their children with homework
 - Three years ago my wife, a young pastor and myself traveled the 20+ hours to Burma an additional 2 hour flight within the country and 6 hour drive into the mountains on poorly constructed roads to their home villages. There we saw that they are hard workers in the fields, persecuted and purposefully marginalized because of their faith. We saw the inadequate schools- unresourced, spoke to the students who did not have dreams about what they could become because opportunities were not available to them.
- Outreach to Chin parents work best when its a personal meeting or phone call; other communities respond to emails frequently.

Therefore, although, there is 1 Chin liaison, she can not serve all 360+ students and families by herself. She is assigned to 2 schools only. So we would like you to consider adding a second liaison.

Thank you for this opportunity to speak on behalf of the Chin community.

Board of Directors

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March 20, 2019

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Dear Ms Jung

I am writing you to support Project C0335, the building of a new stand-alone East Columbia 50+ Center. I am a senior Howard County resident in District 4, and a frequent user of the East Columbia center. The current center is seriously inadequate to support services and activities for the growing senior population in East Columbia for the following reasons.

- There is not enough space to accommodate all the activities wanted by the members. It's likely the smallest center in the County and is over-crowded most of the time.
- Activities that are available in other Centers cannot be available because the rooms are too small – see picture below
- The Center shares same lobby area with the recently refurbished East Columbia Library
- There is often congestion in the building lobby with both seniors and students who utilize the library after school.

The senior community has testified at many Budget Hearings and Council meetings over the last two years explaining why we think building a new center should be a top priority. We urge you to fully fund the project in the FY 20 Capital Budget.

Thank you and sincerely,



Ernest Hilsenrath
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Members of the East Columbia 50+ Center playing Bridge in the hallways because there is not enough room in the activity area



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Ellicott City, MD 21043



Dear Ms. Walsh:

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We urge you to support full funding for the project on an accelerated timetable, specifically that it be completed by some time in FY21. Funds have already been invested in site analysis and architectural design, and several of us have already provided ideas and input to that design.

The senior community has testified at many Budget Hearings and Council meetings over the last 2 years explaining why we think building a new center should be a top priority. We urge you to fully fund the project in the FY 20 Capital Budget. Thank you for your support of this project!

Yours Sincerely,

Mark and Carolyn Zimmerman

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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Mark and Carolyn Zimmerman
6679 Drowsy Day
Columbia, MD 21045

2019 MAR 19 AM 10:30

March 8, 2019

Ms. Christiana Mercer Rigby
Howard County Council
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

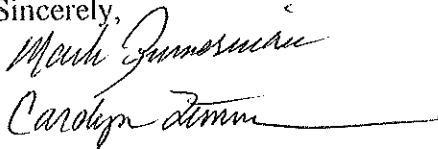
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Mark and Carolyn Zimmerman

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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March 14, 2019

Howard County Council
Liz Walsh, District 1
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

2019 MAR 18 AM 11:11
LW TW MS

Dear Ms. Walsh,

I am writing to support Project C0335, the building of a new stand-alone East Columbia 50+ Center.

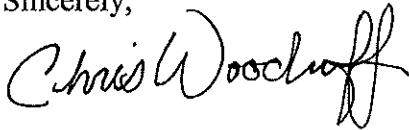
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Thank you for your previous time and efforts, as well as continued support of this project.

Sincerely,



Chris Woodruff
5071 Columbia Road
Columbia, MD 21044

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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2019 MAR 18 AM 11:13
DJ TW MS

Jonni M. Gray
6635 Corina Ct.
Columbia, MD 21044

Deb Jung
Howard County Council
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Dr.
Ellicott City, MD 21043

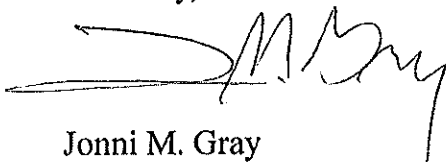
Dear Ms. Jung,

I am writing to support Project C0335, the building of a new stand-alone East Columbia 50+ Center. I have been paying for classes at the East Columbia 50+ center continuously since 2011. The Tai Chi classes have helped with my arthritis and have increased my balance, strength and mental focus giving me freedom from prescription medications. I wish to continue these classes with the world class instructor, Dr. Ping Mao, as long as I can. However, the class has become so crowded that it has become difficult to perform the moves.

If the current center is inadequate how will it serve the growing senior population that will need its services and activities? The staff at the center work hard to overcome the deficiencies and have created a warm community that stands out even in the welcoming diversity of Columbia. I believe the creative design for the stand-alone center exemplifies that positive community spirit and will welcome future generations with space and light as the excellent staff delivers all the services they need.

I have lived in Howard County for 40 years. I have lived in my current home for over 25 years and have been paying over \$10,000 in county taxes annually. I think that gives me some standing in this my first ever request to the county, that you fully fund Project C0335 in the FY 20 Capital Budget on an accelerated timetable. Thank you for your time, attention and representation.

Sincerely,



Jonni M. Gray

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MS

MARCH 13, 2019

TO: 2019 MAR 15 PM 12:30

OPEL JONES, DISTRICT 2
HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
3430 COURTHOUSE DRIVE
ELLCOTT CITY MD 21043

FROM:

BEVERLY ANDREASEN
9217 OSPREY COURT
COLUMBIA, MD. 21045-1823

IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT THE
COUNTY PAUSE AND REASSESS
THE IMPACT OF A 55+ ACTIVE
ADULT COMMUNITY IN A
R-20 (SINGLE-FAMILY) ZONE
ON A PARCEL UNDER 10 ACRES.

I AM ENCLUSING A COPY OF
MY LETTER OF NOV. 15, 2018 TO
DPZ CONCERNING THE DOM
REHNER/JOE RUTTER PLAN
KNOWN AS 'JORDAN OVERLOOK'
(4925 CANVASBACK DR, COLUMBIA)

THIS PROJECT IS A THREAT
TO PUBLIC SAFETY. TIME
IS OF THE ESSENCE.

Beverly Andress

NOVEMBER 15, 2018

VAL LAZDINS, DIRECTOR
HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT
OF PLANNING AND ZONING
3430 COURTHOUSE DRIVE
ELLCOTT CITY, MD. 21043

RE: 'JORDAN OVERLOOK' / MAP 30
PARCEL 309

DEAR DIRECTOR LAZDINS:

I FEEL COMPELLED, IN
GOOD CONSCIENCE, TO WRITE
REGARDING A POTENTIAL
THREAT TO PUBLIC SAFETY
IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD,
BEHIND MY HOUSE. (WHERE
I HAVE LIVED FOR 46 YEARS)

THE PLACE OF CONCERN IS
IS CALLED 'JORDAN OVERLOOK'
(AKA. THE 'DALTON BARN')
LOCATED OFF CANVASBACK DR..

ON AUG. 20, 2018, DON REUWER,
PRESIDENT OF LAND DESIGN
& DEVELOPMENT, UNVEILED
A DETAILED PLAN FOR A
55+ AGE-RESTRICTED
ADULT COMMUNITY, ON THE
APPROXIMATELY 5.45 ACRES
OFF 41925 CANVASBACK DRIVE.

DSBA

THIS IS A SWITCH FROM THE PREVIOUS PLAN FOR SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES, (LIKE THE SURROUNDING NEIGHBORHOODS OF DALTON, THUNDER HILL, AND GUILFORD TOWNS).

THE JORDAN PROPERTY
[OWNER: SHERRIE A. JORDAN
C/O MR ROBERT FIZA]
(410) 715-5255]

IS AN EMPTY LOT OF APPROXIMATELY 5.45 ACRES. IT IS SURROUNDED BY THE BACKYARDS OF 17 (DECADES-OLD) SINGLE-FAMILY HOMES, AND A STREAM. IT IS AN 'OVERLOOK' WITH A COMPLICATED TOPOGRAPHY, WITH A 30' SLOPE.

THE ONLY WAY 'IN/OUT' IS VIA A NARROW, "PIPESTEM" PRIVATE ACCESS ROAD OFF CANVASBACK DRIVE. THIS ROAD IS 'OFF-OFF-OFF' ROUTE 29. AGAIN, THIS ROAD IS PRIVATE, NOT PUBLIC.

THIS AWKWARD ACCESS IS PROBLEMATIC. THE TIGHT 'CLUSTER' OF 20 HOMES WILL BE OWNED BY VULNERABLE SENIORS. (MOST COMMON DISEASES - HEART DISEASE, CANCER, ALZHEIMER'S - ARE DISEASES OF AGING.)

IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION EVERY SECOND COUNTS. AND, JUST TO REMIND YOU, 80% OF PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL RECEIVING ACUTE MEDICAL ATTENTION ARE OVER THE AGE OF 65.

WHEN, (NOT IF), A BLIZZARD HITS, THE "OVERLOOK" OWNERS COULD BE STANDED FOR A LONG TIME. (RECALL THE 28" BLIZZARD A WHILE BACK).

IF THERE IS AN EMERGENCY, THEY WILL CALL 911, NOT THEIR L.Q.A. OR DON REUWER

THE BURDEN AND RISK WILL GO TO COUNTY EMERGENCY RESPONDERS.

3/5 BA

FIRE IS AN EVER PRESENT
THREAT. I ASSUME THE
DESIGNATED BUILDERS

[RYAN HOMES, INC
5902 ABRIANNA WAY
ELK RIDGE, MD. 21075
(410) 969-2777]

WILL INSTALL SPRINKLERS.
ACCORDING TO THE
BUILDING CODE. HOWEVER,
HOWARD COUNTY HAS ITS
SHARE OF THUNDER STORMS.
LIGHTNING CAN CAUSE A
7-ALARM BLAZE. (RECALL
THE TRAGIC DEATH OF
FIRE FIGHTER NATHAN FLYNN
JULY 23, 2018 AT THE HOUSE
FIRE ON WOODSCAPE DRIVE
IN CLARKSVILLE.) PANIC-
STRICKEN 'OVERLOOK' OWNERS
COULD CHOKER THE NARROW
ACCESS ROAD. THIS WOULD
HINDER AND ENDANGER
SENIORS AS WELL AS FIRE
AND RESCUE PERSONNEL.

THE NIGHT THE 'DALTON
BLANN' BURNED WAS
UNFORGETTABLY TERRIFYING.
WIND COULD HAVE BLOWN
EMBERS ONTO MY ROOF.

(4/5) BA

YOU DON'T WANT VULNERABLE
SENIORS (LIKE ME) SPENDING
MONEY ON HOUSING THAT
CAN'T BE DEEMED SAFE.

IT WOULD BE UNCONSCIONABLE
FOR HOWARD COUNTY TO
PERMIT A 55+ COMMUNITY
TO BE BUILT WITHOUT
EASY ACCESS TO MAJOR
ROADS.

HOWARD COUNTY'S SUBDIVISION
AND LAND DEVELOPMENT
REGULATIONS ARE INTENDED
TO PROMOTE THE WEALTH,
SAFETY AND GENERAL WELFARE
OF COUNTY RESIDENTS.

THIS 'SWITCHED' PLAN FOR
JORDAN OVERLOOKS IS UNTENABLE.

SINCERELY

Beverly Andreasen
BEVERLY ANDREASSEN
9217 OSPREY COURT
COLUMBIA MD 21045

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HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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Mr. Opel Jones (District 2 Representative)
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21043

2019 MAR 15 AM 7:26
All TWMs

Dear Representative Jones,

Thank you and your staff for meeting a few weeks ago with myself and others from the East Columbia Senior Center Advocacy Committee.

Today, I am writing to support Project C0335, the building of a new stand-alone East Columbia 50+ Center.

As a senior in Howard County and a frequent user of the current East Columbia Senior Center's Tai Chi program, my opinion is that the current facility is seriously inadequate to support much needed specialized services for the growing senior population in East Columbia – and throughout Howard County.

I urge you to support full funding for the project according to the proposed design developed by the architects with considerable input from the senior community. I note that this state-of-the-art facility can be constructed on an accelerated timetable and cost-efficient basis because, e.g., existing county land adjacent to the East Columbia Library is available now.

Your senior community has testified at many Budget Hearings and Council meetings over the past few years and is united that we think building this new center should be a top priority.

We urge you to fully fund the project in the FY 20 Capital Budget.

Thank you for your time and efforts on behalf of District 2, as well as continued support of this project.

Sincerely,



Nelson V. Pollack
6252 Golden Coin Court
Columbia, MD 21045

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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March 11, 2019

2019 MAR 15 AM 7:25
AN TW MS

Dear Mr. Yungmann

As you and the rest of the County Council plan the funding for building projects in Howard County, I am hopeful that you will approve full and speedy approval for Project C0335, the building of a new East Columbia 50+ Center.

So much time and money has gone into the planning of a new building for East Columbia's senior citizens. After using a tiny section of the library for years, we are all looking forward to a new building specifically suited to the interests and needs of older adults. We had understood that this was an approved plan with dedicated funding that would definitely move forward. We are hoping that that is still the case.

I teach yoga at the East Columbia Library center now. The facility is woefully inadequate. It is difficult to increase the number of yoga classes or hold extra events because of the limited classroom space. Yoga is beneficial for people with all sorts of conditions, and seniors in particular are helped by the practice. I was thrilled to see the beautiful architectural drawing of a new center. There are so many older people who would use and enjoy this design. Please fully fund this plan in the FY 20 Capital Budget. Thank you for your support of this project.

Thank you for listening,

Mary Garratt



PO Box 1198

Sykesville MD. 21784

garrattmaryk@aol.com

Howard County Council
George Howard Building
3430 Court House Drive
Elliott City, MD 21043

HOWARD COUNTY COUNCIL
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March 10, 2019

2019 MAR 15 AM 7:22
AM TW MS

Dear Ms. Walsh,

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Your senior community has testified at many Budget Hearings and Council meetings over the past few years and is united in thinking that the building of this new center should be a top priority. We urge you to fully fund the project in the FY 20 Capital Budget.

Thank you for your previous time and efforts, as well as continued support of this project.

Sincerely,
Jane Joffe
5370 Dorsey Hall Dr. apt 1,
Elliott City, MD 21042

Bikeways

CB 24-2019

Sayers, Margery

From: danamallerich@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dana Mallerich Taylor
<danamallerich@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 8:07 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support better biking & walking in Howard County

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support building a more bikeable, walkable community.

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Dana Mallerich Taylor
10746 Folkestone Way Woodstock, MD 21163-1376 danamallerich@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: jt21146@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Josh Taylor <jt21146@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2019 7:58 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support better biking & walking in Howard County

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Josh Taylor
10746 Folkestone Way Woodstock, MD 21163-1376 jt21146@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: hobbydavid@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Hobby
<hobbydavid@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 28, 2019 1:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support better biking & walking in Howard County

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support building a more bikeable, walkable community.

We are very lucky in Columbia that we have such a well-developed pathway system. It is one of the things that makes this a great place to live. But many of our streets are not safe for cycling. Making them safer for bikers helps to lessen car traffic, reduce greenhouse emissions and keep our residents healthy.

That bike lanes is the right thing to do is beyond question. The real question is, do we have the resolve to commit to doing it?

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
David Hobby
4213 Purple Twilight Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5954 hobbydavid@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: tedcochran55409@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ted Cochran
<tedcochran55409@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, February 21, 2019 3:09 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I am writing to support increased funding for the Howard County Bikeway/Bike Howard projects.

I recently returned home to Howard County after spending 32 years in Minneapolis, MN. I was a year-round bicycle commuter in Minneapolis (10 miles each way). In Minneapolis, I was able to use separated bicycle trails, multi-use paths, and bike lanes for almost the entire commute. I have seen first-hand what a relatively modest investment in bicycling infrastructure can do to reduce traffic, attract a high quality workforce, improve mobility, and increase health for local residents.

Beginning in 2008, Minneapolis invested in cycling infrastructure developing off-street trails, bike lanes, and other facilities designed to support both recreational riders and commuters. As a direct result, riding has surged: Minneapolis has the third largest proportion of bicycling commuters in the U.S.

To compare figures with Howard County, 2016 U.S. census data shows that of 164,300 Howard County commuters, fewer than 300 used bicycles as their commuting method. In Minneapolis, about 9600 out of 224,000 did, and that number is still rising, and represents a significant decrease in automobile traffic throughout the entire road network. Census data also shows that about half of Howard County residents commute to work over a distance amenable to bicycling, but the lack of safe routes is a huge obstacle.

We don't have to start from scratch. Like Minneapolis, Howard County, and especially Columbia, has had the foresight and wherewithal to establish a network of recreational trails that can form the core of a commuter system. Like Minneapolis before 2008, Howard County has not focused on extending that network to major employment centers: JHU/APL, the Columbia Gateway Office Center, or the NSA/Fort Meade area could relatively easily be connected to residential areas, and there are many opportunities to improve the system's connectivity and utility.

Fully funding the Howard County Bicycle Master Plan, starting with the Bikeway, would be a huge step in the right direction. A fully implemented network of cycling infrastructure is an extremely cost-effective way to improve the overall transportation system for all Howard County residents.

Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ted Cochran
5178 Downwest Ride Columbia, MD 21044-1505 tedcochran55409@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: deneebarr@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Denee Barr
<deneebarr@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, February 11, 2019 3:21 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Denee Barr
6168 Waiting Spg Columbia, MD 21045-4044 deneebarr@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sgreif@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Stephen Greif
<sgreif@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, February 6, 2019 4:07 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Stephen Greif
11385 Heathertoe Ln Columbia, MD 21044-1007 sgreif@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: casey.bryant@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Casey Bryant
<casey.bryant@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 31, 2019 2:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

Please invest at least \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Casey Bryant
5242 Patriot Ln Columbia, MD 21045-1903 casey.bryant@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ncsbutler@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Brad Butler
<ncsubutler@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 27, 2019 3:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Hi - To add to the canned message below, I commute by bicycle almost daily in Howard County. There are some sorely needed improvements that are not all that expensive or complex that would greatly improve my safety, comfort, and commute time. Thank you for considering those of us walking and biking to reduce automotive traffic in our highly congested community.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Brad Butler
7228 Lasting Light Way Columbia, MD 21045-5140 ncsbutler@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: Kgschwartz01@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kevin Schwartz <Kgschwartz01@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 24, 2019 11:04 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kevin Schwartz
11701 Morningmist Ln Columbia, MD 21044-4352 Kgschwartz01@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: doctorfx_99@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mary Clark <doctorfx_99@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 9:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I personally know what happens to bikers who don't have access to streets which are safe for them. I was hit by a garbage truck a long time ago (in Anne Arundel County) because there was no safe place for me to ride. Now my son and his roommates frequently bike on Howard County streets. I fear for them because I know it only takes one wrong move by a motorist to hurt or kill a biker. Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway. It seems a modest amount to help keep our citizens safe.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mary Clark
5153 Morningside Ln Ellicott City, MD 21043-7950 doctorfx_99@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: steve@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Stephen Ashurst
<steve@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 7:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Stephen Ashurst
11100 Johns Hopkins Rd Laurel, MD 20723-6005 steve@makeitbikeable.com

Sayers, Margery

From: astewart49@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Stewart <astewart49@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 5:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
James Stewart
5943 Logans Way # 2 Ellicott City, MD 21043-7514 astewart49@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: caseysheep@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Tiffany Casey
<caseysheep@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 23, 2019 9:13 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Tiffany Casey

5029 Columbia Rd Apt 301 Columbia, MD 21044-5519 caseysheep@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ychoward4@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Yvonne Howard <ychoward4@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, January 21, 2019 3:42 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

[Note: This email originated from outside of the organization. Please only click on links or attachments if you know the sender.]

Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

To: Council Member Opal Jones:

I reside in the Thunderhill Neighborhood, across from the Elementary School. We have a bike lane on Mellenbrook Road although the children can't use it to bike to school because there is no enforcement of the "no parking" in bike lanes. Bike lanes should include "no parking signs".

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

Investing \$3 million in the Bikeway supports a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. Studies show that it's not only good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity but it also provides safe paths for children to bike and walk to school. I also see the large number of vehicles dropping students off everyday. I see too, so many close "accidents" because parents doing curbside drop-off pull away without always being totally aware of their surroundings.

I'm retired, I walk and bike in my community. I would like a safer way to get to Clarksville than Route 108 - the same to Laurel and other parts of the county.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Yvonne Howard
9370 Mellenbrook Rd Columbia, MD 21045-1838 ychoward4@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sos.aloha@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kim Lowe
<sos.aloha@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 20, 2019 9:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kim Lowe
6072 Sunny Spg Columbia, MD 21044-3615
sos.aloha@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rhamill2004@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Robert Hamill <rhamill2004@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, January 18, 2019 4:54 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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I walk daily and ride when the weather permits. Please make it possible for me to go farther more safely.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Robert Hamill
10999 Hickory Ridge Rd Columbia, MD 21044-5620 rhamill2004@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: fberko@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Fred Berko
<fberko@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 9:19 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Help make Howard County a safe place for bicyclists.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Fred Berko
7718 River Rock Way Columbia, MD 21044-4163 fberko@ieee.org

Sayers, Margery

From: jimlub@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Lubitz
<jimlub@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 6:54 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Please work to make Howard County a safe and friendly place for walkers and cyclists.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
James Lubitz
10978 Millbank Row Columbia, MD 21044-2719 jimlub@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: carlandvalerie@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carl Schneider
<carlandvalerie@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 5:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I was disappointed that funding for safer cycling in Howard County was not increased by this administration. After attending the open house, it seemed like business as usual for transportation in Howard County. This is not an acceptable level of spending and will leave our streets unsafe for many, many years.

Most of our streets are not safe for walkers, runners or cyclists.

Last Tuesday, while cycling home from the open house, a minivan ran a red light and came very close to hitting me. He apologized, but that does not change the fact that the roads are not very safe.

Without the quick efforts of drivers around me that honked and alerted the driver, I am sure I would have been hit.

Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Carl Schneider

4952 Brampton Pkwy Ellicott City, MD 21043-7404 carlandvalerie@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: timmcneel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Timothy McNeel
<timmcneel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 4:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Timothy McNeel
6086 Loventree Rd Columbia, MD 21044-3936 timmcneel@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jhtlag@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of James Turnage
<jhtlag@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 4:24 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I've lived in Columbia 29 years, I ride my bike quite often for exercises and to buy groceries etc. on the available bike path in Columbia. to wit, I ride from King's Contrivance along the Middle Patuxent river bikepath even beyond 175 to shop at bike stores, food stores, go see movies. hardware stores...

I am healthier, save gasoline, don't pollute the air, and don't add to the general anger that seems to be part of driving today.

Everyone should have this opportunity and why I support the Bikeway.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
James Turnage
7006 Eden Brook Dr Columbia, MD 21046-1499 jhtlag@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: amanda.galante@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Amanda Galante
<amanda.galante@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 4:20 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

With the new HoCo executive leadership, I'm very excited to see you place a higher priority placed on bike & walk facilities than the previous council. Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Amanda Galante
8230 Slippery Rock Way Laurel, MD 20723-1056 amanda.galante@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: sstockwell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Stephanie Stockwell
<sstockwell@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 12:15 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Stephanie Stockwell
8720 Cedar Post Ellicott City, MD 21043-6571 sstockwell@outlook.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jbrandt@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Brandt
<jbrandt@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 10:33 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Our world is changing in front of our eyes and that change is being driven by the young, career-minded people that Howard County wants to attract as residents and business owners. Our younger, technology-savvy population is drawn to walkable and bikeable communities that exist or are planned. In 2010, I was the Bicycle Coordinator for UMCP for just over a year. I saw, first-hand, the skyrocketing demand for bicycle parking in the tech education sectors of the campus. That desire is apparent in every growing housing sector. People want the ability to walk, bike, and run in their communities, without the need to start a car for every little errand. It's the future and Howard County needs to keep up. Right now, too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind at an alarming rate.

I know that many people are requesting that you invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and that you support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads, but even that isn't enough. It's certainly a start, but it leaves Howard County still falling far behind Montgomery County of Anne Arundel County. We need a larger investment of funds and concrete regulations that force developers and our own agencies to adopt Complete Streets policies and procedures. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity. We need to take these steps to prevent our falling further behind our neighboring counties.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
John Brandt
12575 Indian Hill Dr Sykesville, MD 21784-5416 jbrandt@umd.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: chesapeakeborn83@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kelly Tokasz
<chesapeakeborn83@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 17, 2019 10:16 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Kelly Tokasz

9867 Softwater Way Columbia, MD 21046-1824 chesapeakeborn83@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: mdalnekoff@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mary Dalnekoff
<mdalnekoff@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:06 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Mary Dalnekoff
5481 Luckpenny Pl Columbia, MD 21045-2346 mdalnekoff@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: larrysur@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Larry Surowitz
<larrysur@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 9:32 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Larry Surowitz
11267 Skilift Ct Unit A Columbia, MD 21044-2957 larrysur@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: odoherty@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Olivia Doherty
<odoherty@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 5:14 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Olivia Doherty
527 West Dr Severna Park, MD 21146-2623 odoherty@thehorizonfoundation.org

Sayers, Margery

From: jing106652@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of John Ingalls <jing106652@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 3:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
John Ingalls
4920 Dorsey Hall Dr Unit 2 Ellicott City, MD 21042-7704 jing106652@aol.com

Sayers, Margery

From: cotojo@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Charles Jenkins
<cotojo@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 2:05 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Charles Jenkins
4961 Bonnie Branch Rd Ellicott City, MD 21043-6813 cotojo@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: Sander.zaben@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sander Zaben
<Sander.zaben@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 12:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Sander Zaben
8712 Haycarriage Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6561 Sander.zaben@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rebecca.c.bryant@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Rebecca Bryant
<rebecca.c.bryant@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 11:06 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind.

I'm very interested in making 108 pedestrian friendly. Especially in the face of the new court house which will result in more traffic consisting of people who are not familiar with the area, resulting in less safety for pedestrians and bicycles. We need a way to access the great businesses along 108. The two existing crosswalks are not enough. We also need a way to safely cross 29 on our near 108 to connect the south side of 29 to centennial Park.

Another area of concern is Snowden River. There are so many residential areas and commercial businesses. However, Snowden River is not pedestrian or bike friendly, resulting in great rifts between neighborhoods and no access without a car to restaurants and stores that are less than a mile away. Snowden River is by the far the scariest place that I ride on my bike as the drivers there are aggressive (having usually just exited 95 or 32), lost (navigating new places), and across many lanes. There is no shoulder that doesn't quickly disappear into a turn lane and sidewalks are so patchy as to be useless.

Walkability and bike accessibility are the two leading factors the current generation searches for when looking for somewhere to set down their roots. Walkability and bike accessibility cut down on crime by making the area friendlier and more open. Walkability and bike accessibility dramatically improve physical and mental health.

Please consider requiring businesses to provide sidewalks and bike lanes for all changes and development.

Even more so, please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Rebecca Bryant
5242 Patriot Ln Columbia, MD 21045-1903 rebecca.c.bryant@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: decarme@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Manuela de Carvalho
<decarme@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:53 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Manuela de Carvalho

5352 Smooth Meadow Way Preferred P O Columbia Box 1481 Columbia, MD 21044 decarme@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: wortmanwj@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Warren Wortman
<wortmanwj@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 10:48 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Specifically, I am concerned about my Thunderhill neighborhood. The proposed courthouse on Bendix Rd brings lots more parking and cars. It will make route 108 even more congested than it already is. Also, the only Rte 108 crosswalks are located at Mellenbrook and Phelps Luck. I frequently jaywalk across 108 between those 2 crosswalks, saving me 15 or 20 minutes of walking. There are many attractions between my neighborhood and on the north side of 108 including 2 Indian restaurants, Sapwood Cellars and a yoga center.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Warren Wortman
5215 Patriot Ln Columbia, MD 21045-1902 wortmanwj@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: garfus54@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gary Fuselier <garfus54@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 9:33 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Gary Fuselier
4503 Haywagon Way Ellicott City, MD 21043-6556 garfus54@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: ericagates@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Erica Gates
<ericagates@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 7:28 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Erica Gates
7565 Weather Worn Way Columbia, MD 21046-2486 ericagates@live.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jfourgold@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jim Gold
<jfourgold@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 16, 2019 7:15 AM
To: CouncilMail
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I bike a lot, but there are locations that are not safe to try to reach, such as Clarksville. We should do more to make Howard County bike friendly.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jim Gold
5212 Woodam Ct Columbia, MD 21044-1447
jfourgold@aol.com

Sayers, Margery

From: perlpubl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Carla Tevelow
<perlpubl@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:48 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Carla Tevelow
10205 Wincopin Cir Columbia, MD 21044-3433 perlpubl@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: indyx86@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Eric Miller <indyx86@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 11:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Eric Miller

4906 Columbia Rd Apt 1 Columbia, MD 21044-2159 indyx86@alumni.american.edu

Sayers, Margery

From: rwgardner@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Ryan Gardner
<rwgardner@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 9:55 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Ryan Gardner
10338 Sixpence Cir Columbia, MD 21044-3807 rwgardner@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: judybruns@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Judy Bruns
<judybruns@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 8:45 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Judy Bruns

10645 Glass Tumbler Path Columbia, MD 21044-4146 judybruns@vwrizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: furstwest@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marlene West
<furstwest@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 8:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Howard county is falling way behind the other counties. This investment would go far in keeping columbia and Ellicott City at the top of the best places to live.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Marlene West
12214 Sleepy Horse Ln Columbia, MD 21044-2887 furstwest@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: gleichauf@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Paul Gleichauf
<gleichauf@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 8:34 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I'm writing to encourage you to invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

I ride a bike on Ho Co roads for exercise 5 days a week weather permitting (about 8 months of the year). While many drivers in autos and trucks are respectful of bicyclists, there are many roads that are simply too narrow or inadequately marked for the safety of me and fellow cyclists. Furthermore, I regularly talk to friends who would like to bike, but are simply unwilling to on our local roads because of unsafe conditions.

I appreciate the efforts made up till now, but more is needed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Paul Gleichauf
3017 Misty Wood Ln Ellicott City, MD 21042-2579 gleichauf@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: sasha.nader@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sasha Nader
<sasha.nader@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 6:57 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind. Complete streets and non carbon transportation are critical to a better planet and future for our county and its residents.

Please invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Sasha Nader
10395 Tuscany Rd Ellicott City, MD 21042-2153 sasha.nader@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: dheck1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Deborah Heck <dheck1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 6:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Deborah Heck
10622 Gorman Rd Laurel, MD 20723-1113
dheck1@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: manonalini@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Manu Manohar
<manonalini@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 6:16 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Manu Manohar
6045 Tree Swallow Ct Columbia, MD 21044-3671 manonalini@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: doublebogey2002@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Mark Ramstrom
<doublebogey2002@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 5:47 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark Ramstrom

11435 Little Patuxent Pkwy Columbia, MD 21044-3882 doublebogey2002@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: amrllcpa@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Angela Hayes
<amrllcpa@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 5:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Angela Hayes
508 Gladhill Rd Odenton, MD 21113-1911
amrllcpa@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: shaun.lehmann@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Shaun Lehmann
<shaun.lehmann@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 4:44 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Shaun Lehmann

13761 State Route 144 West Friendship, MD 21794-9703 shaun.lehmann@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: kmac53@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kevin McIntosh <kmac53@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 3:36 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kevin McIntosh
4225 Blue Barrow Ride Ellicott City, MD 21042-5951 kmac53@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: pperduejr@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Paul Perdue
<pperduejr@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:58 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Paul Perdue
10406 Churchill Way Laurel, MD 20723-5749 pperduejr@me.com

Sayers, Margery

From: michaelbw1998@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael Williams
<michaelbw1998@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:54 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michael Williams
6116 Dry Leaf Path Columbia, MD 21044-4719 michaelbw1998@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: nd787@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeff Chamblee <nd787@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:39 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jeff Chamblee
10141 Hyla Brook Rd Columbia, MD 21044-1706 nd787@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: wmacheel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Bill Macheel
<wmacheel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:31 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Not only other counties in Maryland, but other cities and states across the country are way ahead of what we have here. For example, in Minnesota, where I grew up and spend some of the summer months each year, I ride my recumbent on many miles of dedicated bike lanes. It is worry-free and fun to have trails to bike, and it is great exercise!

Please, let's start doing the same here and catch up to Minnesota. Invest \$3 million in the Bikeway and support a complete streets policy that will meet the needs of everyone on our roads. It's good for our community's health, economy, environment and equity.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Bill Macheel
3129 Greenway Dr Ellicott City, MD 21042-2415 wmacheel@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: gmesard@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gerry Mesard
<gmesard@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:19 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Gerry Mesard
605 Pleasant Hill Rd Ellicott City, MD 21043-4740 gmesard@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: swansonmcginnis@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Greta Swanson
<swansonmcginnis@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:12 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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I want to ride my bike all around Columbia and Howard County for recreation, shopping, and getting to places in the county, but fear for my safety when riding on the roads. It only makes sense to support construction of safe bike lanes and routes that would ensure that I and many others like me that we can safely use our bikes as an alternative form of transportation.

The bikeway is an essential investment in the health and safety of the residents of Howard County, as well as a means for county residents and the county as a whole to reduce our carbon footprint.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Greta Swanson
4277 Red Bandana Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5913 swansonmcginnis@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: rcgoldman10775@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Richard Goldman
<rcgoldman10775@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:06 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Richard Goldman
10775 Judy Ln Columbia, MD 21044-4211
rcgoldman10775@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: fishflyer@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of David Fisher
<fishflyer@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 2:00 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
David Fisher
6649 Autumn Wind Cir Clarksville, MD 21029-1279 fishflyer@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: junk@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jeff Barclay
<junk@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:41 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Please look at lifting ebike restrictions on public roads and pathways in Howard County.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jeff Barclay
4315 Doncaster Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043-6781 junk@jeffbarclay.com

Sayers, Margery

From: George.biz@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of George Berkheimer
<George.biz@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
George Berkheimer
9343 Steeple Ct Laurel, MD 20723-5821
George.biz@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: sam49.moves@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Sam Walters
<sam49.moves@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:35 PM
To: CouncilMail
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I am a regular bike commuter and a very fit experienced bicyclist. I also have lead group rides in Howard County for many years. I've worked in a bike store for the last 9 years. Many novice and recreational cyclists are very scared to ride their bicycles because bike lanes are a rarity. Almost all that we have are dysfunctional because they appear and disappear at random leaving riders and drivers in a quandary - an unsafe situation.

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Before you vote NO or offer some watered down alternate plan, contact me and I'll take you for a ride to show you first hand the problems that need to be addressed.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Sam Walters
6336 Sunny Spg Columbia, MD 21044-3731
sam49.moves@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: marciac31@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Marcia Cohen <marciac31@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:28 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Marcia Cohen
8866 Blue Sea Dr Columbia, MD 21046-1413 marciac31@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: elfrishberg@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of ELLEN FRISHBERG
<elfrishberg@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:26 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Too many of our streets are not accessible or safe for walkers, runners, bicyclists or transit riders. Other counties are investing ambitiously in bike and walk facilities - we are falling behind. Try to walk to the Y on Montgomery Road sometime! Or bike from the Y to the Miller library. Takes your breathe (and potentially your life) away.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
ELLEN FRISHBERG
8605 Littlefield Ct Ellicott City, MD 21043-6550 elfrishberg@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: dortress@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Dorothy Sasscer
<dortress@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:20 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

I enjoy biking in Maryland, but am endlessly frustrated that I need to pack my bike in a car and drive to another country to enjoy county-wide bike trails.

I live in MD, off Route 1 and watch as bike trails are expanded in Columbia and in other locations, but for my area, which is undergoing a dramatic increase in residential housing, no efforts are being made to link existing trails. Cycling on 175 and Route 1 is impossible and dangerous! Our area of the county needs support for biking for quality of life and for safety. Please consider investing in this portion of HoCo!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Dorothy Sasscer
7163 Stone Throw Way Elkridge, MD 21075-7903 dortress@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: kl@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Gregory Klassen <kl@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 1:11 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Dr. Ball,

Please fund this project. As a disabled person (Spinocerebellar ataxia) I am now confined to riding a tricycle. As I've mentioned to you before, it is incredibly dangerous to ride the roads from my house to the Columbia trails (my wife will NOT do it with me because of the danger to life). This is a matter of life for me!

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Gregory Klassen

6494 Park Forest Cir Elkridge, MD 21075-5856 kl@ssen.org

Sayers, Margery

From: eldahelias@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Eldah Elias
<eldahelias@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:55 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Eldah Elias
15905 Willis Way Woodbine, MD 21797-7521 eldahelias@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: rogerchang1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Roger Chang <rogerchang1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:52 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Roger Chang
10086 Fair Beauty 10086 Columbia, MD 21046-1315 rogerchang1@verizon.net

Sayers, Margery

From: justin.raabe@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Justin Raabe
<justin.raabe@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:50 PM
To: CouncilMail
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I personally bike to work from my house in Elkridge to my office in Hanover, so I know the lack of support very well. I'd also like to be able to bike my son to school when he starts at Hanover Hills, and currently that is impossible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Justin Raabe
6888 Tasker Fls Elkridge, MD 21075-6369 justin.raabe@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jrlombard@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jason Lombard
<jrlombard@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2019 12:45 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jason Lombard
13959 Clarksville Pike Highland, MD 20777-9528 jrlombard@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: lsgorel@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Susan Gorel
<lsgorel@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Tuesday, January 8, 2019 12:46 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Sincerely,
Susan Gorel
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Sayers, Margery

From: lalavina7@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Lavina Fathony <lalavina7@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Monday, January 7, 2019 9:41 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Lavina Fathony
4045 Chariots Flight Way Ellicott City, MD 21042-5010 lalavina7@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: msfennell@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Melissa Huselton
<msfennell@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 6, 2019 4:58 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Melissa Huselton
10344 College Sq Columbia, MD 21044-4605 msfennell@gmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: toppend@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Deborah Toppenberg-Pejcic
<toppend@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Sunday, January 6, 2019 6:00 AM
To: CouncilMail
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I greatly appreciated your presence at the pre-election street audit held at the Guilford St Baptist Church. Your taking time for this issue is one reason I volunteered for your campaign. It is refreshing to see our county leadership paying attention to this issue. Thank you.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Deborah Toppenberg-Pejcic
9502 Many Mile Mews Columbia, MD 21046-2050 toppend@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: decarme@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Manuela de Carvalho
<decarme@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, January 4, 2019 8:26 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Sincerely,
Manuela de Carvalho
5352 Smooth Meadow Way Columbia, MD 21044-1761 decarme@hotmail.com

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From: ibgarr51@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Iris Garrett <ibgarr51@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, January 4, 2019 6:02 PM
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Sincerely,
Iris Garrett
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From: larrysur@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Larry Surowitz
<larrysur@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Friday, January 4, 2019 10:20 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Larry Surowitz
11267 Skilift Ct Unit A Columbia, MD 21044-2957 larrysur@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: jemeducate@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jacquelyn Miles Humes
<jemeducate@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 3:29 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Sincerely,
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From: eldahelias@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Eldah Elias
<eldahelias@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 2:25 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Sincerely,
Eldah Elias
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From: dbroca@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Diane Roca
<dbroca@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 2:07 PM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Diane Roca
5121 Watchwood Path Columbia, MD 21044-5708 dbroca@comcast.net

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From: kmsterrett@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Kim Michelle Sterrett
<kmsterrett@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 12:29 PM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Last year my elderly neighbor was hit by a car in a cross walk on Little Patuxent Parkway at Vantage Point Road as she had to cross Little Patuxent to board the bus. She was hospitalized for 2 weeks at Shock Trauma. She was always independent walking the neighborhood and taking transit. Now is limited by her fear to cross 6 lanes of traffic to ride public transportation.

This why I support better paths, bridges across busy streets and more convenient bus routes.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Kim Michelle Sterrett
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Sayers, Margery

From: m_orourke@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael O'Rourke
<m_orourke@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 10:15 AM
To: CouncilMail
Subject: I support \$3M for the Bikeway

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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

The County's Office on Aging and Independence sponsors the Cycle2Health program for seniors. While the program has been very successful - many riders have participated for five years - it is nearly certain that the health-enhancing benefits of biking would be available to many more of our seniors if the streets and roads of the County were more supportive of safe, "stress-free" riding. I believe a \$3 million investment in bikeways and safer streets could provide significant quality of life enhancements to the County's senior population.

Very respectfully,
Mike O'Rourke.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michael O'Rourke
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Sayers, Margery

From: tri3sports@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Richard Fitzgerald
<tri3sports@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 9:34 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Richard Fitzgerald
6591 Castlebay Ct Highland, MD 20777-9789 tri3sports@aol.com

Sayers, Margery

From: hermandelang@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Herman DeLang
<hermandelang@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 9:03 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Dear Howard County Council,

I support \$3 million for the Bikeway in the FY20 budget.

Dear Calvin - I am an avid Bike rider, as are the 4 Members of my Family - and we need the Bike Path to be completed from Savage to Downtown Columbia along the Little Patuxent River!!!

The LPT is the most heavily used trail in HoCo, and yet it still has the missing link to downtown (between Shaker Drive - Little Patuxent River, in the woods along BrokenLand, to Lake Kitti) and all of the great things happening around Lake Kittimiquindi and all.

Please get it funded and done now!

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Herman DeLang

8455 Kings Meade Way Columbia, MD 21046-1268 hermandelang@gmail.com

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From: moodys@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Guy Moody
<moodys@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 8:55 AM
To: CouncilMail
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As a leader in PATH and bicyclist, I have walked, explored and ridden too many unsafe streets. We cannot allow the neglect to cause any additional heartache from the injuries and fatalities for which our infrastructure is responsible.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Guy Moody
9506 Red Apple Ln Columbia, MD 21046-2055 moodys@comcast.net

Sayers, Margery

From: bikerdoc1@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Michael Silverman <bikerdoc1@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 8:26 AM
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Michael Silverman
10301 Princeton Cir Ellicott City, MD 21042-5877 bikerdoc1@aol.com

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From: jlchavez2004@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jose Chavez <jlchavez2004@everyactioncustom.com>
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Very happy to have you as our county executive and have Horizon foundation promoting this bike roads in our county , we need it , our people needs to move for healthy reasons too

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jose Chavez
8803 Manahan Dr Ellicott City, MD 21043-5404 jlchavez2004@hotmail.com

Sayers, Margery

From: hjgarcia57@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Hector Garcia <hjgarcia57@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 7:33 AM
To: CouncilMail
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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Hector Garcia
8512 Timberland Cir Ellicott City, MD 21043-6067 hjgarcia57@yahoo.com

Sayers, Margery

From: renegade_lxix@everyactioncustom.com on behalf of Jonathan Schultz
<renegade_lxix@everyactioncustom.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 3, 2019 6:03 AM
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Dear Howard County Council,

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I am a full-time bike commuter between Ellicott City and Sykesville, where I am work as Engineering Manager. I have been bike commuting in Howard County for over 10 years, and excited to see more and safer provisions for bicycle commuting.

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Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,
Jonathan Schultz
3784 College Ave Ellicott City, MD 21043-4662 renegade_lxix@hotmail.com

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Sayers, Margery

From: Fran LoPresti <fflopresti@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 1, 2019 4:41 PM
To: Ball, Calvin; CouncilMail
Subject: Petition in support of the East Columbia 50+ Center
Attachments: 2018 petition additional signatures.pdf; 2018 petition.pdf

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Hello,

I am transmitting a petition from the senior citizens that use the current inadequate East Columbia 50+ Center. This petition was started last year after the capital budget did not include funds for a full design of the center and was counter the FY15 Master Plan. As a result of this petition as well as letters, testimony, emails, and calls, the capital budget was amended to include full design funds for FY19 with full funds for construction in FY20 with an opening in FY21. The current proposed capital budget has reneged on this promise with construction slipping into FY21 and opening in FY22. This is unacceptable since we have been waiting for this center since the capital budget of FY16. Another year of delay is unacceptable to the every growing senior population. The Connections program is vital for our area. Please amend the budget and restore the timeline that seniors clamored for last year and this year through letters, emails, calls, and testimony. Thank you.

Fran LoPresti
6985 Deep Cup, Columbia, MD 21045
410-995-6160
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Fran LoPresti



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Ellicott City, MD 21043

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Eleanor Warner 9526 Koflwater Way 21046

PETITION

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NAME	ADDRESS
Rose Johns	5417 Fall River Row Ct 21044
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Lula M. Kelly	10801 Bird Song Pass Columbia md 21044
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Pan ALLSOPP	6972 Sun & Lake Road Columbia Md 21045
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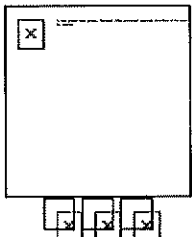
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Hello Howard County Council,
Please accept this attached PDF with our apologies for not being in attendance tonight. We know that budget season can be long and arduous, so on behalf of the 11,000 people employed in the hospitality industry of Howard County, thank you for all that you do, and for keeping Howard County running! If you have any questions about any of the objectives or details of our funding request, please don't hesitate to contact Amanda Hof or myself and we'll be more than happy to talk to you about them. We know you work hard to elevate the quality of life for every resident of Howard County, and we are proud to be able to share that quality of life with our visitors.

Have a lovely evening and we hope to hear from you soon,

Bridget Graham

CC: Amanda Hof



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Howard County Tourism Council

FY2020 Funding Request

(Testimony)



May 1, 2019

Howard County Council

Dear Members of the Howard County Council:

The Howard County Tourism Council's team of destination marketing professionals and Board of Directors made up of tourism and hospitality industry leaders thank you for your support of our mission to enhance the tourism industry in Howard County.

The Howard County Tourism Council respectfully requests that you fully fund Howard County Executive Calvin Ball's proposed FY2020 budget of \$1,009,877 be included in your for the Howard County Tourism Council.

The amount of \$1,009,877 is based on a sustained budget from FY2019. This allocation will be used to fund continued marketing for the recovery of Old Ellicott City businesses and improving the in-market visitor experience while sustaining strong marketing campaigns for the entire county and covering the expenses associated with supporting signature Howard County events and cultivating new events to fill need times throughout the year.

In making this request on behalf of 11,000 employees of Howard County's hotels, shops, restaurants, farms, museums, attractions, the arts, and parks we recognize how fortunate we are to live and work in a County with leaders who understand how a continued investment in tourism is part of the economic solution. For our part, we are currently following a strategic plan with input from government and sector leaders. This plan will guide our efforts to most effectively market and sell Howard County as a fantastic place to visit, live and run a tourism business.

The tourism, travel and hospitality industry all across Maryland continues to be a bright spot in the economy. The many small businesses in our community and the people they employ benefit from our marketing and sales efforts. Those efforts continue to grow in effectiveness as we aggressively pursue groups and perform more effective and targeted digital advertising.

During the first half of FY2019 our organization focused on promoting a series of actionable travel activities including Restaurant Weeks, Maryland's Korean Way culinary trail, agricultural tourism opportunities like Farms Food and Fun, The Patuxent Challenge, The Made Marketplace Elkridge, our growing population of breweries, and individual campaigns for spring and summer festivals and concerts encouraging festival-goers to make a multi-day visit out of their festival experience. Holiday travelers are encouraged to use Howard County as their base when they're visiting Washington D.C. and Baltimore.

On May 27, 2018, when the flash flood that ravaged Old Ellicott City for the second time, including our offices and Welcome Center, we activated a plan to prepare for marketing the retailers and restaurants when the timing was appropriate. The hard work of the local business owners, Howard County Government, Howard County Economic Development Authority, Ellicott City Partnership, and Howard County Tourism Council has helped to put Old Ellicott City on the track towards complete restoration.



We quickly built a landing page www.visithowardcounty.com/ecstrong/ for flood response and recovery inquiries that included information on the open businesses and on the upcoming events. Our campaign for Old Ellicott City targeted residents in Howard County, in the surrounding regions of Baltimore and Washington D.C. and to major leisure travel feeder markets in nearby states. The campaign, combined with the excitement for the return of a beloved area, directly attracted thousands of web sessions and contributed in a large way to the busier weekends at the newly reopened shops and restaurants of Old Ellicott City.

Thanks to these initiatives and many others that were made possible through funding from Howard County Government we continue to generate regional and national publicity, including 50+ media placements so far in FY2019. Many of the stories featured recovering Old Ellicott City as we dedicated resources to spreading positive news.

Our measurables are showing progress in marketing the community as a destination for spending customers. Website traffic in the first quarter is on pace to exceed last year. We attribute our website traffic to our trackable marketing campaigns and event posts. Attractions we promote are claiming increases in attendance.

Tax revenue generated from hotel stays continue to grow since a stable investment in tourism promotion was legislated in 2012. Since 2012 \$36.5 million in tax revenue has been collected and invested not only in boosting the tourism economy, but also in the Economic Development Authority, and other county programs such as education, public safety, and citizen services.

As our organization looks forward to FY2020, Howard County residents, local businesses and visitors alike will see benefits from significant initiatives intended to promote and enhance the attractions in Howard County. We thank you for your support and look forward to working with you in the future.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Amanda Hof".

Amanda Hof, Executive Director
Howard County Tourism Council

Enclosures:

- FY2020 Budget Request
- About the Howard County Tourism Council
- Summary of Successes FY18-19

FY2020 Budget Request (Testimony)

Our three-year rolling plan will guide our efforts by identifying opportunities for growth in the tourism industry in both the short-term and long-term. With funding support for our programs, we will focus on key customers including visitors, residents and the tourism business community.

With \$1,009,877 in funding we will focus on the following in FY2020:

Group visitors

- Work with partners in Howard County Recreation and Parks, hotels and other meeting venues to attract new and retain existing sports tournaments, conferences, and meetings that provide economic benefit to the community.
- Aggressively sell the venues and amenities in Howard County to meeting planners that host events that will fit into existing vacancies at hotels, meeting venues, and sports complexes.
- Market and sell Howard County as an excellent destination for weddings and family reunions.

Leisure travelers and locals

- **More targeted, niche marketing focusing on ROI**
 - Focus on marketing niche opportunities for visiting Howard County like the breweries, distilleries, and agritourism.
 - Complete shift to digital marketing.
 - Video marketing.
 - Social media and storytelling through quality content.
- **Events and destinations that make Howard County unique**, including our festivals at the Fairgrounds and the events and attractions in communities like Ellicott City, Columbia, ElkrIDGE, Maple Lawn, Savage, and Western Howard County.
- **Old Ellicott City's return**, continuing to promote the new experience that's developing as the community, shops, and restaurants rebuild.

Media

- Pitch positive stories about Howard County to writers and other media.
- Gain more positive exposure for Howard County's tourism industry.

Tourism cultivation

- Support and represent hundreds of local hospitality businesses through advocacy and marketing initiatives.
- Provide educational opportunities in various relevant topics.
- Work with the Howard County Chamber of Commerce, the Howard County Economic Development Authority, the Maryland Hotel and Lodging Association, the Maryland Restaurant Association, and the Maryland Tourism Coalition to advocate for Howard County hospitality business needs.
- Work with various local organizations to support a more vibrant community.



- Provide sponsorships to eligible events and attractions to help cultivate new reasons to visit Howard County.

Howard County Welcome Center and other Visitor Services

- Develop and launch a new website with a fresh look and stronger user experience.
- Continue the research for a potential renovation or move of the Howard County Welcome Center to better reflect the county's attractions, culture and events.
- Continue to operate the Howard County Welcome Center during posted hours.
- In cooperation with the Ellicott City Partnership and the Howard County Government, use the Howard County Welcome Center as a base of operations for promoting the resurgence of Old Ellicott City through promotions and events.
- Provide on-site visitor information at several major visitor events.
- Service groups holding events in Howard County.

About the Howard County Tourism Council

The Howard County Tourism Council is a not-for-profit 501(c)(6) that in addition to membership dues, cooperative marketing programs, and retail sales is funded largely by allocations from the Howard County Government and the Maryland Department of Commerce marketing grant.

The Howard County Tourism Council is the official Destination Marketing Organization for Howard County, as per the Howard County Government and the Maryland Office of Tourism Development. The objectives of the Organization are:

- To Promote travel to, and tourism within, Howard County Maryland.
- To support the preservation and restoration of historical buildings and landmarks, festivals, museums, parks, leisure pursuits, tourists, and cultural, recreational and other activities in Howard County, Maryland.
- To foster and promote common business interests in tourism in Howard County, Maryland, as well as to support and assist in the improvement of business conditions in Howard County, Maryland, as they relate to the tourism trade.
- To compile tourism, travel and leisure pursuit data and statistics which can be utilized by political jurisdictions, governmental agencies, educational institutions, private business affected by the tourism trade, and the general public, in assessing the economic and social impact of tourism in Howard County, Maryland.



Summary of Successes FY18-19

These successes and others are due in large part to the support from Howard County Government, the quality attractions, and dining and lodging professionals in Howard County and the hard work of the Howard County Tourism team.

Digital marketing - using research to better inform marketing campaign targeting as well as focusing on media that performs we've driven nearly two years of significant increases in website users. Most importantly, partners are showing increases in customers, and significantly, when we dedicate our resources to advertising their events and attractions.

Official Howard County Visitor and Resident Guide - Distributed guides, many to potential visitors, to promote the County as a destination.

Destination Video - in partnership with locally owned, Ellicott City Main Street, based business, Hi-Pro Media Productions, we produced Howard County's first-ever destination video that debuted at our 37th annual meeting in September.

HoCo Holidays Stay and Play Campaign - Launched an aggressive campaign targeting potential visitors in the feeder markets identified by the Maryland State Tourism. The campaign promotes Howard County as the most convenient, best option to stay while visiting the nearby large cities for the holidays.

Restaurant Weeks - Continued success with the restaurant weeks campaign during winter and summer led to sales at restaurants during the slowest times.

Media stories - Pitched stories to media and got coverage from the Washington Post, The Baltimore Sun, Recreation News, and more. Attended the Mid Atlantic Tourism Public Relations Alliance Annual Conference to promote Howard County and connect with travel writers.

Welcome center - Hosted events and welcomed tens of thousands of visitors from countries across the world. The Welcome Center continues to be an excellent point of contact for upselling visitors on spending more time and money in Howard County.

Product development - Worked with many organizations and businesses to cultivate new or improved events and attractions in Howard County. Events and attractions impacted include the Columbia Festival of the Arts, Hops and Harvest Festival, US Quidditch Mid Atlantic Regional Championship, National High School Lacrosse Showcase, Korean Festival, multiple soccer tournaments, Symphony of Lights, Howard County Arts Council, Color Columbia, Movie Nights at Merriweather Post Pavilion, Blossoms of Hope, and more.

Cooperative marketing and education - working with industry partners we created aggressive marketing campaigns for several products including Asian-American owned businesses along Route 40. Our education efforts focused on the training needed by small businesses to be successful online; these courses were attended by dozens of small business owners and managers.

Good Evening, my name is Kim Drake, resident of Ellicott City, district 2.

Thank you County council members for your time this evening.

I met Chiara about a year ago when we attended the first CA Climate change and sustainability advisory committee meeting as new committee members. Right away she was telling me about her nonprofit, The Community Ecology Institute and engaged me to be a part of it. I had already been following her social media site on one part of the nonprofit, Columbia Families in Nature and loved seeing pictures of children in the natural environment. As a fellow degreed environmental scientist, I was enthused by her passion, it reminded me of my own. Since then we've talked about her vision and have been to the farm that the nonprofit hopes to purchase.

I feel strongly that this 6 acre farm in Columbia is worth preserving and will become a beneficial community center for Howard County. It will be unique as Howard County has nothing else like it.

In addition, this could benefit Howard County as the county has signed onto the US Climate Alliance Natural and working lands challenge = calls on jurisdictions to reduce emissions and increase carbon sequestration. The community ecology center will be nearly 6 acres of conservation landscape like rain gardens, pollinator garden, food forest and carbon sequestration in native trees.

As you can see from the support in this room, residents of Howard county want this to come to fruition and are willing to volunteer their time to make it a success. I can say that this group has been fundraising like crazy and still have not met the goal needed. This is where we hope we can get support from you. Having worked for an environmental nonprofit and as president of a board of directors of another nonprofit, I have created budgets and completely understand the difficulty balancing those budgets! I feel strongly that this is worth budgeting for. Chiara is highly capable and has the education and professional experience to make this a success. In addition she has help from several members of Leadership Howard, her board and a large group of residents to help. The benefits to our community will be felt by all as I'm sure Chiara will be sure everyone gets to experience the Community Ecology Center.

Thank you for your time.

environmental sustainability and climate action,
Nature-based experiential education programming
Farm preservation and agricultural knowledge
Health and nutrition programming

For more than 30 years the world community has tried to resolve the combined challenges of environmental degradation, fossil fuel dependence, economic inequality and persistent social injustice. Yet, the scale of these trends has grown, and their effects have become so widespread that they now threaten the stability of communities around the world. The global sustainability challenges of the past have become the local resilience crises of today.

Resilience is the ability of a system - like a family, a country, or Earth's biosphere - to cope with short-term disruptions and adapt to long-term changes without losing its essential character. We depend on the resilience of all the systems that support us for life and well-being; if these systems falter, we suffer. A crisis is an unstable state of affairs in which decisive change is both necessary and inevitable. Today we face four major crises - environmental, energy, economic, and equity - that threaten to overwhelm the resilience of the systems we care about, particularly at the local level*.

Communities are the ideal level of focus for building resilience because regular people can most effectively be involved at this level. Cities and states are traditionally the laboratories for social and economic innovation. One community's experiment can inspire thousands of other experiments, providing valuable insights and best practices and ultimately building support for larger-scale changes. This is where the Community Ecology Institute (CEI) comes in.

CEI is a 501c3 non-profit with vision for a world in which people and nature thrive together. Our mission is to help create communities that are both socially and ecologically healthy. We do this through evidence-based programs that provide nature-based experiential education around the 4E crises - environmental, energy, economic, and equity. We put these programs to place in our hometown community and create tools and resources to help other communities do this important work too. CEI is on a mission to offer solutions, and to serve as an example for communities all over the world!

Because of our good work, one of the last remaining farms in our community is being sold to CEI for a fraction of the market value a developer would pay to turn it into another housing complex. This 6.4 acre organic farm in an area rich with important Native and African American history - just saving the land from development is a worthwhile endeavor! We are going bring the farm back to life through regenerative, permacultural, biodynamic practices AND create a Community Ecology Center on the property. The center will be a place where the community can learn through hands-on experiences about how to live happier, healthier, more connected and sustainable lives while helping to create a healthier, more resilient community at large.

Small, local, community based urban/ suburban ecology centers have the power to transform communities, healing the earth and bringing people together with a sense of hope and purpose for the future. As we create this Community Ecology Center, we will develop resources about how communities around the country and world can create their own ecology centers in a way that strengthens their local resilience.

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Dear County Council,

Attached please find our written testimony asking for your support of level funding for HopeWorks of Howard county as presented in the County Executive's budget. Should you have any questions or desire additional information, I am more than happy to make myself available at your convenience. Thank you for considering our request.

Jennifer Pollitt Hill, MSW | Executive Director

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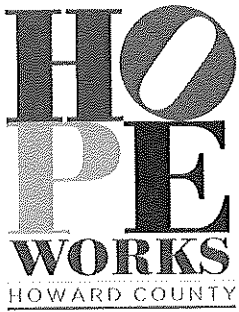
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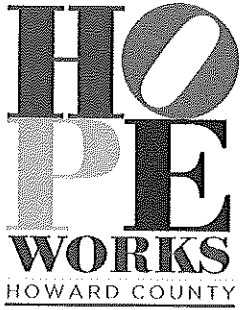
Dear County Council,

HopeWorks of Howard County is our county's primary human service organization tasked with addressing sexual and intimate partner violence in our community. We work to make Howard County residents safer through our customized and comprehensive client services as well as our public education, wellness programming and prevention work. We have been providing services for those affected by intimate partner violence since 1978. We expanded to include sexual violence in 2010 and created specialized services in 2017 for those who have been victims of human trafficking. This past fiscal year we provided more than 5,200 individual client services and we reached an additional 3,400 through our community engagement programs.

We are very proud of what we offer to the community, especially critical during these times of heightened awareness and we cannot provide these services without the continued partnership and financial support of the County. Our Community Services Partnership (CSP) grant makes up approximately 36% of our overall agency budget. Even though that may seem like a sizable amount, we have slowly been able to reduce the percentage of CSP funding over time because we have been successful in growing our total budget with other funding sources. In fact, some of our other grant sources such as the federal Victims of Crime Act (VOCA) funding require non-federal matching dollars. CSP dollars are a key element in HopeWorks ability to leverage funding opportunities outside of County monies.

We ask that you support the Community Services Partnership grants program as well as HopeWorks inclusion in this budget. We have asked for level funding this year and thank you so much for considering this request.

In addition, we lend our voice to the budget priorities articulated by the Association of Community Services and the Howard County Housing Affordability Coalition. Although we are the resident experts in our field, we cannot and do not do our work alone. HopeWorks deeply values and relies on community partnerships to best serve our clients. Affordable housing, transportation, childcare, and reducing health disparities are not HopeWorks primary focus, but make no mistake these issues are critical to those we serve. We therefore support and advocate for the budget priorities that these groups have outlined.



Thank you for any assistance in advancing our vision of a world where all people are safe and valued and where everyone can reach their full potential. Should you want or need any additional information, I am happy to make myself available to you.

Respectfully,

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Jennifer Pollitt Hill, MSW
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I would like to submit this written testimony in support of the CSP grant allotment for The Arc of Howard County. Thank you.

Best,
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May 3, 2019

County Executive Dr. Calvin Ball and Howard County Council
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Good day County Executive Ball and Members of the County Council:

I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for the support and understanding you have for the mission of The Arc of Howard County.

I am writing this letter to serve as written testimony in support of the FY'20 budget as it relates to the financial support we receive from Howard County government through the Community Services Program grant. I am sure you know from our conversations, how critical this grant is to us at The Arc of Howard County. This grant is two-fold; as it affords the opportunity to provide respite services; and, retain one designated staff person, responsible for the maintenance of close to 40 residential settings throughout Howard County.

Our Respite House is one of four in the state of Maryland. This program provides quality, temporary care for children and adults at our home located in Columbia, Maryland. More than 45 families utilize these services which are provided on a daily, weekly and weekend basis. If we did not have the CSP grant funding, we would not be able to offer the program.

Our residential program supports 86 individuals living in close to 40 residential settings. Routine maintenance is necessary to ensure each of these settings remain intact and accessible. Two staff comprises this department, and without this funding, we would not be able to perform the various tasks necessary to maintain safe and livable environments for all the people we support residentially. Coupled with the routine maintenance, these staff members also oversee annual maintenance projects which aid in the accessibility and energy efficiency of our homes. Last year alone, 325 requests for residential repairs were fielded through our maintenance department. So far this year, we have handled 300 requests for home maintenance. This is due to issues associated with aging homes and unexpected electrical and plumbing problems. We will easily surpass the 325 requests from last fiscal year.

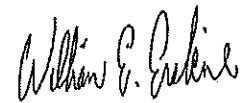
You can imagine the impact the CSP grant has on our program service delivery in these two areas. Both would be greatly compromised without the \$159,750 we receive from the CSP grant.

In closing, I would like to say that we here at The Arc of Howard County look forward to our continued partnership with each of you in the years to come. Once again, thank you for the financial and programmatic support the County provides.

Sincerely,



Cindy Parr
Executive Director
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May 1, 2019

Dear County Executive Dr. Ball and Members of the Howard County Council, Chairperson Christiana Mercer Rigby, Vice Chairperson Opel Jones, Liz Walsh, Deb Yung and David Yungmann

It has been brought to my attention, and I am deeply saddened and disappointed to hear of the proposed 50-percent funding cut for the National Family Resiliency Center (NFRC), where I have been providing therapeutic support to families and children for fifteen years. I have been a resident of Howard County since 1982 and have a deep commitment to supporting the wellness of our community. It concerns me deeply that the resources available to our community will be depleted by the decision to cut the funding to NFRC.

A proposal of a 50-percent cut in the funding for the National Family Resiliency Center should be reconsidered for the following reasons:

- * A large number of families and children in Howard County are experiencing high conflict relationships and other complex family challenges. Prior to seeking the many resources provided through the National Family Resiliency Center, these families are in highly volatile circumstances causing dire safety concerns in our neighborhoods.
- * The safety concerns occurring in our neighborhoods are the result of the families who struggle to cope with losses and changes, as a result of their family divorce or break-up. Very often these changes occur as a result of untreated mental illness, substance abuse, domestic violence, child abuse, and untreated developmental challenges. I have worked with families and children with all of these challenges.
- * NFRC has an immense impact on families and children through their group therapy programs. I have witnessed these benefits through the facilitation of these therapeutic sessions with children. Over the 15 years I have facilitated groups for children, I have received only remarkable and compelling feedback from parents and children confirmed by their participation in multiple group sessions. Our therapeutic group program is a unique resource to families in Howard County.

- * Children and teen volunteers support the group therapy program and volunteer many hours of their time. The giving and receiving of support by the peer counselors provides families with the benefits of having a supportive community to help families through their grief. The grant assists with the peer counselor program and allows us to offer sliding fees to families who are eligible.

I see a severe need for the services provided to the children and parents of Howard County. As a resident of Howard County for 37 years, I am quite aware of and concerned about mental illness in our county. As a therapist at NFRC, I see children and adults living with severe mental health concerns; have reported many child abuse circumstances to CPS; supported and educated children about their parent's mental illness; counseled children and adolescents struggling with their illness of suicide and provided therapy to those experiencing trauma. This is what the clinicians of NFRC do on a daily basis, so that all of the families and children of Howard County can be a part of a healthy environment.

Please DO NOT cut the funding for this outstanding non-profit center. The National Family Resiliency Center has taken action for thirty years to support an area of need that is a prevalent and under-served population by providing creative and innovative programs that support families and children in our community.

Thank you for reading this email and considering the points made relative to the cut in funding for the National Family Resiliency Center.

Sincerely,

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