



**Committee:** House Health and Governmental Affairs Committee

**Bill Number:** HB 80 - Home- and Community-Based Services Waiver - Participation and Applications

**Hearing Date:** February 9, 2022

**Position:** Support

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Moveable Feast supports *House Bill 80- Home and Community-Based Services Waivers – Participation and Applications*. Current law provides for there to be a maximum number of 7,500 waiver slots. The bill would make 7,500 the minimum number of slots, rather than the maximum. The bill also requires there to be a more effective process in managing the waiting list for waivers.

Moveable Feast has been providing home delivered meals under Maryland Home and Community Based Services waivers since 2011. Provision of nutritious meals to those who qualify helps to keep people in their homes and in their communities, which amounts to health savings and health improvements. The people that we serve under these waivers are often living with some of the most complex medical situations and lack of social support. Unfortunately, many more Marylanders could benefit from these services than can currently access them due to waitlists for services. Moveable Feast supports this legislation and encourages continued support of these critical programs.

We ask for a favorable report. If we can provide any additional information, please contact Robyn Elliott at [relliott@policypartners.net](mailto:relliott@policypartners.net).