

Dear Senator Guzzone:

The Allegany County Historical Society would like to express our strong support for Senate Bill 874, which would establish Community Safety Works as an ongoing program within the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development. Established as a budget initiative within the Department, Community Safety Works has already provided valuable assistance to nonprofit organizations, businesses and local governments through targeted investments in crime prevention that impact community safety.

Our organization is responsible for stewardship of three older historic structures in and around Cumberland, and that grant we have received from this program has been critical to a plan that updated our security and fire alarm technology to modern digital communications standards.

Again, this is to request a favorable report on SB874 to continue this valuable program. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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