



Honorable Guy Guzzone  
Chair, Senate Budget and Taxation Committee  
3 West, Miller Senate Office Building  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Senator Guzzone:

Eager Park Neighborhood Association 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.

Specific crime and violence issues in our community include armed robberies, robbery of the local pharmacy, breaking and entering related to both homes and automobiles, vagrancy associated with homelessness, mail and package theft, discarded drug paraphernalia, aggressive behaviors related to drug abuse and other mental health disorders, speeding and racing automobiles, and discharging of firearms. In the future, CSW grants will be used to assist in additional surveillance, support of community watch groups, the lighting and securing of green or under-utilized less visible spaces, assistance in alleviation of homelessness. The installation of clustered scatter mailboxes, and traffic calming infrastructure to include speed bumps.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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