



## *Environmental Education on the Potomac*

March 1, 2023

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

Dear Senator Guzzone,

The Alice Ferguson Foundation 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.

As an environmental day and overnight outdoor education facility for Maryland students, security is a priority for us. The funding from the Community Safety Works grant allowed us to install 6 security cameras and improve perimeter fencing to secure our property.

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

Sincerely,

Theresa Cullen  
Executive Director  
The Alice Ferguson Foundation