



# 2023 Annual Report

## Our Mission

Friends of Harford (FoH) is committed to representing citizens as "The Voice for Responsible Land Use." FoH is knowledgeable about land use matters, zoning regulations, and development procedures, assisting communities in addressing their unique land usage challenges, such as traffic safety, environmental preservation, and quality of life. Additionally, FoH actively advocates for legislation, policies, and issues with county-wide impacts. We are your neighbors, volunteers dedicated to preserving the quality of life in Harford County.



## Local & State Advocacy

Published the FoH Scorecard for various Harford County land use bills, to include FoH opinion and the voting record of the County Council.

Provided public testimony for Bill 23-005/23-025 **Warehouse Moratorium**, Bill 23-006 **Natural Resource District**, Bill 23-011/Bill 23-027 **Apartments in B3**, Bill 24-001 **Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU)**, Bill 24-002 **Agricultural Land Preservation**.

Participated in the two-day Historical Society 250th Celebration event, providing insights into the mission and history of FoH, established in 1997.

## Community Outreach & Education

Provided input on the development process for the Perryman Peninsula and Abingdon Woods, advocating for zoning updates related to warehouses.

Spoke with community groups and individuals about efforts on revising impact fees and Adequate Public Facilities- schools.

Issued **FoH Alerts** nearly every month to more than **700 FoH subscribers** for Public Input, Community Input Meetings (CIM), Development Advisory Committee (DAC) meetings, Special Exception (SE) hearings, and Board of Appeals Cases.

## FOH 2024 Priorities

**Outreach:** Comprehensive Zoning Education, FoH Alerts, Website Resources  
**Advocacy:** Legislation in Harford County, Recommendations for the Comprehensive Zoning Property Requests to the County Council