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## **2022 ANNUAL REPORT**

### **Executive Summary**

Arnold Preservation Council (APC) continues to meet our challenges resulting from conflicting state, local and residential needs. APC strives to provide all of our constituents with relevant and timely discussions regarding Arnold's local matters of interest, while we continue to work hard to build enduring stakeholder relationships with state, county and local organizations. As such we are revamping our website as an accessible tool for communication and pivoting to monthly online updates. We continue our efforts to establish meaningful conversations to ensure that residents' concerns for safety, county site design standards, environmental impact and traffic worries are considered. APC recognizes that struggles will continue as we move forward in meeting these challenges such as those resulting from Freshfield Lane, Chick-fil-A and proposed improvements to the Route 2 corridor. We are excited to continue working with our local County Council representative, Amanda Feidler, as well as other stakeholders. Our transportation committee is also meeting these challenges head on.

Although we have enjoyed tremendous success this past year, significant challenges face us. We are now in the implementation stage of Plan 2040 and are ably represented by two APC members. Being identified as a Tier 1 Growth area will result in additional future development pressure along with all the relevant downside effects that come with it such as: increased traffic, impact on schools, stress on public facilities, and declining open/green space. Without a change in this zoning designation, we risk complete transformation of our existing communities and way of life.

It is vital for APC to expand and capture more Homeowner and Community Associations to ensure the citizens of Arnold are represented. APC believes there is a larger benefit to all when communities come together to establish common goals and set local objectives. We know the larger our membership and the voices we represent, the more credibility we have.

### **REVIEW OF 2023 GOALS**

- Continue monitoring development projects, new and existing, especially Freshfield Lane and Chick-fil-A.
- Be actively engaged in Plan 2040 implementation, especially for Region 4, which includes Arnold.
- Continue monitoring county and state actions regarding proposed improvements to Route 2 and remain actively involved where appropriate.
- Be involved in stormwater management in the Arnold area.

The mission of Arnold Preservation Council is to unite the community of Arnold, preserve its rural heritage and enhance its environment by advocating responsible growth, linked neighborhoods, local businesses and excellent schools