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## **2021 ANNUAL REPORT**

### **Executive Summary**

Arnold Preservation Council (APC) continues to meet our local challenges head on; even those impacted by COVID's influences. We will stay committed to your safety by hosting our General Membership Meetings via Zoom while conditions require. 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. APC believes there is a larger benefit to all when communities come together to establish common goals and set local objectives.

We continue to be attentive in our efforts to represent ever present needs by establishing opportunities for open dialogues with developers to ensure that residents' concerns for safety, architectural impact, county site design standards, environmental impact and traffic worries are considered.

APC recognizes that struggles will continue as we move forward in meeting the challenges of conflicting state, local and residential needs such as those resulting from Tommy's Car Wash, Chick-fil-A and proposed amendments to the Route 2 corridor.

Although we have enjoyed tremendous success this past year, significant challenges face us. 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.

APC is striving in 2022 to expand and capture more Homeowner and Community Associations to ensure the citizens of Arnold are represented. We know the larger our membership and the voices we represent, the more credibility we have.

### **REVIEW OF 2022 GOALS**

- Continue monitoring development projects, new and existing, especially Tommy's Car Wash, Freshfield Lane and Chick-fil-A.
- Be actively engaged in the regional plan process, especially for Area 4 which includes Arnold.
- Continue monitoring county and state actions regarding proposed improvements to Route 2 and become 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