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# Comment

Waldorf, is the economic engine of Charles County. If it fails the community fails. 75%-80% of the its citizens live in Waldorf or White Plains. I understand LaPlata and Indian Head are incorporated town. However, the elected body keeps applying the same metrics when funding the community. We deserve amenities, open space, and family entertainment just like the others in the county.Federal Government Recovery Act granted Charles County with \$31M-\$32M granted and was based on population. If the Federal Government can do that the county should look at ways to spend money where the population resides. Looking at pass budgets process the County Administrator bury those funds in other projects. In terms of the funds coming to the County for the recovery Act, I think this says it all.\$ 8M to Laplata \$2.3 M to Indian Head \$31M for the rest of the County. Nothing specifically coming to Waldorf. My guess is the Laplata and Indian head will play for the \$31M too? I understand there's another open area being built 16 miles away from the center of Waldorf (Bryantown). The folks who don't have transportation can't get there cause the VanGo that's in the budget don't go the way. This coming June 19th, Charles County Matters, the NAACP,

Women's In Action and Southern Marylanders for Racial Equality are planning a Junetheeth event. It would be great if we had a area in Waldorf where the population is centered had a place to gather. Unfortunately, we don't have open space for the program. We have requested to use the O'Donnell Lake (Privately Owned). 2020 COVID his the county hard and fast. However, the Charles County Matters Small Business Fair has kept a lot of small business alive. The entire start delegations has visited at one point including Commissioner President Collins and D3 Commissioner Stewart and their families. However, it appears we only see others in Waldorf when it's election time. Waldorf needs your support. Deron E. Tross

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