Become an Ally!

Are you concerned about overcrowded schools, congested roads, overtaxed water and wastewater facilities, increasing crime, increasing property taxes, loss of open space and wildlife habitat, and the departure of agricultural businesses? So are we!

Please consider joining or helping one or more of the participating organizations. They are where the "rubber meets the road" in citizen involvement in Cecil County development issues. They are the best means to influence our decision makers for more responsible growth policies — there is strength in numbers!

Contact us to join or support our efforts. Our email address is info@cecillanduse.org or call George Kaplan, President of CLUA, at 410-658-0484. Membership fees are only $10 and can be mailed to CLUA, P.O. Box 215, Colora, MD 21917.

Participating Groups of Past CLUA Forums

- ARCA — Appleton Regional Community Alliance www.arca-md.org
- Augustine Parish Land Owners Association
- Cecil Land Trust
- CHARGE — Cherry Hill Alliance for Responsible Growth & Expansion www.charge-md.org
- Colora Civic Association coloracivic.org
- Eastern Shore Land Conservancy www.eslc.org
- The Environmental Communication Foundation
- FORS — Friends of Rising Sun
- Friends of the Future of Chesapeake City
- Liberty Grove Alliance coloracivic.org/Liberty_Grove
- Lower Susquehanna Heritage Greenways www.lshgreenway.org
- Save Fair Hill www.savefairhill.com

For more information, visit our website at www.cecillanduse.org
Our Goals

Holding Elected and Appointed Public Officials Accountable:
• Ensuring that existing codes and regulations are enforced.
• Ensuring a transparent government that informs its citizens and includes them at every level of decision making, providing ease of access to all.
• Ensuring a process that includes regular citizen input and involvement.

Responsibly Manage Growth:
• Maximizing benefits to the community and minimizing negative impacts.
• Providing jobs and opportunity but minimizing blight, sprawl, and ugliness.
• Enabling growth that is clean, environmentally responsible, and in character with our local heritage and way of life.
• Promoting planned unit developments (mixed use communities) in Priority Funding Areas.

Informing and Involving Citizens:
• Becoming informed and involved in Land Use decision making.
• Bringing people and ideas together
• Elevating discussion on land use issues.
• Empowering citizens through organization.
• Creating information and action networks.
• Building an alliance for positive change.

Maintaining our quality of life:
• Preserving our quality of life in Cecil County: our lands, our waters and our heritage.
• Keeping Cecil County a desirable place to live, work and play.

We support the following initiatives:
• Protecting our wetlands, streams, and the economic health of the Chesapeake Bay
• Preserving agriculture as a vibrant economic engine
• Promoting sustainable forestry
• Promoting tourism
• Preserving history
• Establishing architectural and design standards
• Emphasizing education as a means to build a skilled workforce to attract clean industry.

Mission Statement:
“The Cecil Land Use Alliance seeks ways to responsibly manage growth in Cecil County, preserving our Eastern Shore rural way of life, protecting the environment, and strengthening agriculture and tourism as vital parts of our economy.”