

## Support for CWA Enterprise Community Partners Grant

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**To: Enterprise Community Partners** 

## **Support for Cycling Without Age Grant**

Bicycle Advocates for Annapolis & Anne Arundel County (<u>BikeAAA</u>) is an all-volunteer 501c3 promoting safe bicycling for transportation, recreation & fitness for people of all ages, abilities and means throughout Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, Maryland. We originated as a project of the <u>Leadership Anne Arundel</u> Flagship program and now represent thousands of cyclists and provide bicycle-oriented programs for people of all ages and abilities including Bike Rodeos and Safety parks for children and refurbished bikes for adults and children in need. We launched a <u>Cycling Without Age Chapter</u> in early 2023 which has been extremely successful and popular with senior riders, volunteer pilots and senior living and services organizations. We are now working towards getting a second trishaw and have already facilitated a trishaw order for a local senior community.

We are excited to work together to expand access to Cycling Without Age to older adults across Maryland and have already made a variety of contacts. This letter affirms our commitment to collaborate with Cycling Without Age on the Cycling Without Age Regeneration Program. Cycling Without Age works to help everyone enjoy a bike ride again, regardless of age and ability by using a unique tool: a three-wheeled adaptive bike called a tri-shaw. We are particularly excited about this project as it would expand access to cycling for low-income older adults who may not otherwise be able to participate in such an activity. We already have a variety of relationships in place with organizations that serve seniors and low-income communities. We strongly support this proposal and are hopeful that Enterprise Community Partners will fund it. We are fully committed to supporting this initiative in Maryland.

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