

"We have miles to go and promises to keep before we sleep!"



September 17, 2025

Dear Wonderful Friends and Advocates:

As we enter our thirty-first year as a united coalition, I want to take a few minutes to express my deep appreciation for your prayers, love, friendship, and unwavering support. This coalition of sharing, celebrating, caring, and receiving information have been an overwhelming success because of **you**! Despite the moments of despair, in reality we know who has the final say.

Our breakfast meeting will convene on **Monday, September 22, 2025, at 9:00 a.m.** at St. Margaret's Catholic Church, 410 Addison Road, South, Capitol Heights, Maryland 20743. We are excited that the CEO of the project at Central Avenue and Addison Road will provide an important update. We will receive our regular updates from Law Enforcement, Fire and EMS Departments. In addition, while the data shows a significant decline in crime, we see a glaring rise of over 75 percent in domestic violence; the Sheriff's Department will do a presentation and offer suggestions on what we must do to combat this problem.

You will also be very please to know that to-date, we have given a total of \$44,100.00 in Senatorial Scholarships for our "rising stars!" If you have suggestions or wish to volunteer for our activities, please contact us at (410) 841-3148 or visit *Resources* on our website at: www.joannecbenson.com/202Coalition.aspx.

With Hugs and Gratitude,

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