

Report from the Inner Arbor Trust July, 2020

1. Pathway update: both the County and the CA pathways have been approved and should be completed by October 1, 2020 or sooner.
2. Operating grants are still in process: Maryland State Arts Council grant of \$20,000 has been granted but we do not know what covid-19 related changes will need to be made to the state's budget. Due to CA's drastic budget cuts, The Columbia Association grant to the Trust for this fiscal year has been cancelled. The Trust is continuing to look for additional sources of grant funding, both local and national.
3. Janet Evens will chair the advisory committee on the updated concept plan for the Park. The report is expected to be completed in October.
4. The Trust is exploring cooperating with Drama learning Center and/or Rec and Parks on a free summer musical at the Park in 2021.
5. Legal update: The Columbia Association/ IAT suit for a preliminary injunction against IMA and DCACC to stop the Symphony of Lights from operating a vehicular event in Symphony Woods Park has been filed and a response is due July 20, 2020. All questions about the lawsuit should be referred to Milton Matthews at CA.