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Charles County does not currently have a well-publicized traffic calming program, which is likely what's creating the frustration. However, the absence of a program doesn't mean the need isn't real — just that residents and HOAs must continue to advocate using data and comparisons to other counties. 1. Proven Safety Benefits Slows Vehicles: Speed humps reduce speeds to 15–25 mph, which is ideal for residential neighborhoods. Reduces Accidents: Studies from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety and Federal Highway Administration show significant reductions in crash rates where humps are installed — especially in pedestrian-heavy or child-populated areas. Protects Pedestrians and Children: Lower speeds result in fewer and less severe injuries if a collision occurs. 2. Structural Validity Engineered Design: Speed humps are designed and placed based on traffic engineering standards. They are not just thrown down randomly. Their placement is calculated for optimal impact without damaging vehicles when traversed at safe speeds. Durability: Whether asphalt, rubber, or preformed concrete, the materials used for speed humps are designed for long-term wear and tear from all vehicle types. 3. Financial Feasibility Low Cost Compared to Enforcement: A speed hump costs between \$2,000–\$4,000 per unit (installed). Compare that to constant police presence or automated speed cameras, which require ongoing costs and contracts. Minimal Maintenance: Once installed, they require very little upkeep — just occasional repainting or patching Funding Options: Many counties (including in Virginia and some in Maryland) allow HOAs or residents to partner with local DPW (Department of Public Works) through cost-sharing programs or grants.

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