NONPROFIT NEWS



County Encourages Community to

"Give Where It Counts"

Prince William County has launched the "Give Where It Counts" campaign to reduce panhandling while supporting local nonprofits that address critical needs like housing, food, mental health and job training. The campaign encourages residents to rethink how they give, urging them to donate directly to local organizations instead of handing money to panhandlers. This approach ensures resources are used more effectively, helping those in need access lasting support.*

At The Alliance, we not only applaud this effort, but we work to bring attention to local organizations and provide services that help them expand their reach and sustain their resources. We strongly encourage community members to donate to LOCAL organizations that support LOCAL people. If you're looking for a place to start, our website lists almost 70 members who serve greater Prince William everyday. From providing food and clothing, to childcare and career training, our members are unsung heroes who make life better for our friends and neighbors.

This holiday season, I encourage you all to <u>find a local cause to support</u>. Every donation, big or small, helps. Put your resources where your heart is. Whether it's children or seniors, veterans services or housing, collectively, we can ensure that the holiday season is safe and peaceful for local families.

Wondering where to donate? Search our **member list** at alliancegpw.org, under the "About" tab for local organizations, or **donate directly to us** to support our service to local organizations, or support a church, food pantry or other organization in your neighborhood.

Thank you for being a light in our community.



*Prince William County press release dated Dec. 3, 2024

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT



"We are a community of care, where relationships matter and our Christian discipleship counts."

MANASSAS CHURCH OF THE BRETHERN

Making a difference one family at a time.

Founded in 1895, The Manassas Church of the Brethren has been a staple in the community, serving generations of members and neighbors. Its members strive to live peacefully, simply, and in community with others with an emphasis on service.

In the 1950s, the Church built a house on their property where the pastor and their family could live. Known as the Guest House, the building has ben a home to various people from medical students

interning at the local hospital to church members in transition.

Recently, through listening sessions with the congregation, and the guidance of their pastor, Rev. Mandy North, the Church decided to partner with the Virginia Women and Family Support Center (VAWFSC), to use the home to provide a safe, affordable residence for three women and their small children.

Homelessness negatively impacts children's health, development and education.

The VAWFSC (formerly Carried to Full Term), is a long-term housing non-profit organization founded by Frances Robin. VAWFSC opened its first home, known as the Haymarket House in 2016. The home quickly became a beacon of hope for women who are pregnant and homeless. It immediately addressed the crisis of homelessness offering safety, and stability to women anticipating the arrival of her newborn. They continue to expand their housing portfolio to meet the needs of homeless women and children.

These two organizations have partnered to creatively meet a pressing need in our community and provide safe, stable housing for three deserving families.





UNTRIM A TREE



Gifts for Children & Baskets for Seniors

Will you adopt a family or a senior this holiday season?

Contact Volunteer Prince William if you'd like to make the holidays special for our friends and neighbors.

For further information visit:

https://volunteerprincewilliam.org/donate/ untrim-a-tree-donor-interest-form.html



Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program

Easterseals Homeless Veterans Reintegration Program (HVRP) helps veterans experiencing or at risk of homelessness reintegrate into the labor force. We prepare male and female veterans for stable, long-term employment. HVRP addresses their complex needs, helping them enroll in local support services.

Our Services

Dedicated case managers work with veterans to create an Individualized Employment Plan (IEP). The IEP details employment goals, strategies, and outcomes so that the veterans we serve can successfully reintegrate into the labor force and community. We want to see our veterans succeed.

Why Choose Us

- Personalized assessment and career planning
- Funds for in-demand job training and certifications
- Employment counseling
- Job placement services and follow ups

Eligibility

- · Homeless or at risk of homelessness. Includes:
- · Homeless within the last 60 days
- · Imminent risk of homelessness
- · Enrolled in HUD-VASH or SSVF RRH
- Transitioning from incarceration
- Low-income families who are losing their housing
- · Veteran status (with proof: DD214)
- · Active-duty service & discharge other than dishonorable

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