

THOMAS JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

SERVICE AS ACTION

TJMS STUDENTS MAKE A DIFFERENCE

** Please call or email organizations FIRST **

Parents are responsible for transportation to and from events.

Some organizations/programs have age requirements and/or require parental supervision

Service Focus Area	Sponsoring Community Organization	Service Activity	Ongoing Activities	February Events & Opportunities	March Events & Opportunities	April Events & Opportunities	May Events & Opportunities	June Events & Opportunities
Protecting the Environment/Going Green/Recycling	Arlington Parks & Recreation Environment Contact: Sarah Archer Email: sarcher@arlingtonva.us Phone: 703-228-1862	Environmental protection and beautification activities across the county including: invasive plant removal, stream clean up, storm drain labeling, or maintaining a park or street that has been "adopted."	Most activities are year round depending on the season. Check website for updates.	Invasive plant removal (RiP) See website for locations/times.	Invasive plant removal (RiP) See website for locations/times.	Invasive plant removal (RiP) See website for locations/times.	Invasive plant removal (RiP) See website for locations/times.	Invasive plant removal (RiP) See website for locations/times.
	https://environment.arlingtonva.us/							
Protecting the Environment/Going Green/Recycling	ACE: Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment 3308 S. Stafford St., Arlington, VA 22206 (703) 228-6427 office@arlingtonenvironment.org	*Join ACE volunteers and community members to clean up trash/debris from Four Mile Run stream in Barcroft Park and along Four Mile Run Drive. *Participate in joint invasive plant removal w/Arlington Parks & Rec.	Check website for events and sign up.	Feb. Invasive Plant Removal (RiP) see dates for Arlington Parks & Rec above.	March World Water Day Virtual 5K & 10K Walk or Run * Hold an event any time in March. * Portion of proceeds go to: https://www.environment.org	Sat. April 14, 2018 Potomac Watershed Cleanup 10am-12 pm N. Glebe Rd. & Chain Bridge Rd. Register on ACE Website	May Invasive Plant Removal (RiP) (see dates for Arlington Parks & Rec above).	June Invasive Plant Removal (RiP) see dates for Arlington Parks & Rec above.
	www.arlingtonenvironment.org				https://www.environment.org/world-water-day-5k-10k-arlington-tickets-42874776611?aff=erellivmlt			

Protecting the Environment/Going Green/Recycling **Computer Recycling of VA**
Contact: Lisa Parkhurst
lisa@recycle4va.com

Collect & donate all forms of electronics to organization that recycles/refurbishes them.

All refurbished devices and funds from recycling are used to provide technology to schools in Virginia.

Organize/publicize a collection. List of devices to be collected is on the website.

Email contact to discuss the effort and arrange for collection/discussion

www.recycle4va.com

Protecting the Environment/Going Green/Recycling **Claude Moore Colonial Farm**
6310 Georgetown Pike, McLean, VA
Contact email: Volunteers@1771.org
703-442-7557

Volunteers help with office work, publicity, maintaining the buildings, livestock and crops, repairing clothing, working in the greenhouse, and caring for the Farm's reference library.

Call or check website for volunteer opportunities. **"Market Fair" is held the 3rd full weekend of May,** July and October. Request volunteer forms on the website.

Feb. Call or check website for volunteer opportunities.

March Call or check website for volunteer opportunities.

April Call or check website for volunteer opportunities.

May 19-20 Market Fair
*** Email volunteers@1771.org to express interest**
*** Get an info packet**
*** Volunteer behind the scenes during**

www.1771.org

Protecting the Environment/Going Green/Recycling **Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens**
1550 Anacostia Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20019
Contact: Lydia Vanderbilt
Email: lydia@friendsofkenilworthgardens.org
Phone: (313) 970 - www.friendsofkenilworthgardens.org

Wide variety of community service activities including lily pond restoration, removal of invasive plants, painting, planting, pruning, trash removal, working in the greenhouse and other projects.

Usually on the 4th Saturday of the month.

Go to the website to confirm the event/date and to register.

Feb. 24 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Improve/Maintain the Gardens
Contact: Lydia Vanderbilt

March 24 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Improve/Maintain the Gardens
Contact: Lydia Vanderbilt

April 21 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Earth Day Volunteer Event
Contact: Lydia Vanderbilt

May 26 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Improve/Maintain the Gardens
Contact: Lydia Vanderbilt

Caring for Animals

Lucky Dog Animal Rescue

Contact: Carrie Fallon
Phone: 703-237-5327
Email:carrief@luckydoganimalrescue.org

- * Make blankets, toys & treats for animals.
- * Collect items necessary to help foster families care for animals (item wish list on website.
- * Hold a bake sale at an adoption event.
- * Help handle a dog with someone over 18 at a weekend event.

Students may volunteer individually or as a group.

Contact Carrie Fallon to discuss.

<http://www.luckydoganimalrescue.org/>

Caring for Animals

Animal Welfare League of Arlington County Animal Shelter

2650 S Arlington Mill Dr. 22206
Contact: Jennifer Newman
(703) 931-9241
jnewman@awla.org

- *Make blankets, toys & treats for animals.
- *Collect items necessary to help care for the animals & run the shelter.
- *Shelter wish list on website.
- *Contact Jennifer Newman to find out what is most needed.

*Students may volunteer individually or as a group

*Collect and/or make items for the animals. Schedule delivery to shelter/group shelter tour.

www.awla.org

Improving Health Care Access and Research

Swim for MS Multiple Sclerosis Association of America

Contact: Jen Gaynor
Email:
jgaynor@mymsaa.org
Phone: 800-532-7667
Ext. 161

Raise funds for the MS community. Create & arrange your own special swim activity by setting a goal to swim a specific number of laps, organize a team competition or host a pool party.
Any season, any pool, any challenge, you can Swim for MS!

Organize a fundraiser individually or with a small or large group.

Visit mymsaa.org and click on the Swim for MS tab to learn how to plan and register an event.

<http://www.mymsaa.org/>

Promoting Global Health	Virginia Hospital Center Medical Brigade Warehouse: 601 S. Carlin Springs Rd. 22204 Contact: Mary Ellen Gannon 571-882-1247 maryellen.gannon@vhcmedicalbrigade.org www.vhcmedicalbrigade.org	Collecting medications, supplies and equipment such as wheelchairs, crutches, walkers, "over the counter" medications, eyeglasses and toiletry supplies for annual shipment to Honduras.	Organize a supply donation drive. The Brigade's in-kind wish list is on the website. Donation drop-off at warehouse must be pre-arranged.				
Promoting Global Health	Nothing But Nets (United Nations Foundation) 1750 Penn. Ave NW, DC, 20006 Contact: Dana McLaughlin Phone: 202-864-5142 Email: dmclaughlin@unfoundation.org https://www.nothingbutnets.net/	Organize fundraisers to help buy insecticide-treated bed nets and send them to families in areas of the world with malaria-carrying mosquitoes.	Individuals or groups may organize fundraisers: *Go to "Take Action/Start a Fundraiser" on the website for ideas and to get started. *Contact Dana McLaughlin				
Helping the Homeless	A-SPAN: Ending Homelessness in Arlington Homeless Service Center: 2020A 14 St. North, Arlington Contact: Sarah Hurst 703-228-7813 shurst@a-span.org www.a-span.org	Collect items for the Homeless Service Center. Item list & guidelines on the website. Prepare meals for the daily Bagged Meal Program which operates every day of the year.	Contact Sarah Hurst to determine: * Items currently needed at the Center * Requirements for preparing daily bagged meals.	<u>Donation Item Drive</u> Contact Sarah Hurst to arrange a drive for items most needed by the Service Center -- and to schedule a date for delivery to the	<u>Donation Item Drive</u> Contact Sarah Hurst to arrange a drive for items most needed by the Service Center -- and to schedule a date for delivery to the	<u>Bagged Meals</u> Contact Sarah Hurst to sign up for a specific date to make and deliver bagged meals to the Service Center. (No meal prep is done on site)	<u>Bagged Meals</u> Contact Sarah Hurst to sign up for a specific date to make and deliver bagged meals to the Service Center. (No meal prep is done on site)

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency	AFAC (Arlington Food Assistance Center) 2708 S. Nelson Street, Arlington, 22206 Phone: 703-845-8486	Ages 12 and up can help bag groceries (at the AFAC warehouse), publicize large events and fundraise. (Check website for age requirements and volunteer forms.)	Food Bagging Year Round: Saturdays from 12:30-2:30pm Additional Bagging in Summer & Fall: Sundays from 1:30-3:30pm	Bagging at warehouse every Saturday 12:30-2:30	Bagging at warehouse every Saturday 12:30-2:30	Bagging at warehouse every Saturday 12:30-2:30	Bagging at warehouse every Saturday 12:30-2:30
	www.afac.org						

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency	Art for Humanity Contact: Glenn Evans Email: glenevans@artforhumanity.org Phone: 703-684-4635	Help collect and sort goods to be shipped to Honduras.	Organize a shoe drive to collect used shoes for men, women & children. See guidelines on the website.		Sat. March 31 Arlington E-CARE Recycle Event 6 students needed 8:30-2:00 at Yorktown High School * Help collect, sort and load
	www.artforhumanity.org		Community collection dates for all goods are posted on website.		

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency	Martha's Table Main office: 2114 14th Street NW, DC Email: volunteer@marthastable.org	Help prepare food for daily meals served at the center and for distribution to the community. Help in Martha's Outfitters Room clothing program.	<u>Meal Prep</u> Daily 10am-1pm Ages 12-14 need 1 adult for every 3 students. Check website to sign up	Feb. Check website for spaces available for meal prep, clothing room and other daily/weekly activities.	March Check website for spaces available for meal prep, clothing room and other daily/weekly activities.	Sat. April 14 11:00-2:00 Helping in Martha's Outfitter's Room Sat. April 21 1:00-3:30 Meal Distribution to
	www.marthastable.org					

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency

Bikes for the World Outreach Coordinator:
Yvette Hess
Email:
yvette@bikesfortheworld.org
Phone: 703-740-7856

Help with loading and processing bikes and bike parts at the warehouse to prepare for shipping.
Collect abandoned bikes for donation.

Check website/call for monthly calendar of loading events at warehouse in Rockville.

Check website/call for information about how to collect bikes for donation & community

Sat. March 31
Arlington E-CARE Recycle Event

6 students needed
8:30-2:00 at Yorktown High School
* Help collect bikes from

www.bikesfortheworld.org

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency

Wheels to Africa Contact: Dixie Duncan
Phone: 703-919-0570
Email:
dixieduncan94@gmail.com

Collect bikes and donate them to Wheels to Africa. They will be shipped to Africa to improve access food and water, markets, education and jobs.

Organize a bike drive.

Email or call Dixie Duncan.

<http://wheels-to-africa.org/>

Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency

TJMS Challenge 20/20 Club
Contact: Ms. Mohammed

Sponsors service activities to support local residents and persons in other parts of the world while learning about world issues.

Meets every other Wednesday after school and occasionally on Monday after school.

Listen to announcements for date changes

<p>Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency</p>	<p>Teens Make a Difference Service Club (TMAD) Contact: Ms. Mohammed</p>	<p>Service Club that help students plan service projects, learn leadership skills, and improve their schools and community.</p>	<p>*Students learn to identify community needs and plan service projects. *Meetings are held after school at TJMS. *Listen to announcements.</p>
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<p>Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency</p>	<p>Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church 1500 Glebe Road, Arlington, 22207 Contact: Sarah Chapman Young schapstick@hotmail.com 703-585-9958 www.mountolivetumc.com</p>	<p><u>Community Assistance Program</u> Help set-up, clean-up, bag groceries and/or organize clothing for community members who attend the community assistance events.</p>	<p>Every 3rd Saturday each month. Time depends on volunteer activity.</p> <p>Call ahead. Spaces available for 3-4 student volunteers.</p>	<p><u>Feb. 17</u> Contact Sarah Young to sign up.</p>	<p><u>March 17</u> Contact Sarah Young to sign up.</p>	<p><u>April 21</u> Contact Sarah Young to sign up.</p>	<p><u>May 19</u> Contact Sarah Young to sign up.</p>
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<p>Helping Local & Global Neighbors in Need: providing food, clothing, companionship and supporting self-sufficiency</p>	<p>Bread for the City 1640 Good Hope Rd., SE, DC 1525 Seventh St., NW, DC Contact: Sonya Springfield Phone: 202-386-7006 Email: sspringfield@breadforthecity.org https://breadforthecity.org/</p>	<p>Bread for the City has two centers and an orchard. It attends farmer's markets and operates a diaper program and housing access program. Events are both at the centers & off site, weekdays & weekends. <u>Plan in advance -- spaces fill fast!!</u></p>	<p><u>Volunteer:</u> *Contact Sonya Springfield *Go to website and click on: Make an Impact/ Volunteer Opportunitites * Under 18 must be accompanied by adult who signs a waiver.</p>
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<p>Senior Citizen Companionship --and-- Promoting Healthy Eating & Living/Gardening</p>	<p>Walter Reed Senior Center & Garden Contact: LeeAnn Kaniut (703) 228-0955 email: lkaniut@arlingt onva.us</p>	<p>Wide variety of programs and services for 55+. Activities include helping in the garden, exercise & sports, social events, classes & guest speakers, discussion groups & clubs, games, crafts, music & more. Contact LeeAnne Kaniut.</p>	<p>After-School: * Share your musical or technological talents * Fundraising Event Assistance * Special Event Assistance * Help in the garden (seasonal)</p>
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<http://parks.arlingtonva.us/locations/walter-reed-community-center-park/>

<p>Senior Citizen Companionship -- and -- Beautifying the environment through Art (visual, music, drama)</p>	<p>Culpepper Garden Senior Center 4435 North Pershing Drive, Arlington Contact: Deborah Madden Phone: (703) 528-0162 Email: dmadden@culpepperg arden.org</p>	<p>*Many ongoing and seasonal activities for seniors attending the center including: decorate for special events/holiday parties, help in their garden, play games on game night, go on walks, help with presentations. *After school, evening and</p>	<p>*Assist in the dining hall in the evenings. *Schedule a Saturday Bingo Events. *Plan/assist with an art project. *Organize the library. *Discuss any other ideas with Deborah</p>
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www.culpeppergarden.org

<p>Beautifying the environment through Art (visual, music, drama)</p>	<p>ENCORE Stage & Studio St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 4000 Lorcom Lane, Arlington, VA 22207 Contact: Eileen Pangan (703) 548-1154 aileen.pangan@encore stage.org</p>	<p>Assist with Holiday Mini- Camps Mini-camps serves K – 2nd grade students on days when Arlington public schools are closed. Help with theatre games, crafts, and other creative activities.</p> <p>Volunteer behind the</p>	<p>Feb 19 Presidents Day Mini-Camp St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 9am-3pm</p> <p>*Contact Aileen Pangan to discuss</p>	<p>March 1 and 2 Parent/Teacher Conference Day Mini-Camp St. Andrew's Episcopal Church 9am-3pm</p> <p>March 26-30 Spring Break</p>
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www.encorestageva.org

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Jane Franklin Dance: Movement. Sound. Art.
3700 Four Mile Run Drive, Arlington
Contact: Jane Franklin
Phone: 703-933-1111
Email: janefranklindance@gmail.com

<http://www.janefranklin.com/>

***Production Assistance:** Assist at Weekly After School Projects: Tuesdays: Jefferson Houston 2:55-3:55 p.m. Wednesdays: Carling Springs 2:45-4:15 p.m.
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 * Contact Jane Franklin
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TJMS Visual and Performing Arts
 Contact: Ms. Mohammed

Be a part of after-hours activities including tech and stage crew.

Listen to announcements for dates of tryouts, rehearsals, etc. Participation must be approved by activity sponsors.

Disaster Assistance

American Red Cross National Capital Region
 Arlington Contact: Jessica Adams
 jessica.adams@redcross.org
 703-584-8400

Plan, publicize and/or implement relief projects for domestic and global disaster needs, blood drives and disaster preparedness education.

Start or join a Red Cross Club at TJMS. See "How to start a Red Cross Club" on the website.

This clubs requires a sponsor. Contact Ms. Mohammed to discuss.

www.redcrossyouth.org

**Promoting
Literacy &
Improving
Educational
Opportunities**

TJMS Reading Buddies Read to 2nd graders at
Patrick Henry Elementary
Fridays afterschool.
Permission slip required.
Contact Enid Dunbar,
enid.dunbar@apsva.us

February 16th March 9th
February 23rd March 16th

**Promoting
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**Computer Recycling of
VA** Collect & donate all forms
of electronics to
Contact: Lisa Parkhurst organization that
lisa@recycle4va.com recycles/refurbishes them.

All refurbished devices and
funds from recycling are
used to provide technology
to schools in Virginia.

* Organize/publicize
a collection.
* List of devices to
be collected is on
the website.
* Email Lisa
Parkhurst to discuss
the effort and
arrange for
collection/discussion

www.recycle4va.com

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ReadingPartners.org * Sponsor a book drive to
Contact: Cielo support the *Take Reading*
Contreras *Home* Initiative
Email: * Help stock classroom
cielo.contreras@readi libraries & home libraries of
ngpartners.org elementary school-age
Phone: 202-750-0682 students in DC who need
Main Office: 202-701- help learning to read.
9110

* Go to Reading
Partners.org
website's *Leading a*
Book Drive page.
* Contact Cielo
Contreras.
* Get materials and
advice for running a
successful book
drive -- and to set a
collection date.

www.readingpartners.org

Promoting Literacy & Improving Educational Opportunities

MagazineLiteracy.org Collect clean, gently used magazines and comics and TJMS must contact the organization's NoVA Team to arrange a collection & shipment from the school.
Contact Ms. Mohammed to discuss. send them to Magazine-Literacy. They will bundle and redistribute them to organizations worldwide that have requested them.
Contact: Ms. Mohammed

www.magazineliteracy.org

Promoting Literacy & Improving Educational Opportunities

Turning the Page Run a book drive -- new/gently used books, CDs and DVDs for kids & adults are accepted.
Contact: Alie Mihuta
Phone: 202-347-9841
ext 12
email: amihuta@turningttepage.org
Carpe Libre Book Store: 1030 17th St, NW
TTP will provide promotional material & suggestions for running a successful drive.

<http://turningthepage.org/>

Contact TTP to organize a book drive in your community or with a group or club.

February Donate books NOW!!

* Collection bin is located in the TJMS lobby

Working with Children

ENCORE Stage & Studio
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Arlington Parks & Recreation Youth & Family Programs
Contact: Milada Weaver
Email: mweaver@arlingtonva.us
Phone: 703-228-4730

<http://parks.arlingtonva.us/volunteer>

*Students age 14 may volunteer at monthly events for families.
*Volunteers will welcome guests, assist families w/activities, games & crafts, help w/set-up & clean-up.
*Call program office or check website for schedule, location and volunteer

***Arlington County Summer Camp Volunteer:** Assist camp staff with all camp activities including field trips, arts & crafts, swimming, games & more.
Contact: Milada Weaver
<https://parks.arlingtonva.us/volunteer/volunteer-arlington-county-summer-camps/>

Sat. Feb. 24 Feel the Heritage Festival: Annual Black History Month event
1-6 p.m. at Drew Community Center

Families Unplugged
March 10--Green St. Patrick's Day Goodies (Walter Reed) March 17--Krazy Khemistry (Arlington Mill)

Families Unplugged
April 14--Spring in to Healthy Cooking(Walter Reed) April 28--Spring Paint & Play (Arlington Mill) **Family Nights**

Families Unplugged
May 12--Summer Fiesta Healthy Cooking (Walter Reed) May 19--Cupcake Wars (Arlington Mill) **Family Nights at**

Assisting Refugees & Immigrants

Ethiopian Community Development Council (ECDC)
African Community Center
901 S. Highland St. Arlington VA, 22204
Contact: volunteer coordinator
Email: volunteer@ecdcs.org
<http://www.ecdcs.org/>

Develops programs that respond to the needs of newcomers to the country and increase awareness about refugee and newcomer issues at home and abroad.

Volunteers may participate in welcome events and other activities at the community center.
Check website for calendar of activities.

**Assisting
Refugees &
Immigrants**

**Northern Virginia
(NoVA) Friends of
Refugees**

NOVA Friends of Refugees connects people and organizations working to welcome refugees to their new home in Northern Virginia and assist them with resettlement.

Volunteers participate in efforts/events focused on advocacy and community events designed to bridge cultural gaps.

**(See June Calendar
listing)**

<https://www.facebook.com/novafriendsofrefugees/>

**Sat. June 2
One Journey
Festival**
On Grounds
of National
Cathedral

* Festival will
feature
fashion, food,
music, art &
<https://www.onejourneyfestival.com/>

List of Community Organizations

Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC)

Provides food assistance to local families in need. Opportunities to volunteer on weekends.

Art for Humanity

Works to help the people of Honduras. Promotes small business development and education so those in need can transition to sustainable self-sufficiency.

Arlington Animal Welfare League

Direct contact with animals limited but support opportunities available. Students encouraged to contact the league about training opportunities as well.

Bikes for the World

Provides quality used bicycles and makes parts affordable and available to lower income families and select institutions in other countries.

Claude Moore Colonial Farm

This is a U.S. park in Virginia recreating and reenacting life on a tenant farm in 1771. Help with grounds and other activities as needed.

Culpepper Gardens Senior Center

Decorate for special events/holiday parties and help in their garden. On Tues, Thurs. and Sundays play games for game night, go on walks, help with presentations. Hours flexible. After school hours available.

Encore Stage & Studio

"Theater By Kids, For Kids" Encore's mission is to build life-long appreciation for live theater by involving young people in all aspects of theater arts — onstage, backstage, in the classroom, and in the audience. Encore produces eight fully-staged productions each year and offers a year-round series of theatre classes, workshops, and summer camp programs for children ages 4—18.

Virginia Medical Bridgade

Has assisted central Honduras since 1999, providing community development and medical relief in rural communities.

Computer Recycling of VA

Computer Recycling of Virginia, Inc. (CRVA) places educationally-useful equipment into Virginia's schools and non-profit organizations free of charge, while promoting electronics recycling throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. CRVA accepts all computer related equipment and most any electronic device. Computers, laptops, networking, and telephone equipment, even cables and mice. All acquired components are reused or recycled in accordance with all Federal, State, and Local regulations.

American Red Cross

The mission of the American Red Cross is: to prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors. Youth are encouraged to establish local Red Cross Clubs. Each club chooses mission-related activities that address their community's needs while delivering the life-saving services of the Red Cross.

Kenilworth Aquatic Gardens

Located in N.E. D.C. Part of the National Park Service. "This natural area of Anacostia Park has origins in a 1926 act of Congress to preserve the forests, water quality, and recreation value of the waterways of Washington, DC. The park reflects the policies that affect rivers and wetlands." www.friendsofkenilworthgardens.org

Walter Reed Senior Center & Garden

Help seniors and protect the environment by working in their floral garden.

Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church Community Assistance Program

Each month, volunteers welcome members of more than 225 households into the doors of Mount Olivet to receive a hot meal, groceries, clothing, and gift cards for food. There is a program for children with crafts, stories, and games. The children also receive a supplemental bag with extra food for them – granola bars, mac & cheese, and more. Health screenings are available on a monthly basis. We also offer referrals to other organizations that provide services and/or resources for our guests.

Martha's Table

For over 35 years, Martha's Table has worked to support stronger children, stronger families, and stronger communities by increasing access to quality education programs, healthy food, and family supports. We believe that every child deserves the opportunity for their brightest future, and a deeply engaged family and community committed to their success.

ACE: Arlingtonians for a Clean Environment

A volunteer organization focusing on local environmental issues including green living, litter, invasive plants, and energy and water efficiency, with additional programs in the areas of watershed resources and schoolyard education.

MagazineLiteracy.org

MagazineLiteracy.org operates a literacy marketplace to meet literacy needs. Literacy Programs register and post literacy needs by creating a wishlists of magazines and comics, and placing orders in our online marketplace. Consumers and Businesses fund new and send recycled magazines and comics for literacy. Magazines and comics get to new readers via literacy programs. The receiving organizations include: moms and kids in domestic violence and homeless shelters, youth in mentoring and job training

A-SPAN (Arlington Street Peoples' Assistance Network, Inc)

A-SPAN's vision is to end homelessness in Arlington County. A-SPAN's mission is to secure permanent housing and provide life-sustaining services for Arlington's most vulnerable individuals through outreach and relationships built on trust and respect. A-SPAN assists 1,000 homeless individuals annually through many programs including: bagged meals, street outreach, winter shelter, a drop-in center, employment services, nursing services, and housing assistance (permanent, eviction prevention and rapid re-

Reading Partners

Reading Partners' mission is to help children become lifelong readers by empowering communities to provide individualized instruction with measurable results. The organization partners with schools in several metro areas across the country to provide tutors and help fund literacy efforts, including classroom libraries, with the goal of assuring that children are reading on grade level by 4th grade. A Reading Partners Team has been working in Washington DC since 2010.

Turning the Page

Turning the Page (TTP) helps parents/caregivers support their children's education at home & at school. To raise funds for their programs, TTP collects and sells books CDs/DVDs at their DC book store Carpe Libre.

Lucky Dog

Lucky Dog Animal Rescue is a volunteer-powered nonprofit dedicated to rescuing homeless, neglected, and abandoned animals from certain euthanasia and finding them loving forever homes. We educate the community and all pet owners on responsible pet parenting, including the importance of spay/neuter, obedience training, and good nutrition.

Nothing But Nets

Nothing But Nets is a United Nations Foundation. It is a global grassroots campaign to raise awareness, funds, and voices to fight malaria. It has helped purchase and deliver 12 million insecticide-treated bed nets to families around the world in need, along with other crucial malaria interventions like diagnostics, treatment, and training of healthcare workers.

Wheels to Africa

Changing lives one bike at a time. In Africa, a bike is a lifeline to survival for many people. It is often their only means to access food and water, markets, education and jobs. Wheels to Africa is a 501 (c)3 non-profit organization based in Arlington, VA that promotes and helps organize bike collections and ships the bikes to individuals and families in Africa.

Bread for the City

The mission of Bread for the City is to help Washington, DC residents living with low income to develop the power to determine the future of their own communities. We provide food, clothing, medical care, and legal and social services to reduce the burden of poverty. We seek justice through community organizing and public advocacy. We work to uproot racism, a major cause of poverty. We are committed to treating our clients with the dignity and respect that all people deserve.

Jane Franklin Dance

Jane Franklin Dance celebrates movement and makes dance accessible to a wide range of audiences through public performance, dance education, community engagement and collaborations with artists from other disciplines. Jane Franklin Dance blends movement, sound and art; incorporates active participation by people of all ages; and performs on stage, outdoors, and at specific sites.

NoVA Friends of Refugees

NOVA Friends of Refugees connects people and organizations working to welcome refugees to their new home in Northern Virginia and assist them with resettlement. The group sponsors activities/events focused on advocacy and community events designed to bridge cultural gaps.

Ethiopian Community Development (ECDC)

Refugees and immigrants face daily challenges as they reestablish new lives. ECDC's programs assist newcomers by giving them hope for their future, and helping them become self-sufficient, productive members of their communities. With branches in VA, MD, CO and NV, ECDC has been empowering refugees and immigrants since 1983.