



Doorways Seeks Increased Funding from County

Doorways is asking Arlington County to Help Keep the Doors Open at the Family Home and Safehouse and we need the support of Arlington County residents! Since our inception over 30 years ago, Doorways for Women and Families has successfully leveraged County funds to ensure residents in desperate need of safety, security and hope had a place to turn and a doorway to a brighter future. County funding currently accounts for 27% of the cost to operate our shelters and services.

Arlington County Private funding raised by Doorways



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How You Can . . .

Help Keep the Doors Open at the Family Home and Safehouse!

Click on "Keep the Doors Open" at DoorwaysVA.org to find out how to let County board members know you support Doorways' request!

Schools, Governments and Businesses Shut Down, but Doorways Remains Open

Throughout the recent snow storms, Doorways for Women and Families' committed staff and volunteers made sure our doors remained open. In fact, staff and volunteers at the Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home helped a mother and her young child move in just seconds before the second storm hit last weekend! You can read more about this family's snowy arrival on page 3.

Staff scheduled to work over the weekend of the storm volunteered to begin their shifts several hours early to ensure they were able to get to the shelters then extended their stay to cover the three continuous days. Volunteers braved long lines at grocery stores to stock up on food, medications, and supplies on the day before the storm. Those who live within walking distance signed up to provide relief coverage for weekend staff as streets remained impassable to staff not already onsite. One of Doorways' Board members rallied the help of six neighborhood volunteers to remove over two feet of snow from our flat roof, ensuring the safety of our clients and staff. **A well deserved Hip-Hip Hooray for these Superheroes of the 2010 Snowstorm!**



The backyard of the Family Home during the snowstorm



from the executive director

Dear Friends,

As I continue to gingerly navigate the icy roads and sidewalks around my home and our offices, I am reminded that while we cannot avoid the storms that come into our lives, we can—with the support and help of each other—make it through them. The recent “Snowmageddon” that descended on our region was met head on with great fearlessness, generosity, commitment, and even humor by staff and volunteers. When the storm came, these superheroes rose to the challenge and made sure the doors stayed open at the Family Home and Safehouse.

For over a year now we have all been weathering an equally severe financial storm. In response to this storm, we asked for your continued, and in many cases increased, support and you responded like superheroes as well. We have seen a great outpouring of generosity from the private sector over the past year. Our Leadership Circle has continued to grow, our new Corporate Ambassadors program has far exceeded our initial goals, and with the help of our many individual, faith and civic supporters, we more than met our holiday appeal goal of raising \$80,000 by December 31st! I feel truly blessed that Doorways has such committed and generous friends in each of you.

Today the storm continues and we must now ask Arlington County to help the women, children and families we serve make it through by ensuring they do not go without safe shelter and the critical support services necessary to truly end family homelessness and domestic violence. As noted in our cover story, we are asking

Arlington County to increase their level of support from 27% of the cost to operate our shelters and programs to 40%. While Doorways is proud to have been an exceptional steward of County funding for all these years, bringing in \$3 for every \$1 the County provided, we now need them to increase the level of funding. We will continue to leverage County funds with private support, but we need more with which to leverage.

I hope each of you will help us reach out to County board members and share with them why you are committed to the work we are doing and why you support our request to *Help Keep the Doors Open at the Family Home and Safehouse!* Please visit www.DoorwaysVA.org for more information on how you can contact County board members, join us at the County Budget Hearing, and help get the word out to others in the community.

Storms come and storms go, but the best of our nature as human beings continues throughout: courage, generosity, kindness, and a commitment to do the right thing for those who most need our help in troubled times. Thank you all for your continued support during stormy weather of all types...you are all superheroes!

In Peace,

Linda Dunphy, MSW
Executive Director

Mission Statement:

Doorways for Women and Families strives to end homelessness and family and intimate partner violence by offering safe shelter and housing, life-changing support services, and community advocacy.

Vision Statement:

We envision a community where all people live free of violence and have safe and stable housing.

Administrative Offices 703-522-8858

Domestic Violence Programs

Safehouse & Hotline 703-237-0881

Court Advocacy and Companionship Program 703-244-5165

Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home 703-907-0022

HomeStart Supportive Housing Program 703-522-8858

www.DoorwaysVA.org

We value your feedback!

Please share your opinion or ask your questions by calling 703-522-8858, sending an e-mail to info@DoorwaysVA.org, or visiting our website at www.DoorwaysVA.org.



NEWS & NOTES

from the Doorways Office

Doorways is excited to welcome our new board members, **Stephen Fedorchak, Erik Gutshall, Christine Leonhardt-Kimm,** and **Sean Sinclair!**

Doorways also welcomes the following new staff—**Claudia Leiva,** Financial Educator; **Hazzel Saravia,** Client Services Coordinator; and **Simone Schonenberger,** Volunteer Coordinator.

To All Our New Board and Staff Members . . .

Welcome Aboard!

Story of Hope Amidst the Storm

Even in last month's record breaking snow storm, Doorways provided a safe refuge and hope for a brighter future to families in need. Angela and her son moved into the Family Home just hours before the second storm began. She and her son had been living with a friend and sleeping on a pull-out sofa bed, until a month ago when another person moved in and they were forced to sleep on the floor.

Angela's son, who just turned six last week, would tell people in frustration, "Don't come in my room!" and her "roommates" would laugh at him, because his room was the living room and impossible not to enter. She says her son is "overjoyed to have his own room now, with a door and everything!"

Angela had been very concerned about bringing her son to a shelter, but was greatly relieved when she stepped into the Family Home and was welcomed by staff and volunteers. Even before settling in and just as the second storm was again filling our streets with more snow, Angela was calling her friends, telling them not to worry, "We're in a good place now." ■

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Woman and child in the photograph on this page are models whose images have been used for illustrative purposes only.

Come be Part of Doorways' *Brighter Futures!*

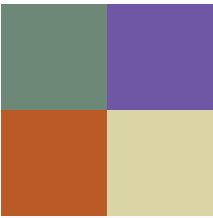
Doorways for Women and Families is excited to be offering new Brighter Futures Tours to illustrate the mission and services of Doorways, as well as showcase the Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home. Guests will learn about the specialized services Doorways provides to survivors of domestic and intimate partner violence and family homelessness, as well as hear inspirational stories of Doorways clients who have overcome adversity to build safe and successful futures for themselves and their families.

Find out more at www.DoorwaysVA.org!

*To sign up to attend any of the tours listed below or to receive additional information, please contact Heather O'Malley at 703-522-8858 ext. 22 or homalley@DoorwaysVA.org. **Space is limited, so sign up today!***

- *Thursday, March 25th: 1:00pm – 2:00 pm*
- *Thursday, April 8th: 6:30 – 7:30 pm*
- *Thursday, April 22nd: 1:00pm – 2:00 pm*
- *Thursday, May 13: 6:30 – 7:30 pm*
- *Thursday, May 27th: 1:00pm – 2:00 pm*
- *Thursday, June 10th: 6:30 – 7:30 pm*
- *Thursday, June 24th: 1:00pm – 2:00 pm*

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Brighter  *Futures Tour*



Doorways First Open Doors Home Tour a Success



Under the inspired leadership of Doorways Board Member, Emily Nack, a small group of volunteers pulled off a major accomplishment in orchestrating Doorways' first **Open Doors Home Tour**. On a pleasant fall afternoon in November, six exquisite homes served to highlight the exceptional work of area architects, builders, suppliers and designers. Special thanks to our Builder Sponsors: G&M Contracting, BCN Homes/BCN Design Build, Moore Architects, Sagatov Associates, Merrill Contracting & Remodeling, and North Shore Design. Doorways also thanks the homeowners who graciously opened their houses for the tour:

- Mary McCord & Sheldon Snook
- Heather Bolton & Doug Nocerino
- Michael & Rob Roberson
- Kate & Dan Mesches
- Karen & Chris Geisler
- Carolyn Miller & Jim Allenchy



Volunteer Susan Arnold, Executive Director Linda Dunphy, and Board Member Emily Nack welcome guests at the Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home



(clockwise from top):
North Shore Design;
Merrill Contracting &
Remodeling; G&M
Contracting; BCN Design
Build; Sagatov Associates;
Moore Architects



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Open Doors Home Tour



Turkey Trot continues to gobble up momentum!

This past Thanksgiving, Christ Church of Arlington hosted its 4th annual Arlington Turkey Trot, a 5k fun run/walk through Lyon Park and Ashton Heights. This fast-growing holiday tradition in Arlington has blossomed from 300 participants in 2006 to nearly 2,000 this past November!

This year's Trot raised more than \$33,000 for Doorways for Women and Families as well as Arlington-Alexandria Coalition for the Homeless, and the Arlington Food Assistance Center.

For all the members of the church, hard working volunteers and Trot runners and walkers, Doorways Gives Thanks!



Board Member Sean Sinclair with wife Sandra and son Zach getting ready to run!



Thank You for the Music and for the Support!

Special thanks to Steve Perry and all the bands, volunteers and music fans who helped make the 13th Annual Santa Jam concert held at the State Theater a success again!

Our deep and festive gratitude to the fabulous ladies of The Potomac Harmony Chorus for raising awareness, funds and donations during their fun-filled Holiday Sing-a-Long Concert!



Volunteers of the Month

November: Meg Murphy, Family Home Volunteer

December: Claire Vojick, Storage Volunteer

January: Hope O'Keefe, Family Home Volunteer

February: Blanche Anderson, Peg Butner, and Ellie Flaherty, Safehouse Grocery Shoppers.

Dinner With Friends

Thank you to National Automobile Dealers Association (NADA), Junior League, Debbie Hill and Friends, and Debbie Brasher and Friends from Arlington Metaphysical Chapel for providing current and former clients an opportunity to come together for a good meal and educational presentations.

Holiday Wishes

The following supporters donated over \$1,000 in in-kind items or gift cards: Clarendon Child Care Center, Doris Bennett, Mothers of North Arlington (MONA), Mt. Vernon Printing, Deloitte and Touche, Hovde Foundation, Doing Small Miracles, Trinity Presbyterian Church, Gifts for the Homeless

And a special thanks to the groups who provided holiday parties for the families in our three programs: Zonta Club, Junior League and Ernst & Young.

Thank you to the above organizations and to all of those who assisted Doorways' families in need this winter!

Red Flag Campaign

Thank you to our Red Flag Campaign Interns Kimberly Armradit and Dominique Lamb for ensuring college students know the warning signs of dating violence and how to help friends, family and loved ones in un-healthy relationships. To learn more about the Red Flag Campaign visit www.doorwaysva.org/RF

Stellar Groups and Individuals

The below groups have gone above and beyond in providing assistance through in-kind items or gift cards on an as-needed basis to families at Doorways!

- Furniture in Hand for moving over nine Doorways' families out of shelter and into the HomeStart program in the past six months as well as locating gently used or new furniture. THANK YOU Teresa and Betsy for ALL you do!
- Mothers of North Arlington for hosting ongoing diaper drives.
- Kelley Coyner, a local social networking guru, for transforming Doorways from a website-only organization to a one with multiple web and social media outlets!

Thank you and congratulations to our most recent graduates of our volunteer training program! These volunteers have dedicated 20–32 hours of their time so that they can provide services to families living at the Family Home and Safehouse!



Back Row: Sara Taylor, Katie Karch, Grace Schroer, Kristen Schmaeling, Katherine McElroy. Front Row: Lauren Heath, Simone Schonenberger (Volunteer Coordinator), and Taylor Wilhelm. Not Pictured: Eileen Miller, Kristen Schmaeling, Sylvia Taggart.

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Leadership Circle

An exclusive stewardship group committed to supporting Doorways in ending homelessness and domestic violence

CHAMPION

(\$10,000 or more)

Preston & Jeanne Caruthers
Joanna Pineda & Maki Kato
Ruth Lawrence Fund
Heidi Wagner
Nick Williams

Judy Bradt
Kathryn Brown
Stephen & Jeanette Bruce
Dan Burkhead
Kevin Baer & Beth Burrous
William & Susanne Carnell
Henry & Susan Cassidy
Santosh & Natasha Chokhani
Ann Cole
Cole Birches Foundation
Kay Coles
Kristen Colston
Ralph & Janet Cook
Danielle Coote
Ed Creskoff
Douglas & Paula Cruickshank
Shanetta & Malik Cutlar
Peter & Pam D'Ambrosio
Margaret Dean & Thomas Wukitsch
Ed & Rosalie Demoney
Patrick & Martha Dexter
Craig & Tammy Donnelly
Walter & Evelyn Dorrer
Suzanne Dunn
Linda Dunphy & Charles Chalfant
Nicholas & Moley Evans
Glenn & Gerri Ferguson
Bonnie Flynn & Tillie Smith

Monica Gardner
Virginia Geoffrey & John Andelin
Shelley Goode & Thomas Matthews
Caren Gordon
Pamela Harmon
Don Hartline
John Haskell
John & Ann Heinrich
Mary Hennessy
Christopher & Jenifer Hornback
Rosemary Hubbard
Jill Jermano
Celeste Kearney
Claude & Nancy Keener Charitable Fund
Christina Keune
Terence & Laura Lapin
Rebecca Leet
Christine & Terence Leonhardt-Kimm
Gail & Richard Lowery
Kevin and Randi Mack
Wesley & Laurie Mangum
Helen Mario, SunDial Foundation
Kate Mathews
Chris & Nicole McGarrigal
Ray & Nancy McKinley
Stephen & Beth McNally
Mary Mellon

Stephen & Claire Messinger
Justin & Laura Miller
Jane Miller
Kevin & Judy Moak
Emily Nack
Kenneth Neumeister
Laura Pennycuff
Scott Perkins & Jonathan Kirkendall
Joshua & Joanne Petty
Sara Pikofsky
Selena Roberts
Donald Rohwer
Russell & Ellen Rosenberger, Jr
Robert & Tobi Rozen
Scott & Carol Ann Smallwood
Marcia Smith
Frank & Judith Stearns
Lynne Strobel
Daniel & Jeanne Sweeney
Michael Turco
Daniel & Linda Vilardo
Andrew Viola
Jim Whittaker
Leslie Wilder
Corbin & Andrea Wilkes
Margaret Willingham
Douglas Wolf
Monte & Christine Zaben

STEWARD

(\$5,000 to \$9,999)

William & Brigid Brakefield
Joe & Kris Clarke
Christy & Don Cole
Patty Eccker
Brendan & Alice Feeley
Raina Rose & Thomas Tagle
Brian & Maria Smith
Frances Storey
Kathleen Zadareky

GUARDIAN

(\$1,000 to \$4,999)

Bonnie Allen
Marilyn Baker
Anthony & Luz Barbera
Linda Barbour
Kenneth Bass
Geoffrey & Molly Beier

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A leadership group of corporations that work in partnership with Doorways to end homelessness and domestic violence

CORPORATE ★ AMBASSADORS

PLATINUM AMBASSADOR

(\$50,000+)

Caruthers Foundation
Freddie Mac
Freddie Mac Foundation

GOLD AMBASSADOR

(\$25,000–\$49,999)

Hogan & Hartson
Matrix Group International

SILVER AMBASSADOR

(\$10,000–\$24,999)

Allstate Foundation
Baker Tilly (formerly Beers + Cutler)
Boeing Employee Community Fund
CapitalSource
Crate & Barrel
Kaiser-Permanente
The Liberty Tavern
Mack Crouse Group LLC
Strategic Analysis
Venable Foundation
Verizon Foundation
Wachovia Wells Fargo Foundation

AMBASSADOR

(\$2,500–\$9,999)

Apex Foundation
BCN Design Build LLC
Deloitte & Touche
ECG Management Consultants
Erkiletian
ExxonMobil
Hovde Foundation
Kiplinger Foundation
Last Name Left Productions
Morrison & Foerster
Mount Vernon Printing
Neale Architects
Neustar, Inc.
Ri-Ra
Sagatov Associates, Inc.
Sequoia Management Company
The Tauri Group
Walsh, Colucci, Lubely, Emrich & Walsh
The Washington Post

Corporate Ambassador Spotlight: CapitalSource

CapitalSource recently joined the Corporate Ambassador program with both a \$20,000 contribution and with a group of hard-working volunteers who cleaned our Freddie Mac Foundation Family Home. Seven wonderful men and women joined our Facilities staff in December and gave the kitchen, refrigerators and toy room a deep-cleaning. Volunteers also put together and stocked a shelving unit for the food pantry. Doorways is delighted to be working with Capital Source to help end homelessness and domestic violence in our community.

**Thank you,
CapitalSource!**

Volunteers from Capital Source welcomed by staff while working at the Family Home



A Community of Giving

Doorways is deeply grateful for the generous financial support of individuals, corporations, foundations, civic groups and faith communities. Due to space restrictions, only contributors of \$250 or more are listed, however we thank everyone who has allowed us to continue supporting the most vulnerable in our community during these tough economic times.

**This listing does not include members of the Leadership Circle or the Corporate Ambassadors listing on the previous page.*

\$50,000 +

Marion B. Tucker Trust

\$10,000–\$49,999*

Christ Church of Arlington
Community Foundation for the
National Capital Region
Network Data Systems
Ruth Lawrence Fund
Washington Forrest Foundation

\$5,000–\$9,999

America's Charities
Arlington Community Foundation
Harry & Zoe Poole Foundation
Saint Mary's Episcopal Church

\$2,500–\$4,999*

Mars Foundation
Philip L. Graham Fund
Rock Spring Congregational United
Church of Christ
Santa Jam

\$1,000–\$2,499*

Anonymous - General
Arlington Chapter of Links, Inc.
Arlington Interfaith Council
Arlington Road Runners Club
CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield
Church of the Covenant Presbyterian
Congregation Etz Hayim
Dominion Foundation
Faith Lutheran Church
FirstGiving
First Presbyterian Church
G&M Contracting
Little Falls Presbyterian Church
Mangum Family Fund of the Virginia
Beach Foundation
Michael S. & Eleanor A. Pinkert
Foundation
North Shore Design
Donald Rohwer
Wesley United Methodist Church

\$500–\$999

Arlington Church of the Brethren
Arlington County Tennis Association

Arlington Presbyterian Church
Bank of America Matching Gifts
Program

George & Margaret Bolash
Robin Buckley
Diane Buckley-Maidt
Stephen & Monica Carlin
Susan Clyde
Shaun & Surekha Cohen
Richard & Sheridan Collins
Cox Farms

Ed & Rosalie Demoney
Melissa Devnich
Nick & Heather Dunphy
Albion & Timothy Dickson
Emerson & Dolores Reinsch
Foundation

Gail Franck
Caren Gordon
Linda Gouaze
Lisa Grozio
John & Patricia Hall
Alan Hernandez & Mary Rodriguez

Bruce & Ellyn Heymann
Pamela Holden
Stephen & Barbara Huntoon
Mark & Melissa Isakowitz
Junior League of Washington, Inc.

Bethany & Steve Kenner
Sheila Kirby
Karl & Susan Klauck
Mark Kurish
Eric & Karen Miller-Kuwana
Lowell & Jean Lynch
Bruce & Rita MacDonald
Daniel & Marian MacGilvray
Lisa MacVittie
Lee & Marty Mathis
Kathleen McSweeney & Michael Rafky
Paul Michalak
Microsoft Matching Gifts Program

Duane & Diane Morse
Debra Moss
Terry & Pamela O'Malley
Ollie Patton
Harriet & Steve Pearson
Mary Philip
Plave Koch PLC
Potomac Harmony Chorus

Jeremy & Tamara Preiss
Joni Reich
Resurrection Lutheran Church
Curtis & Emily Rich
Ian Robinson
Rock Springs Women's Fellowship
Phillip Rogers
Linda Rohwer
Leslie Ruppert
Julie Schauer
Walter Schmidt
Katherine Schroder
Schwab Charitable Fund
James & Benta Sims
Kathleen Tritak
Elizabeth VanWinkle
Wiley Rein LLC
Marilynn Wilson
Tor & Linda Winston
Vance & Jean Schiro- Zavelal

\$250–499

Bernard & Patricia Alter
Stewart & Carla Conover Aly
Terri Anderson
Audi Club of North America,
Potomac-Chesapeake Ch.
Sarah Ayling
Jeanette Beers
Simran & Amrita Bindra
Shirley Bloomfield
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Commonwealth Restorations, LLC
Richard & Cheryl Deem
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Lara Doyle
Cheryl Duffy
Deborah Duffy
Sara Dwyer
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Fidelity Charitable Gift Fund
Margaret Gaffen
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Shelley Goode & Thomas Matthews
David Grahn
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Lita Harrison
Jennifer Helsel
Christopher & Jenifer Hornback
Bernie & Nancy Hyde
International Monetary Fund
Bob & Susan Rodis- Jones
Sarah Kackar
Lowell & Shirley Larson
James & Joan Leonard
Little Falls Presbyterian Church
Nicholas & Hattie Lombard
Jason & Meaghan Mann
Dana Millburn
Laurie Miller
Erin & Sharon Moore
Bill Murphey
Maeve O'Higgins
OTM Partners
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Sheila Petri
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Shelter Alliance
Samuel & Tillie Smithers
Thomas & Martha Sotelo
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John and Jill Stilmar
Jim & Amy Stolarski
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Marilyn Stone
William Swedish & Ms. Griggs
Daniel & Jeanne Sweeney
Sue & Clement Swisher
Raina Rose & Thomas Tagle
David & Mary Walker
Elizabeth Weitzmann
William & Linda Wharton
Anne Wittenberg

Thank you for Opening Doors to Brighter Futures!

*We apologize for any omissions, misspellings or other errors and welcome your corrections and suggestions.
Please contact Scott Perkins at sperkins@DoorwaysVA.org or 703-522-8858 ext. 32.*

Get Your Tickets Today!

DOORWAYS 2010 SPRING BENEFIT:
OPENING DOORS TO A BRIGHTER FUTURE
IS FAST APPROACHING!

Sunday March 21, 2010

2 pm – 5pm

Washington Golf and Country Club

For more information, to see our fabulous auction items,
and to purchase tickets go to www.DoorwaysVA.org/benefit
or call 571-451-1515.

Visit Doorways' new blog, Beyond the Doorway!

*Take a step inside Doorways for Women and Families and find
a more personal voice about our mission and services, the
challenges and rewards of leading a nonprofit, and the personal
journeys of those whose lives have been forever changed by
stepping through our door.*

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