

Greater Richmond Nonprofit Networking Social

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- Virginia State Department of Health
- Virginia Supportive Housing
- Volunteer Emergency Families for Children
- Youth Life Foundation of Richmond

2-1-1 Center

Mission of the Organization:

To provide Information & Referral to all segments of the community in a free confidential manner on a full range of human services.

Program of Focus:

Information and Referral on all human service organizations

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Providing community partners with an extensive human service database and obtaining information on resources that are not contained in our database

AASoCV

The Active Hand Ministry

Mission of the Organization:

To train Leaders/Disciples in community organizing who shall start grassroots efforts in the Greater Richmond area that will get people actively involved in solving their own conditions

Program of Focus:

A 16 week community organizing training program for leadership development

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We need to collaborate for community awareness

Asher Comprehensive Training Center

Mission of the Organization:

To promote stability and strength in families and communities by providing ongoing training in the areas of nurse aide, medication aide, direct care/personal care aide, and train-the-trainer

Program of Focus:

Training, healthcare, and community development

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

As a training organization, Asher would like to be a part of the training networking which exists to promote better job opportunities and aid to provide quality healthcare to Virginians.

Big Brothers Big Sisters, Inc.

Mission of the Organization:

Provide 1 to 1 mentoring between volunteers and children in the community



The Bridge Community Development Corporation

Mission of the Organization:

The Bridge CDC is a 501(c)3 tax exempt nonprofit organization that is committed to improving lives by reducing socio-economic barriers by creating strategic collaborations throughout Richmond, VA.

Program of Focus:

ESL Collaborative Network (ECN). The ECN is a growing association of existing English Speakers of other Languages (ESL) programs in Greater Richmond dedicated to providing quality services to nonnative English Speakers. Member programs of the ECN aim to achieve this objective by sharing resources to combat student attrition, increase ESL programs' purchasing power, ensure quality training, secure quality facilities, ensure the use of quality materials and conduct accurate assessments of student progression.

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Partnering to offer ESL volunteer training

Partnering to promote locally owned and operated businesses

Career Development Center

Mission of the Organization:

To partner with students to explore their passions, navigate challenges, and achieve their success

Program of Focus:

Outreach to non-profit employers

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Resource for potential interns and employees from the University of Richmond student population

Chip of Greater Richmond

Mission of the Organization:

Empowering women and children to get out of poverty and be stronger parents to children

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Fostering more community partnerships

City of Richmond Department of Social Services

Mission of the Organization:

RDSS is dedicated to enabling citizens to attain maximum capacity for economic and social functioning and meeting their basic financial needs

Program of Focus:

Homeless Services

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

The most important way RDSS would like to collaborate is to provide program specific and resource information for the purpose of enhancing an individual's awareness of RDSS services.

City of Richmond Hispanic Liaison Office

Mission of the Organization:

To increase access to community services and promote community information, education, and citizen participation

Program of Focus:

City government

Information and referral

Projects and events

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Networking and information sharing

Crater Community Hospice

Mission of the Organization:

To provide high quality care and support to families dealing with serious illness and issues related to loss and grief

Program of Focus:

Healthcare, Support, and Education

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Developing ways to work together for the good of caregivers, those with serious illness needing education, any services to elderly

Connect Southside

Mission of the Organization:

Connecting people to ideas, information and each other to help strengthen our community

Program of Focus:

Website

Community email group

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Information exchange

The Delores Foundation

Mission of the Organization:

To improve the quality of life of the hurting, the impoverished and the lowly at heart, by providing the resources necessary to educate, encourage and empower them for change

Program of Focus:

Under the umbrella of The Delores Foundation will be the H.O.P.E. Program (Helping Others Pursue Excellence). This program has been developed to provide services to help meet the needs of women and/or women with children.

To become established in the community as an organization whose primary focus is to come to the aide of those who are hurting. To help build a safe bridge of healing in a much needed area.

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Networking and Collaborating with other community service based organizations

ElderHomes Corporation

Mission of the Organization:

To improve the housing and living conditions of low-income, elderly and disabled in the Greater Richmond area

Program of Focus:

Home repair, rehabilitation and accessibility modifications with volunteers

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Low income, seniors and disabled issues

Embrace Richmond

The Faces of Hope Fighting and Preventing Childhood Obesity

Mission of the Organization:

To educate, equip and empower children and their families toward a lifestyle

Program of Focus:

Provide nutritional/educational workshops, group and individual fitness, and peer to peer empowerment sessions

First Baptist Church

Mission of the Organization:

To address needs of the poor and homeless of Richmond

Program of Focus:

Multiple programs serving the less fortunate

Hilliard House

Mission of the Organization:

To transition women and children to permanent housing

Program of Focus:

Housing (leasing subsidies/vouchers)

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

With area landlords to provide affordable housing

Housing Opportunities Made Equal (HOME)

Mission of the Organization:

Ensuring equal access to housing for all people

Program of Focus:

Housing

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Discovering other non-profit's missions and how HOME can partner to inform those of our housing programs, such as down payment assistance, mortgage, foreclosure prevention, etc.

Interfaith Council of Greater Richmond

Mission of the Organization:

The purpose of the Interfaith Council of Greater Richmond is to develop understanding, respect and cooperation among the various religious faiths.

Program of Focus:

We hold monthly programs open to the public on a variety of topics interesting to people of faith. We recently had a program about a Faith House build with Habitat for Humanity. We'll be offering a "Discovering Many Faiths" series to introduce five faiths. We are also presenting the film "Divided We Fall". Details of these events will be on our website (www.icgr.org)

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Presenting programs of interest/importance to the Richmond community - increasing participation and interest - and thus to develop understanding, respect, and cooperation among people of the various religious faiths.

Junior League of Richmond

Mission of the Organization:

Promote volunteerism, develop the potential of women for civic engagement and make an impact through the action of trained volunteers

Program of Focus:

Training of volunteers and implementing programs to address community needs

Ladysmith Baptist Academy

Mission of the Organization:

To serve Christian families by providing a school of academic quality that is consistent with the Word of God

Program of Focus:

Christianity, academics, athletics, and extracurricular activities

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We would like to collaborate with other Christian schools

MADD VA and DC Office

Mission of the Organization:

Is to stop drunk driving, support the victim of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking.

Program of Focus:

Youth programs, Adult programs Victim Services, Community Leadership, Public Policy, Fundraising/Events

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We want to help victims and survivors of this preventable and violent crime, providing needed resources, emotional support, advocacy and guidance.

M.I.S.S. Foundation--Mothers In Sympathy and Support

Mission of the Organization:

The MISS Foundation is a non-profit 501(c)3 international organization which provides immediate and ongoing support to grieving families, empowerment through community volunteerism opportunities, public policy and legislative education, and programs to reduce infant and toddler death through research and education.

Program of Focus:

The Richmond based local MISS support group provides monthly in-person support meetings for families who have experienced the death of a child, by any means, perinatal through infancy. Email and phone supports are also available locally through facilitators and/or other member volunteers. The group also holds support meetings for those experiencing or considering a subsequent pregnancy after a loss.

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

The local Richmond chapter of MISS would like to have contacts with other local organizations whose members/clients/recipients of services would benefit from support following the loss of a child as well as have other Richmond organizations that work with grieving families be aware of and share information about support available through the local MISS chapter.

Mortgage South, Inc

Program of Focus:

Affordable Housing

Nonprofit Management Solutions

Mission of the Organization:

To help guide nonprofits through capacity building, strategic planning, and board development initiatives

Program of Focus:

Education

Training

Consulting

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Facilitating collaboration/collaborative discussions/initiatives - to lend an impartial "voice" to collaboration planning between multiple "vested" partners

Nubian Community Corporation

Mission of the Organization:

To create vehicles that strengthen, support, and rehabilitate those who are underserved in our communities

Program of Focus:

Employment and social development

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We would like to work with other organizations to identify and provide services for our target population, which is now part of the Highland Park neighborhood

Partnership for Families Northside

Mission of the Organization:

Ensuring that children, infant to five, enter school healthy and ready to learn

Program of Focus:

Multi-service collaborative of service providers serving North Richmond families

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Interacting with other service providers who provide supportive services to young families of North Richmond, particularly access to transportation, health services and child care at affordable rates

Partnership for the Future

Mission of the Organization:

To ensure that every motivated student has a workplace internship in high school and can attend the college of their choice

Program of Focus:

Internships, Cultural Capital Building, and College Prep

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Working with other organizations that have a similar interest in helping young people achieve

Planned Parenthood

Ramsey Memorial UMC

Mission of the Organization:

To make disciples of Jesus Christ

Program of Focus:

ESL

Language Café

Tutoring and Mentoring

Read Aloud Virginia

Mission of the Organization:

Developing a love for reading, strengthening families, and preparing children with language and literacy skills necessary to become successful adults

Program of Focus:

To include all low-income inner-city children and teens in the focus of RAV on their economic, education, and employment futures- no matter what their nationality

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Community awareness events

Refugee & Immigration Services, Catholic Diocese of Richmond

Mission of the Organization:

RIS resettles refugees and assists immigrants, empowering them to build new lives in welcoming communities

Program of Focus:

Adult ESL programming at various locations- citizenship prep classes; volunteer training; placement and supervision.

Adult ed information & referral for LEP/immigrant students.

Also immigration counseling services

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

As a multi-service agency, it's difficult to pinpoint on way in which we wish to collaborate

Richmond Chapter of ASTD

Mission of the Organization:

Richmond ASTD's mission is to lead the community in creating opportunities for workplace learning and performance

The Richmond City Coalition

Mission of the Organization:

To help individuals and the community identify needs and implement solutions. Coalition members work together to leverage resources and coordinate services.

Program of Focus:

Neighborhood Projects – Launching a variety of services from a variety of service providers in one specific neighborhood.

Effectively reducing socio-economic obstacles by targeting their multilateral causes.

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Networking and Collaborating with other community organizations

Richmond Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)

Mission of the Organization:

To advocate for safe and permanent homes for abused and neglected children who appear before Richmond City's Juvenile and Domestic Relations Court

Program of Focus:

Child Advocacy

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Public education

Richmond Department of Social Services

Mission of the Organization:

Enabling citizens to attain maximum capacity for economic and social functioning, and to meet their basic needs

Program of Focus:

Family/Children-Stabilization Services

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Knowing what agencies we can work with to provide the most important services to our clients.

Richmond Habitat for Humanity

Mission of the Organization:

In partnership with God's people, Richmond Habitat creates strong communities by building simple, decent homes.

Program of Focus:

Local area housing/mortgage provider for low to moderately low income families.

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Creating a voice for housing advocacy in the non-profit community by promoting social effects and benefits of strong stable homes.

Collaborating on social awareness and education.

Office of ESL/Parent Liaison, Richmond Public Schools

Mission of the Organization:

To help promote student achievement by working with families, teachers, school administrators and staff, and business and community partners. To assist Limited English Proficiency (LEP) parents in helping their children to improve their academic achievement and in becoming more active participants in their children's education.

Richmond Regional Homeless Education Program

Mission of the Organization:

To serve children who are homeless in Richmond Public Schools, Chesterfield County Schools, and Petersburg Public Schools according to McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Act

Program of Focus:

Schools

Shelters

Community

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Awareness campaign to provide staff development to agencies regarding identifying and servicing homeless children and youth

Somebuddies, Inc.

Mission of the Organization:

Animal Rescue, Spay, Neuter, and Public Awareness

Program of Focus:

Benefits of Spay and Neuter

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Educating the public on animal welfare

Animal Spay and Neuter Programs

Spotlight Richmond

Sussex County 4-H

Mission of the Organization:

Positive youth development programs in Sussex County for ages 5-19

Program of Focus:

Character development, science, health and nutrition, civic engagement and service learning

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Funding and volunteer leaders

VA Sexual & Domestic Violence Action Alliance

Mission of the Organization:

VSOAA is dedicated to raising awareness about sexual and domestic violence, increasing public access to resources and services, and bringing Virginia closer to a violence free Virginia

Program of Focus:

Statewide organization working in coalition with local sexual assault centers and domestic violence programs to educate communities, professionals, and legislators on the issues; to affect public policy

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Being a resource for agencies and businesses on domestic and sexual violence

VCU School of Social Work- MSWSW

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Working as future community leaders and
organizers



VCU School of World Studies

Mission of the Organization:

Education

Program of Focus:

Majors in Anthropology, International Studies, Foreign Languages, and Religious Studies

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Collaborating with area agencies to provide internship/volunteer opportunities for our students



Virginia Asian Chamber of Commerce

Mission of the Organization:

The mission of the Asian American Business Assistance Center (AABAC) is to foster, increase, and maximize the economic potential of Virginia's Asian American businesses by supporting their domestic and international business development efforts

Program of Focus:

Linking Asian to non-Asian businesses, individuals and communities; Asian Economic Development; Business Assistance; Asian Entrepreneurship Development; Asian Community Advocacy; Bridge to Virginia main stream

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

ESL Training

Programs with a community development nature

Virginia Department of Corrections

Mission of the Organization:

To release inmates in a timely manner with public safety always in consideration. To assist individuals in making a positive transition from incarceration to the community.

Program of Focus:

- Release, Housing and Placement of Ex Offenders
- City government
- Information and referral
- Projects and events
- Corrections

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Networking and sharing information



VIRGINIA HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

Mission of the Organization:

To Empower Hispanics in the Virginia business community by building economic, social and cultural bridges between Virginia and its growing Hispanic community

Program of Focus:

- Bringing communities together - Acting as Virginia's bridge between its members, the increasing Hispanic business community, and the community at large
- Empowerment - Empowering Hispanics to start and grow their own businesses
- Hiring Hispanics - Meeting businesses' workforce needs by connecting them with qualified Hispanic management and labor talent
- Doing business with Hispanics - Partnering Hispanic with non-Hispanic businesses, and Hispanic with other Hispanic businesses for economic growth by all parties
- Marketing - Helping Hispanics market to non-Hispanics, and non-Hispanics to Hispanics
- International - Linking and facilitating business in or with Latin America by providing vital contacts, information, and specialized services

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Helping our fellow Non-Profit organizations in their efforts to reach out to the Latino community

Virginia Public Health Association

Mission of the Organization:

To protect, improve and promote the health of all Virginians through advocacy, professional activities, and continuing education

Program of Focus:

Public Health:

Continuing education and career development

Policy

Emergency preparedness

Virginia

State Department of Health

Mission of the Organization:

Protecting the public's health by empowering VDH Local health districts to provide thorough initial screenings to all new refugees entering the Commonwealth of Virginia

Program of Focus:

The State, Newcomers Health Program has three main components:

1. Coordination of Care
2. Surveillance and Epidemiology
3. Consultation and Technical Assistance

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We would like to find out which community organizations offer health and social services to documented and undocumented immigrants in Richmond, VA and in the surrounding counties

Virginia Supportive Housing

Mission of the Organization:

To provide permanent housing and comprehensive support services to individuals and families who are homeless or who have disabilities in order to initiate and promote their transition to productivity and independence

Program of Focus:

Housing and Real Estate Development

Property Management

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

Partnerships and sharing ideas and experiences

Volunteer Emergency Families for Children

Mission of the Organization:

VEFC's mission is helping children and youth in crisis. VEFC recruits, trains and supports volunteers who provide short-term shelter care to abused, neglected, runaway, homeless and at-risk children throughout Virginia

Program of Focus:

Emergency shelter and respite care

Youth Life Foundation of Richmond

Mission of the Organization:

To develop leaders by making long-term investments in children from at-risk communities

Program of Focus:

Afterschool and summer programs that cultivate academic success, character development, and strong leadership skills

Our organization would like to collaborate by:

We would like to collaborate with other organizations that reach out to the youth in at risk communities in Richmond