



Carpenter's
Shelter

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CALLING ALL SCHOOLS, FAITH-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY GROUPS!

Carpenter's Shelter wants to host a mini-walk in your neighborhood! I hope you will consider partnering with us to walk for the homeless.

Last year, thanks to our caring community of supporters, nearly 500 walkers helped to raise \$25,000 for Carpenter's Shelter. This year -- *with your support* -- we hope to increase that amount by an additional \$15,000. These critical funds will make a lasting difference in the lives of hundreds of homeless children and families as they reclaim their lives and transition to stable, independent living.

If you want to host a mini-walk, contact Maureen Ford, Development Associate, maureenford@carpentersshelter.org or (703) 548-7500 x226

You can also [register to walk](#) on the national mall November 20 and select Carpenter's as your beneficiary organization.

To learn more about the Help the Homeless program, visit the [Fannie Mae Website](#)

Virginia Governor Gives Official Salute to Carpenter's Shelter

Following his pre-inaugural visit this past January, Governor McDonnell returned to Carpenter's Shelter July 27 for a special presentation to CS Board, residents, and staff.

Joined by board members Matt Sheldon, Lee Fifer, Rita Grazda, and Brenda Doherty, Governor McDonnell presented CS Executive Director Lissette Bishins with a generous contribution.

"During my last visit, I was so impressed with Carpenter's programs and the many stories of faith, encouragement and perseverance," said Governor McDonnell.

"Without a stable living environment, everything else is so much less important. Because of the support CS provides, families are able to turn things around and get back on their feet."

CS staff enjoyed an intimate dialogue with Governor McDonnell highlighting the success of our Aftercare program. Governor McDonnell also observed an Out of Poverty workshop, a program designed to change individuals' attitudes and beliefs that perpetuate poverty conducted for our David's Place clients..

The Governor also commended Bishins for her new and enthusiastic leadership and the caring community which allows Carpenter's Shelter to be "alive and well".



Executive Director Lissette Bishins happily accepts Governor Bob McDonnell's generous donation, derived from his unused inaugural fund

Carpenter's is now live on Facebook, Twitter, and Flickr!

Follow our Twitter, Facebook, and Flickr pages for information on happenings at the shelter, fundraising events, donation needs, photos, and more. Help spread the word about Carpenter's by following our pages and invite your friends to do the same!

Visit our [Facebook page](#)

Follow us on Twitter @homelessshelter or

<http://twitter.com/homelessshelter>

View our photos on [Flickr](#)

Workplace Giving: Don't Hesitate, Designate!

Have you considered contributing to Carpenter's Shelter through your workplace giving campaign? Fall is the time for workplace giving! Every dollar strengthens the lives of our children and families. To see a list of area companies with campaigns, visit www.carpentersshelter.org and click on the "Donate" tab.

United Way: #8228

Combined Federal Campaign: #87293

Please share this great opportunity with your friends!



Did you know...

Circle of Hope now has 40 members who have joined Circle of HOPE with an annual commitment of \$250. They have joined forces to provide extensive support for our Adopt-a-Child Back to School supply drive! To learn more about Circle of HOPE or join, [visit our website](#)



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