NonPartisan Coalition

- Strengthening Communities
- Advocating for Government that Serves the Community

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Please visit our web site at:

www.NonPartisanCoalition.net

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Helping Community Members

It is difficult to know how to help community members when we are not able to meet with our groups. There are people that we know are at-risk: seniors without internet, homeless, people in group living situations. But what about community members who, in normal times, have a steady income, but now are suddenly without funds? How do we know who needs help and how do we provide assistance when they aren't asking and we don't know what they need?

Let's start by making a few assumptions:

1) We can help by connecting people to resources. In reality, that is the single most important thing we can do. But how do we know who needs those resources?

2) Everyone is either someone who needs help or knows someone who needs help. We can assist both those in need and those that should pass along information by providing the list of resources on newsletters and/or list serves. *When posting the information, preface the resource list with the request that people pass along the information to their neighbors, friends, and family.*

3) Everyone has difficult days, everyone is struggling to some extent. Use your newsletters and/or list serves to remind people that we are all struggling. Ask everyone to continue to reach out to friends and neighbors.

See page 2 for some new resources for those who need food. Share the resources with your communities.

Board of Directors Report

- The Board of Directors met on Feb. 29th. It was the unanimous decision of the Board that the name of our organization needs to reflect how we have grown and how we have narrowed our focus. We are working on finding the right words to show our focus on communities.

- Suggestions can be submitted to:

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Web Site- Check it Out!

- Thanks to Carol Relitz our web site has undergone a big change! We are truly becoming a place where community members can find resources. Please visit our web site at:
www.NonPartisanCoalition.net

- Submit articles for our web site or newsletter to:
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Our Leadership Team

Carol Jenkins- founder

Jeff Jenkins- co-founder

Anita Brown- recording secretary

Joseph Jones- vice president

Carol Relitz- web administrator

Keep Up-to-Date

Resources change as the situation changes. Check out these web sites for up-to-date information:
   • Montgomery County: https://montgomerycountymd.gov/HHS/RightNav/Coronavirus.html
   • Prince George's County: https://www.princegeorgescountymd.gov/3397/Coronavirus
   • Maryland: https://coronavirus.maryland.gov

Food Insecurity Resources:

1) Capital Area Food Bank
Food Assistance is available for those who need it.
Find details and updates at:
www.capitalareafoodbank.org/COVID19response
   Map of Food Banks: https://www.capitalareafoodbank.org/COVID19response/#get-help or contact the Hunger LifeLine at: hungerlifeline@capitalareafoodbank.org or by calling 202-644-9807

2) World Central Kitchens: https://wck.org "Every day, WCK is serving more than 5,000 meals to people throughout the Washington DC area, including Montgomery County and Prince George's County."
   • In Prince George's County, District 1: "We will serve 1000 individually packaged hot meals every weekday until Governor Hogan lifts the Stay-at home Order. Hot, individually wrapped meals, will include a green, starch, and protein. Documentation status will not be asked and identification will never be required. All are welcome."
   Location #1: Dwight D. Eisenhower Middle School,
   13725 Briarwood Drive , Laurel, 20708
   Time: 2PM to 3:30PM
   Days: Monday to Friday

   Location #2: James E. Duckworth Regional School,
   11201 Evans Trail, Beltsville, 20705
   Time: 12PM to 1:30PM
   Days: Monday to Friday

3) Montgomery County Food Insecurity Information:
https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/MDMONTGOMERY/bulletins/287790a