



NOVEMBER 2014 eNEWS

#GIVINGTUESDAY
DECEMBER 2



ALTERNATIVE GIVING FAIRS
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FROM KARI GALLOWAY,
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR:

Thank you for making our 40th anniversary year, 2014, the best yet! Below, see just some of our stories and results. Help make 2015 even better--make your special year-end gift and "shop for the cause" (at left: click, shop, designate Friends of Guest House). Happy Thanksgiving from the staff, Board and clients of Guest House!

GIVE DIRECTLY TO GUEST HOUSE! CLICK BELOW.

DONATE ONLINE



MEET OUR CLIENTS



MONIQUE: "People still judge me about whether they want to rent me an apartment because I did something 12, 13 years ago. I paid my debt and I've let it go; why are you still holding onto it? That's something I wish people knew." A Guest House graduate, Monique Ricks is a Transition Specialist at Virginia CARES (Newport News). She gave the keynote at our Nov. 7 event.

READING TO KIDS ENRICHES MOTHERS, TOO



"I like to watch my mommy!"

The most important factor in preventing women's recidivism is re-establishing relationships with their children. Our Healthy Families, Healthy Relationships program now offers "Read to Your Children," which connects clients and their kids. ... [Read more](#)

CONGRATULATIONS, AFTERCARE GRADUATES!

On Saturday, October 18, friends, family and community supporters gathered at Alexandria's Ebenezer Baptist Church to honor 28 graduates of the Guest House Aftercare Program. The Reverend Albert P. Jackson gave the keynote address; the church choir and other speakers contributed; and the Alexandria Kiwanis Club and The Nugget Jewelers gave each graduate a pair of pearl earrings, symbolizing her accomplishment.



COMPUTER CORE TRAINS GUEST HOUSE CLIENTS



Earlier this year, Guest House began offering clients a six-week computer-training and job-readiness course on-site at our East Luray Avenue facility. The course is run by the Alexandria-based charity, Computer CORE ... [Read more](#)

NOV. 7 EVENT: "40 YEARS OF TRANSFORMATIONS"

40th Anniversary Celebration & Benefit

On Friday evening, November 7, more than 150 friends, clients and supporters of Guest House attended our annual fall benefit event--this year, also celebrating our 40th anniversary. The event, "40 Years of Transformations," raised about \$40,000.... [Read more](#)



AT THE EVENT, left to right: Michele Grant, Director of Community Services & Development, Office of Human Affairs (Newport News); Monique Ricks, event speaker and Transition Specialist, Virginia CARES (Newport News); Shauna Creek, Guest House Outreach Specialist; Kari Galloway, Guest House Executive Director; Peggy Howard, Director, Community Outreach and Programs, Newport News Sheriff's Office; and Alexandria Vice Mayor Allison Silberberg. (Photo by Mike Davis)

UPCOMING EVENTS

#GIVING TUESDAY * DEC. 2 ALL-DAY ONLINE FUNDRAISER Support Guest House!

After Black Friday & Cyber Monday, #Giving Tuesday has become the national day of giving. On Dec. 2, support Guest House online at Razoo:

www.razoo.com/story/Transportation-Fund-2

GREAT GIFTS! Jewelry and other items hand-crafted by the women of Guest House. On sale at these alternative giving fairs:

SUN., DEC. 7 & 14 ALTERNATIVE GIVING FAIR

[Westminster Presbyterian Church](#)

2701 Cameron Mills Rd.,
Alexandria; 703-549-4766

> Each day: Following both services

SUN., DEC. 7 & 14 ALTERNATIVE GIVING FAIR

[Old Presbyterian Meeting House](#)

323 S. Fairfax St., Alexandria;
703-549-6670

> On the 7th: 9:30 & 12 noon

> On the 14th: 12 noon

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