

Fall 2016



Helping people lift themselves
from poverty through prevention,
stabilization and empowerment.

Congregational Connection



Volunteers from St. Mark's Church in DC helped pack our truck with clothing and other supplies.

COMING TOGETHER

With your help, our community has provided tremendous support to survivors of the August explosion and fire at a Silver Spring apartment complex that displaced more than 100 people. In recent weeks, those we have helped include the mother of a deceased child who came to the Interfaith Works Clothing Center to select clothing for her surviving children to wear to the funeral, and a family who needed financial assistance to buy prescriptions. This is in addition to clothing, diapers, linens, baby clothes and more that you generously donated. Interfaith Works programs continue to be part of the long-term response to the many needs of these families. **If you would like to get involved**, please consider volunteering at our Clothing Center. Information is here:

www.iworksmc.org/volunteer.

YOU ARE INVITED Annual Congregations Meeting!

Please join us for our annual congregations meeting to learn more about Interfaith Works and explore ways to collaborate as we work together to make Montgomery County the lowest poverty rate county in Maryland.

WHERE: St. Rose of Lima
Catholic Church

11701 Clopper Rd., Gaithersburg

WHEN: Thursday, Nov. 17, 7-9pm

RSVP by Nov. 14 here:

bit.ly/IWcongregmtg2016

All are welcome!

*Please spread the word in your faith
community*

*We will provide pizza and beverages;
please bring a dessert or side dish to share*

*For more information,
contact Sheila Ford, sford@iworksmc.org,
301.708.1620*

RUN WITH US/WALK WITH US (OR SUPPORT US VIRTUALLY)

WHAT: Interfaith Works Inaugural 5K/1K Fun Run/Walk

WHEN: Saturday, Oct. 22, 8:30AM

WHERE: Race starts and ends at Interfaith Clothing Center,
751 Twinbrook Pkwy., Rockville

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JOB READY

Are you an employer looking to hire someone who is dependable and job-ready, and has the support of the Interfaith Works vocational services team? The vocational services program has a remarkable record of success. Last year, 149 men and women found new jobs, yielding estimated annual earnings of over \$2 million. The program relies on community support, both for volunteers to help as job coaches and for employers who are looking for job candidates. For more information about ways to support this program, contact Carolyn Johnson, vocational services program director, cjohnson@iworksmc.org, 301.585.4471.



Graduates of one of our Job Readiness class series, along with our vocational services staff and volunteer Connie Heller (at left).



Our Community Vision program will move to the new Progress Place in downtown Silver Spring in December. We will provide key services at the site, including vocational services, case management and safe overnight shelter in weather extremes.

On The Move

By the end of the year, three of our flagship programs will move to improved facilities:

- **Community Vision**, which serves men and women experiencing chronic homelessness, will relocate to a new Progress Place building (*at left*) a few blocks from its current downtown Silver Spring location;
- Our Rockville-based **women's shelter** will move to a brand-new building at 2 Taft Court, where the residents will be able to get medical, dental and mental health needs addressed on-site, thanks to a partnership with Cornerstone Montgomery and Community Clinics Inc. and
- Our **Interfaith Clothing Center** on Twinbrook Parkway in Rockville will move upstairs at the same site to expanded space, with added classrooms and a computer lab.

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