

**CONSOLIDATED COMMUNITY FUNDING POOL**  
**Fiscal Years 2023-2024 NEW PROGRAMS**

*The descriptions presented below represent the scope of service proposed by the non-profit organizations for the funding level requested. The capacity of services will be adjusted based on actual funds awarded.*

**Alternative Paths Training School**  
**APTS Outreach in Fairfax County**  
**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

Alternative Paths Training School (APTS) is an accredited, private day school in Virginia that has been providing education support services since 2002. The school offers a highly structured classroom setting for students whose disabilities include autism and other developmental disabilities, not limited to emotional and/or learning disabilities. APTS provides services to the uninsured at a time when behavioral intervention is critically needed but many clients fall through the cracks while their insurance coverage has not yet been established and/or they are awaiting approval of their paperwork.

**BRAWS – Bringing Resources to Aid Women’s Shelters**  
**Menstrual Health Program**  
**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

BRAWS Menstrual Health Program will provide menstrual supplies to Fairfax County residents who live at or below the poverty line. The program’s goal is to ensure that 100% of women and girls at partner organizations will experience a positive impact on their physical health as a result of receiving menstrual health services.

**Hispanics Against Child Abuse and Neglect, Inc. (HACAN)**  
**HACAN Strong Families, Strong Communities**  
**Region 2**

HACAN offers four programs to address literacy and educational development and attainment and positive behaviors and healthy relationships: 1) Morning Star is an out-of-school program for elementary school students. 2) LEER+ is an out-of-school program for rising kindergarteners and first graders and their parents. 3) Parenting Education programs support healthy communication and family relationships. 4) Student Training in Advocacy and Responsibility (STAR) offers activities for secondary school students to learn leadership skills, engage in school, and be ready for college or other post-secondary school opportunities.

**NAMI Northern Virginia**  
**NAMI Mental Health Education & Support Groups in Fairfax County**  
**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

NAMI Northern Virginia is an affiliate of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)—the nation’s largest grassroots mental health organization dedicated to building better lives for millions of Americans affected by mental illness. NAMI Northern Virginia serves Fairfax County residents through support groups and mental health education that aim to end the stigma of mental illness and improve the lives of neighbors living with and affected by mental health conditions. The organization’s life-changing programs are facilitated by NAMI-trained volunteers with lived experience, and all programs are provided at no-cost to participants.

**Our Minds Matter**  
**Our Minds Matter: Sustaining and Deepening the Impact of Student-Led Clubs for Adolescent Mental Wellness in 23 Fairfax County Public High Schools and Secondary Schools**  
**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

The Our Minds Matter (OMM) program promotes mental health awareness and builds social connection, help-seeking, and coping skills of high school students in Fairfax County Public Schools. OMM is an evidence-informed, student-led club model that develops protective factors in youth and reduces their risk of stress, depressive symptoms, and suicidal ideation.

**Shepherd's Center of Northern Virginia (SCNOVA)**

**Driving Opens Doors**

**Region 3**

SCNOVA is an organization dedicated to help individuals age-in-place primarily through free transportation support services for elderly at-risk individuals who are often disabled and living alone on low or fixed incomes without practical or flexible transportation options. The goals of the program are to use a carefully vetted group of volunteer drivers to provide free rides for necessary appointments, to increase options for individuals to participate in activities that foster socialization and reduce isolation, and to open doors to activities that foster a sense of connectedness to the community and others.

**The Arc of Northern Virginia**

**Employment, Stability, and Community Connectedness for People with Disabilities**

**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

The Arc of Northern Virginia will equip individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities with the comprehensive skills they need to gain employment, grow their independence, and engage more meaningfully in their communities through agency and school trainings to equip disability professionals to train their clients/students, family workshops, paid employment opportunities, a resource guide, workshops, webinars, and referral programs.

**Women Giving Back, Inc.**

**Supporting Basic Needs, Stability, and Health for Fairfax Women and Children in Crisis**

**Regions 1, 2, 3, 4**

The goal of the program is to provide basic needs support to Fairfax County women, children, and infants who are homeless, in shelters, transitional housing, or safe houses, or living at or below the poverty line. The program will provide quality clothing, school supplies, food, toiletries, diapers, and other essentials paired with supportive services in health care, job/career support, and financial literacy to aid these families' return to self-sufficiency.