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Anne Arundel County Department of Social Services Seeks Donors For 35th Annual Holiday Sharing Program

*Individuals, businesses can help families and seniors by donating food, toys for
Thanksgiving and Christmas*



County Executive,
Steve Schuh

Mission

*The Anne Arundel County
Department of Social Services
will assist County residents to
achieve and maintain self-
sufficiency; provide services to
strengthen individuals and
families; and join our
community partners in the
protection of vulnerable
children and adults*

Other Locations

Glen Burnie Office
Multi-Purpose Building
7500 Ritchie Highway
Glen Burnie, Md. 21061
(410) 269-4500

Heritage Center
2666 Riva Road
Suite 390
Annapolis, Md. 21401
(410) 897-3950

Child Advocacy Center
Winterode Building
41 Community Place
Crownsville, Md. 21032
(410) 421-8570

ANNAPOLIS, MD (Oct. 27, 2015)—The holidays are a time to make memories that our children will treasure forever. Can you remember a Thanksgiving without a turkey or a Christmas without presents left under the tree? Sadly, there are families in Anne Arundel County who will be unable to provide these memories for their children without your help.

This is the 35th year that the Anne Arundel County Department of Social Services has operated [the Holiday Sharing Program](#), which matches low-income families and senior citizens with donors willing to help. Donors purchase and personally deliver a holiday meal and/or gifts to an eligible family or senior in need the week of Thanksgiving and/or Christmas.

We are currently seeking additional donors to meet the growing need in the county. Individuals and businesses can register to become donors online by visiting <http://www.dhr.maryland.gov/annearundel>. If they prefer, donors may instead make a tax-deductible cash donation online on the same webpage. All cash donations will be used to provide food and/or gifts for any unmatched families or seniors in the county. Checks can be made payable to “Holiday Sharing” and sent to:

Anne Arundel Department of Social Services
c/o Holiday Sharing Program
80 West St.
Annapolis, MD 21401

“Last year, with the community's support, we were able to help nearly 9,000 low-income families and seniors,” said Anne Arundel DSS Director Carnitra White. “This is a tremendous opportunity to help give the gift of hope to a family or senior in need this holiday season.”

Each year, the Department works with more than 40 community partners who are also helping families and/or seniors for the holidays and who help us avoid duplication of services across the county.

Matches for Thanksgiving will be sent out in mid-November. To request a paper donor application by mail, or for other questions or concerns, email us at holidaysharing.aacodss@maryland.gov, or call [410-269-4462](tel:410-269-4462).

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