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LOUDOUN CARES

*Outstanding
Volunteer Awards*





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Welcome

On behalf of Loudoun Cares and our Board of Directors, welcome to our 2024 Outstanding Volunteer Awards. As many of you know this is my favorite event! The inspiring stories can do nothing else but motivate you. Back in 2016 when I first started at Loudoun Cares as the program coordinator, I knew celebrating our Volunteers should be an "EVENT". Tonight we celebrate community and honor our most important asset, our volunteers. Across the 16 categories, these amazing volunteers will help you to understand what it means to serve. Whether they are just starting out or are seasoned volunteers we cannot thank them enough. The Judy Hines Service of a Lifetime award is one that will truly inspire you. Our recipient, CAPT Richard Payne, Retired has served his country and has been serving Loudoun County for more than 18 years through the Knights of Columbus and the Loudoun County commission on Aging.

We want to thank everyone that made this event possible. Those who nominated, judged, recognized, sponsored, and worked long hours behind the scenes. We could not do this without your support. It is our hope that you will want to join the ranks of our volunteers here in Loudoun if you haven't already. Congratulations again, to all our honorees!

***"Volunteers do not necessarily have the time; they just have the heart."* — Elizabeth Andrew**



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Distinguished Speaker

CHAIR PHYLLIS RANDALL

Phyllis J. Randall was elected Chair At-Large of the Loudoun County Board of Supervisors in November 2015 and reelected in November 2019 and 2023. Her election was historic as she became the first person of color in Virginia's history to be an elected chair of a county Board.

As Loudoun's Chair At-Large, she represents Loudoun on various regional, state, and national bodies including, Chair of the full Northern Virginia Transportation Authority (NVTA) and Chair of the NVTA Governance and Personnel Committee. She also currently serves as a member of the National Association of Counties (NACo) Health and Human Resources Committee and founding member of the (NACo) Economic Mobility Leadership Network, a member of the Virginia Association of Counties Health and Human Resources sub-committee and a member of The Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments (COG) Board of Directors, Human Services and Public Safety Policy Committee, Regional Forward Coalition, and DC Statehood sub-committee. Chair Randall also serves on the Board of Supervisors' Finance/Government Operations and Economic Development Committee and the Transportation and Land Use Committee.

In June of 2018, Chair Randall was selected as one of only twenty-five women to be included in the 2019 class of Governing Magazine's Women in Government Leadership Program. In addition, in 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021, the citizens of Loudoun County voted Chair Randall Favorite Public Official, an honor which she is most humbled by and proud of. From 2009-2011, Chair Randall served as Chair of Virginia's Fair Housing Board. From 2014 to June of 2018, she served as Chair of Virginia's State Board of Corrections.

(see official bio at:

<https://www.loudoun.gov/2223/Chair-Phyllis-J-Randall>

Master of Ceremonies

ANTHONY J. "TONY" HOWARD

A 24-year Chamber Executive, Tony Howard began his tenure as the Chief Executive of Loudoun's premier business advocacy organization in 2006. Before that, he worked for seven years at the Fairfax County Chamber of Commerce, where he last served as Chief Operating Officer and Vice President of Membership and Communications.

Howard is a Certified Chamber Executive (CCE), the premier professional certification for Chamber of Commerce Executives. He is a graduate of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for Organizational Management (IOM). In 2021, he was appointed to the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Committee of 100, an exclusive group of the nation's top 100 Chamber of Commerce leaders.

Howard was named the 2015 Virginia Chamber of Executive of the Year by the Virginia Association of Chamber of Commerce Executives (VACCE). He served as President of the VACCE Board from 2012-2013. In 2017, the Community Foundation for Loudoun named him "Champion of Loudoun's Nonprofit Sector." Howard serves on several nonprofit and advisory boards, including the Loudoun Economic Development Authority, Loudoun First Responders Foundation, the Loudoun CEO Cabinet and Loudoun Economic Development Advisory Commission.

Howard served as chief spokesman for Congressman Michael Forbes from 1996-99, handling media relations, working with news outlets in New York City, Washington, D.C., and Long Island.

A graduate of the State University of New York, Howard is an award-winning journalist, having worked as a reporter and editor for newspapers in the Hudson Valley and Long Island. Howard earned awards for in-depth journalism reporting, feature writing and sports coverage from the New York Press Association.

Special Thanks

A Very Large THANK YOU to...

Our nominators who took the time to recognize the outstanding work of our community volunteers.

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Our judges who donated their time and energy to review our nominations.

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Our amazing Special Events Committee

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The talented Emily Long - National Anthem
Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Honor Guard, led
by Sergeant John Jones

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Our sponsors who support this event and believe in the power of volunteering.

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Our guests for supporting this year's event.

Without all of your time and efforts this event would not be possible.

Chairperson Recognition

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Dulles-Leesburg Alumni



Kappa League is a national mentoring program for young men of

color. The goal of Kappa League is to inspire and empower young men to achieve their full potential through mentorship, leadership development, and community service. Kappa League also provides opportunities for educational enrichment, including college tours, scholarship programs, and workshops on topics such as financial literacy and college preparation. These experiences help broaden the horizons of the participants and prepare them for success in higher education and beyond.



District Recognition

Alicia Cohen | Algonkian



Alicia Cohen is passionate about bringing attention to historic African American sites in the Algonkian District and Loudoun County. As the former Heritage Commission appointee for the Algonkian District, Alicia was instrumental in supporting programs like the Loudoun County Heritage Register. The Register, which is entirely voluntary, will promote public awareness of the county's extraordinary heritage resources while carefully preserving privacy and property rights. Since last year, she has been working with Loudoun County Vice Chair Juli Briskman and Willard Retail to develop historic signage to honor the Ewings and Edds families.

Gary Comi | Ashburn



Gary Comi visits Insight Memory Care Center in Sterling every Wednesday joining participants in the Reconnections program. Insight Memory Care offers quality day programs for individuals in all stages of dementia. Gary is wonderfully engaging and has connected with our participants on a personal level. He is always willing to lend a hand to participants that need more assistance with mobility and encourage those that are facing challenges with cognitive activities. Engagement is a key component of the program and is critical for those living with MCI. The stigma of memory issues looms large; but Gary exemplifies the core tenet of Insight's person-centered care philosophy, meeting them where they are and offering dignity, compassion and respect through friendship.

District Recognition

Nayeli Madhi | Ashburn



Nayeli, the visionary founder of Niah, draws her inspiration from a transformative kindergarten teacher who instilled the power of kindness and compassion. Fueled by this early influence, Nayeli has dedicated herself to creating a brighter, happier, and more loving world for all. Her parents are avid supporters of facilitating her passion and aspirations. Driven by a vision of systemic change, Nayeli continues to inspire by engaging in meaningful projects that create a sustainable impact. Her commitment to making the world a better place serves as a beacon of hope and a testament to the power of compassion.

Mike Littman | Broad Run



Michael Littman is a resident in Ashburn spearheading the fight against invasive species in Loudoun County. As a result of his efforts, the Loudoun Invasive Removal Alliance (LIRA) was formed. LIRA is composed of 30 Loudoun County HOAs, representing over 200,000 residents, for the shared purpose of reducing the proliferation of invasive plants and animal species throughout Loudoun County. With the formation of LIRA, our community's efforts to tackle the invasive species problem will be coordinated across thousands of acres of residential land benefiting the entirety of Loudoun County. Surrounding counties have already taken note of LIRA with Fairfax County looking to set up a program coordinating the efforts of their HOAs to fight the invasive species.

District Recognition

Charlene Jones | Dulles



Charlene Jones has a long history of volunteer service to South Riding and the Dulles South community. In addition to volunteering with the South Riding community, she has recognized the needs of her neighbors and co-founded two area nonprofit organizations. These organizations are the Dulles South Food Pantry and Dulles South Neighborhood Closet. She currently serves as President of the Dulles South Neighborhood Closet, an organization that helps Dulles South residents gain access to needed clothing through free community-wide clothing exchanges, an Emergency Closet, and other assistance.

Paula Morato-Callaghan | Leesburg



Paula Morato-Callaghan has been an integral part of Loudoun's informal volunteer network since 2012. As someone who is fluent in both Spanish and English, Ms. Morato-Callaghan has served as an on-call volunteer translator for members of the Board of Supervisors, the Leesburg Mayor, and Town Council. She has volunteered as a translator-liaison between elected officials and Latino residents, as well as assisting immigrant children sponsored by SAFE passage. Paula has also worked with Loudoun Free Clinic, Co-Chair for Continuum of Care Coordinator, and Saint Gabriel's Episcopal Church.

District Recognition

Willowsford-Aldie Girls on the Run | Little River



Girls on the Run of Northern Virginia advocates and delivers physical-activity-based, positive youth development programs (PA-PYD) for pre-adolescent and adolescent girls. Upon discovering the program was unavailable in their local school, this volunteer team of three mothers stepped up to ensure the program was accessible to the community. They serve as role models and mentors to small teams over a ten-week season. These volunteers help inspire team members to strengthen confidence and other important life skills using dynamic, interactive lessons, which incorporate physical activity while promoting overall health and wellness.

Quinchela Dent-Hess | Sterling



Quinchela (Quin) Dent-Hess has been a consistent volunteer at Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Services (LAWS) over the last two year. She helps to answer LAWS 24/7 survivor hotline. The line supports those facing domestic violence and abusive situations requiring crisis intervention or triage. Quin has also helped with contacting clients for the holiday program and support groups always assisting them with a friendly, calm demeanor. Quin has been a reliable, enthusiastic volunteer. LAWS shelter director, Jenni, has also reported that clients feel validated and safe after speaking to Quin.

Executive's Choice

Dave Proctor | Executive Choice



It is amazing how a volunteer opportunity happens. Sometimes it is planned and other times it arises from circumstances beyond your control. David Proctor has been a beam of light for Loudoun Cares. We reached out to him knowing his background with a desperate "Can you help!". He jumped in no questions asked and has been steadfast in supporting our IT needs. His expertise has helped us to build a stronger foundation for our organization. He started out with a simple task that bloomed into joining the University of West Virginia and the Kyrus Charities team Cyber Security Project with Loudoun Cares.

We want to thank David for his patience, knowledge, humor and ability to explain things in a way that an executive director that only plays a web designer at work can understand. His volunteer time has truly impacted our organization in more ways than we can express.

Award Recipients

ADULT

Deatema Abdul-Latif

CORPORATE TEAM

ABACO Cares

ADULT

Deedee Schrader

VOLUNTEER PROJECT

**Wegmans -
Lessburg/Sterling**

ADULT TEAM

Dulles Eagle Cam Team

PROJECT LEADER

Mike Wilkins

SENIOR PUBLIC SAFETY

Debra Farrar

VETERAN

David Chinn

SENIOR

Sheila Green-Singleton

YOUTH TEAM

**Girls emPower
Summit Committee**

SENIOR TEAM

**Loudoun Medicare
Counseling Team**

YOUTH INNOVATOR

Prakhya Koya

TEAM

Sensory Santa

Award Recipients

GABRIELLA MILLER YOUTH AWARD

Nicole Smith

JUDY HINES SERVICE OF A LIFETIME

CAPT Richard Payne, Retired



Outstanding **Adult** Volunteer **Deatema** **Abdul-Latif**

Deatema Abdul-Latif contributes greatly to APAH's Loudoun View Senior Residences property

working mostly in the areas of food insecurity and community engagement. She ensures residents receive the free groceries they require along with hosting large community parties.

Deatema does it all with a polite and friendly demeanor. She has built a strong rapport with many residents who speak fondly of her friendship. Deatema always goes the extra mile to support the Loudoun View community and often stays late post-event to help cleanup. Her efforts have enhanced care for residents, enabled the program to meet unique needs of households, and made residents feel more valued than ever. "Ms. Deatema makes this building feel like a home for me." – Resident.



Outstanding **Adult** Volunteer **DeeDee** **Schrader**

DeeDee Schrader has spearheaded the transition and growth of the A BRIGHT SPOT organization, which makes cards and distributes them to those in need of encouragement. She is constantly recruiting and coordinating new volunteers in all aspects of the card process from getting the word out for people to request cards to ensuring all 90+ per year card commitments are met, to coordinating the volunteers efforts in a way that makes their skills shine. Her efforts have allowed A BRIGHT SPOT to send over 24,000 cards to senior citizens, families dealing with hardships, and other situations.

A BRIGHT SPOT cards have increased immensely without any paid staff or additional local volunteers. DeeDee raised additional funds through her outreach, doubling their resources. Her hard work has also helped to further A BRIGHT SPOT's ability to enable kids to experience the joy of giving back, and to provide a light of kindness for those who are in need of it.

Outstanding **Adult Team** Volunteer **Dulles Greenway Eagle Cam**



The Dulles Greenway Eagle Cam Program is supported by the Dulles Greenway and executed by Loudoun Wildlife Conservancy volunteers. These volunteers work remotely to bring the day-to-day life of a mated pair of bald eagles, and their wetland habitat, into schools and homes via two live stream cameras. The team provides education to adults and children. Their work has inspired residents across our County to realize the importance of wetlands habitats and the wildlife that depends on them. Viewers are able to get a "bird's eye view" of the biology, behavior, life cycle of, and threats to bald eagles and how we can help. "The eagles have become an important part of our day and has been integrated across subject areas for instruction. It invests them into the nature around their community!" ~Elementary School Teacher



Outstanding **Senior Public Safety Volunteer** **Debra Farrar**

Debra Farrar has been instrumental in the restructuring of the Loudoun County Sheriff's Office Auxiliary Unit. She is the Training Officer of the unit which sets up, conducts, and verifies compliance in the unit's field training program. Additionally, she is one of two Assistant Team Leaders.

Over the course of 2023, Debra set up roll call trainings, assisted with the transition of a new leadership, and helped bring on several new members through word-of-mouth recruiting.

Debra has contributed over 178 hours of her time in 2023 on different events from emergency call outs, pre-planned community events, and other various incidents that benefited from her assistance. She brought together a tight-knit team and made it stronger, more cohesive and inclusive.

Debra is a retired Lieutenant from the City of San Diego Police Department.



Outstanding **Senior** Volunteer **Sheila** **Green-Singleton**

Women Giving Back is fortunate to have volunteers like Sheila Green-Singleton who dedicates her time weekly, year after year.

Women Giving Back counts upon volunteers like Sheila that are the backbone of the organization, making sure they are prepared to serve the 800-1100 women and children a month.

Sheila leads in the children's warehouse ensuring it is organized and stocked so clients are able to take 50 articles of clothing at no cost and many of the mothers prioritize their children's needs.

Additionally, Sheila works at their santa's workshop, distributing toys and clothes, as a tour guide for their annual Referral Partners' Open House, as well as being a representative for offsite events such as senior events and service fairs.

In 2023, Sheila gave 89 hours with 448 hours in the last 5 years. In addition to her hours in the warehouse, she serves on the Warehouse Committee, assisting staff in making decisions about our inventory and storage.



Outstanding Senior Team Loudoun Medicare Counseling Team

The Loudoun Medicare Counseling Team delivered expert insurance counseling to 246 Loudoun County Medicare beneficiaries bringing clarity and comfort to a confusing process and helped the beneficiaries to save approximately \$651,000 on prescription medications for 2024.

In preparation for the 7-week long Medicare Open Enrollment Period, the counselors had to master a complex federal software system and to pass a federal certification test. Volunteer counselors could then help seniors evaluate their prescription drug coverage.

The team members dedicated areas of their homes for county-provided computer equipment and cellphones for this period. They spend days, evenings, and weekends to complete analyses of client-provided information, provide the analysis results to the clients and follow up with counseling sessions.

Counselors helped Medicare beneficiaries understand their options for lower-cost drug insurance plans for 2024, enabling many low to moderate-income seniors who saved on their prescription costs to buy healthy food and afford to heat their homes.



Outstanding Team (All Ages) Volunteers Sensory Santa

For the past three years, Bobbi Desai, Tracy Kelley, Santa Parker (Santa), and his wife, Mrs. Claus, Nadine Holloway, have donated their time to offer Sensory Santa sessions for individuals with disabilities and their families.

Bobbi, Tracy, Santa Parker, and Nadine have dedicated their time to provide hundreds of children and their families the opportunity to have a private 15-minute session with Santa in a controlled, quiet, no stress environment at The Arc of Loudoun.

Pride & Joy Photography provides beautiful professional backdrop and digital photographs of the experience for families. Bobbi Desai coordinates promoting, scheduling, and running the sessions as well as providing goodie bags for those with a disability that attend.

Volunteers donated their time to offer Sensory Santa sessions for individuals with disabilities and their families as a fundraiser for The Arc of Loudoun.



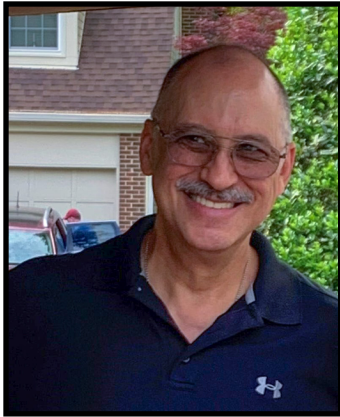
Outstanding Corporate Team Volunteers **ABACO Cares**

Abaco Strategy is a wonderful woman-owned business that contributes to the community through various local nonprofits. They have been involved with Women Giving Back for the last few years providing clothing to women in crisis, and their children, at no cost.

Abaco Cares assisted Women Giving Back by always paying attention to their needs. Abaco Cares is responsive to Women Giving Back's calls for help on social media, conducting a clothing drive including items for our prom pop-up stores, a day of service wrapping hundreds of diapers to distribute to our clients.

In addition, Abaco Cares' staff spent 24 hours working in Women Giving Back's warehouse. They also gave snacks to the Loudoun County Backpack Coalition and gifts to the Salvation Army Angel tree program.

The Abaco team is always a pleasure to work with, bringing positive attitudes and their trademark, hands in the shape of a heart!



Outstanding **Veteran** Volunteer **David Chinn**

David Chinn is a volunteer Crew Lead with Loudoun Habitat for Humanity's Construction Program. David's skills range from electrical, plumbing, woodworking, demo and much more. He is not afraid to jump into projects of any size to help get the job done.

Not only is David knowledgeable enough to complete the projects independently, but he has a unique skillset in leading and teaching others. He ensures that every volunteer on the jobsite learns something new at their own pace and helps them make a significant contribution to the project.

David's skills and willingness to teach others allows for Habitat to invite large groups of volunteers to participate in our Team Build Program, which acts as a fundraising activity for the affiliate.

David feels personally invested in seeing each project completed on time and goes above and beyond. He often troubleshoots and researches products, materials, and building codes from home to make sure that each family he serves has a safe and affordable place to call home.



Outstanding Volunteer Project Wegmans Leesburg / Sterling

Wegmans Leesburg and Sterling stores combined forces to assist Loudoun Hunger Relief in designing The Market, our new full-choice free grocery market. The Market opened in September of 2023. The Wegmans teams provided volunteer consulting services to help Loudoun Hunger Relief design the most efficient flow for the new market space.

The Wegmans team consulted on market refrigeration and merchandise display equipment. Paul Turner in particular provided a manufacturing contact and reviewed the specifications of the equipment needed.

Wegmans also loaned the services of their Leesburg Merchandising Manager, Souk Sivongsa, who assisted LHR in the best way to display produce, and the most efficient and safest ways of stocking the refrigerator shelves.

Wegmans searched their warehouses for equipment to donate to LHR. The donated equipment and the hours of consultation have helped to make the space attractive, efficient, welcoming and safe for those who come to us for food, all allowing LHR to serve a 30% increase in households visiting per week.



Outstanding Volunteer Project Leader Mike Wilkins

Mike Wilkins served on the Commission on Aging (CoA), for four years. One of his greatest contributions was his follow up on an idea by a Loudoun Area Agency on Aging (AAA) staff member. Mike acted as a catalyst within the Loudoun Parks Recreation and Community Services Department (PRCS) to bring together the CoA, PRCS staff, and AAA staff to prioritize the design and implementation of modifications to existing trails in county parks.

These changes to trails are to enhance the sensory experiences of persons living with disabilities such as dementia, visual impairments, or auditory challenges. Mike's collaborative efforts among these organizations helped to kickstart the project, which will result in the first modified trail's opening in the summer of 2024.

Loudoun citizens living with disabilities will have access to the first sensory trail sooner than they would have had if Mike had not encouraged the department to work with the CoA. Hal and Berni Hanson Park will act as the pilot project for other PRCS facilities that will serve county citizens with disabilities with the opportunity to fully enjoy the natural environment in our parks.



Outstanding Youth Team Volunteers Girl emPower (GeP) Committee

The Loudoun Coalition on Women and Girls, Girl emPower (GeP) Committee, has made remarkable contributions to the Loudoun Coalition on Women and Girls. These five female students have significantly impacted the community, particularly young women. They dedicate hundreds of hours organizing program resources in leadership, networking, STEM, mental health, college preparedness, and entrepreneurship for girls aged 12-18.

The program has successfully connected young girls with accomplished female leaders across various sectors, engaging them in workshops. Notable features of the summit include keynote speeches from youth leaders and partners like AWS and workshops led by local female leaders. Their effort has been pivotal in the mission to nurture the next generation of female leaders in Loudoun.

Katarina Walordy, Elham Fakhro, Mahsa Riar, Olivia Nugent, and Chinenye Ilodiana.



Outstanding Youth Innovator Volunteer Prakhya Koya

In 2023, Prakhya Koya's Leap4u non-profit work emerged as a beacon of hope, significantly uplifting the community through a series of initiatives aimed at combating hunger, reducing waste, and supporting the homeless.

With a clear vision for a better tomorrow, Prakhya's efforts have profoundly touched lives across various programs and shelters. Her meticulously organized food drives provide not only essential nourishment but also a earnest sense of community. Her systems ensured no child was left hungry.

Some of her standout initiatives have been the "Winter Breakfast Drive," "Holiday Cheer Lunch", a New Year's Eve festive meal, and "Lunch at Loudoun Shelter Home."

Prakhya's actions remind us of the heart-felt impact that compassion and collective effort can have on transforming lives.



Gabriella Miller

Gabriella Miller was diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor at 9 years old. Gabriella was named the 2012 Outstanding Volunteer of the Year for her efforts in raising more than \$275,000 for the Make a Wish Foundation.

Realizing how little awareness and funding there was for childhood cancer and particularly childhood brain cancer, Gabriella quickly became a global advocate for children with cancer and started the Smashing Walnuts Foundation.

Gabriella was only 10 years old when she passed away in 2013. Her family now continues her mission of awareness. Smashing Walnuts is Gabriella's legacy, founded to give kids like her a fighting chance.



“You may have a bad day today, but there’s always a bright shining star to look forward to tomorrow.”

~ Gabriella

GABRIELLA MILLER YOUTH AWARD

Nicole Smith



Since February 2022, Nicole has spent over 125 hours volunteering with Women Giving Back (WGB), at least once a month, with 73.5 hours in 2023. Nicole's volunteer duties include sorting through clothing donations in the warehouse, stocking and organizing the boutique to ensure that our women have the best attire to choose from, aiding in creating a welcoming environment, and helping WGB's women in crisis. She is engaged with clients and volunteers alike. Her level of poise and communication has impacted the lives of many women in need. Nicole completed leadership training within the organization and shadowed other leaders as she learned delegation and now, as a competent, communicative and confident sort leader, has earned a coveted "green apron". When WGB was selecting members for the youth board to focus on an upcoming children's event, Nicole was the obvious choice for chair.

SERVICE OF A LIFETIME AWARD

Richard Payne



Richard Payne is a retired U.S. Navy Captain with 25 years of Service to our country and more than 18 years serving Loudoun County. Richard volunteers at a number of Loudoun County organizations that contribute to the health and welfare of our residents including The Knights of Columbus, Veterans Hospital, and local elementary schools. Richard is also a “Community Ambassador” relaying information to social and church organizations on programs and services offered by the Area Agency on Aging for the elderly, disabled and their caregivers. His passion includes helping our 55+ community advocating for affordable housing and better transportation options for our residents. Richards also helped to get important legislation passed to benefit local senior citizens during his time with the Northern Virginia Area Network.

2024 Nominations

Abaco Cares

Alicia Cohen

Ashburn Senior Center Cafe
Team

Charlene Jones

David Chinn

David Proctor

Deatema Abdul-Latif

Debra Farrar

DeeDee Schrader

Diane Gerald

Dulles Greenway Eagle Cam
Team

Eileen Youngling

Florence Mooney-Cotter

Gary Comi

Gena Laurent

Girl emPower Summit
Committee

Hugh Forsythe

Jeanette Rowland

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity
Dulles-Leesburg Alumni
Chapter

Kathy Triplett

Lance Liebler

Lauren Green

Laurie Snarr

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Willowsford-Aldie Girls on
the Run Team

Panel of Judges

CAROL A. BARBE

Carol Barbe is President & CEO of Backflow Technology, LLC, a family owned and operated company, and the premier leader in backflow prevention and cross connection control. Carol serves in a leadership role on the Board of Directors for Loudoun Hunger Relief and the Tigerlily Foundation. She also serves on the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and as an (former Vice Chair of Loudoun Cares) and Council Member for the American Red Cross-Loudoun. Carol has over thirty years experience in the private sector specializing in business management, corporate and criminal law, human resources and commercial property management. Carol is committed to serving those in the communities in which she lives. She is passionate about giving back, volunteering countless hours and making a positive difference. Carol has lived in Loudoun since 1984 and resides in Ashburn with her husband Phil and son Philip. We thank Carol for her company's generous sponsorship of tonight's event.

JOYCE A. L. WARD

Joyce Ward was born and raised in the small town of Freeman, Virginia. She received her B. S. in Business Administration from Morgan State University and married her husband, William "Kip" Ward who was commissioned into the United States Army on their graduation day. Joyce is an accomplished professional and a distinguished and highly respected volunteer in her own right. She has served on over 30 boards/organizations including a wide variety of military organizations, LINKS Incorporated, Girl Scouts of America-North Atlantic Region, Military Child Education Coalition (MCEC), MLK Scholarship Foundation, and many more. Joyce has a strong affinity for the needs of women and children working all over the world assisting with programs in orphanages, women's clinics, HIV/AIDS clinics, and schools. She has realized that the challenges are many but the opportunities can be greater. Joyce has received numerous awards in recognition of her volunteer services from local communities, local and national organizations, the Department of Defense, Presidents of the United States and Leaders of foreign countries. However, she says that the most heartwarming award is the reward of seeing our children happy, healthy and succeeding in life – all because they were given an opportunity.

Panel of Judges

WENDY WALTERS-DEAN

Wendy Walters-Dean has been an active community volunteer for more than 20 years. She was awarded an MPA from Troy State University and a Bachelor's in Marketing from Florida State University. Wendy has held positions as President-European PTA, President - The Air Force Officers' Spouses' Club of Washington DC, Convention Election Chair - National PTA, Publicity Chair - Ramstein Officers' Spouses Club Bazaar, Parliamentarian - Americans Working Around the Globe (AWAG), and has also served on the Department of Defense Education Activity-Europe Area Advisory Council. Currently Wendy is an executive board member on the National Geospatial Agency Family Access Board (NGA FAB). She has received numerous awards and certificates, including: National PTA President's Exceptional Leadership Award, National PTA President Distinguished Service Award, European PTA Distinguished Service Award and The United States President's Call to Service Award. She is married to Lt. Col. (R) Dwight Dean, they have three children: Dwight Jr., Danielle and Douglas.

JOANNE TRIMMER

Joanne Trimmer, Director of Grants and Nonprofit programs at the Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier. With more than 20 years year experience working in the nonprofit space in many different capacities over her career, she uniquely understands the importance of Volunteers to do this work and is proud to have been part of the judging panel.

Living and working in Loudoun County she is committed and to the health and wellness of this community.

Panel of Judges

GLENN WOOTEN

Glenn Wooten's award-winning experience in event sales, office management, and customer service in various business environments make him the go-to guy for making things happen at work and in our community. Taking events from concept, through planning, promotion, and finally execution, Glenn combines an innate ability to visualize client objectives with an understanding of market trends and years of success with event logistics. His diverse background, focused primarily in telecommunications and hospitality, includes a current role as a sports broadcaster with WBGR Sports Network, Lanham, MD and prior service in the United States Air Force. Glenn has been on the Loudoun Cares board since 2020 and is the founder of the movement "In the Gap" that brings together community members to help meet needs in our school.



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CONNECTING THOSE WHO SERVE WITH THOSE IN NEED TO BUILD A STRONGER COMMUNITY

ConnectLine & Information Referral

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- Connects 1,300+ families annually with referrals to local nonprofits & agencies
- Provides rent and utility assistance, food, clothing, job resources, and more
- COVID19 Emergency Relief Efforts
 - Partnered with local charities to help distribute emergency funds
 - Since April 2020 - distributed \$2.5M in rental assistance to keep 1500+ families in their homes
- Partners with 25+ faith organizations to secure emergency financial aid

Online Volunteer Center

volunteer.loudouncares.org



- Connected 5,000 new volunteers to nonprofits in last 3 years
- 275 registered nonprofits & 14,000+ registered volunteers
- Find ways for employees to give back to the community
- Recognizes volunteers at annual Outstanding Volunteer Awards
- Trains nonprofit volunteer managers to
- Provides free volunteer management platform to our nonprofits to register participants, track hours, and more

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