

MINUTES
Human Services Advisory Council
City of Falls Church

PURPOSE OF MEETING: To advise the City Council on human services delivery to Falls Church citizens.

DATE OF MEETING: **February 22, 2023**

PLACE OF MEETING: In Person (Laurel Room) w/ Virtual Option

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY Alicia Macht at 6:35 p.m.

THOSE PRESENT:

<p><i>HSAC Members:</i> Debra Z. Roth Alisa Macht Nicole Newman Brian Bowden Jeff Person</p> <p><i>Staff:</i> Ripal Patel -virtual Dana Jones</p>	<p><i>City Council Representative:</i> Marybeth Connelly</p> <p><i>Student Representatives:</i> Liz Rotherham</p> <p><i>CSB Representative:</i> Claudia Volk</p> <p><i>Guests:</i></p>
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APPROVAL of MINUTES: The minutes from the January 23, 2023 meeting were approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

Community Services Fund Recommendations for Fiscal Year 2024

Commission members reviewed their individual notes, from the January 23 applicant presentations, and shared their funding recommendations during the meeting. After group discussion and consensus building, the group provided to their funding recommendations for all CSF applicants to Staff Ripal Patel. He entered this information into an excel spreadsheet. All available funds (\$86,277) were designated and the group decided to advocate for additional funding. This is because with the additional new applicants and the limited amount of funding, all requests were not able to be met. If this additional funding comes to fruition, then the HSAC will decide how these would be dispersed at a future meeting.

The groups discussed include the below:

American Legion Post #130
Best Buddies
Community Residences, Inc.
Easterseals Servicing DM MD VA
FC Community Svs. Council
Friends of Falls Church Winter Shelter
Homestretch
Legal Services
Metropolitan Washington Ear
Northern VA Dental Clinic
Northern Virginia Mental Health Foundation NEW
NVMS Conflict Resolution Center - NEW
Shelphard's Center - NEW
The Arc of Northern Virginia
Unity Club
Welcoming Falls Church Adult & Family Literacy Center - NEW
Wesley Housing - NEW

HSAC Meeting Procedures

Staff Jones provide historical documents to the members regarding membership and the code for the Commission. The telecommuting policy was also distributed.

Items for March Agenda

Chair Roth shared that the following items have been brought up in past meetings and will be discussed at the March meeting. They include:

- a. HSAC Annual Report
- b. Community Service Board Report
- c. Marcus Alert Update
- d. AARP Age Friendly Communities
- e. Community Services Fund - Process Recommendations for Future

The meeting was adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

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