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About Local Positivity

Local Positivity is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization established to show individuals in communities that they are appreciated for the work that they do. Many individuals go about their day to day lives not being shown that they are valued and that they are a part of the community. Through gift giving, we are thanking those in our community and encouraging them to keep on doing great work, because what they do is important.

Look us up!

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November Gift Campaign in the community — hand painted ceramic turkeys and hand crafted microwave cozies! The gifts delighted many!

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is a time we share love and care for others—letting them know that we appreciate them and are thankful for all that they do. We, at Local Positivity, want to say *Thank You* to you. Whether you are a neighbor, cashier, shelf stocker, lawyer, teacher, technician, engineer, etc., *You* are valued. This community needs you! We challenge you to find people in your own local community who are doing positive things. Highlight these positive actions in your own creative means. Show others that you appreciate them by sending an email, thank them verbally or offer to complete a task. Let's work together to spread the joy of positivity! By Christine Bryce

November 29th is National Giving Tuesday!

The Giving Tuesday movement challenges people all over the planet to transform the world through shared humanity and radical generosity. Every community has numerous opportunities to express generosity that make a difference! If you are looking for ideas:

- * Find a volunteer opportunity. Giving time can be fun and offer positive feelings of well being while providing an important service to the community. Organize a cleanup plant a tree or community garden.
- * Help a neighbor. Offer yard work or chore services for the elderly, sick or disabled. Make a meal for someone who needs a break. Even organize with others to help pay for rent relief or over due utility bills.
- * Use your voice to advocate for those who can't. Utilize social media to post awareness to causes or contact elected officials regarding policies and needed funding for social programs. Even tell family and friends about National Giving Day!
- * Pay it Forward. Buy the order of someone behind you in the drive-in line. Fill out a glowing online review of a business that you admire. Surprise someone with a gift card and a note.
- + Donate money, food or skills to help nonprofits provide important services.
- * Practice good listening skills and kinship with people you are helping learn how you can help according to their culture and the needs they have identified.
- * Giving Tuesday invites you to connect with events and activities in your local community to work towards a better world! www.givingtuesday.org



Times are tough! T-Mobile Call Center Employees decided to do something about it. The Call Center Employees recognized a need in the local Henrico, VA area and approached management with an idea to help people access needed food. Their idea was to build a Giving Box. They designed a charming shed to store canned goods and non-perishable items where people could easily access needed resources. The company paid for the materials and hired a carpenter to build it. Now that it is completed the employees are taking the initiative to keep the box stocked. The employee I spoke with, who preferred to remain anonymous—invites others in the community to stop by and put some non-perishable items in "Our Giving Box." The Giving Box is located in front of the T-Mobile Call Center located at the back of White Oak Village shopping center at S. Laburnum Avenue, Henrico, VA 23231.

By Cindy Gerry

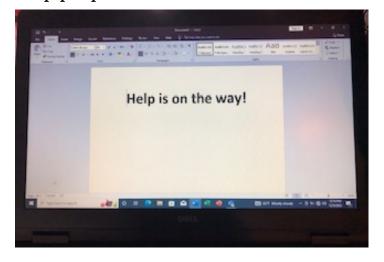
Local Positivity Begins Second Chance Laptop Initiative

Local Positivity members have met many positive people over the last few months! There are so many kind and supportive people who are actually making a difference in the community! In November 2022, Local Positivity partnered with Experimax to provide laptops to persons who a computer would better connect them to the employment and education community. Often people needing support are in programs such as post incarceration services as well as persons in psycho-social rehabilitative programs wishing to gain employment or schooling.

Life is often difficult for people who are challenged with a mental health disability, as well as for those who are exiting incarceration. Adapting to digital technology is a big challenge. A quote from an article published by the NY City Lens, by Joaquin Salles 3/6/2020 (nycitylens.com) explains it well.

"For people coming home, it's not the interactions they have with people that cause recidivism...It's stepping out into this technological world that makes them very uncomfortable. They feel like they are not part of society."

Beginning in December 2022, Local Positivity will partner with various local agencies to help people in these difficult situations reach their full potential.



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Christine Bryce and Cindy Gerry have been working hard on December 11, 2022 Gift Giving Campaign!

December's handcrafted gifts are fleece fringed scarves, over 50 of them...to help people stay warm! A shout out to Jean who gave us the idea and provided materials for us! The handout in the community will take place near Pleasant's Hardware and Skrimp Shack—off of Finlay Street and S. Laburnum Avenue, Henrico, 23231. Everyone is welcome!





