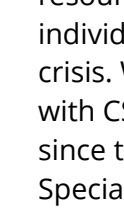




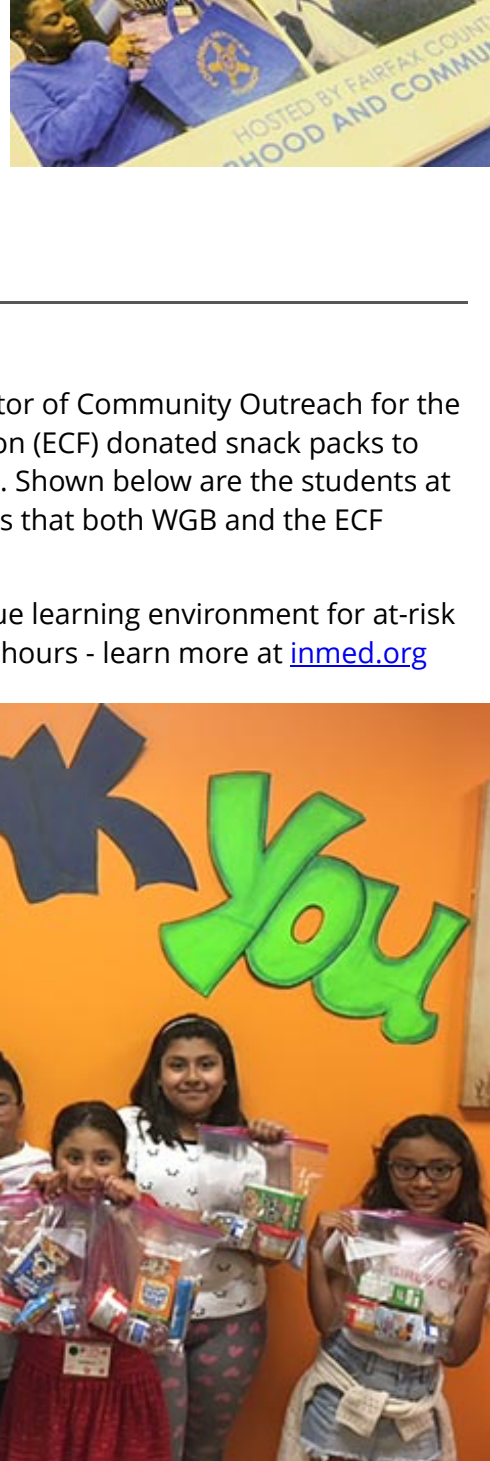
THE FOUNDATION OF EVERYTHING WE DO IS THAT
every woman and child deserves the basics in life.



Store News

Fairfax County Neighborhood & Community Services Partner Award

WGB was a recipient of the Fairfax County Neighborhood & Community Services Partner Award for our partnership with Coordinated Services Planning (CSP). CSP is a call center referral line that connects Fairfax County residents to services and resources to support individuals and families in crisis. WGB's collaboration with CSP began last June and since then their 40 CSP Specialists have made 265 client referrals to WGB. We are honored to be recognized as a distinguished partner and grateful to CSP for helping us connect with those that are in need of clothing in the community.



Snack Packs for Kids

Our friend Caleen Sullivan, Director of Community Outreach for the Educational Charitable Foundation (ECF) donated snack packs to INMED Partnerships for Children. Shown below are the students at INMED enjoying their snack packs that both WGB and the ECF assembled!

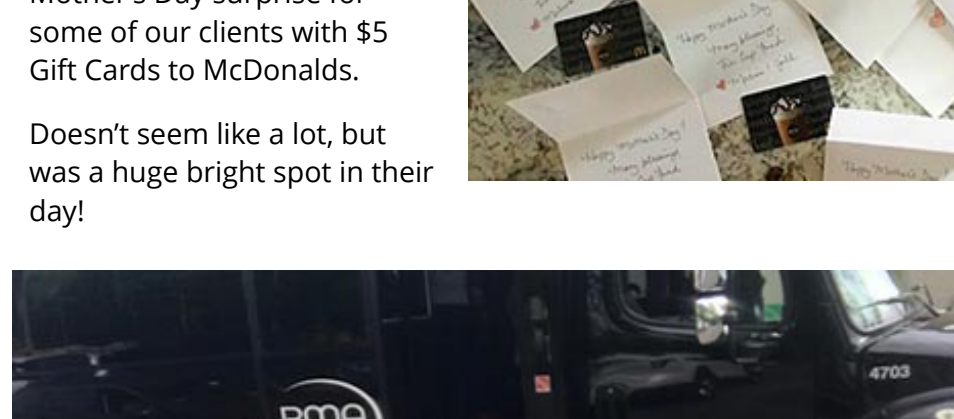
INMED provides a safe and unique learning environment for at-risk children during their non-school hours - learn more at Inmed.org



WGB Helps Fire Victims

WGB opened the store to residents that were displaced from a fire at Forest Glen Senior Apartments in Centreville.

[full story from WJLA News](#)



Boy Scouts Troop 152

Thanks to a conversation with one of our board members WGB was fortunate to have Drew Gautier select us for his Eagle Scout project. Drew coordinated with our Children's manager to draw up and install a shoe rack in the children's section of our store. It looks fabulous - thanks Drew! We're happy to have you and your fellow scouts in troop 152 - return anytime!



Mother's Day Bus Invasion

WGB's Melissa Fox and Jill Stillwell, co-founders of [The Tin Cup Fund](#) headed up a Mother's Day surprise for some of our clients with \$5 Gift Cards to McDonalds.

Doesn't seem like a lot, but was a huge bright spot in their day!



May Store

Check out all of these mom daughter duos from over the Mother's Day weekend. Volunteering together is such a great idea!



Successful Sorts



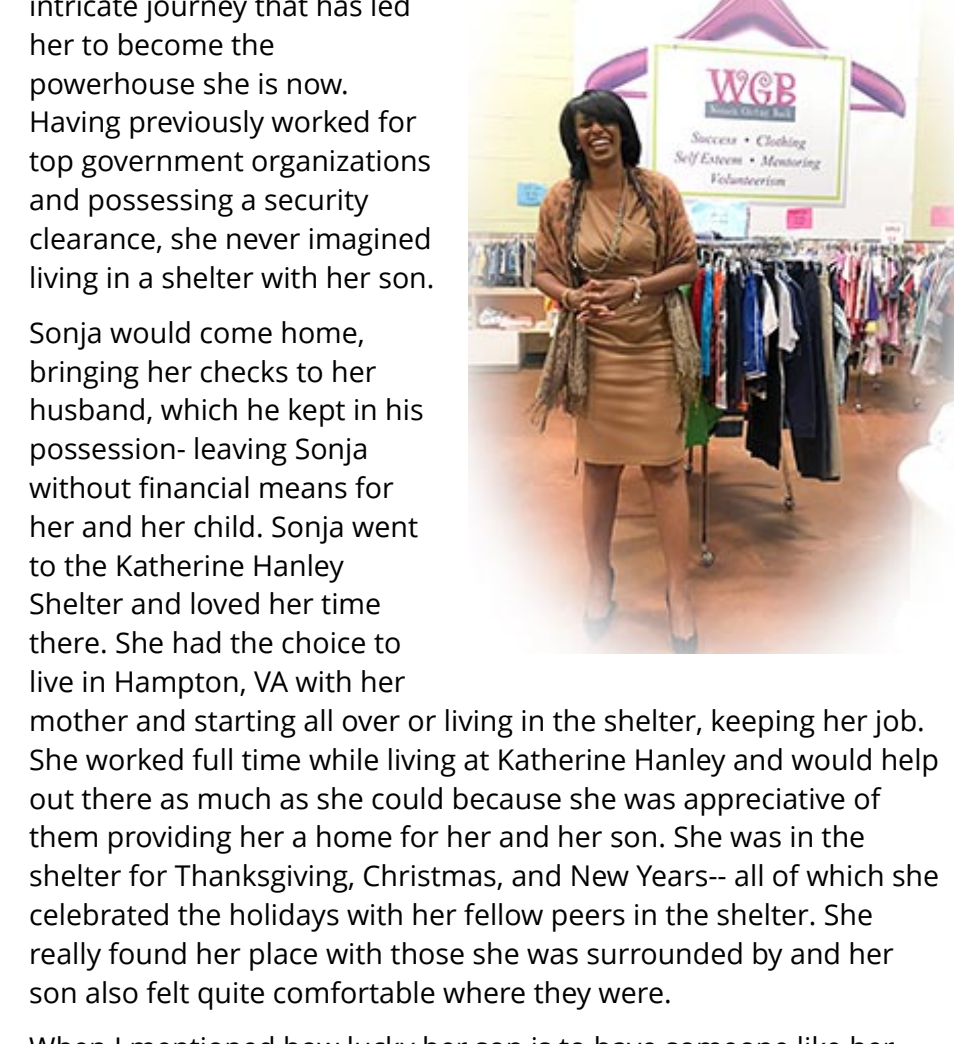
Cisco

Thank you Cisco for volunteering your time! What a great group. Hope to see you again soon!



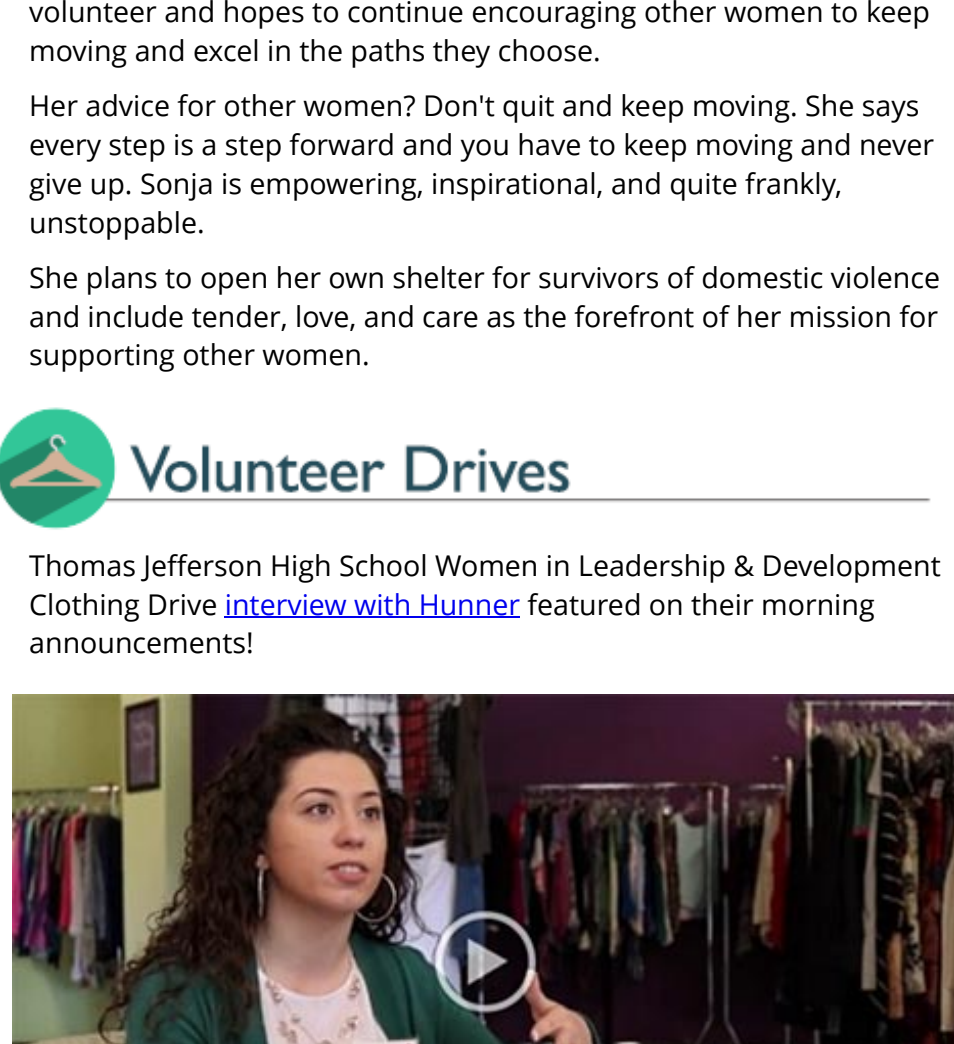
Salesforce

Salesforce keeps coming back and we couldn't love it more. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts. Every time you're here it makes us smile!



Aquarian LLC

Thank you [Aquarian LLC, Entertainment & Production Services](#) for your time volunteering with us! Such fun!



Billy Casper Golf Group

Thank you to the Billy Casper golf group for your volunteer time!



Spotlight on Volunteers

Say Hello to Sonja

Sonja is a remarkable woman who has been through an intricate journey that has led her to become the powerhouse she is now.

Having previously worked for top government organizations and possessing a security clearance, she never imagined living in a shelter with her son.

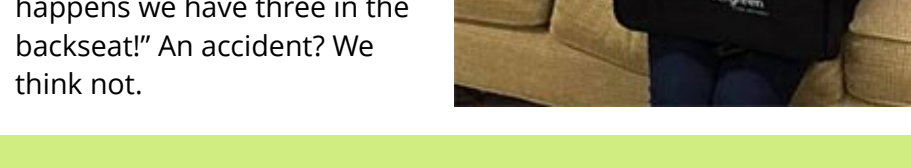
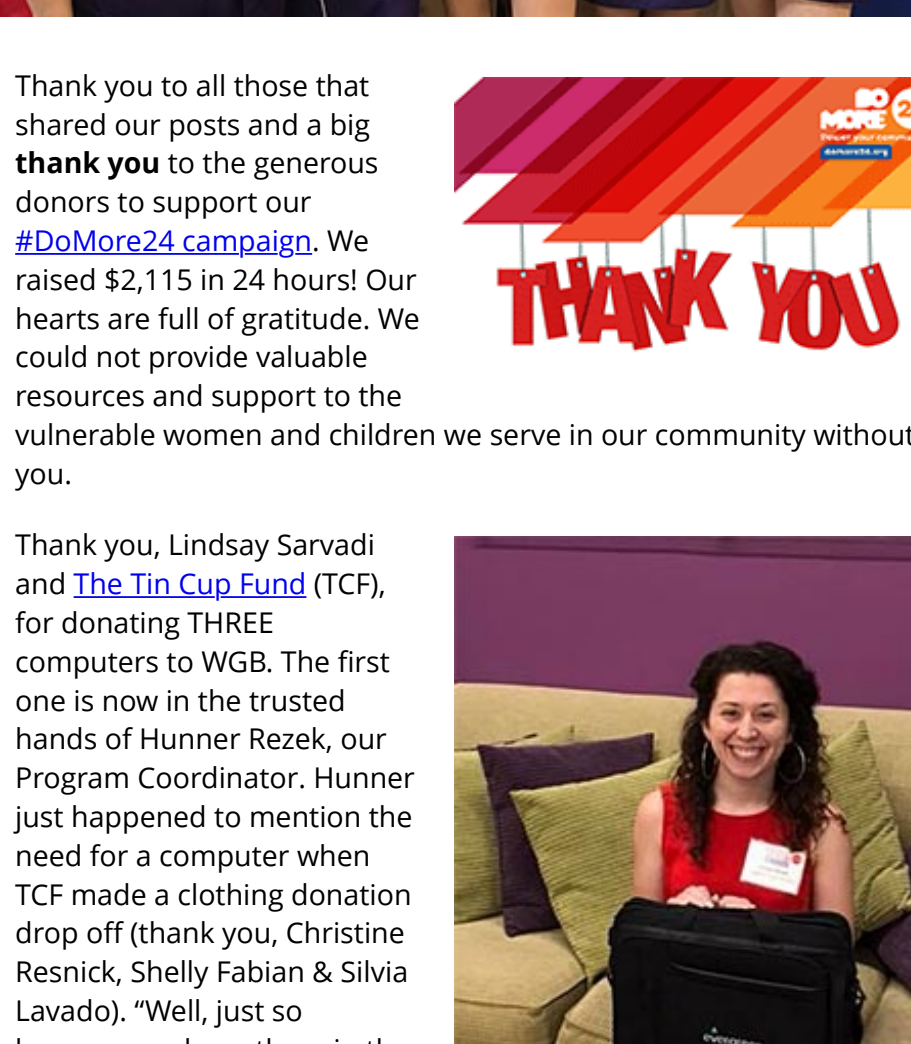
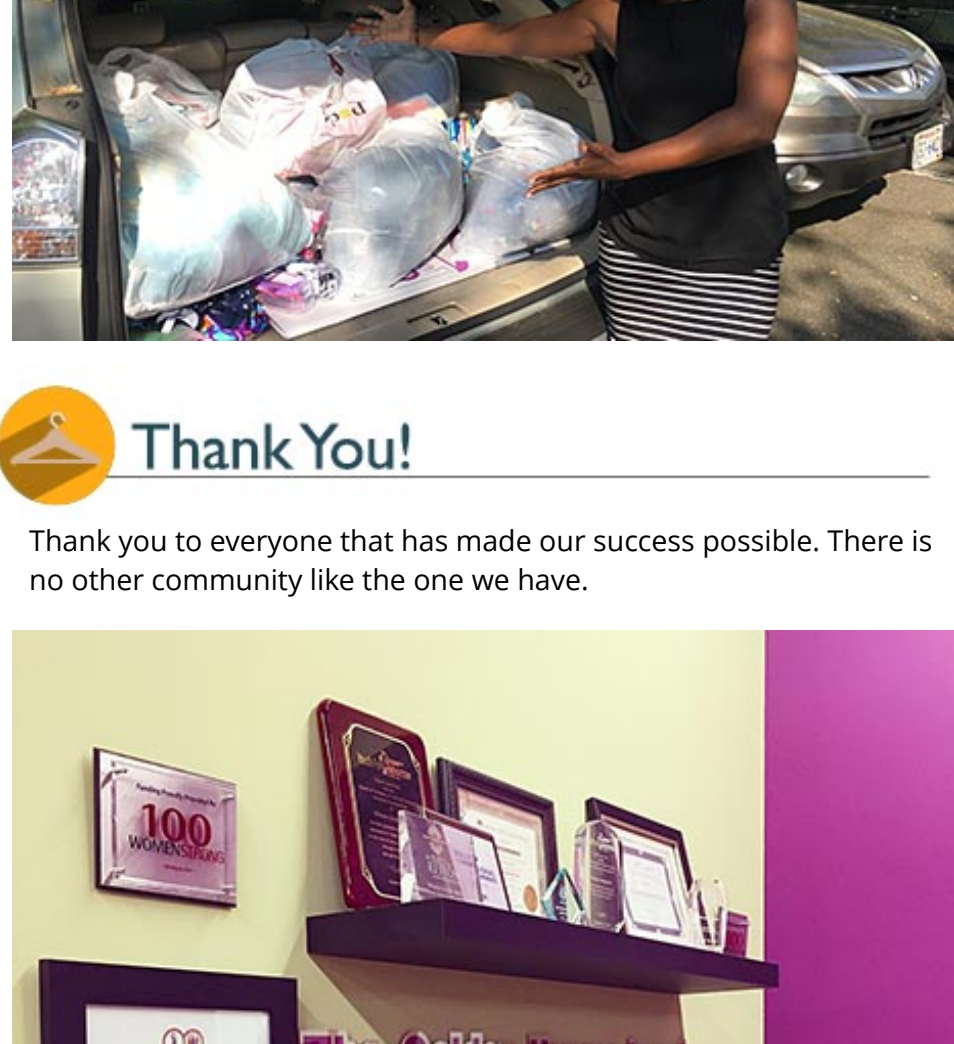
Sonja would come home, bringing her checks to her husband, which he kept in his possession - leaving Sonja without financial means for her and her child. Sonja went to the Katherine Hanley Shelter and loved her time there. She had the choice to live in Hampton, VA with her mother and starting all over or living in the shelter, keeping her job. She worked full time while living at Katherine Hanley and would help out there as much as she could because she was appreciative of them providing her a home for her and her son. She was in the shelter for Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Years-- all of which she celebrated the holidays with her fellow peers in the shelter. She really found her place with those she was surrounded by and her son also felt quite comfortable where they were.

When I mentioned how lucky her son is to have someone like her, she teared up as she explained that her son was a result of marital rape. Her family questioned if she wanted the child and she said of course. She was so lucky to have him. Everything that she has powered through has all had meaning and come together for where she is now.

She now has a job, with clothes that Women Giving Back has provided, shares custody of her child- sometimes driving over an hour to spend 11 minutes with him to see him off to school and has started volunteering at WGB! She made a full circle from client to volunteer and hopes to continue encouraging other women to keep moving and excel in the paths they choose.

Her advice for other women? Don't quit and keep moving. She says every step is a step forward and you have to keep moving and never give up. Sonja is empowering, inspirational, and quite frankly, unstoppable.

She plans to open her own shelter for survivors of domestic violence and include tender, love, and care as the forefront of her mission for supporting other women.



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Thank You!



Our hearts are full of gratitude, appreciation and love. Cinco 2018 was an incredible success! Thank you to our sponsors, silent auction donors (biggest amount of options yet!), board members, volunteers and most importantly our clients. You push us to do better each and every day!

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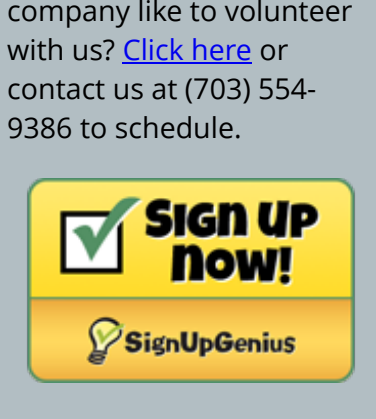
Thursday, June 21st, from 6-9pm

Grab your friends and join us for the ultimate night out.

Proceeds will benefit Women Giving Back and volunteers from WGB will be collecting gently used handbags and purses for women in need.

Sunscreen for the Summer Needed!

Please consider a donation



"I believe that we all have a responsibility to give back. No one becomes successful without lots of hard work, support from others, and a little luck. Giving back creates a virtuous cycle that makes everyone more successful."

—Ron Conway

Did You Know?

There are **144,018** children living at or below the poverty level in our region.

Many receive their only meals at school, leaving them hungry on the weekends and school breaks. WGB Snack Packs provide two-day meals for the children we serve throughout the DMV. A donation of \$48 will provide snack packs for 15 kids this summer.

Amazon Smile



Support women giving back by shopping at Amazon smile. When you shop at Amazon smile, Amazon will donate to Women Giving Back. Support us every time you shop.

Donate Your Old Cell Phones

Bring your inactive cell phone to WGB on any donation day. (no accessories, chargers, etc. please)



Volunteer Opportunities

Would your group or company like to volunteer with us? [Click here](#) or contact us at (703) 554-9386 to schedule.



Store Helpers – Tuesday, June 12th from 9:30am-12:30pm

Sorting & Organizing – Wednesday, June 13th from 1:00-4:00pm

Store Helpers – Saturday, June 16th from 8:30-11:00am

Store Helpers – Thursday, June 14th from 2:30pm-4:30pm

Sorting & Organizing – Wednesday, July 11th from 4:00pm-6:00pm

Store Helpers – Friday, July 13th from 4:00-7:00pm

Store Helpers – Saturday, July 14th from 8:30am-10:30am

Store Helpers – Saturday, July 14th from 8:30am-1:00pm

Store Helpers – Saturday, July 14th from 10:30am-1:00pm

Keep the Reviews Coming!



Help us make even more of a difference in our community. The more reviews, the more potential donors and volunteers see what we're up to. It's easy and only takes 3 minutes!

