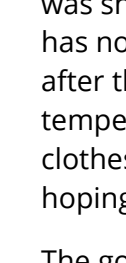


Volunteers from Ernst & Young LLP

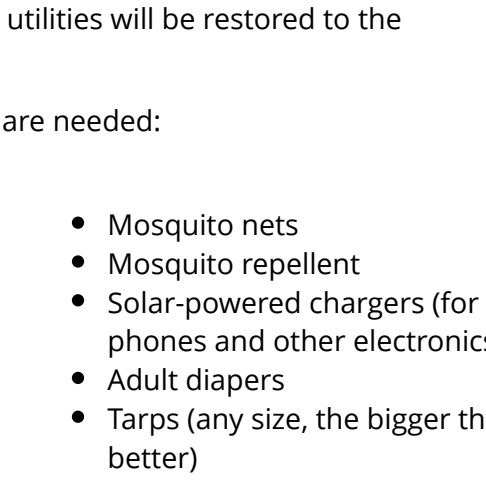
THE FOUNDATION OF EVERYTHING WE DO IS THAT  
*every woman and child deserves the basics in life.*



## Store News

### Puerto Rico Aid

WGB helped fill a truck with tons of women and children's summer clothes and shoes to be shipped off to the town of Aibonito in Puerto Rico. This was an effort coordinated by Reston Bible Church in Sterling.



Glorimar Corps arranged the shipment to the town of Aibonito in the center of Puerto Rico through the Reston Bible Church (RBC) in Sterling. Glorimar visited the town with her husband Wilfredo and was shocked by the extent of the damage and that much of the aid had not reached inland, where their town is located. They also said after the hurricane passed they are experiencing extremely high temperatures. They are thrilled that WGB can provide summer clothes and shoes. They have a large shipping container they are hoping to fill.

The goal of this project is to provide some basic necessities to sustain the people of Aibonito for the next 30-90 days, the estimated time frame until power and basic utilities will be restored to the town.

Below is a list of other items that are needed:

- Power generators
- Extension cords
- Personal water filtration systems
- Drinking water
- Lamps (solar- and battery-powered)
- Non-perishable food items (canned food or items that don't need refrigeration and can last 60-90 days)
- Powdered milk
- Baby formula
- Baby diapers
- Batteries size D, AA and AAA
- Battery-operated fans
- Mosquito nets
- Mosquito repellent
- Solar-powered chargers (for phones and other electronics)
- Adult diapers
- Tarps (any size, the bigger the better)
- Power inverters
- Towels
- Bed sheets (all sizes)
- Over the counter medication (Tylenol, Pepto Bismol, etc.)
- Clothing (not heavy or winter as PR is tropical year around)
- Personal hygiene items

### Loudoun Chamber Business Awards

Thank you to the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce for honoring Women Giving Back as a finalist under the 2017 Small Business Awards Nonprofit of the Year category. Congratulations to the winner The Community Foundation for Loudoun and Northern Fauquier Counties and the other finalists, Loudoun Volunteer Caregivers and It Takes a Village, Baby.



### Sterling Women's Luncheon

Our very own Terri Stagi, President of Women Giving Back was invited to be the guest speaker at Sterling Women's Luncheon. She spoke about her journey through her career and an entrepreneur and the conception of Women Giving Back. Our WGB Ambassador Raven Bowden told her story and how WGB and our volunteers impacted her life.



### New Volunteers

WGB welcomed several new volunteers this month. The young girls are from Dominion High School. The other ladies helped us kick off the season switch.



### Unmask Domestic Violence Advocates

As part of October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month, the WGB Board received training from our partner Shelter House to become trained Unmask Domestic Violence Advocates. Raven Dickerson the Director of Artemis House was our trainer and helped us master the following skills:

1. Identifying red flags in abusive relationships and interactions
2. Confidently addressing unhelpful and abusive behavior in the community
3. Creating a response toolkit and safety plan for victims who express needing help

Thank you Raven for taking the time to bring us this important information and tools to WGB!



### LCC Small Business Finalist Spotlight: Women Giving Back

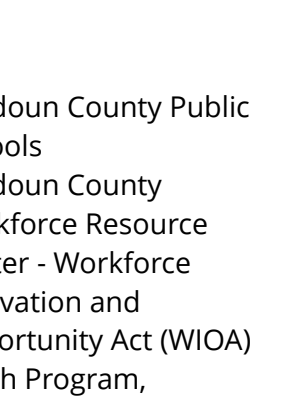
[Our blog](#) is on the Loudoun County Chamber of Commerce website.

They also posted it on [their Facebook page](#), we should like, comment and share.

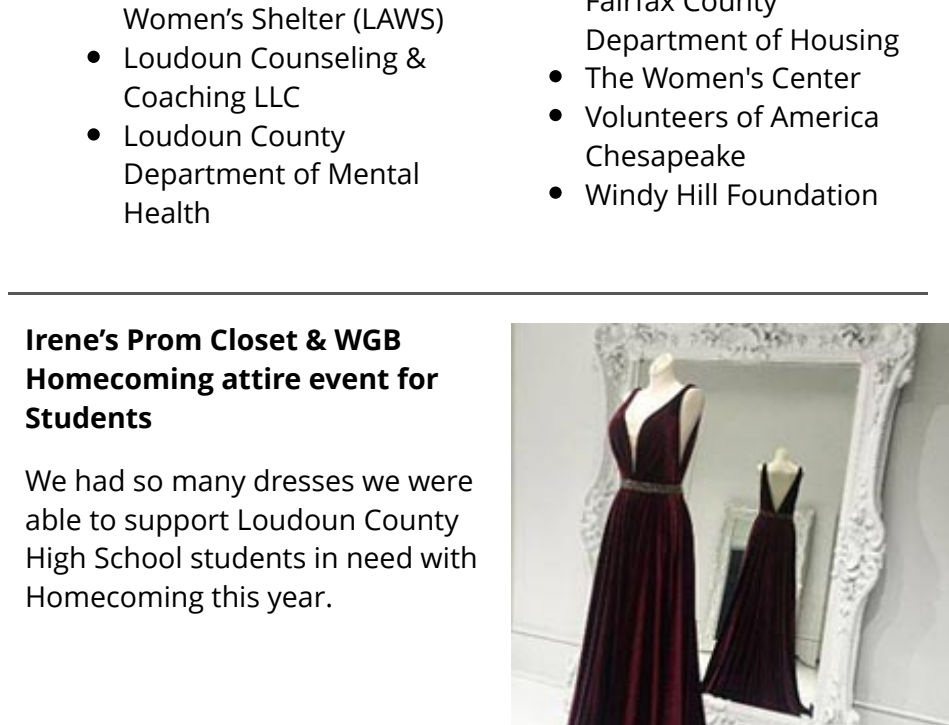


### LIF Grant Reception

WGB was one of the recipients of a grant from the Loudoun Impact Fund headed by David Schaefer, CEO of AHT Insurance. This will go to great use in expanding our youth programs.



Pictured standing (from left to right): Linda Giersher, David Schaefer (President & CEO of AHT Insurance), Amy Own, Dot Kidwell (Chair of AHT's golf committee), Libby Stickman, and Mike Rogers. Seated (from left to right): Sarah Pleito, Brendan Hill, Kelly Vogel, and Kathy Staubs.



### Case Manager Open House

We had 16 Exhibitors for our Community Resource Fair and 55 Case Managers and Social Workers from the Agencies below. The Case Managers were pampered with Hair and Makeup from Leslie Green of Plush Wink and Elysia Buerger with Mary Kay. They also were treated like models by getting free head shots taken by Breakaway Images Photography.

WGB was happy to pamper our Case Manager's for all they do!



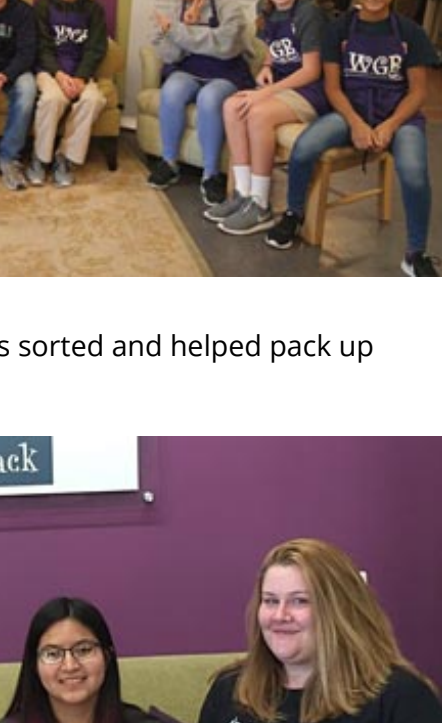
[See more photos from the 2017 event.](#)

Some of the organizations that attended were:

- Britepaths
- Catholic Charities - Prison Ministry
- Christian Relief Services-Safe Places
- Columbia College
- Community Preservation and Development Corporation
- Computer C.O.R.E.
- Cornerstones
- Crossroads Jobs
- Early Head Start
- Generation Hope
- Good Shepard Alliance
- HealthWorks
- InMed Partnerships for Children
- INOVA Juniper Program
- Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter (LAWS)
- Loudoun Counseling & Coaching LLC
- Loudoun County Department of Mental Health
- Loudoun County Public Schools
- Loudoun County Workforce Resource Center - Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Program,
- Loudoun Homeless Service Center
- Mass Mutual LifeBridge Program
- Nami Northern Virginia
- Northern Virginia Human Trafficking Initiative
- Nurturing Families
- NVFS Training Futures
- SafePlaces
- The PROGRESS Center Fairfax County
- Department of Housing
- The Women's Center
- Volunteers of America Chesapeake
- Windy Hill Foundation

### Irene's Prom Closet & WGB Homecoming attire event for Students

We had so many dresses we were able to support Loudoun County High School students in need with Homecoming this year.

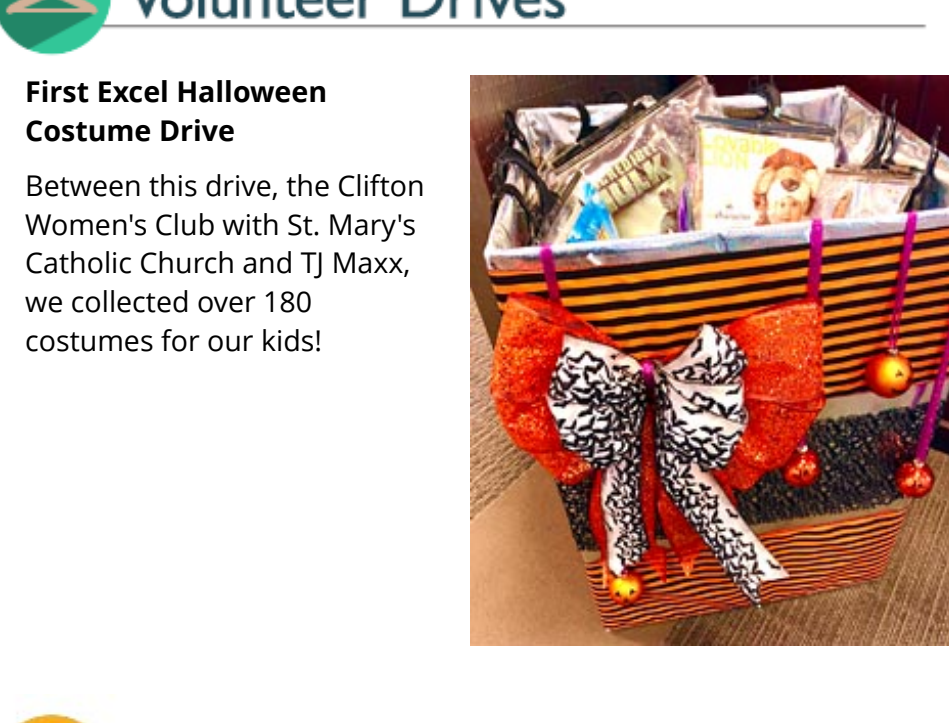


### October Store

Ladies from Ernst & Young LLP came to help the young girls from Youth for Tomorrow shop for clothing, organize the warehouse and they helped shop and pack 14 Bags to Go for women at Carpenter's Shelter in Alexandria.



Young ladies from the **Get Louder Project** helped provide childcare while our client's shopped for clothing on Saturday morning.



Mother/daughter teams volunteering at the October Store!



WGB welcomes first time volunteers from Cavalier Lacrosse.



WGB served the new class at Northern Virginia Family Services Training Futures on October 4th. One student named Salome was so excited about all of the beautiful outfits she got, she told us with so much confidence, "I am going to class tomorrow dressed like a CEO!"



## Successful Sorts

Seventh graders from **Flint Hill School** did an amazing job and had a blast, sorting through donations and hanging clothes.



Saturday afternoon **NVCC** volunteers sorted and helped pack up clothing WGB sent to Puerto Rico.



**Equinix, Inc.** joined us in October helping us sort through donations and preparing the store for shoppers.



## Volunteer Drives

### First Excel Halloween Costume Drive

Between this drive, the Clifton Women's Club with St. Mary's Catholic Church and TJ Maxx, we collected over 180 costumes for our kids!



## Thank You!

A BIG thank you to **Pulte Group** for the shipment of brand new boys clothes from Kohl's. We are always in need of boys clothes ages 2t to 4t.



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### Calling all Virginia State Employees!

Consider donating to Women Giving Back (CVC #100089) during this year's Commonwealth of Virginia Campaign.

Please share this info with your colleagues and ask them to consider donating as well. Thank you! Caring + Sharing = Hope #CVC #VirginalsForGivers

[Click here for more info](#)

### Jingle Bell Rock & Run benefits WGB

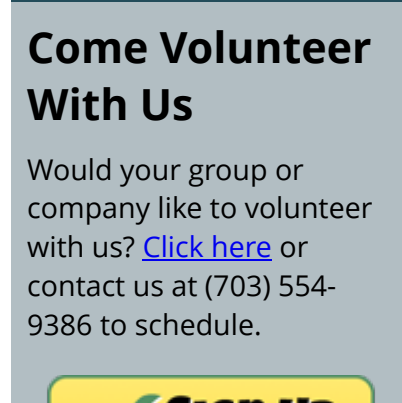


**5K & 10K Race, 1K Fun Run/Walk on December 16th at One Loudoun**

A great way to have fun and an inspiring way to join forces in the community to help those in need of support and services.

[Register your team now!](#)

### 5K Turkey Trot



Join us this year to participate as a Sponsor for the 10th Annual LANSdowne on the Potomac 5K Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot to benefit Women Giving Back.

[Get more information](#)

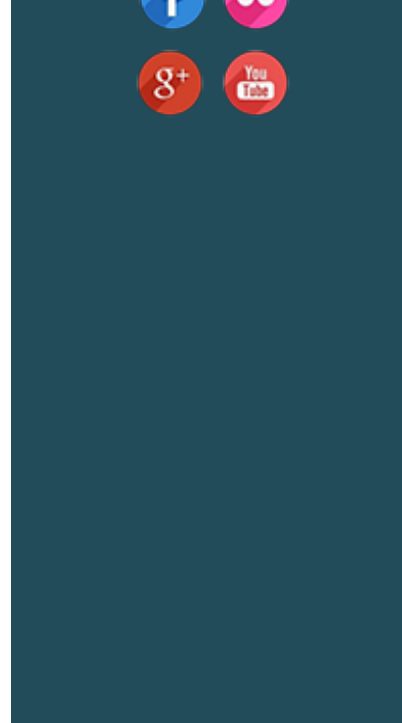
### Amazon Smile



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)



### Come Volunteer With Us

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



**Sorting & Organizing** – Monday, November 6th from 12:30pm-3:00pm

**Sorting & Organizing** – Wednesday, November 8th from 4:00-6:00pm

**Store Helpers & Sorters** – Friday, November 10th from 4:00-7:00pm

**Store Helpers & Sorters** – Saturday, November 11th from 8:30am-10:30am

**Store Helpers & Sorters** – Saturday, November 11th from 8:30am-1:00pm

**Store Helpers & Sorters** – Saturday, November 11th from 10:00am-1:00pm

**Store Helpers & Sorters** – Thursday, November 16th from 2:30pm-4:30pm

### 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!

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