Opportunities with Our Neighborhood Programs
(Assistance Services and Pantry Program, Herndon Neighborhood Resource Center, Laurel Learning Center, Connections for Hope Partnership and RestON Opportunity Neighborhood)

We have programs at several sites throughout Reston and Herndon. These programs are in need of volunteer groups to serve in a variety of ways that include but are not limited to the following:

- Bring your team to sort and date-check roughly 4,000 pounds of shelf-stable donations for our food pantry that we receive through food drives coordinated by our community partner, A Simple Gesture. Occurs the first Saturday morning of every other month.

- Provide support for our free afterschool youth programs by coming out to our community centers to clean and decorate for the season. Make the centers a more inviting place for young minds to learn and flourish.

- Provide an engaging one-day workshop for under-resourced community members that will improve their opportunities to seek and gain employment or support their families. Ex: Basic Computer Skills Workshop, How to Dress for Success, Balancing a Checkbook, Simple Home Maintenance, and more.

- Help us show the love to under-resourced adults and children in our community by working at one of our many annual drives collecting, sorting and/or distributing school backpacks, winter coats, pre-packaged meals or gifts for the holidays.

- Help our Workforce Development Specialists change the lives of our clients as they take part in our SMART Job Readiness Classes. You will work with our staff and clients, interacting to perform mock job interviews, offering assistance with resumes and job searches, and sharing your time and advice to help them improve their chances for a better tomorrow.

- Celebrate with us as we host a festival, fair or gathering to foster community spirit at one of the affordable housing neighborhoods where we partner. Provide event support with planning, setting up/taking down and staffing. Be rewarded by smiles and laughter as residents join with their neighbors to enjoy the festivities!

For more information or to serve with any of the community programs listed above, please contact Susan Alger, Director, Volunteer and Engagement, at 571-323-1383 or susan.alger@cornerstonesva.org.