

Alexandria Fund for Human Services

FY 2027–2029 Funded Organizations and Programs

Alexandria Seaport Foundation

alexandriaseaport.org

(703) 778-0977

Program: Apprentice Program

Through project-based tasks and encouraging relationships, Apprentices gain confidence, practical skills, a network of supporters, and pathways toward employment opportunities, education, and long-term stability.

Alexandria Soccer Association

alexandria-soccer.org

(703) 684-5425

Program: ACPS Virginia Preschool Tots Soccer Programming

The City of Alexandria faces disparities in access to early childhood enrichment, particularly for children from low-income families. ASA will host free Tots Soccer at six Virginia Preschool Initiative (VPI) schools, serving approximately 256 three- and four-year-olds in the first year. Each participant will also receive a jersey and a mini soccer ball as part of the program.

Alexandria Tutoring Consortium, Inc.

alexandriatutors.org

(703) 549-6670

Program: Book Buddies 1st and 2nd Grade Tutoring at Ferdinand T. Day Elementary School

October through May, ATC volunteer tutors will work one-on-one with 30 first and second FTD students, supervised by ATC staff and using a state-of-the-art curriculum customized weekly to meet each child's needs. This individualized literacy intervention, aligning with ACPS instruction and delivered in early grades, will help FTD students meet first and second grade benchmarks and ultimately, be able to read by third grade.

AsylumWorks

asylumworks.org

(202) 567-7980

Program: Stabilizing Economic Futures: Employment & Education Services for Alexandria Newcomers

Alexandria's immigrant residents are striving to rebuild their lives, but mainstream workforce development resources are designed to serve U.S. born job seekers. AsylumWorks fills that gap by providing culturally and linguistically appropriate consultation and career coaching services for work authorized limited English job seekers navigating the U.S. workforce for the first time.

At Home in Alexandria (AHA)

athomeinalexandria.org

(703) 231-0824

Program: Building Community Connections for Older Adults – West Alexandria

Building Community Connections for Older Adults – West Alexandria expands AHA's Village model into West Alexandria, connecting adults 55+ with trained volunteers, practical assistance, social opportunities, and trusted community resources. The program reduces social isolation, strengthens neighborhood connections, and helps older adults remain independent in their own homes.

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington

bgcgw.org

(703) 549-3077

Program: Basic Needs Fulfillment for Youth at Dunbar Alexandria-Olympic Branch

Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Washington Dunbar Alexandria-Olympic Branch provides affordable, year-round afterschool and summer programming that combines academic support, enrichment, healthy meals, social-emotional development, and positive adult mentorship for youth in Alexandria. The program addresses persistent economic and educational disparities that limit many families' access to tutoring, enrichment, and structured out-of-school opportunities, particularly for youth experiencing poverty and other systemic barriers. By providing consistent support during critical out-of-school hours, the program helps prevent learning loss, strengthen school engagement, and expand pathways to long-term academic and career success.

Campagna Center (TCC)

campagnacenter.org

(703) 224-2395

Program: New Neighbors Program's New Family Literacy Approach

New Neighbors provides comprehensive English language instruction and wraparound support for adult immigrants and multilingual families. AFHS funding will help us develop, pilot, and assess a new strategy to better serve Pre-K/school-aged children's parents with limited English proficiency.

Capital Youth Empowerment Program

cyep.org

(202) 321-8704

Program: Fathers in Tech

Fathers in Tech is CYEP's 12-week program pairing responsible-fatherhood and healthy-relationship education with career coaching and workforce training. It addresses two challenges that reinforce each other: fathers disconnected from their children's lives, and fathers who lack the credentials to support them. The result is stronger family relationships alongside a real path to family-sustaining employment.

Program: Project Success

Project Success provides Alexandria youth with evidence-based education focused on healthy relationships, responsible decision-making, teen pregnancy prevention, financial decision-making, and preparation for adulthood. The program addresses the need for accessible, culturally responsive prevention services that help young people reduce risky behaviors, strengthen protective factors, and make informed choices regarding their relationships, health, education, finances, and future.

Casa Chirilagua

casachirilagua.org

(703) 933-3688

Program: Casa Mini Pantry (Mini Despensa Comunitaria)

Casa Mini Pantry (Mini Despensa Comunitaria) provides emergency food assistance to low-income families experiencing short-term financial hardship or food insecurity in Alexandria's Chirilagua neighborhood. Families receive culturally appropriate staple foods (rice, beans, maseca flour, and cooking oil) and small grocery gift cards for essential household items while also being connected with additional community resources, helping stabilize households and prevent temporary crises from becoming long-term hardship. The Year 1 program is expected to serve approximately 100 households (about 400 individuals).

Program: Neighbor to Neighbor: Relief Network (De Vecino a Vecino: Red de Ayuda)

Neighbor to Neighbor provides rapid, culturally responsive support to families experiencing short-term crises that could otherwise escalate into housing instability, food insecurity, and other serious hardship. Trained Community Ambassadors from La Directiva, Casa Chirilagua's parent-led community group, conduct supportive home visits, provide culturally meaningful food baskets and personal essentials, and connect families with transportation and limited emergency assistance for rent and utilities. By responding early through trusted relationships, the program helps stabilize families, preserve children's continuity in school and supportive programs, and prevent short-term disruptions from becoming deeper crises.

Cornerstone Craftsman

cornerstonecraftsman.org

Program: Cornerstone Craftsman Pre-Apprenticeship Workforce Readiness Program (CCAWP)

The Cornerstone Craftsman Pre-Apprenticeship and Workforce Readiness Program addresses Economic Stability and Support by breaking systemic barriers to youth employment in Alexandria by delivering hands-on trades training, industry certifications, and essential wraparound supports like transportation, meals, and court advocacy. By blending rigorous vocational instruction in fields like carpentry and welding with career coaching and dedicated mentorship, the program bridges the gap between underserved youth and high-demand construction careers.

Edu-Futuro

edu-futuro.org

(703) 228-2560

Program: Edu-Futuro's Workforce Development Services (WDS) – City of Alexandria

Edu-Futuro's Workforce Development Services offer workforce-ready skill-building including smartphone and computer literacy, résumé and cover letter development, individualized job counseling, GED certification training, and guidance on the ethical and practical use of AI tools for everyday success.

ENDependence Center of Northern Virginia

ecnv.org

(703) 525-3268

Program: Independent Living Services and Community Supports for People with Disabilities

This program provides Alexandria residents with disabilities housing counseling, benefits support, independent living skills training, employment counseling, peer mentoring, and information and referral, delivered by peer staff with lived disability experience. It responds to significant unmet needs in Alexandria, where residents with disabilities face an 8.7% unemployment rate (nearly triple the rate for residents without disabilities) and a poverty rate more than double the citywide average, helping participants stabilize housing, secure benefits and employment, and avoid displacement or institutionalization.

English Empowerment Center

englishempowermentcenter.org

(703) 237-0866

Program: Family Learning Program (FLP)

FLP provides English literacy instruction for children (ages 2–14) and their low-income, immigrant parents/caregivers in a supportive classroom environment. FLP emphasizes the goal of parents increasing involvement in their children's educational activities so that the children will achieve higher academic gains. Annually, we provide 27 weeks of academic literacy and English language enrichment, including homework help that prepares these children and parents for school. Parents learn English as it relates to school, health, nutrition, and community, empowering them to be their children's first teachers. Families receive books and take-home assignments to encourage continued learning at home.

Food & Friends, Inc.

foodandfriends.org

(202) 269-2277

Program: Expanding Medically Tailored Meals, Medically Tailored Groceries, and Medical Nutrition Therapy to Alexandria Residents

This program provides home-delivered medically tailored meals, medically tailored groceries, and individualized nutrition counseling for Alexandria residents living with serious or chronic health conditions. The program addresses food insecurity and nutrition-related health challenges that can lead to poor health outcomes, preventable hospitalizations, and increased barriers to disease management.

George Mason University

eip.gmu.edu

(703) 993-1000

Program: EIP: Promoting College Success, Career Readiness, and Economic Mobility in Virginia

The EIP proposes a comprehensive college access and success initiative aligned with the AFHS priority area of Economic Stability and Support. The program equips Alexandria students and their families with the academic preparation, navigational knowledge, and social capital required to achieve long-term economic mobility.

Good Shepherd Housing and Family Services, Inc.

goodhousing.org

(703) 768-9404

Program: Career Power

Career-focused counseling and support for youth ages 16 to 24 to encourage post-secondary educational pursuits.

Grace Church Alexandria

gracealex.org

(703) 549-1980

Program: Grace Episcopal Church Food Pantry

Grace Episcopal Church Food Pantry's objective is to meet essential basic needs for low-income families by providing consistent, low-barrier access to supplemental food staples, infant care items (e.g., diapers and wipes), and essential hygiene/cleaning products. Through ongoing weekly distributions and partner-based outreach, the program helps reduce crisis-driven tradeoffs between purchasing food and covering rent, utilities, transportation, or medical expenses.

Hopkins House – A Center for Children and Their Families

hopkinshouse.org/programs/early-childhood-learning-institute

(571) 480-4093

Program: Early Childhood Learning Institute (ECLI)

The Early Childhood Learning Institute (ECLI) advances long-term economic stability by increasing earned income, employment retention, and career mobility for individuals with low income and low wealth, while strengthening a critical local workforce that enables parents to participate fully in the labor market.

InspireLit

inspirelit.org

Program: Sharing Shelf Initiative

InspireLit has always worked to address inequities in access to literacy resources for children across Alexandria, and the Sharing Shelf Initiative brings that mission directly into the places families already go for essential services. Located in the City's four Neighborhood Health offices and the Department of Community & Human Services (DCHS) Public Benefits Office, each Sharing Shelf offers engaging, bilingual, and diverse books that families can choose, take home, and enjoy together. By bringing free books into these trusted community spaces, the initiative creates another welcoming place for Alexandria families to access the joy and benefits of reading.

Jamaur Law Foundation

jamaurlawfoundation.org

Program: SMART Money Financial Literacy Program

JLF will implement its SMART Money Financial Literacy Program, an integrated initiative designed to address financial instability through education, applied learning, and credential attainment. The program is structured to move participants toward stabilization by strengthening their ability to manage personal finances, develop

informed financial decision-making skills, and apply practical tools that support economic participation and resilience.

Just Neighbors Ministry Inc.

justneighbors.org

(703) 979-1240

Program: Immigration Legal Services

Just Neighbors provides immigration legal services to historically marginalized immigrants in Alexandria, including legal consultations, full legal representation, and community-based legal education.

Legal Services of Northern Virginia

lsnv.org

(703) 778-6800

Program: Legal Services for Low-Income, Elderly, and Disabled Residents of the City of Alexandria

We provide free legal assistance to address issues related to housing, income, family safety, and access to public benefits before such issues escalate into crises such as eviction, homelessness, or family disruption.

Move2Learn

move2learn.org

(703) 220-4261

Program: Accessibility & Inclusion: Adaptive Equipment for Students with Disabilities

This program provides adaptive seating and related classroom supports for students who need help staying regulated and included in instruction. It helps schools better support students with disabilities, attention needs, anxiety, and sensory-processing differences.

Northern Virginia Family Service

nvfs.org

(571) 748-2500

Program: Family Programs: Parent Education

NVFS Family Programs provide community-based parent education and support to families with children under 18 who are at risk of child abuse and neglect. Through a continuum of services, including 1:1 parent coaching, parent education classes, and workshops, the program strengthens protective factors, promotes positive parent-child relationships, and helps stabilize families during times of crisis to prevent abuse, reduce the need for more intensive interventions, and support safe family reunification.

Program: Intervention, Prevention and Education (IPE) Program

NVFS' Intervention, Prevention, and Education (IPE) Program is a community-based asset development program that increases youth's protective factors to prevent and reduce gang involvement. IPE provides accessible, trauma informed therapeutic case management to identified youth and their families.

Nueva Vida Inc.

nueva-vida.org

(202) 223-9100

Program: Addressing Cancer Prevention through Education, Culturally Affirming Patient Navigation & Mental Health Support among Under-Resourced Latinas with or at Risk of Cancer

Our program addresses an Essential Human Service that promotes stabilization to address cancer prevention through education, culturally affirming patient navigation, and mental health support among under-resourced Latinas with or at risk of cancer. Our approach includes conducting culturally tailored education, providing access to care, conducting monthly mental health support groups in Spanish, and arranging resources based on the social determinants of health barriers faced by this Latina community.

Rebuilding Together DC Alexandria

rebuildingtogetherdca.org

(202) 800-6032

Program: Safe and Healthy Homes

This program's work ranges from critical roof and furnace replacements to the installation of appliances and smoke detectors, as well as essential plumbing and electrical repairs. By addressing these urgent needs at no cost to the homeowner, we help prevent families from facing impossible choices between home repairs and mortgage payments, food and medicine—circumstances that too often lead to financial crisis or displacement.

Senior Services of Alexandria

seniorservicesalex.org

(703) 836-4414

Program: Community Connection Program

The Community Connection Program provides coordinated, place-based outreach and services directly within senior residential communities, reducing barriers related to transportation, mobility, language, and navigating complex service systems. Through a consistent on-site presence, multilingual outreach, benefits navigation, health and wellness education, social activities, and referrals to trusted partners, the program helps prevent isolation and connects older adults with the resources they need to remain stable and age in place.

The Arc of Northern Virginia

thearcofnova.org

(703) 208-1119

Program: Pathways to Employment and Independence for People with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD)

This program helps individuals with IDD build the skills to achieve greater independence and economic stability. Participants receive workforce readiness training, travel instruction, digital literacy education, and individualized guidance to navigate employment, resources, and disability systems.

The Center for Alexandria's Children, Inc.

centerforalexandriaschildren.org

(703) 746-6008

Program: Children's Advocacy Center Program

The Children's Advocacy Center Program coordinates Alexandria's multidisciplinary response to allegations of child abuse. By bringing together law enforcement, Child Protective Services, medical providers, victim advocates, and mental health professionals, the program ensures that children and their caregivers receive a seamless, child-centered response that reduces traumatization and supports healing.

The Education Equity Fund of Alexandria (EEFA)

actforalexandria.org

(703) 739-7778

Program: Postsecondary Planning and Academic Stabilization Program

The Postsecondary Planning and Academic Stabilization Program provides individualized academic, social-emotional, and college and career planning support to middle and high school students living in Alexandria public housing. Through ongoing advising, academic monitoring, course planning, career exploration, and family engagement, the program helps students stay on track for graduation and develop a clear pathway toward college, credential attainment, or employment.

The Offender Aid and Restoration of Arlington County, Inc.

oaronline.org

(703) 228-7441

Program: Income Security for Individuals Formerly Incarcerated Returning Home to Alexandria

OAR's Income Security for Individuals Formerly Incarcerated Returning Home to Alexandria program journeys with Alexandria residents as they return to the community following incarceration and work toward greater stability and economic security. The program provides individualized reentry support, including assistance with employment, housing, transportation, clothing, food, identification, and other essential needs that can create significant barriers to a successful return home. AFHS funding helps OAR address these immediate needs while supporting participants as they work toward their individual goals and long-term stability.

The Salvation Army

salvationarmynca.org

(703) 836-2427

Program: Emergency Rent & Utilities Assistance

The Salvation Army's Emergency Rent and Utilities Assistance program helps Alexandria residents facing financial hardship avoid eviction and utility shutoffs through direct financial assistance and personalized case management. Clients receive support navigating their immediate crisis, connecting to additional resources, and developing a plan for long-term stability. Through the accessible SAHelp.Me platform, assistance is available online, by phone, or in person, helping reduce barriers and reach more households in need.

The Spitfire Club

thespitfireclub.org

(703) 239-3724

Program: Sustaining and Expanding Mentorship Programming for Girls in Alexandria

The Spitfire Club provides free, trauma-informed, small-group mentoring and book clubs for girls in grades 1–5 in Alexandria's most under-resourced neighborhoods, including Chirilagua, the Beauregard Corridor, and Lynhaven. Through weekly sessions, participants build positive identity, emotional literacy, social competence, and strong relationships with caring adults — protective factors that research links to better long-term academic and mental health outcomes.

Together We Bake

togetherwebake.org

(703) 973-8773

Program: Empowering Women Through Job Training

Empowering Women Through Job Training addresses persistent unemployment and underemployment among women in Alexandria by providing trauma-informed job training, paid hands-on experience, industry credentials, individualized job counseling, and long-term alumni support.

Urban Alliance

urbanalliance.org

(202) 459-4300

Program: Urban Alliance High School Internship Program (HSIP) and Workforce Readiness Training

Our flagship High School Internship Program (HSIP) couples a nine-month paid internship with 100 hours of professional development training, career coaching, and mentoring. The program gives young people early access to meaningful professional experiences, helping them explore career possibilities, build workplace skills and networks, and gain confidence navigating professional environments. Through HSIP, students graduate from high school with hands-on experience and a concrete plan for their next steps in college, career training, or the workforce.

Volunteer Alexandria

volunteeralexandria.org

(703) 836-2176

Program: Snow Buddy Program

The Snow Buddy Volunteer Program assists residents who are unable to clear their sidewalks and walkways to support safety, reduce falling, and avoid City fines and snow removal charges.

Washington Street United Methodist Church

wsumc.com

(703) 836-4324

Program: Washington Street United Methodist Church's Open Table

WSUMC serves breakfast and a take-away bagged lunch twice a week (Mondays and Fridays) to homeless and food insecure individuals in our community. While at breakfast, guests can get out of the weather for a few hours, use computers, obtain information about community resources, and on Mondays, get hygiene items, clothes, and other useful items from the clothing closet. WSUMC coordinates with two other churches offering breakfasts on Wednesdays and Thursdays, and administers a jointly funded program to offer a free breakfast at Blue and White restaurant on Tuesdays.

Wesley Housing

wesleyhousing.org

(703) 642-3820

Program: Employment Support and Training for Affordable Housing Residents

Alexandria's rising employment challenges disproportionately affect low-income adults, many of whom face barriers to accessing job training and personalized career support. This program will provide 11 on-site, interactive workforce development workshops paired with one-on-one employment coaching to build job skills, increase access to employment opportunities, and promote long-term economic mobility.

Wilderness Kids Alexandria

wildernesskidsalexandria.org

(703) 717-3603

Program: School Year Outdoor Programs

Nature is good for our mental and physical health. Yet many teens do not have adequate access to nature due to a lack of resources, a lack of transportation, or a lack of familiarity with outdoor activities and places. Our After-School and Weekend Programs introduce MS and HS students to nature and cultivate passions for hiking, biking, climbing, paddling, and other outdoor activities.

Women Giving Back

womengivingback.org

(703) 554-9386

Program: Basic Needs and Support Services for Alexandria Women and Families in Crisis

WGB provides Alexandria families with free quality clothing, diapers, and other essentials, alongside access to healthcare, workforce development, and financial literacy resources. The program helps address gaps created by housing instability, homelessness, domestic violence, and economic hardships.