

Forecast

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NEWSLETTER FOR THE TOWN OF CHEVY CHASE

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Town Election and Annual Meeting

Tuesday, May 7, 2013

Voting:	8 a.m. – 8 p.m.	Town Hall
Reception:	7 p.m.	Social Hall
Meeting:	7:30 p.m.	Social Hall

On **Tuesday, May 7**, the Town Council will hold the Annual Meeting on the proposed budget and property tax rates for the 2014 fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2013, and the Annual Election. Town residents will elect two Councilmembers in the May 2013 election, each to serve on the Council for a two year term.

Beginning at 7 p.m., the Council will host a reception for residents. During the reception, you will have the opportunity to talk with the chairs of the Town's five standing committees. You will learn that the committees are working on a wide range of issues that affect the Town. If you find a topic of interest, we encourage you to consider volunteering to serve on a committee in the coming year.

At 7:30 p.m., Mayor Pat Burda will introduce Rich Madaleno, District 18 State Senator, who will give a brief update on the most important legislative issues of 2013. A short business meeting will follow. Mayor Burda will give an overview of the Town's accomplishments over the past year, and Treasurer Linna Barnes will present and lead the public hearing on the proposed FY14 budget and property tax rates.

The Council encourages you to attend the meeting and to vote in the election. Your participation is important to ensure that the Town continues its traditions of providing high quality services and fostering community spirit.

FY14 Budget Process Continues

On **Wednesday, March 27**, the Town Council held a work session to review the proposed FY14 budget that the staff and Town Treasurer prepared. The Town Council is scheduled to approve the proposed budget and tax rates at its April 10 meeting, at which time residents will be able to speak during the public comment portion of the meeting. The Council will then hold a public hearing on the proposed budget at the Town's Annual Meeting on May 7. The Council will adopt a final budget for the next fiscal year at the May 8 Council meeting. The proposed budget will be published in the Election issue of the **FORECAST** so that residents may review it prior to the May 7 public hearing. If you are unable to attend any of the budget meetings, you may submit written comments to the Town Office by mail to 4301 Willow Lane, Chevy Chase, Maryland 20815 or by e-mail to townoffice@townofchevychase.org.

A Message from Mayor Pat Burda

Happy spring! As the weather gets warmer, construction and landscaping activity predictably increases in Town, so I wanted to take this opportunity to remind residents of some of the Town's regulations regarding these activities and what recourses are available if you are bothered by them.

The Town allows construction to take place between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekdays, and between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekends. Landscaping work can take place between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekdays and between 9 a.m. and 7 p.m. on weekends. One piece of powered landscape equipment also may be used between 7 p.m. and 8 p.m. on weekdays.

A common concern for residents is noise. The Town's "quiet hours" work in conjunction with the Montgomery County Noise Ordinance, which limits sound to specified decibel levels during the day and night. For noise violations during Town quiet hours, call the County non-emergency police number at 301-279-8000 and file a complaint with the Town Office. For daytime noise that exceeds County noise levels, contact the County Department of Environmental Protection at 240-777-7700. You may also file a formal complaint with the County.

Other resident concerns include messy construction sites, parking violations near construction sites and overgrown vegetation. Please call the Town Office to report these problems.

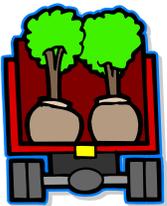
I wish everyone a safe, happy and relatively quiet spring.

Work Session on Town Tree Policies and Procedures

In late February, the Town Council held a work session to discuss the Town's current tree protection policies and procedures. The Council also heard from the Climate and Environment Committee, which recommended new Town-sponsored initiatives to encourage maintenance of canopy trees on private property.

At the work session, the Council agreed to take the following next steps: 1) develop procedures for appointing a chair of the Tree Board and establishing a regular meeting schedule for the Tree Board; 2) review and update the list of undesirable trees; 3) develop programs to encourage residents to care for and maintain private trees; and 4) provide more oversight of PEPCO tree pruning in Town. Additional information on these initiatives will be provided in future editions of the Forecast.

Public Tree Plantings



In late March, the Town arborist inspected and flagged various locations throughout Town for public tree planting. In addition to planting new street trees at the request of residents, the Town also inspects all rights-of-way and public spaces to determine where the planting of trees will enhance the Town's tree canopy and beautification efforts. Upon planting, the Town assumes responsibility for watering, mulching, pruning, and pest management services. Residents are reminded not to disturb the trees once they have been planted, as they will remain fragile for several months.

Weekly Update Feedback

The Town wants your feedback on the *Weekly Update* notice sent via the Town Crier. This notice is intended to provide a quick glance at Town news and upcoming events. We format it so that it is easy to read on mobile devices, with links to more detailed information. If you subscribe to the *Weekly Update* and would like to provide feedback, please email your comments to: townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org.

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April

- Tuesday, April 2 – Purple Line Mitigation Advisory Group, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 3 – Keeping Your Trees Healthy, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, April 4 – Community Relations Committee, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, April 7 - Green Home Tour, 2 – 4 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 9 – Land Use Committee, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 10 - Council Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, April 11 – Neighborhood Watch Meeting, 7 p.m.
- Sunday, April 14 – Bake-Off, 2 – 3:30 p.m.
- Monday, April 15 – Long Range Planning Committee, 7 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 16 – Nominating Petitions Deadline, 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, April 17 – Climate and Environment Committee, 7 p.m.
- Saturday and Sunday, April 20 and 21 - Trash and Treasures
- Tuesday, April 23 – Absentee Ballots Available, 12 p.m.
- Tuesday, April 23 – Public Services Committee, 7 p.m.
- Thursday, April 25 – Candidates’ Night, 7 p.m.
- Saturday, April 27 – Play Date in the Park, 9 a.m.

Upcoming Events

- Saturday, May 4 The Lawton Center holds its Spring Festival for children and families.
- Friday, May 10 A Wine and Cheese Reception in the Town Hall supports Habitat for Humanity’s newest construction project. Great raffle items!
- Saturday, May 18 The Town Arborist invites residents for a morning tree walk through Town.
- Sunday, May 19 The Onesie Club of parents with children 12 months old and younger gathers in the Town Hall for coffee, juice and bagels.
- Thursday, June 13 The Round House Theatre invites Town residents for a special reception and evening presentation of *Becky Shaw*, an engrossing, ferociously funny comedy.

For more information about Town events, please visit the Town website:

www.townofchevy Chase.org

Lead the Town’s July 4th Parade with Uncle Sam

July 4th is just around the corner. Don’t miss your chance to lead the Town’s July 4th Parade with Uncle Sam. Tickets to enter the raffle are \$5 and will be sold at the **Town Bake-Off** on April 14; all proceeds will go to Habitat for Humanity.

Donations to Manna

Thanks to all of you who contributed money to Manna Food Center at the Town’s annual Chili Dinner. We raised \$500 to help Manna with its programs that feed more than 3,300 individuals and families each month.



COUNCIL ELECTION 2013

Residents with questions on any aspect of the Election are encouraged to contact a member of the Election Board: Cory Modlin, Chair, 301-652-6789; Ed Finn, 301-657-4607; and Steve Lawton, 301-654-5904.

Town Elections

Town Elections are governed by the provisions in Chapter 8 of the Town of Chevy Chase Municipal Code, which state:

“...an election shall be held on the first Tuesday in May of each year to elect members of the Town Council. Three (3) members shall be elected in even numbered years and two (2) members in the odd numbered years.”

Town residents will select two candidates in the 2013 election, each to serve on the Council for a two year term. The terms of Linna Barnes and Pat Burda will expire in May. Both of the incumbents will be candidates in the May 7 election.

NOMINATIONS ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible for nomination, a resident must have resided in the Town for at least one year immediately preceding the election and be a registered voter in the State of Maryland, Town of Chevy Chase.

NOMINATING PROCEDURES

Residents are encouraged to present by petition their names or those of Town residents who are willing to serve on the Town Council. Blank petitions are available in the Town Office, 4301 Willow Lane, 301-654-7144.

Petitions must contain the following information: the candidate's name, address, occupation, length of residency in the Town, a short biographical sketch and a short statement (limit to 400 words or less), confirmation of willingness to serve if elected, and the endorsing signatures, addresses and telephone numbers of at least five persons, other than the candidate, eligible to vote in the above election.

Petitions must be delivered to the Town Office before 5 p.m. on April 16, 2013, the third Tuesday preceding the election, in order for the candidate's name to appear on the printed ballot.

Petitions may be inspected at the Town Hall on **Tuesday, April 16** between the hours of 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. Any challenges to the form of the petitions or the persons signing the petitions must be made in writing and delivered to the Election Board at the Town Office no later than 9 a.m. on **Wednesday, April 17**. The Election Board may make additional nominations and must do so if an insufficient number of candidates have been nominated by petition to ensure that at least one candidate is nominated for each opening on the Town Council.

CANDIDATES MEET AND GREET

If the election is contested, the candidates will be invited to participate in a moderated forum and dialogue with the community on **Thursday, April 25** at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall. The Election Board will accept questions in advance from Town residents. If the election is uncontested, the candidates will be invited to participate in a meet and greet event.

FLOOR NOMINATIONS

Nominations from the floor cannot be considered at the Annual Meeting since voting will begin in advance of the meeting.

WRITE-IN CANDIDATES

There will be appropriate blanks on the printed ballot for the purpose of adding write-in candidates at the time of the election.

NOTICE OF NOMINATIONS

The names, short biographical sketches and short statements of all candidates will be mailed to all residents two weeks preceding the election.

FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE - NEW PROVISION

As a result of changes in Maryland law, the State Ethics Commission decided not to extend the Town's full exemption from the State Ethics Law. Accordingly, the Town Council is working on revising the Town ethics laws to address changes in the State Ethics Law. Once revisions are adopted, Council members, and candidates for office, will be required to submit annual financial disclosure statements. The financial disclosure statement recommended by the State Ethics Commission is available for review at the Town Office.

VOTING ELIGIBILITY

A resident must be a citizen of the United States, at least eighteen years of age, have resided within the corporate limits of the Town for thirty days preceding the Town election and be a registered, qualified voter of the State of Maryland, Town of Chevy Chase to be eligible to vote.

POLL LOCATION AND HOURS

The polls will be located in the Town Hall, 4301 Willow Lane. The polls will be open from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on **Election Day, Tuesday, May 7, 2013**.

ABSENTEE BALLOTS

Any qualified voter may vote by absentee ballot. Residents desiring an absentee ballot individually must apply in writing (by mail, fax, email or in person) to the Town Office. Absentee ballots will be available in the Town Office on **Tuesday, April 23** at 12 p.m. The absentee ballot must be returned in the printed envelope provided by the Town. To be counted, any absentee ballot must be received in the Town Office by 8 p.m. on **Election Day, Tuesday, May 7, 2013**.

Town Events

Lest the Bough Break: Keeping Your Trees Healthy

Wednesday, April 3, 7 p.m., Town Hall



Ever wondered if your trees are healthy? Do you know how to protect your specimen tree? How should you select a tree care company? These and other questions will be answered by Keith Pitchford at the Town Hall on **Wednesday, April 3**. Keith is a widely respected independent arborist and President of Pitchford Associates (pitchfordtrees.com) with a special interest in preservation. Refreshments will be served at 7 p.m. and his talk will start shortly thereafter.

Green Home Tour

Sunday, April 7, 2 – 4 p.m., Sign-up Today!

The second Town of Chevy Chase Green Home Tour will take place on **Sunday, April 7 from 2 to 4 p.m.** See what your neighbors have done to “go green” including geothermal, solar, improved insulation and air sealing, plus cool, new, efficient appliances. In addition, some of the houses have been designed or remodeled for aging in place. Please sign up with the Town Office by calling 301-654-7144 or emailing townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org to receive the guide to the homes. To protect the privacy of the generous homeowners, you must sign up in advance.

Town Bake Off

Sunday, April 14, 2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m., Town Hall



Join your neighbors at the 4th Annual Town of Chevy Chase Bake-Off. All are welcome. Nina Deva, owner of Fraiche Cupcakery (www.fraichecupcakery.com) will be judging Town resident entries of sweet treats (puddings, pastries, candies and chocolates). Bakers should bring enough for at least 8 servings. Eaters should be ready to sample the delicious entries. The winner will receive a gift card to Fraiche Cupcakery, 10219 Old Georgetown Road, Bethesda. Also, don't miss your chance to lead the Town's July 4th Parade with Uncle Sam. Tickets to enter the raffle are \$5 and all proceeds will go to Habitat for Humanity. Whether you will be a baker or an eater, please RSVP to the Town Office at townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or 301-654-7144.

Play Date in the Park

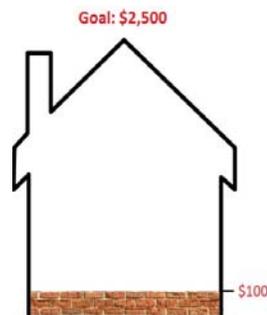
Saturday, April 27, 9 a.m., Lawton Center Playground

Town toddlers, preschoolers and their families are welcome for a morning of play. We will provide juice boxes, coffee and bagels. Families with infants and all older siblings are welcome. Please RSVP to the Town Office at townoffice@townofchevy Chase.org or 301-654-7144.

Habitat for Humanity's Neighborhood Build

April kicks off the Town's efforts to support Habitat for Humanity's newest homeownership project in Gaithersburg for 19 working families in Montgomery County, all of whom earn 30-60% of the area's median income. For a family of four, this translates into an annual salary of \$32,250-\$64,500. Here's how you can help.

As a Neighborhood Build sponsor, our goal in the next two months is to raise \$2,500. Your donations will purchase construction supplies for the project. All tax-deductible donations, big or small, are greatly appreciated. Checks should be made payable to Habitat for Humanity and sent to/dropped off at the Town Office, 4301 Willow Lane. Also, Town residents will also have an opportunity help to work along side Habitat families on the job site. The summer build date will be announced at the May 10 wine and cheese reception and raffle in the Town Hall. Look for details in the next *Forecast*.



Around and About Chevy Chase

Chevy Chase @ Home Programs Age-Friendly Communities and Medical Misadventures

Dr. Alexandre Kalache, former director of the Program on Aging at the World Health Organization (WHO), will speak at the [April 16 Meet & Mingle](#). The topic affects everyone in our neighborhood: "From a Good Idea to a Global Phenomenon: Making Communities More Age Friendly." Join us for this important event on [Tuesday, April 16 from 2 to 4 p.m.](#) at the Chevy Chase Village Hall, to learn ways in which the County can be made a better place for residents of all ages.

Could a medical misadventures happen to you? Sue Bogner, Ph.D., author of *Misadventures in Healthcare*, will give you "Practical Advice on Preventing Medical Errors" at the [April 2 Meet & Mingle](#) from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Village Hall.

Join the [Brunch Bunch](#) on [Thursday, April 11](#) from 10 to 11:30 a.m. at the Olympia Cafe in the Brookville Shopping Center. Buy breakfast or a sinful treat, pull up a chair, and talk about anything that's on your mind. This is a great opportunity to learn more about Chevy Chase At Home.

For more information, visit www.chevychaseathome.org or call 301-657-3115.

Events at the Chevy Chase Library 8005 Connecticut Avenue

*Sponsored by the Friends of the Library Chevy Chase

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| Pre-School Storytime | Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, and *23 (bilingual), 10:30 a.m. |
| Foreign Film Series | Saturday, April 6, 1:00 p.m., <i>Shall We Dance?</i> * |
| Non-Fiction Book Discussion | Wednesday, April 10, 2:30 p.m., <i>A Commonwealth Of Thieves</i> by Thomas Keneally. * |
| Teen Book Discussion | Saturday, April 13, 12 p.m., <i>Treasure Island</i> by Robert Louis Stevenson. * Registration required. |
| Jefferson Café | Friday, April 19, 10:30 a.m., "Beyond The Brain" by Tanya Marie Luhrmann.* |
| Fiction Book Discussion | Wednesday, April 24, 2:30 p.m., <i>The Women</i> by T.C. Boyle. * |

For a complete listing, go to www.montgomerycountymd.gov/libraries, Chevy Chase Library.

Lawton Center Spring Fest - Please Save the Date!

Come enjoy light refreshments, carnival games, inflatable's, an egg hunt, music, magic and more at [Spring Fest 2013!](#) The event will take place at the Jane E. Lawton Community Center, [Saturday, May 4](#) from 12 to 3 p.m. Bring the family for FREE fun.

B-CC Students Organize "Help the Hungry 5K"

[Help the Hungry 5K](#) is a fun community 5K (3.1 mile) race taking place on [Sunday, May 5](#). This race is organized by two current B-CC freshmen, Abigail Levine and Marie Caspard, who are both varsity runners on B-CC's cross country team. Proceeds from this event will go to Bread for the City, a non-profit food bank that provides a variety of legal and social services for those in need in our area. The race will take place by B-CC. For more information, visit www.helpthehungry5k.org.

Maryland Resident Tax Return 2012 - Form 502

FORM 502 MARYLAND RESIDENT INCOME TAX RETURN

OR FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING		2012, ENDING	
Social Security number		Spouse's Social Security number	
Your First Name	Initial	Last Name	
Spouse's First Name	Initial	Last Name	
Present Address (No. and street)			
City or Town		State	ZIP code
Name of county and incorporated city, town or special taxing area in which you resided on the last day of the taxable period. (See Instruction 6)		Maryland County	City, Town, or Taxing Area Town of CH CH

A major source of revenue that the Town receives each year is the Town's share of income taxes, which each resident pays to the State of Maryland. Remember to write *Town of Chevy Chase* in the box marked city, town or taxing area. If you use a tax form online, please type TOWN OF CH CH in the box (there are not enough spaces for the complete spelling). This will ensure that a portion of your tax dollars will return to the Town so that the Town can continue to provide exceptional municipal services. Do not assume that people at the state level understand the different municipalities that share the 20815 zip code.

Sign up on the Town's website www.townofchevychase.org to receive Town Crier emails, Alert TOCC voicemail messages and an electronic copy of the FORECAST.

TOWN COUNCIL
Patricia Burda, Mayor
David Lublin, Vice Mayor
Al Lang, Secretary
Linna Barnes, Treasurer
Kathy Strom, Community Liaison

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TRASH AND TREASURES

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!



The Town's spring Trash and Treasures is scheduled for the weekend of **Saturday, April 20 and Sunday, April 21**. The Town offers this bulk trash pickup so that residents can dispose of items that are no longer usable, such as appliances (doors must be removed for safety), furniture, rolled rugs, mattresses, games and bikes, but if the items are usable we encourage you to review the list of **Alternatives to Trash and Treasures**. We have tried to give you a variety of options. If you are not sure how to dispose of an item, please call the Town Office.

GUIDELINES

Please Remember To Bag, Box Or Contain All Of Your Discards.

Please Do Not Put Items On The Curb Before Friday Afternoon, April 19.

The Following Items Will Not Be Picked Up:

- NO construction debris
- NO parts of junked automobiles (engines, transmissions), boats or trailers
- NO loose glass of any kind
- NO firewood or fencing of any kind
- NO paint cans
- NO flammable or hazardous liquids or solids
- NO recyclable items, such as newspapers, mixed paper or cardboard, landscape pots, old books and magazines, large plastic bins for bird/pet food— please recycle!
- NO shrubbery cuttings, yard clippings, leaves or grass – recycle with yard trash!

If you have questions about how to discard any of these items, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144. We will be happy to help you arrange a special pick-up for items that are not included in Trash and Treasures. There will be a charge for a special pickup.

PICK UP SCHEDULE: At 7 a.m., **Monday, April 22**, a crew will begin clearing feeder streets to Chevy Chase Elementary School. During non-rush hours, the peripheral streets will be cleared. After these priority streets are cleared, the truck will proceed according to a schedule arranged with the Town Manager. An account of daily progress will be kept in the Town Office. Once a street has been cleared, the contractor will *not* return to that street. Residents who discard items after the street has been cleared will have to arrange for a special pick-up – for a fee.

Hazardous Waste Disposal

The Household Hazardous Waste receiving area at the Shady Grove Solid Waste Transfer Station is located in the recycling drop-off section of the Public Unloading Area, 16101 Frederick Rd, Derwood, MD 20855. Please use the Car Entrance to the facility. The drop-off is open: 7 a.m. to 8 p.m., Monday - Friday; 7 a.m. – 5 p.m., Saturday; and 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Sunday. Household Hazardous Waste can only be received during these hours -- please do not drop off this material at other times. Batteries are accepted (alkaline batteries may be put in regular trash), fertilizers with herbicides, fluorescent light tubes and bulbs, including CFLs, herbicides, insecticides, mercury containing items, oil-based paints, paint thinners, pesticides, used motor oil and most other oils. For a complete list of items accepted or more information, visit the website, www.montgomerycountymd.gov/recycling.

New Homes for Old Bikes

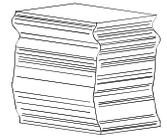


Bikes for the World (BfW) is a project sponsored by the Washington Area Bicyclist Association whose mission is to collect valuable but unwanted bicycles and related material--parts, tools, and accessories--in the United States and deliver them at low cost to community development programs assisting the poor in developing countries. If you have a bike you would like to donate, please take it to City Bikes, 8401 Connecticut Avenue, 301-652-1777. A \$10/bike donation is suggested to defray shipping to overseas charity partners. Receipt provided for all material and cash donations. For more information, please visit the BfW website, www.bikesfortheworld.org.

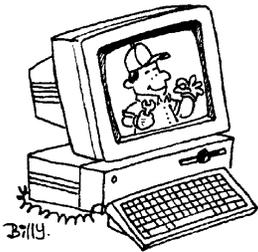
ALTERNATIVES TO TRASH AND TREASURES

Shred-It – Shred Your Documents

Back by popular demand! The Town has contracted with SHRED-IT to have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** to shred paper for residents. Staples and paper clips are okay. Shred-It is bonded and insured. If you have additional questions, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144.



Recycle Electronic Equipment



The Town has contracted with National Reclamation to have a truck in the Lawton Center Parking Lot on **Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** for the collection of the following electronic equipment: monitors, printers, copiers, stereos, VCRs & DVD players, camcorders, CD players, fax machines, calculators, scanners, electronic toys and microwaves. You can recycle any item with a plug. **Only flat screen TVs are recyclable. Older model TVs are not recyclable.** National Reclamation does not provide tax deduction receipts. If you have a question about items not listed, please call the Town Office at 301-654-7144.

Donate Books

The Chevy Chase Chapter of the Friends of the Library will be at the Lawton Center on Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. taking donations of used books. Textbooks are welcome, but no magazines or encyclopedias will be accepted. The donations will benefit the Chevy Chase Library and other public libraries in Montgomery County.



Interfaith Works

Recycle your gently used clothing and home goods and preserve our planet while helping your Montgomery County neighbors in need. The Interfaith Clothing Centers provide clothing/home goods free of charge to low income County residents. Please put items in a plastic bag that has been secured at the top. Your donation is tax deductible. Interfaith Works will have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.**

A Wider Circle

We are happy to continue our eighteenth-year partnership with A Wider Circle to collect usable items for families in need. The mission of A Wider Circle is to work to reverse the cycles of poverty and poor health by providing programs and services free of charge to needy families in the Washington, DC area. A Wider Circle will have a truck in the Lawton Center parking lot on **Saturday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.** If you have household items in good condition that you would like to donate, please bring them to the drop-off. Our families always need these items: Beds (Mattresses, Box Springs, and Frames); Cribs, Changing Tables, Strollers, High Chairs, and other baby items; Dressers; Kitchen Tables and Sets of Chairs; Sofas and living room chairs in very good or excellent condition - no rips or stains please; End Tables, Coffee Tables, and Lamps (with Shades); Televisions – with remote if available; Kitchen Items - sets of dishes, silverware, pots & pans, toasters, and microwaves; Fans/Air Conditioning Units -clean and in good working order and Sheets and Towels. If you have larger items of furniture in good condition such as mattresses, box springs, chests and tables that you would like to donate, you can call A Wider Circle at 301-608-3504 to ask if the items are needed. (Mattresses and box springs are desperately needed!) In some cases, A Wider Circle will arrange to pick up the items.



Donate Building Supplies

The following organizations accept donations of reusable or new building materials. Please visit their websites or give them a call. For large items, both organizations will arrange special pickups.

Community Forklift <http://communityforklift.com> 301-985-5180

Habitat for Humanity <http://www.habitat-mc.org> 301-947-3304