February Greetings WR Partners!

2020-2021 Hosting Schedule:

We are coming down the homestretch on this hosting season - it is hard to believe that we are already making preparations for the 2020-2021 season. Our next Site Coordinator's meeting will be held this coming Tuesday, February 11th at 7:00pm in the Community Recovery Center here at Arundel House of Hope. This year we will again use a modified lottery system. Any site who would like to request a specific week, please let me know by the end of the day on Sunday, February 9th via email. Requests will be placed on the schedule and will become official only after the site's lottery number is drawn. Any site whose number is called prior to a site who made a tentative request can bump a site out of their week if there is competition for a given week. We did this last year and it worked very well.

14th Annual Bid for Hope, February 9th 2pm-6pm at La Fontaine Bleue:

Please join us for our 14th annual fundraising event to help raise funds for our programs and services designed to help those experiencing homelessness in Anne Arundel county. This year we celebrate the 20th anniversary of The Fouse Center, a program committed to providing men who are homeless with housing and support services. Named after Jim Fouse, the Founder of Arundel House of Hope and the Winter Relief Shelter Program, the Fouse Center is the first and only transitional housing program offering intensive support services to homeless men such as substance abuse and mental health support. The program strives to move clients back into the community with the goal of having each graduate live independently. For ticket information please click <here>.

A big shout out to the **Mod Squad** for their quick response to the need for additional assistance at several of our sites the past few weeks! You hosted in the evenings and weekends, helped with meals, and did a few of the overnights! This is a great team of volunteers who are "on call" should the need arise during the season at any of our hosting sites. Anyone interested in joining the team, just send me an email and I will put you on our distribution list. If I receive requests from hosting sites, an email is sent out to the team. If you can help with any of the needs, you reply where you can help and the hosting site will contact you.

This month will be our last Site Coordinator's meeting of the season, but we will be holding our annual **End of the Season Appreciation Dinner** in April. Stay tuned for details!

Thanks so much for the difference you have made in the lives of so many! In His service, ~Pam

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