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FROM: Carolyn Sutterfield, City of Fairfax Representative and COA Chair

RE: Fairfax Area Commission on Aging (COA)

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**TO**: Mayor and Fairfax City Council

**FROM**: Judith C. Turcott,

City of Fairfax Representative to Fairfax Area Disability Services Board

**SUBJECT**: Fairfax Area Disability Services Board Report

**DATE**: October 2019

The Fairfax Area Disability Services Board (FA-DSB) vision: To include people with disabilities into mainstream community life by identifying, communicating, and advocating their diverse capabilities and needs to state and local governments and the private sector; and to help and provide resources to meet the needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities.

October 2019- This is Disability Awareness Month- A proclamation was made by the Fairfax Board of Supervisors on 9/24. Members of the FA-DSB were present to accept the proclamation.

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The Employment Committee for the FA-DSB continues to advocate for the removal of the driver's license requirement from many of its job announcements. Often this is limiting factor and will not allow qualified candidates to even enter the application process.

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The annual Martha Glennan Awards: The Fairfax Area Disability Services Board's *Martha Glennan Disability Inclusion and Equality Awards* are presented annually to recognize people, businesses, nonprofits, government agencies, and other organizations that excel in successfully demonstrating integration and equal rights for people with disabilities in the Fairfax area. Honorees demonstrate a strong commitment to the full inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of community life, including (but not limited to) housing, employment, public accommodation, integration, education, transition, home based supports, recreation and transportation.

The nomination process for this will be opening soon. If you know anyone who might be a candidate for this award, please keep them in mind. You can find additional information here. <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities/martha-glennan-disability-inclusion-and-equality-awards">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities/martha-glennan-disability-inclusion-and-equality-awards</a>

I will pass along the nomination form to Lesley when it becomes available.

Fairfax County completed another successful summer with the John Hudson Internship Program. The John Hudson Internship Program is a paid summer internship program in Fairfax County Government agencies for college students and recent graduates with disabilities. FA-DSB is looking toward expanding this program to a year round program.

The Welcoming Inclusion Network of Community Services Board has updated its one to five year planning document to include the following area for people with disabilities; **Retirement**- Increased utilization of Community based Older adult services. Further cross-agency planning to develop volunteer opportunities. **Training-** Access and advance inclusive adaptive services at existing vocational training centers. **Self-Directed Services-** Increased utilization of Self-Directed Services via individual transfers first and as needed to support increased community capacity. **Inclusive Hiring-** I increased utilization of group supported employment opportunities. See the full CSB plan here: <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/sites/community-services-board/files/assets/documents/pdf/strategic-plan.pdf">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/sites/community-services-board/files/assets/documents/pdf/strategic-plan.pdf</a>

To: Fairfax City Council From: Andrew Wankum Date: October 28, 2019

Subject: Health Systems Agency Board of Directors Report

The Board of Directors for the Health Systems Agency of Northern VA (HSANV) makes recommendations to the Virginia Commissioner of Health on whether to grant a Certificate of Public Need (COPN) to health care providers before proposed acquisitions, expansions, or creations of health care facilities or provider offices are allowed. HSANV covers Planning District 8, which includes the cities of Fairfax, Alexandria, Falls Church, Manassas, Manassas Park and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William.

Virginia law requires owners and sponsors of identified medical care facility projects to secure a Certificate of Public Need (COPN) from the State Health Commissioner prior to initiating projects such as general acute care services, perinatal services, diagnostic imaging services, cardiac services, general surgical services, organ transplantation services, medical rehabilitation services, psychiatric/substance abuse services, mental retardation services, lithotripsy services, miscellaneous capital expenditures and nursing facility services.

Below is the status of projects in our planning district.

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The Commissioner of Health has approved the Inova Loudoun Hospital COPN application seeking authorization to add 44 medical-surgical beds (COPN Request VA-8388). HSANV recommended approval of the application on October 9, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff recommended denial of the application. An informal fact finding conference was held on March 12, 2019. In order to gain approval of the project, Inova Health System agreed to reduce bed capacity elsewhere in the Inova hospital network (presumably Inova Alexandria Hospital) when the additional beds at ILH are licensed.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Virginia Cancer Specialists COPN application seeking authorization to relocate its radiation therapy service (COPN Request VA-8418). HSANV recommended approval of the application on March 4, 2019. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Carient Heart and Vascular COPN application seeking authorization to establish a PET imaging service in Manassas, VA (COPN Request VA-8405). HSANV recommended approval of the application, with two charity care conditions, on December 10, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application with the charity care conditions.

The Commissioner of Health has denied the Reston Hospital Center COPN application seeking authorization to introduce open heart surgery (COPN Request VA-8306). HSANV recommended denial of the application at its November 13, 2017 meeting. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended denial of the application. An informal fact finding conference (IFFC) was held on September 5, 2018.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Tysons LPC, LLC COPN application seeking authorization to develop a 42-bed long term nursing care facility (nursing home) at The Mather, a Fairfax County continuing care retirement community (COPN Request VA-8387). HSANV recommended approval of the application at its September 10, 2018 meeting. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application.

## Applications with Informal Fact Finding Conferences (IFFCs) Pending

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## Applications Complete/Hearing(s) or Board Action Pending

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital in Woodbridge, VA (COPN Request VA-8467). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

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Loudoun Hospital Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to acquire a cardiac catheterization laboratory (COPN Request VA-8461). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

## **New Application Filings**

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# **Applications Deferred**

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Virginia Hospital Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to relocate a linear accelerator to Fairfax County (COPN Request VA-8243). Consideration of the application has been deferred to the next review cycle.

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Dominion Plastic Surgery: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital in Fairfax County (COPN Request VA-8364).

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**TO:** City of Fairfax Council and Human Services Committee

FROM: Dorothy Sorrell

**RE**: Homelessness and Affordable Housing

**DATE:** October 28, 2019

1. The Bailey's Shelter and Supportive Housing for adults is an innovative approach for housing our homeless residents and helping them transition into permanent housing. Scheduled to open in November 2019, the new facility will be located at 5914 Seminary Road. It will replace the existing Bailey's Shelter located at 3525 Moncure Avenue. There will be fifty-two emergency shelter beds to serve single adults, including four medical respite beds. There will also be 18 personal living quarters, and 24 hour staffing.

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- 5. Committee Reports

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- g. Library Board of Trusteesh. Long Term Care CoordinatingJocelyn Rappaport
- i. ASAP Sandra Sale
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  - o Georgia Bachman of the CSB provided an overview on a new digital behavioral health resource: My Strength. The CSB has enrolled in the program for two years, with a goal of making it widely available to the Fairfax Community including the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church. It was clarified that it can be used for interim assistance while an individual is waiting for a first treatment appointment. It was noted that the CSB will receive only aggregate data for users; no personal data will be shared. Cards with access information were distributed to all attendees, with encouragement to visit the program as well as broadly distribute the information. The program may be accessed at www.My Strength.com, noting that the platform is also provided in a mobile app. The access code is CSBPartner.
- The Wellness and Recovery Committee presented the annual Pathways to Wellness Conference on October, 18, 2019, from 8:30 until 2:30 in the Fairfax County Government Center. Its title is "Becoming Your Best Self: Putting the Pieces Together". There were fantastic keynote and motivational speakers, including Michael T. Lane, Director of Individual and Family Affairs, CSB, and Pete and Kevin Early. The speakers shared their personal struggles with mental illness and homelessness. Pete Early is a journalist, writing 17 books, including the book "Crazy" and Kevin Early (Pete's son) tells his story through song.

**TO**: Mayor and Fairfax City Council

**FROM**: Judith C. Turcott,

City of Fairfax Representative to Fairfax Area Disability Services Board

**SUBJECT**: Fairfax Area Disability Services Board Report

**DATE**: October 2019

The Fairfax Area Disability Services Board (FA-DSB) vision: To include people with disabilities into mainstream community life by identifying, communicating, and advocating their diverse capabilities and needs to state and local governments and the private sector; and to help and provide resources to meet the needs of persons with physical and sensory disabilities.

October 2019- This is Disability Awareness Month- A proclamation was made by the Fairfax Board of Supervisors on 9/24. Members of the FA-DSB were present to accept the proclamation.

The FA-DSB sent out a community needs assessment was sent out in the month of September to look at the needs of the disabiled community in Fairfax County. The survey recently closed and the staff at Fairfax County is currently collating the results.

The Employment Committee for the FA-DSB continues to advocate for the removal of the driver's license requirement from many of its job announcements. Often this is limiting factor and will not allow qualified candidates to even enter the application process.

The FC Dept of Family Services Disability Services Planning and Development staff is working on an emergency response guide for people with disabilities that will be completed in the coming months.

The annual Martha Glennan Awards: The Fairfax Area Disability Services Board's *Martha Glennan Disability Inclusion and Equality Awards* are presented annually to recognize people, businesses, nonprofits, government agencies, and other organizations that excel in successfully demonstrating integration and equal rights for people with disabilities in the Fairfax area. Honorees demonstrate a strong commitment to the full inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of community life, including (but not limited to) housing, employment, public accommodation, integration, education, transition, home based supports, recreation and transportation.

The nomination process for this will be opening soon. If you know anyone who might be a candidate for this award, please keep them in mind. You can find additional information here. <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities/martha-glennan-disability-inclusion-and-equality-awards">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities/martha-glennan-disability-inclusion-and-equality-awards</a>

I will pass along the nomination form to Lesley when it becomes available.

Fairfax County completed another successful summer with the John Hudson Internship Program. The John Hudson Internship Program is a paid summer internship program in Fairfax County Government agencies for college students and recent graduates with disabilities. FA-DSB is looking toward expanding this program to a year round program.

The Welcoming Inclusion Network of Community Services Board has updated its one to five year planning document to include the following area for people with disabilities; **Retirement**- Increased utilization of Community based Older adult services. Further cross-agency planning to develop volunteer opportunities. **Training-** Access and advance inclusive adaptive services at existing vocational training centers. **Self-Directed Services-** Increased utilization of Self-Directed Services via individual transfers first and as needed to support increased community capacity. **Inclusive Hiring-** I increased utilization of group supported employment opportunities. See the full CSB plan here: <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/sites/community-services-board/files/assets/documents/pdf/strategic-plan.pdf">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/community-services-board/sites/community-services-board/files/assets/documents/pdf/strategic-plan.pdf</a>

To: Fairfax City Council From: Andrew Wankum Date: October 28, 2019

Subject: Health Systems Agency Board of Directors Report

The Board of Directors for the Health Systems Agency of Northern VA (HSANV) makes recommendations to the Virginia Commissioner of Health on whether to grant a Certificate of Public Need (COPN) to health care providers before proposed acquisitions, expansions, or creations of health care facilities or provider offices are allowed. HSANV covers Planning District 8, which includes the cities of Fairfax, Alexandria, Falls Church, Manassas, Manassas Park and the counties of Arlington, Fairfax, Loudoun and Prince William.

Virginia law requires owners and sponsors of identified medical care facility projects to secure a Certificate of Public Need (COPN) from the State Health Commissioner prior to initiating projects such as general acute care services, perinatal services, diagnostic imaging services, cardiac services, general surgical services, organ transplantation services, medical rehabilitation services, psychiatric/substance abuse services, mental retardation services, lithotripsy services, miscellaneous capital expenditures and nursing facility services.

Below is the status of projects in our planning district.

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The Commissioner of Health has approved the Inova Healthcare Service COPN application seeking authorization to relocate and replace MRI scanners in Fairfax County (COPN Request VA-8442). HSANV recommended approval of the application on July 8, 2019. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Heritage Hall-Leesburg COPN application seeking authorization to expand by adding 30 nursing home beds (COPN Request VA-8424). HSANV recommended denial of the application on April 8, 2019. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended denial of the application. An informal fact finding conference (IFFC) was held on June 4, 2019.

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20, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff recommended that the application be denied. An informal fact finding conference (IFFC) was held on June 6, 2019.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Inova Loudoun Hospital COPN application seeking authorization to add 44 medical-surgical beds (COPN Request VA-8388). HSANV recommended approval of the application on October 9, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff recommended denial of the application. An informal fact finding conference was held on March 12, 2019. In order to gain approval of the project, Inova Health System agreed to reduce bed capacity elsewhere in the Inova hospital network (presumably Inova Alexandria Hospital) when the additional beds at ILH are licensed.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Virginia Cancer Specialists COPN application seeking authorization to relocate its radiation therapy service (COPN Request VA-8418). HSANV recommended approval of the application on March 4, 2019. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Carient Heart and Vascular COPN application seeking authorization to establish a PET imaging service in Manassas, VA (COPN Request VA-8405). HSANV recommended approval of the application, with two charity care conditions, on December 10, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application with the charity care conditions.

The Commissioner of Health has denied the Reston Hospital Center COPN application seeking authorization to introduce open heart surgery (COPN Request VA-8306). HSANV recommended denial of the application at its November 13, 2017 meeting. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended denial of the application. An informal fact finding conference (IFFC) was held on September 5, 2018.

The Commissioner of Health has approved the Tysons LPC, LLC COPN application seeking authorization to develop a 42-bed long term nursing care facility (nursing home) at The Mather, a Fairfax County continuing care retirement community (COPN Request VA-8387). HSANV recommended approval of the application at its September 10, 2018 meeting. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff also recommended approval of the application.

## Applications with Informal Fact Finding Conferences (IFFCs) Pending

Reston Hospital Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to expand its surgery service by establishing an open heart surgery program (COPN Request VA-8436). A public hearing was held on the application on May 6, 2019. HSANV recommended denial of the application on May 20, 2018. Virginia Division of Certificate of Public Need (DCOPN) staff recommends that the application be denied. IFFC is pending.

## Applications Complete/Hearing(s) or Board Action Pending

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital in Woodbridge, VA (COPN Request VA-8467). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

Franconia-Springfield Surgery Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to add one general purpose operating room (COPN Request VA-8465). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

Virginia Hospital Center Edison: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital COPN Request VA-8462). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

Loudoun Hospital Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to acquire a cardiac catheterization laboratory (COPN Request VA-8461). A public hearing was held on the application on October 7, 2019.

## **New Application Filings**

Kaiser Foundation Health Plan has filed a COPN application seeking authorization to establish CT scanning service, an MRI imaging service, a PET-CT service and a non-cardiac nuclear medicine service in Woodbridge, VA (COPN Request VA-8468).

# **Applications Deferred**

Inova Fair Oaks Hospital: a COPN application seeking authorization to acquire a CT scanner for intraoperative use (COPN Request VA-8264). Consideration of the application has been deferred to the next review cycle.

Virginia Hospital Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to relocate a linear accelerator to Fairfax County (COPN Request VA-8243). Consideration of the application has been deferred to the next review cycle.

# Applications Left Incomplete, Withdrawn, Reinstated

Dominion Plastic Surgery: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital in Fairfax County (COPN Request VA-8364).

Seven Corners Surgery Center: a COPN application seeking authorization to establish an outpatient surgical hospital (COPN Request VA-8301). The application filed was left incomplete.

**TO:** City of Fairfax Council and Human Services Committee

FROM: Dorothy Sorrell

**RE**: Homelessness and Affordable Housing

**DATE:** October 28, 2019

1. The Bailey's Shelter and Supportive Housing for adults is an innovative approach for housing our homeless residents and helping them transition into permanent housing. Scheduled to open in November 2019, the new facility will be located at 5914 Seminary Road. It will replace the existing Bailey's Shelter located at 3525 Moncure Avenue. There will be fifty-two emergency shelter beds to serve single adults, including four medical respite beds. There will also be 18 personal living quarters, and 24 hour staffing.

- 2. The Hypothermia Prevention Program is a collaborative effort that serves the critical needs of those experiencing homelessness when they are in most danger of exposure to cold weather. Some sites will open beginning November 15, and all will extend to March 31. For general questions about the Hypothermia Prevention Program, please contact Abby Dunner in the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness (OPEH) at abby.dunner@fairfaxcounty.gov.
  - In the South County/Route One Area New Hope Housing; Rising Hope United Methodist Mission Church
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In addition to the nonprofit providers and faith communities above, the Hypothermia Prevention Program relies on the effective collaboration and partnership of many other county agencies, including the Community Services Board (CSB), Fairfax County Health Department's Homeless Healthcare Program (HHP), Department of Family Services (DFS), Police Department, Sheriff's Office, Fire Marshal's Office, Land Development Services, and the Office to Prevent and End Homelessness (OPEH). These groups support the program and its client's essential service and safety needs throughout the season.

Fairfax County continues to operate the three shelters that serve single individuals and the four shelters that serve families (six facilities total) year-round for those experiencing homelessness. The phone numbers and addresses for the year-round shelters are available on the Office to End and Prevent Homeless (OPEH) web page.

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Disability definition for those 18 and over: The inability to engage in Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) by reason of any medically determinable (physical and/or mental or blind) impairment. The disability must have lasted or be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months or result in death. SGA: \$1,220 gross/month for 2019.

Presenter's contact information: Cervoni Disability Law, <a href="www.cervonidisabilitylaw.com">www.cervonidisabilitylaw.com</a> (703) 241-2625; dcervoni@cervonidisabilitylaw.com

# Birmingham Green

Aaron Rebuck, Marketing Liaison, spoke about Birmingham Green, a 44 acre campus with three facilities which include two assisted living communities and one nursing home in Northern Virginia. Birmingham Green's vision is "Believe in dignity for every person." For more information visit: <a href="https://www.birminghamgreen.org">www.birminghamgreen.org</a>

Birmingham Green uses the philosophy of the Eden alternative <a href="www.edenalt.org">www.edenalt.org</a> which embraces that every individual is unique, and every person deserves compassion and respect, and to have their passion and desires be part of the conversation in their care and resident life.

### Parkinson's disease

LTCCC member Sonia Gow gave a presentation on Parkinson's disease. The Parkinson's Foundation Prevalence Project estimates there will be 930,000 people living with Parkinson's by 2020 in the US. Website resources include:

- American Parkinson Disease Association www.apdaparkinson.org
- Parkinson's Foundation www.parkinson.org
- Inova Movement Disorders Center www.inova.org/movement-disorders-program
- Parkinson Social Network https://parkinsonsocialnetwork.org/events/keep-moving

## No Wrong Door Advisory Council Report: Meals on Wheels Program

Shannon Dodd, Program Supervisor for the Fairfax Area Agency on Aging's nutrition unit, discussed the Meals on Wheels Program. There are two nutrition teams of 15 people each, serving all of the Fairfax area. The Meals on Wheels Program provides nutritional support to homebound individuals age 60 and over. Other clients, aged 18 and over, are also served if they meet certain criteria. The Meals on Wheels Program is not an income based service. For those who are able, financial contributions are accepted to help with funding the program. The Ensure program (liquid nutrition) is being phased out.

For most clients, 11 meals a week are delivered. 1300 volunteers support the program. Currently, volunteer drivers are needed in Annandale, Reston, Herndon and Mt. Vernon. There are about 900 clients being served. The programs follows the Fairfax County Public Schools weather closures.

For more information: <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/older-adults/fairfax-area-meals-on-wheels">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/older-adults/fairfax-area-meals-on-wheels</a>

## Fairfax Area Disability Services Board (DSB)

Leeann Alberts, LTCCC member appointed by the DSB, explained Census information for the Fairfax area pertaining to individuals with disabilities, and provided the following data: people with disabilities make up 15% of the population of Virginia and have an employment rate of 41%, whereas people without disabilities have an 83% employment rate. People with disabilities are almost twice as likely to live in poverty as people without disabilities.

Website: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities

## Electric Scooter/Bicycle Potential Risks

Mobility and Transportation Committee member, Doris Ray, mentioned that electric scooter/bicycle use in urban areas is a concern because they are left on sidewalks and pose a safety risk for individuals with disabilities and older adults who use sidewalks. The committee is considering preparing an advocacy statement for establishment of a policy about this (for the LTCCC's approval).

## **Upcoming or Ongoing Events:**

**November 11, 2019:** Northern Virginia Dementia Care Consortium Conference, hosted by the Korean Central Presbyterian Church in Centerville, will provide information about research and support for those caring for people with dementia. Information and registration: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caregivers-conference-the-art-of-friendship-in-caregiving-registration-64178326101">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caregivers-conference-the-art-of-friendship-in-caregiving-registration-64178326101</a>

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Disability definition for those under age 18: The individual can be found disabled if they have a medically determinable physical or mental impairment which results in marked and severe functional limitations and which can be expected to result in death or which has lasted, or can be expected to last, for a continuous period of not less than 12 months.

Disability definition for those 18 and over: The inability to engage in Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) by reason of any medically determinable (physical and/or mental or blind) impairment. The disability must have lasted or be expected to last for a continuous period of not less than 12 months or result in death. SGA: \$1,220 gross/month for 2019.

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# Birmingham Green

Aaron Rebuck, Marketing Liaison, spoke about Birmingham Green, a 44 acre campus with three facilities which include two assisted living communities and one nursing home in Northern Virginia. Birmingham Green's vision is "Believe in dignity for every person." For more information visit: <a href="https://www.birminghamgreen.org">www.birminghamgreen.org</a>

Birmingham Green uses the philosophy of the Eden alternative <a href="www.edenalt.org">www.edenalt.org</a> which embraces that every individual is unique, and every person deserves compassion and respect, and to have their passion and desires be part of the conversation in their care and resident life.

### Parkinson's disease

LTCCC member Sonia Gow gave a presentation on Parkinson's disease. The Parkinson's Foundation Prevalence Project estimates there will be 930,000 people living with Parkinson's by 2020 in the US. Website resources include:

- American Parkinson Disease Association www.apdaparkinson.org
- Parkinson's Foundation www.parkinson.org
- Inova Movement Disorders Center www.inova.org/movement-disorders-program
- Parkinson Social Network https://parkinsonsocialnetwork.org/events/keep-moving

## No Wrong Door Advisory Council Report: Meals on Wheels Program

Shannon Dodd, Program Supervisor for the Fairfax Area Agency on Aging's nutrition unit, discussed the Meals on Wheels Program. There are two nutrition teams of 15 people each, serving all of the Fairfax area. The Meals on Wheels Program provides nutritional support to homebound individuals age 60 and over. Other clients, aged 18 and over, are also served if they meet certain criteria. The Meals on Wheels Program is not an income based service. For those who are able, financial contributions are accepted to help with funding the program. The Ensure program (liquid nutrition) is being phased out.

For most clients, 11 meals a week are delivered. 1300 volunteers support the program. Currently, volunteer drivers are needed in Annandale, Reston, Herndon and Mt. Vernon. There are about 900 clients being served. The programs follows the Fairfax County Public Schools weather closures.

For more information: <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/older-adults/fairfax-area-meals-on-wheels">https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/older-adults/fairfax-area-meals-on-wheels</a>

## Fairfax Area Disability Services Board (DSB)

Leeann Alberts, LTCCC member appointed by the DSB, explained Census information for the Fairfax area pertaining to individuals with disabilities, and provided the following data: people with disabilities make up 15% of the population of Virginia and have an employment rate of 41%, whereas people without disabilities have an 83% employment rate. People with disabilities are almost twice as likely to live in poverty as people without disabilities.

Website: www.fairfaxcounty.gov/familyservices/disabilities

## Electric Scooter/Bicycle Potential Risks

Mobility and Transportation Committee member, Doris Ray, mentioned that electric scooter/bicycle use in urban areas is a concern because they are left on sidewalks and pose a safety risk for individuals with disabilities and older adults who use sidewalks. The committee is considering preparing an advocacy statement for establishment of a policy about this (for the LTCCC's approval).

## **Upcoming or Ongoing Events:**

**November 11, 2019:** Northern Virginia Dementia Care Consortium Conference, hosted by the Korean Central Presbyterian Church in Centerville, will provide information about research and support for those caring for people with dementia. Information and registration: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caregivers-conference-the-art-of-friendship-in-caregiving-registration-64178326101">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/caregivers-conference-the-art-of-friendship-in-caregiving-registration-64178326101</a>

**November 14, 2019:** Washington Area Village Exchange (WAVE) Conference at Marymount University Conference Center: WAVE is an organization through which aging-in-place villages in the DC metropolitan area share experiences and ideas to encourage the growth and improvement of the village

movement within the Washington DC area. Registration for the conference, which is open to villages and organizations interested in partnering with villages, can be found here: <a href="https://www.wavevillages.org/images/Mini-Conference\_Details\_and\_Registration\_2019-11-14.pdf">www.wavevillages.org/images/Mini-Conference\_Details\_and\_Registration\_2019-11-14.pdf</a>

For information about village programs in Fairfax area, and how to obtain assistance to explore developing one in your neighborhood: <a href="https://www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/neighbor">www.fairfaxcounty.gov/health/neighbor</a>

**Ongoing:** Sentimental Journey Singers, a chorale for people with dementia, their friends and family, is a singing chorale that meets at Insight Memory Care Center on Monday mornings. <a href="https://www.insightmcc.org/programs/social-programs/sentimental-journey-singers.html">www.insightmcc.org/programs/social-programs/sentimental-journey-singers.html</a>