



# 10 Years

**Arlington Neighborhood Village** was established in 2014 by a group of friends looking to answer their own questions—How can we continue to live here in Arlington, in the homes and neighborhoods we love, as we age? What community support do we need to remain independent, but not alone?

After ten years in operation, our Village has answered those questions for more than 800 members, thanks to the support of hundreds of volunteers and coordination of a small staff. From providing practical help like transportation, errands, home chores, and tech support to hosting social activities like our weekly speaker series, bocce, games, happy hour, and tai chi sessions, Arlington Neighborhood Village has connected older adults with their community, enabling them to live independently in the place they call home.

More than a service provider, our Village is a lifeline, forging bonds that engage, enrich, and empower older adults. Together we are creating an Arlington where older residents of all abilities, races, cultures, and means can “age in place” with dignity and autonomy, connected to a vibrant, caring community.

Our growth from a fledgling experiment to a trusted network is a tribute to the efforts of our visionary founders, multi-generational corps of active volunteers, committed community partners, dedicated Board members, and talented staff. We’ve taken the Village model and become a model Village, privileged to look back on our first ten years and energized to look ahead to the future.

Together we’ve harnessed the power of neighbors helping neighbors to make a decade of difference for all.

## Accomplishments 2014-2024

817 Members  
21,887 Requests Filled  
74,008 Hours Donated by Volunteers  
255,987 Miles Driven by Volunteers

## Accomplishments 2023

400 Members  
4,095 Requests Filled  
11,791 Hours Donated by Volunteers  
43,819 Miles Driven by Volunteers

## ANV Leadership ●●●●

We are grateful to ANV Founders who stepped up to solve a challenging problem – how to provide support to older adults in Arlington who wanted to stay in their homes and community as they aged. These individuals – Paxton Baker, Elaine Collins, Ann Connell, Susan Jung, Gail Kutner, Pete Olivere, Carol Paquette, Andrea Pendleton, Mary Beth Tschetter, Andrea Walker, and Anita Wallgren – were soon joined by Board members, staff, and consultants to provide the leadership and management needed to nurture and grow ANV.



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*ANV has passed the expectations of the planning team. Nearly 13 years ago we had a vision... ANV today has enhanced and expanded that vision far beyond what we had hoped for.”*

-Elaine, ANV Founder

## Staff ●●●●

Wendy Zenker, Executive Director  
Jeanne Radday, Member Services Director  
Mary Ellis Bowler, Member Services Specialist

## Consultants ●●●●

Noel Durman, Development & Special Projects  
Kelly Halteh, Care Manager  
Michelle McMahon, Community Ambassador Program  
Cindy Salavantis, Volunteer Coordinator  
Wendy Shapiro, Volunteer Coordination & Community Ambassador Program

## Pro Bono Support ●●●●

R. Douglas Taylor, Bean, Kinney and Korman

## Community Partners ●●●●

Affordable Homes & Communities  
Arlington County Department of Human Services  
Arlington County Department of Community Planning, Housing, and Development  
Arlington County Department of Parks & Recreation  
Arlington County Public Library  
Arlington Food Assistance Center  
Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing  
Consumer Checkbook  
Culpepper Garden  
Goodwin Living  
Leadership Center of Arlington  
Northern Virginia Falls Prevention Alliance

Over the past decade, ANV has received significant support from these philanthropic and government organizations

AARP  
Arlington Community Foundation  
Arlington County  
Arlington County Community Development Fund  
Arlington Presbyterian Church of the Covenant  
Arlington Women's Civic Alliance  
The Bergstrom Foundation  
The Cloudbreak Foundation  
Community Care Corps  
Dominion Energy Charitable Foundation  
The Dominion Guild  
Home Instead Senior Care Foundation  
Northern Virginia Alliance League  
St. Mary's Episcopal Church  
The Scheidel Foundation  
The Washington Forrest Foundation  
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