



ALIVE!Wire

Neighbors Helping Neighbors

Alexandria, Virginia



FROM PROGRESS TO POSSIBILITY: HOW ALIVE! IS EXPANDING ITS USE OF DATA

By Tim Enright, Program Director

Before the pandemic, ALIVE!'s records—including for the food program—were mostly paper-based. Much of our food came through The Emergency Food Assistance Program (TEFAP), which required detailed compliance forms but didn't allow us to track services across programs. Data went into an external system, offering no feedback to guide our work. We could count attendees but not see repeat visits or cross-program participation.

Today, our food program is larger, more diverse, and its records are kept in a secure cloud-based database. Having this system allows ALIVE! to issue each household a card they can use every time they interface at an ALIVE! distribution. This has multiple benefits including:

- **Ability to track patterns:** See how often households visit, where they go for service, and how client needs shift.
- **Measure reach:** Distinguish in frequent visitors from regular clients.
- **Connect services:** Link food visits with other ALIVE! programs such as grocery delivery or financial assistance.
- **Streamline the experience:** Intakes only need to happen once or twice a year instead of at every visit, reducing stress and helping clients move through distribution sites faster.

We're now expanding the Client Card system to our pantry partners—most recently Old Town Community Church and Fairlington United Methodist Church—to improve coordination across our network.

TRACKING NEED, ADAPTING FAST: HOW ALIVE! USES DATA TO STAY AHEAD

ALIVE! currently serves about 1,500 SNAP-recipient households—roughly 6,000 people each month.

Thanks to our real-time tracking systems, we can monitor rising demand and respond quickly. This data helps us adjust services and prioritize resources. For example, we've shifted more of our food budget toward specific fresh and frozen items that have been consistently identified by clients as the most desirable and culturally appropriate. Shelf-stable goods, which we now purchase less often, continue to come in through food drives hosted by our partners, congregations, and supporters, and when purchased can be more tailored to client preferences.

With this data we can be ready to respond to whatever comes our way and can make informed decisions, adapt quickly, and continue serving our neighbors with dignity and care.

BEYOND FOOD: EXPANDING OUR DATA SYSTEMS

We’re now integrating our Family Assistance Program into our secure client database. This includes home grocery delivery for residents with limited mobility and emergency financial assistance for households referred by partner organizations. Centralizing this data helps us understand each household’s full engagement with ALIVE! and respond more holistically. This means, we can see whether the same clients who need food assistance are also getting other assistance from ALIVE! or our program partners. Some programs, like our volunteer-led Furniture and Housewares efforts, still rely on spreadsheets. We plan to bring these programs into our database soon to be fully integrated across all services.

Technology has taken us far beyond clipboards and one-time counts. It helps us see the story behind the numbers, track changing needs, and measure not just outputs, but outcomes reflecting the stability of our clients. We’re still building and refining these systems, but each step brings us closer to a clearer, more complete understanding of ALIVE!’s impact.



Volunteer uses database to check-in clients at the Del Ray Community Food Hub.

KEY TECHNOLOGY MILESTONES AT ALIVE!

YEAR	MILESTONE
Pre-2020	Paper-based TEFAP records; limited tracking across programs; external database
2020	Pandemic response: scaled food distribution, introduced shared spreadsheets
2022	Launched Cloud Based database; piloted Client Cards; automated food tracking
2023	Expanded Client Card system to all major distributions
2025	Integrated pantry partners and Family Assistance Program into database

NEXT STEPS:

- Unify service tracking across all programs
- Use combined data to measure both short-term relief and long-term outcomes
- Integrate Furniture and Housewares Programs into the centralized system
- Ensure data is only collected as needed to reduce barriers to client participation and ensure dignity

LEARN MORE & STAY CONNECTED WITH ALIVE!

The ALIVE! Client Card was first introduced to our supporters in a recent email update, showing how it helps us track services, spot trends, and better understand community needs. Tools like this are shaping the way ALIVE! measures impact and plans for the future.

If you’d like to receive these email updates—alongside our mailed newsletter, the ALIVE! Wire—please share your contact information with us at development@alive-inc.org or (703) 837-9300.

ALIVE! LEADERSHIP

ALIVE! is governed by a Board of Directors and an Executive Committee elected by the full Board of Directors. The Board includes representatives from 50 member congregations of different faiths, program leaders, committee chairs, and Past Presidents. This body actively shapes our mission and work. Under the leadership of Executive Director, Jennifer Ayers, our staff members manage daily operations to serve the Alexandria community.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



I began my tenure as ALIVE!’s Board President at the start of July, but my relationship to ALIVE! goes back generations. I was first introduced to ALIVE! through my late Uncle William. I’m a fifth-generation member of Alfred Street Baptist Church, and I remember when Uncle William was the ALIVE! Congregational Representative. Uncle William was passionate about service to the community and always encouraging people to find a way to get out and serve. His good deeds were most often connecting Alexandrians in need with donations of housewares and furniture. Today his legacy lives on as one of the ALIVE! Box trucks bears his name, and through the example of service that he set for me and others..

As I start my term, I hope to increase the level of involvement of ALIVE!’s 50 member congregations and expand the number of community partners who support our work. I know that we will need to expand our fundraising efforts in the wake of cuts to government programs and rising operational costs. Also, I want to focus on improving the volunteer experience for everyone who gives their time to help our Alexandria neighbors in need.

The recent changes to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) are a reminder of the vital role that ALIVE! plays helping to fill the gap when household budgets or government assistance programs aren’t enough to meet the needs of food insecure people. As so many families in our community are facing uncertainty, we will need everyone to pitch in and help to strengthen our safety net programs providing daily essentials. If you are able, please sign up to volunteer, organize a food drive, or make a financial contribution in whatever amount is meaningful to you.

Together our efforts can help to alleviate the stress that our neighbors are feeling in this time of crisis and provide stabilizing support.

Sincerely,

Carlton Willis
Board President

MAKING IT EASIER THAN EVER TO KEEP ALEXANDRIA FED WITH THE LAUNCH OF THE NEW ALIVE! FOOD AND FUND DRIVE SITE

By Michelle M. Lockwood, Development Director



WHY CONSISTENCY MATTERS IN FEEDING ALEXANDRIA

Every month, more than 20,000 neighbors turn to ALIVE! for groceries. For about half of these neighbors, this is their main source of support—they don't qualify for government assistance, but still face impossible choices between essentials like rent, medicine, or food.

The need is constant, but donations often come in bursts—around the holidays or special events—followed by slower weeks. Those gaps strain our shelves and the pantries we supply, making it harder to plan and keep variety and quality consistent.

The 2025 ALIVE! Food & Fund Drive Site addresses these challenge by giving everyone—neighbors, workplaces, congregations, and schools—everything they need to take action. From lists of our most-needed items to tips on hosting a drive and even a dedicated page to share with supporters, the site makes it simple to donate food, run a collection, or give monthly. Just as important, it shows our shared impact—reminding the community that every effort is part of a united response to hunger. It's all about consistency—ensuring help is there when it's needed. Our goal: 50,000 meals for Alexandria families by December 31.

WHY CONSISTENCY CHANGES LIVES

Steady donations mean more than just full shelves. They allow us to respond quickly to changing needs, purchase culturally familiar foods, and ensure every household receives the staples they count on.

"Food and fund donations give us the flexibility to make sure no one is left out," says ALIVE! Executive Director Jennifer Ayers. "That means halal meat for our Muslim neighbors, culturally familiar staples, and hypoallergenic items for those with allergies or special diets. Consistency in both food and funding lets us meet those needs all year long."

SEEING THE NEED, TAKING A STEP TO SOLVE IT

Family Assistance Program Co-Chair Nancy Ault has seen the difference consistency makes in ALIVE!'s grocery delivery program—especially for neighbors who can't always leave home to shop. She and volunteer packer Mike Hart know the items most often missing: tuna, pasta sauce, peanut butter, jam, rice, and dry milk.

"I think about one grandmother in our program who is raising six teenagers," Nancy says. "They eat a lot. I was a single parent myself and just knowing I always had the basics made a huge difference."

This year, Nancy is putting her commitment into action by creating a personal fundraising page for the Food and Fund Drive. Her plan is to rally friends, family, and colleagues to give so ALIVE! can fill in the gaps.

HELPING KIDS FOCUS ON LEARNING

ALIVE!'s Kids' Distributions Program provides weekend and school break bags of child-friendly food to Alexandria students.

"When school is out, the safety net disappears," says Program Director Tim Enright. "We're here to make sure kids still have access to nutritious meals."

The program currently serves 300 students across five ACPS schools on weekends, and up to 1,200 children during extended breaks. Funding helps us fill in the gaps so every child receives a consistent, high-quality meal bag—something we can only do when support is steady year-round.

THE RIPPLE EFFECT OF STEADY SUPPORT

Donation swings don't just affect ALIVE!'s own programs—they also impact the 17 local food pantries we help supply across Alexandria. These partner pantries count on ALIVE! to keep their shelves stocked, which means when our donations dip, so does their ability to serve their neighbors.

"If I give a pantry like Meade Memorial Episcopal Church a certain amount of food one week, I want to be able to give them the same

amount the next," says ALIVE! Operations and Logistics Director Jose Amaya. "When donations dip, that consistency isn't possible. The need doesn't change—only our ability to meet it."

A steady stream of both food and funds means pantries can offer groceries that are familiar, comforting, and culturally appropriate. And when our shelves are stocked, the ripple effect is felt in neighborhoods across the city.

Jose adds that financial donations can often go further than food donations, allowing ALIVE! to buy in bulk and stretch every dollar.



Kid-friendly items being sorted at ALIVE!'s Payne Street Warehouse for upcoming student distribution programs.

"IT TAKES PEOPLE"

- A CONVERSATION WITH JOSE AMAYA,
ALIVE!'S OPERATIONS AND LOGISTICS DIRECTOR

As Operations and Logistics Director, Jose Amaya oversees the complex logistics keeping ALIVE!'s food program moving—everything from volunteer shifts to truck maintenance to managing donations at the warehouse. Jose understands firsthand the challenges of running one of Alexandria's largest hunger relief efforts and explains why consistency, community, and commitment are the keys to making it all work.

What does food security mean to you?

"Food security means you have something to eat every day, without worrying. The minute you start worrying about not having food, everything changes—you're stressed, you're sick, you can't focus. Food is the number one thing you have to have to survive. If ALIVE! can take away that worry for people, that's huge."

What does a well-stocked warehouse mean for ALIVE!'s ability to respond?

"It means we can respond faster in emergencies. But it's not just about food—it's also about having the staff, volunteers, and trucks ready. If even one of those is missing, it makes the job much harder."

What does it take to deliver 120,000 pounds of food to families each month?

"It takes staff and volunteers, a commitment to deliver no matter the weather. A single delivery might require up to 10 people to make it happen. When one piece of that—people, trucks, food, or funding—is missing, it's very difficult to keep up with demand."

Why is helping others so important to you personally?

"I grew up with times when there was nothing to eat at home. Even though I don't remember it well because I was so little, my mom still talks about it. That's why helping comes naturally to me—whether it's food, directions, or filling out forms. I know what it's like to go without."

What gives you hope for ALIVE!'s future?

"I think about where we were five years ago and where we are now. We have more trucks, more partnerships, a second warehouse, and stronger systems. We keep adding new grocery store partners. Our supporters, our volunteers, and our staff give me hope. As long as we keep trying and keep adding, we'll keep moving forward and be able to respond to people who need us."

What's one thing you wish more people in Alexandria understood about food insecurity?

"Don't just look at the waterfront or the big houses—drive through all of the neighborhoods. You'll see the reality: people in need, right here in our city. And you'll see why it takes all of us—staff, volunteers, and the community—to make sure no one goes hungry."



Can you share a story or a moment that reminded you why this work matters?

"Last year, I was with my team delivering food for a family and kids' afterschool program at a recreation center. We got there early, parked the truck, and waited for the 5 p.m. start time. By 5:15, the lot was still empty. Then the wind picked up and it started pouring rain. The idea of canceling came up. I said, 'Lets just wait. Lets just give it some time.'"

Fifteen minutes later, families started to appear—mothers with kids in their arms, children running through the rain, some asking if they could wait for relatives still stuck in traffic. By the end, about 150 people had shown up. One parent explained she had an extra child at home who was sick, so we packed extra bags. Another told me her mother wanted to come but couldn't, so I made sure she had food to take home to her mother. People thanked us for staying. I could have prioritized my own comfort and said, let's go home—but that's not why we're here. We're here to serve people without judgment, without questions. If someone tells me they need help, I believe them. Our job is to help them."

What's the number one thing you wish you could say to our community?

"Whether you run a food drive, give money, or volunteer, you're part of what keeps ALIVE! going. Every can of food, every dollar, every hour of your time makes a difference for someone in this city."



ALIVE! provides more than 1.7 million meals annually through:

- Two Food Hubs
- 17 pantry partnerships
- Five monthly grocery distribution events
- Weekday home grocery delivery
- After school and weekend groceries to students



Meeting this need requires:

- Fresh produce, proteins, and pantry staples
- Transportation provided by volunteers to reach households directly
- Volunteers and partners to keep shelves stocked
- Trucks and refrigeration



With bulk purchasing, we can double the food for the same cost as retail. For example:

- \$9 fills a weekend bag for a child
- \$7 fills a shelf-stable family bag for 3–4 days

JOIN THE 2025 FOOD AND FUND DRIVE AND HELP KEEP OUR SHELVES FULL ALL YEAR LONG.

**DONATE OR LEARN MORE AT
ALIVE-INC.ORG/FOODANDFUNDDRIVE**



HOW YOU CAN HELP

Whether you donate peanut butter, host a drive, or make a monthly gift, your steady support helps make sure no neighbor is left wondering where their next meal will come from.

The Food & Fund Drive Site makes it easy to:



Give Today – Every \$1 or 1 pound of food = 1 meal



Host a Drive – Organize a food or fund drive with your workplace, congregation, school, club, or a group of your friends and families



Set a Goal – Use our tools to track your progress and see your impact in real time

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS & HOURS

**Food donations can be brought to the ALIVE! Warehouse at
801 South Payne Street, Alexandria, VA 22314**

Monday – Friday: 9am – 4pm

Saturday: 9am – 12pm

If you can, give us a quick call or email before you come—it helps us plan. But if you stop by and no one's available, don't worry! There's a secure bin to the left of the door where you can leave your items. A staff member or volunteer will bring them in as soon as possible.

- For questions about your Food Drive, contact Anjola Fashanu, Food Program Coordinator, at afashanu@alive-inc.org
- For questions about your Fund Drive, contact Alex Rees, Development Associate, at arees@alive-inc.org
- Both are reachable at 703-837-9300

COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

Shared Impact

By Lynn Jordan, ALIVE! Volunteer Advisory Chair

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALIVE!'S WINNERS OF 2025 VOLUNTEER ALEXANDRIA AWARDS

It takes a lot to keep ALIVE! running smoothly—two warehouses, two Community Food Hubs, ALIVE! House, an administrative office, five monthly food distributions, weekly furniture deliveries, grocery home deliveries, and more. We couldn't do this without our many volunteers, and we appreciate all of them. On April 26, 2025, Volunteer Alexandria also showed its appreciation to three of ALIVE!'s volunteers, when they were honored at the *Volunteers Are the Heart of Alexandria* annual recognition event.



Nancy Lopez, ALIVE! Furniture Program Chair and Volunteer Alexandria 55 and Greater Awardee. Nancy has been volunteering with ALIVE! since 2021 and is currently the Furniture Program Chair. Nancy volunteered for approximately 400 hours in 2024.

Nancy restarted the Furniture Program, after it was halted during the COVID pandemic, by getting people back on board, trained and ready to go. Since she became Chair, Nancy has increased the number of trucks making weekly deliveries from one to three. She and her teams of volunteers schedule the truck drivers and volunteers who go out every weekend. She also trains the volunteers who receive referrals from community partners working with families in need to match client requests with the list of available items from donors. In 2024, the Furniture Program served 572 families by picking up and delivering over 1200 items of donated furniture.



Janese Bechtol, ALIVE! Housewares Program Chair and Volunteer Alexandria 55 and Greater Awardee. Janese has been serving in the ALIVE! Housewares Program as an ALIVE! volunteer since 2020. She volunteered for approximately 400 hours in 2024 and lead the program to make deliveries to 79 Alexandria households including 105 adults and 84 children.

Through ALIVE!'s Housewares Program, Janese accepts donations of gently used items and provides them to people referred for basic household needs. The program collects everything from lamps and vacuum cleaners to bedding, and kitchen items. Most Saturdays, Janese and the Housewares volunteers sort through donations and make home deliveries. In the evenings and on weekends, her high energy goes into receiving donated items, delivering them to families, and tracking and organizing inventory. With creativity and a keen eye, Janese ensures the most needed and useful items get to the people who will benefit from them most.

FURNITURE AND HOUSEWARES ARE MORE THAN ITEMS—THEY ARE STABILITY.

Every year, hundreds of families in Alexandria start fresh with help from ALIVE!'s Furniture and Housewares Programs. From beds to cookware, these essentials transform housing into stability, dignity, and home.



Paige Fawehinmi, Branch Manager, United Bank for Del Ray, ALIVE! Volunteer and Volunteer Alexandria Business Philanthropist of the Year Awardee. Once Paige identifies a need in the community, she is proactive in finding a solution. She will often pick up the phone to ask where help is needed the most and how

she can organize a team to meet the challenge. ALIVE! was struggling to find volunteers when we restarted the monthly food distribution event that serves residents of the Ladrey Senior High Rise and Annie B Rose House. Paige answered the call and pulled together a team of United Bank volunteers to staff the event. The United Bank team regularly volunteers by providing essential groceries to residents and even making door-to-door deliveries for residents who are unable to carry bags to their apartments.

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

"One of the most remarkable things about the ALIVE! Furniture Program is how it brings together people from every walk of life to deliver furniture to neighbors making a fresh start," says Nancy. That same spirit of compassion and cooperation is found across all ALIVE! programs, where volunteers from every corner of our community come together to make a difference. Learn more at alive-inc.org/volunteer.



CONGRATS TO ALIVE! CLIENT SERVICES DIRECTOR ERIKA GAITAN, ALX CHAMBER 40 UNDER 40 HONOREE

On July 17, 2025, the Alexandria Chamber of Commerce's held its 10th annual celebration honoring 40 of the City's most promising up and comers under the age of 40 who have made a difference in Alexandria. This Chamber event recognizes these individuals' successes in various industries, and their impact on the Alexandria community.

Among the awardees was Erika Gaitan, ALIVE!'s Client Services Director. Since joining ALIVE! in 2021 as an Eviction Prevention Navigator, Erika has helped more than 760 households avoid eviction, and she has also been a key contributor to the city's Eviction Prevention Task Force. Erika played a pivotal role in launching ALIVE!'s two Community Food Hubs that not only address food insecurity but also connect families to critical services and resources. In addition, she assisted in working with HomeAid to complete the renovations of ALIVE! House, a transitional shelter, to prepare it to welcome families in need. Erika notes that she's proud of the work she's done at ALIVE! and that it has allowed her to walk alongside families during some of their most vulnerable moments and help them access the resources, respect, and relief they deserve.

Erika remarked that "this recognition shines a light on the heart and hustle of the ALIVE! team. I'm deeply grateful to stand with colleagues and community partners who lead with compassion and turn challenges into lasting change. As a cancer survivor, I know what it's like to face uncertainty, and that's what drives me to meet others with compassion and dignity. As a single mom of three daughters, I also hope to teach them the power of empathy and the importance of showing up for others."

VOLUNTEER ALEXANDRIA'S THIRD ANNUAL FOOD4ALX DRIVE BENEFITS ALIVE!

Volunteer Alexandria recently hosted its third annual Food4ALX community-wide food drive, collecting about 36,000 pounds of food to benefit ALIVE! and Hunger Free Alexandria's distribution programs. Thanks to these donations, ALIVE! can continue providing groceries to more than 5,000 Alexandria households each month through our two Community Food Hubs, pantry partners, and home deliveries.

"Hunger does not take a summer break and we thank everyone who supported this month-long food drive. It is vital that our pantries and food hubs are well stocked. Every can helps!" said Marion Brunken, Executive Director of Volunteer Alexandria.

Nearly 40 drop-off sites—including churches, libraries, restaurants, recreation centers, and United Bank branches—made it easy for neighbors to contribute shelf-stable items and pantry essentials.

ALIVE! thanks Volunteer Alexandria, Hunger Free Alexandria, and the many community members who made this effort possible. While this food drive has concluded, donations are always needed. Learn how to donate food or host a drive of your own at alive-inc.org/foodandfunddrive.



ACTS OF KINDNESS: NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

From our founding by a coalition of Alexandria congregations to today's network of member congregations, community partners, volunteers, and donors, ALIVE! has always been about people coming together to care for each other. These recent acts of generosity show how our community – congregations, businesses, schools, and neighbors – work side by side to make sure everyone has the food, shelter, and essentials they need.



FOOD DONATIONS & DRIVES

ALIVE! Member Congregation Russell Temple Christian Methodist Episcopal Church – *Donated 643 lbs of food.*

Impact Stat: 643 lbs of food equals more than 530 meals for families facing hunger.

Towngate North Residents – *Donated 101 lbs of pantry staples and reusable grocery bags.*

Impact Effect: Everyday essentials like cooking oil and peanut butter help families turn pantry items into full meals. With those staples on hand, the food they receive goes further—reducing the chance they'll run out and need emergency food assistance.

Del Ray and Old Town North Farmers' Markets – *Weekly produce donations.*

Impact Stat: These donations reach hundreds of households each week, ensuring fresh fruits and vegetables are on the table even during high-cost grocery weeks.

Alexandria Community Rowing – *Collected 275 lbs of nonperishables.*

Impact Stat: This collection will supply more than 225 meals, bridging seasonal donation gaps.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR FOOD, HOUSING & STABILITY

Alexandria Women for Good – *Donated \$13,751 to help serve 20,000 people each month with food, housing stability, and essential support.*

Impact Stat: Enough to provide emergency groceries for over 1,000 households or help dozens of families avoid eviction.

State Department Federal Credit Union – *Contributed over \$1,000 to support food and financial assistance for residents.*

Impact Effect: Can keep two families in their homes by covering rent during unemployment or unexpected crises.

Piece Out Del Ray – *Raised nearly \$1,000 through two sold-out Music Bingo nights.*

Impact Stat: Enough to fund 400+ fresh produce bags for distribution at ALIVE!'s hubs.

Westminster Presbyterian Church – *Awarded a \$4,000 grant to support ALIVE! House.*

Impact Stat: \$4,000 can furnish all bedrooms and living spaces for the three households living in ALIVE! House.

Alexandria Country Day School First Grade – *Raised funds at Market Day for hunger relief.*

Impact Effect: Demonstrates the power of teaching children early about civic responsibility and caring for neighbors in need.



FURNITURE & HOUSEHOLD ESSENTIALS

Patagonia Alexandria Store – *Donated insulated jackets for freezer work and luggage for ALIVE! House families.*

Impact Effect: Jackets keep volunteers safe in -10°F storage while luggage provides dignity and independence for families moving to stable housing.

CONGREGATIONS & VOLUNTEER FURNITURE TEAMS

- Agudas Achim Congregation & Volunteers – *Delivered furniture to 8 families.*
- Church of Saint Clement, King's Church & Community Volunteers – *Sent out 2 furniture trucks in one day.*
- Good Shepherd Lutheran Church & Volunteers – *Delivered furniture to 4 families.*
- Oakland Baptist Church & Friends of Guest House Volunteers – *Delivered to 6 families, including a lift-and-massage recliner with a special story.*
- Westminster Presbyterian Church & Volunteers – *Delivered to 11 families, including 8 beds.*

Impact Effect: Furniture deliveries remove a major financial barrier for families leaving transitional housing, allowing them to redirect resources toward rent, utilities, and other essentials while creating safe, functional homes.

SERVICE & VOLUNTEERISM

Alexandria Sheriff's Office Deputies in Training & City Manager's Office – *Built shelving, sorted donations, and helped distribute groceries to about 200 households.*

Impact Stat: Expanded ALIVE!'s capacity to organize, store, and distribute enough food to sustain hundreds of families each month.

Our Last Saturday Fresh Market Volunteer Groups include:

- Theta Rho Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
- ALIVE! Member Congregation Community Praise Church
- Agapé Embassy Ministries
- ALIVE! Member Congregation Old Presbyterian Meeting House

Note: This is just a small peek at the kindness ALIVE! receives every day. Follow us on social media to see even more! If we missed your group by accident, please email commsg@alive-inc.org and we'll be sure to feature you in the next ALIVE!Wire.



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Founded in 1969, ALIVE! is the oldest and largest nonprofit serving Alexandrians facing food and housing insecurity. With support from 50 member congregations of different faiths, thousands of volunteers, and caring neighbors like you, ALIVE! helps more than 20,000 people each month access groceries, financial assistance, and other essential support.

Together, we're neighbors helping neighbors, and building a more compassionate and connected Alexandria—where no one has to face crisis alone.

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