



March 31, 2026

Dear Friend,

As a member of ALIVE!'s Leadership Circle or 1969 Society, we invite you to share your perspective. Enclosed is a brief donor survey designed to help us better understand what inspires your involvement, how you experience ALIVE!'s work, and how we can strengthen our connection with supporters like you. Your feedback will help us communicate more effectively, improve our programs, and deepen engagement across our community.

In 2025, with your help, ALIVE! provided roughly 1.7 million meals through grocery distribution and supported more than 900 individuals through our Financial Assistance Program, furniture delivery and housewares distribution work. The ripple effects your investment has in our community help to ensure that every child is nourished, every parent has a secure home, and every senior can age with dignity.

We invite you to stand with us during Spring2ACTion, Alexandria's day of giving. This year, our goal is to raise \$100,000—the cost of purchasing a new cargo van and filling it with food that we deliver across the City to our pantry and distribution partners.

Because of you, ALIVE! is there for families at pivotal moments—when impossible choices loom between food and rent, heat and medicine, or security and uncertainty. You ensure that in those moments, families are not left alone and that there is a viable, compassionate path forward.

From November through February, your support enabled meaningful progress across ALIVE!'s core areas.

#### **Food Access**

During this period, nearly 400,000 pounds of food were distributed throughout Alexandria through ALIVE!'s two Community Food Hubs, Community Fresh Market distributions, partner sites, and home deliveries. This coordinated network ensures that food assistance is accessible, reliable, and responsive to emerging community needs. As a result, 2,614 households received nutritious groceries through our Food Hubs, and 208 households accessed additional on-site support, including direct connections to health services provided in partnership with the Alexandria Health Department.

#### **Supporting Safe and Stable Housing**

A stable home begins with basic, often overlooked essentials—items that make daily life livable and dignified. With your support, 68 families received essential furniture, including

100 beds and mattresses, providing children and parents alike with a safe and stable place to rest. In addition, 218 families received housewares during our December distributions, equipping them to prepare meals, care for their households, and establish a sense of normalcy.

### **Bridging the Gap with Emergency Financial Assistance**

When unexpected expenses arise, stability can unravel quickly. Your leadership played a decisive role in preventing short-term hardship from becoming long-term crisis. During these months, \$218,203 in emergency financial assistance was provided, allowing 78 families to remain housed and avoid displacement.

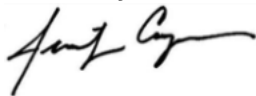
### **Client Support and Advocacy**

ALIVE!'s commitment extends beyond direct services to include advocacy and connection to broader systems of care. Through 27 partner tabling events at our two Community Food Hubs, more than 400 individuals engaged with critical resources focused on health education, nutrition support, and service navigation. Additionally, we hosted two skill-building workshops at our Mount Vernon Community Food Hub, one focused on opening and running a small business and the other on household budgeting. These opportunities strengthened financial knowledge, supported economic mobility, and empowered participants to plan more confidently for their futures.

Together, these outcomes represent more than programmatic success—they reflect a community choosing to take responsibility for one another. Your leadership makes this work possible. It allows ALIVE! not only to meet urgent needs, but to do so in a manner that upholds dignity, reinforces stability, and builds trust.

We are profoundly grateful for your continued partnership and for the role you play in shaping a stronger, more resilient, and more connected Alexandria. Your investment is transforming lives—quietly, consistently, and with lasting impact.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Ayers, MPA  
Executive Director

*P.S. We will continue to share quarterly updates with stories, impact data, and program highlights so you can see how your support continues to sustain ALIVE!'s work across our community.*