

A Goal to Grow On

The Most Important Step We Can Take Into Our Future

In early December, *Colonial Beach Community Foundation* founders, past and present board members, community partners, and support volunteers gathered to hear Teri McNally's thoughts on growing our impact. Ms. McNally (pictured) has been the Executive Director of the Fredericksburg-based *Community Foundation of the Rappahannock River Region (CFRRR)* since 2002. Under her leadership, the CFRRR has grown from infancy into custodian of charitable assets exceeding \$25 million.



Ms. McNally's example and guidance has shown us that hiring an Executive Director of our own is our most important goal. The right executive director can lead us to fully achieving all of our other goals and significantly improving the quality of life in the Colonial Beach area through philanthropy. Who is the right executive director for us? Someone who has experience in business development and nonprofit management, a caring attitude, and genuine fondness for our little community on the Potomac.

Currently, the Colonial Beach Community Foundation is run by volunteers at all levels ... from the Board of Directors, to committee and team leaders, to support persons. Some of those volunteers are retired and some have full- or part-time jobs; many volunteer for other Colonial Beach based nonprofit organizations as well. To reach our full potential as an organization, we need an Executive Director who can dedicate their time and focus on the Foundation and lead it into the future. To that end, one of our immediate objectives is positioning ourselves to compensate an Executive Director and actively search for the right person for the job. If you have thoughts and ideas to share, please *contact us*.

Your one-time or monthly financial contribution will help us achieve our goal of hiring an Executive Director

Learn about the Colonial Beach Community Foundation & its history

Learn about other community foundations in Virginia

First WCB Meetup of 2023

Welcome to Colonial Beach January 2023 Meetup

Thursday, January 19
6:00 until 8:00 PM
Los Hermanos Cantina
(11 Monroe Bay Ave, on the Point)



Join us at Los Hermanos Cantina, overlooking Monroe Bay, for our first meetup of the new year. (Arrive a bit early to catch the sunset.) Our guest speaker will be Eddie Blunt, former mayor of the Town of Colonial Beach.

Visit our *Events* page to see the meetup schedule, complete with locations and speakers, for the rest of year; or, download a PDF version of the schedule *here*.

Love Wine? Love Chocolate? Love Wine & Chocolate?

Our Popular "For the Love of Wine and Chocolate" Event Returns, Thursday, February 9

Wine and chocolate aren't just for Valentine's Day, nor is this event. Bring your Valentine, your besties, your parents, your grandparents, or, simply bring yourself to this fun and educational event. You'll learn how to pair wines and chocolate for both flavor and health ... knowledge you can put to use for many occasions throughout the year -- be it an evening of romance, a birthday celebration, or tackling your Netflix watchlist.



Looking Ahead



A Foundation community parter Saturday, April 15, 2023 Town Hill



The Foundation's Flagship Fundraiser ... the Northern Neck Beach Music Festival Saturday, September 9, 2023 Town Hill

Help Wanted

Marketing Committee

We are looking for someone to help out with press releases, social media posts, and organizing our monthly meetups. *Email us* to join our Marketing Committee.



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