This year’s Project Community Connect (PCC) was held from October 18-23, and provided essential services to those at risk of or experiencing homelessness, as well as the region’s Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE) population. ALICE represents the growing number of individuals and families who are working but unable to afford basic necessities.

United Way NCA hosted both in-person essential kit distributions, as well as virtual opportunities by partnering with community organizations, providers and partners to host virtual workshops focusing on topics like housing laws, child online safety, legal services, budgeting, sexual health, stress management, and more.
WORKSHOPS WERE CONDUCTED BY 27 PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS including National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, Mary’s Center, Capital Area Food Bank, Rising for Justice, Legal Services of Northern Virginia, and the D.C. Mayor’s Office of Returning Citizens

17 WORKSHOPS HELD OVER 6 DAYS, including:

Talking to Your Child about Online Safety
Learning about the issues children face online, how to discuss preventive strategies, and how to report suspected exploitation.

Budgeting & Saving in a Crisis
Provide the tools to assemble a crisis budget and valuable take-away resources to help you and others.

Housing Law Basics During the Pandemic
Learning basic housing law in Virginia including: evictions, conditions, security and special considerations for Covid-19 protections, rental assistance and trends in eviction protection.

Eating Healthy on a Budget
Navigating eating healthy on a budget, followed by a cooking demonstration.

Legal Services: Expungement and Available Resources for Returning Citizens
Provide useful information so that previously incarcerated persons may thrive, prosper and contribute to the development of self, family and community.

 Когда я думаю о Project Community Connect, я желаю, что бы я знал о некоторых ресурсах и услугах, которые бы помогли мне пережить бездомность. Эти мастер-классы передают информацию людям, чтобы помочь им преодолеть сложности, потому что это очень трудно сделать на своем собственном страхе, когда мозг в режиме выживания.

— AIMEE, COMMUNITY MEMBER

"[Project Community Connect] is important for us as it helps us to live out [one of] our leading principles: success and scale bring broad responsibility."

— MICHAEL EASTMAN | Director of Americas Cloud Sales Centers, Amazon Web Services

"We need the partnership of United Way NCA to help fill really critical gaps. This is the glue that keeps our work together."

— CHRISTY RESPRESS | Executive Director, Pathways to Housing DC

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