



# ManyHands

Together we make a difference

Calvary Women's Services  
2020/2012 Partner Grantee

## September 2020 Newsletter

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### MANY HANDS UPDATES

#### Join Us for the 2021 Grant Cycle Kickoff - Thursday, October 15

You are warmly invited to help Many Hands kick off the 2021 grant cycle with special guests Kris Thompson, executive director of 2020/2012 Partner Grantee [Calvary Women's Services](#), and Kenneth Ward, executive director of 2012 Impact Grantee [College Bound](#).



At the kickoff, you will:

- Discover the impact that Many Hands grants have had on these outstanding organizations and the women, children, and families they serve.
- Learn how local nonprofits are working to serve communities severely affected by the pandemic and to promote racial equity and justice.
- Get to know Many Hands through small group discussions that will provide more information about opportunities to participate in our grant process and education programming.
- Find out how you can become a Many Hands member and help make a difference together!

**When:** Thursday, October 15 @ 7:00 pm

**Where:** Zoom link will be provided to registered attendees several days before the event.

[RSVP for the Kickoff](#)

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Wondering how to become a Many Hands member? What types of programs and opportunities are available? How to get involved in grantmaking? When and where committees meet? All these questions and more are answered in our new brochure. [Click here](#) to download the brochure and share it with a friend! For even more information, visit our website at [manyhandsdc.org](http://manyhandsdc.org).

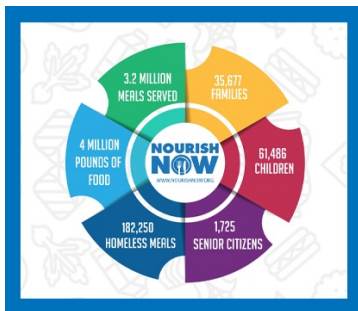
## Grant Application Window Opens October 1

Many Hands welcomes applications from area nonprofits serving women, children, and families in socioeconomic need. Detailed information on our eligibility requirements and application process is available at [manyhandsdc.org/grants](http://manyhandsdc.org/grants). Applications will be accepted through our online portal from Thursday, October 1 through Monday, November 2.



## GRANTEE NEWS

### 2020 Impact Grantee Nourish Now Delivers 3 Million+ Meals



Since the beginning of the pandemic, **Nourish Now**, the 2020 recipient of the Many Hands \$100,000 Impact Grant, has provided more than 4 million pounds of food to individuals and families facing food insecurity. Nourish Now partners with 11 other nonprofits to distribute food from 20 locations in Montgomery County, including schools, churches, and apartment complexes. This network allows them to provide families living in 41 out of 45 Montgomery County zip codes with a five-day supply of nonperishable food plus milk, produce, and freshly prepared meals.

### 2019 Partner Grantee CASA Prince George's County - One Year Later

**Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)/Prince George's County** describes its receipt of a 2019 Many Hands Partner Grant as "transformative" for its efforts to help transition-aged youth (14-21) living in foster care navigate the important milestones that prepare a young person for independence and adulthood.



With the \$58,500 grant, CASA launched a new Job Readiness Initiative to prepare foster youth to emancipate with job readiness skills and employment opportunities. In its first year, the program connected 40 transition-aged youth to programs offering soft skills training, GED preparation, and technical training in such fields as customer service, HVAC, performing arts, and healthcare. Participants also received assistance in creating resumes and one-on-one coaching to help them secure employment. Once they found employment, their CASA volunteers continued to provide support in seeking advancement, transportation assistance, and long-term goal setting.

Too many youth in foster care begin their first employment search on their own with no one to help them complete the application, prepare for the interview, manage the daily commute, and work through the frustrations that come with working in a new environment. CASA/Prince George's County's Job Readiness Initiative gives transition-aged youth the support they need

to succeed. To learn more about their work, [click here](#).

**Join Many Hands Today!**

Many Hands is a women's grantmaking organization committed to making a lasting impact on the lives of Washington, DC area women, children, and families in socioeconomic need and to helping its members become well-informed donors. Many Hands is a 501(c)(3) organization. All contributions are tax-deductible to the extent permitted by law.

