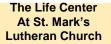
Life Center News

December 2019

"Sharing knowledge, expanding abilities and cultivating relationships within the community"



Evangelical Lutheran Church of America



Unique Program Opportunities past and planned by Life Center. The Center was founded in 2007 under the auspices of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Springfield, Virginia. Incorporated separately, the Center has the freedom to work differently with less constraints than a religious organization. It has access to donations, sponsor funds, and government grants and can also contract with governmental and charitable organizations. Up to 40% of Life Center Managing Board members may be appointed from outside the church. Yet all Life Center programs will be consistent with the mission and principles of St. Mark's.



### **Senior Activities**

- Socialization and fellowship
- Life long learning
- Music engagement
- Health and wellness
- Caregiver support
- Language training
- Community involvement

# Hypothermia Prevention Program



Week in January 2019 and again 25 January thru 2 February 2020

- 25 to 40 homeless guests nightly
- Many are Vets
- Socialization
  - Hot meals and bed
- 9<sup>th</sup> year in a row
- Need 100 volunteers



Serving St. Mark's Members and the Community

## Life Center at St. Mark's - Factsheet December 2019

Past and planned programs

### Life Center at St. Mark's

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## Ages 8 to 12 three hours weekly

After School program

16 Lynnbrook School stude

homework, play and music training

#### Day to Serve September project

- With the faith-based communities
- 98 participants, 16 from St Marks/San Marcos half adults & teens
- Hung 400+ doorknob info packets
- For Fairfax County
   Office of Emergency
   Management



### **Life Center Governing Board**

Al Van Nostrand – President
Patti Bruch – Vice President
Dave Appler – Treasurer
Pete Morrison – Secretary
Jeannine Van Nostrand, Janice Carr, Steve
Hendrickson, and Dan Ancona

### **Hosted Parenting Education Classes**

- Fairfax County social services program on feelings, communication, anger issues, appropriate punishment and more
- -Developing skills to recognize and value the thoughts and feelings of others
- -We provided dinner for 60 people (adults and children) once per month

## **School Physicals and Back Packs**

- Provided breakfast for the medical volunteers
- School supplies and backpack for 50 kids



**Future Vision.** The Life Center Board is considering expanding future programs and would value hearing your thoughts and ideas. **Please come to the Life Center annual meeting planned in January 2020** to hear more, share ideas and get free snacks. Watch the St. Mark's Messenger for details to follow.

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| _       | Center.  My name may be used in identifying sponsors of the Life   | Date:   |  |
| _       | Center program   | Phone:  |  |