



# THE VILLAGE VIEW

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a community of empowerment  
and recovery for women

## Your Six Month COVID-19 Impact



Six months ago, COVID-19 impacted the Village in ways we could not have imagined. Since then, we have adjusted our programming, explored new ways to engage with our community, and prepared for the inevitable increase in need for our services.

It has been a long six-months and we want to pause to thank you - our Village family- for your continuous commitment to the women we serve. Thanks to you, we have been able to provide

housing for nearly 400 women and 51 families, essential PPE, case management, health screenings for clients, and helped 62 clients find housing.

It truly does take a Village and we are grateful for each and every way you have supported N Street Village this year – virtual events, fundraisers, donation drives, meal deliveries and kind words. Your investments – time, talent and treasure – mean more than ever.



Ready to be an advocate for your neighbors experiencing homelessness? Check out the N Street Village Advocacy page and take a step with us towards a more equitable tomorrow. Visit [www.nstreetvillage.org/get-involved/advocacy](http://www.nstreetvillage.org/get-involved/advocacy) to learn more.

## Take a look at your latest COVID-19 impact:

 <p><b>Nearly 400 women and 51 families</b> provided housing and essential services each night</p>	 <p><b>Essential needs</b> meals, showers, laundry, and clothing are provided onsite at all locations</p>	 <p><b>1,000 meals</b> provided by generous restaurant partners and Village supporters</p>	 <p><b>1,064 screenings</b> of clients and frontline staff per week at our emergency shelter</p>
 <p><b>Nearly 3,000 face masks and gloves</b> distributed to staff and clients</p>	 <p><b>Onsite programming and support</b> for residents across five locations with case management, crisis intervention and housing placement</p>	 <p><b>104 clients</b> enrolled in the MARJ &amp; MAK Vocational Center for career and benefits assistance</p>	 <p><b>100% staff position</b> retained at full-salary</p>

OCTOBER 17

# SHERO



## VIRTUAL WALK

Half Way to Our Goal!

Calling all SHEROS! Join us **October 17th** for the SHERO Virtual Walk as we rally together to ensure every woman has a safe and dignified place to call home. While we cannot gather as we have in years past, this year we look forward to expanding the boundaries of our neighborhood as we share the Village spirit with our friends and family through this reimaged experience.

This year is all about getting ACTIVE - with your voice, your feet, your advocacy, and your SHERO powers to rally support for the women in our community who need us most.

### Three Ways to Help us Reach Our SHERO goal:

1. **Register to 'Walk':** Every donation of \$45 or more will receive a limited edition SHERO mask.
2. **Activate:** Set an activation goal, build a personal SHERO fundraising page and rally your friends and family across the globe to support you.
3. **Sponsor:** Become a SHERO sponsor and make an investment in the women of the Village. Email Stuart at [sallen@nstreetvillage.org](mailto:sallen@nstreetvillage.org) for more information.

For more information and to check-out our Activation Toolkits for families, students, and community partners visit [www.nstreetvillage.org/walk](http://www.nstreetvillage.org/walk) or email Makenzie at [mdelmotte@nstreetvillage.org](mailto:mdelmotte@nstreetvillage.org).



## Winter Coat Drive

Thanks to you, last year we provided nearly 250 women with a new coat at our Annual Coat Giveaway! This year, we need to collect **300 coats** to ensure that every woman who arrives at our doors will be met with a warm welcome and a winter coat.

The Village is in need of *new or gently worn* winter coats by **October 28**. You can also make a direct monetary donation to help us purchase coats for clients with special needs and/or sizing. For more details on donation drop-offs and to find our Winter Coat wish list visit [www.nstreetvillage.org/2020-coat-drive](http://www.nstreetvillage.org/2020-coat-drive) or email Donna-Marie at [dthompson@nstreetvillage.org](mailto:dthompson@nstreetvillage.org).



## Did You Hear?

Village resident, India Frazier was featured in a powerful DCist article and WAMU radio broadcast this summer. India shared her perspective on the racial justice movement, the protests happening across the city, and the role racism has played in her own life and left us all inspired by her optimism for change.

Find the full article or listen to the radio broadcast at [www.wamu.org/story/20/08/06/dc-homelessness-racism-black-lives-matter-protests](http://www.wamu.org/story/20/08/06/dc-homelessness-racism-black-lives-matter-protests).

## From the Village Frontlines

As our incredible frontline staff continues to prioritize the health and safety of Village residents, we are grateful for their commitment and enthusiasm. Over the past few months, we have been collecting responses from staff about the challenges and opportunities COVID-19 has brought to their roles and the many ways they serve the women of N Street Village.



The number one thing that keeps me motivated and committed to N Street Village, even during these trying times, is knowing, understanding and modeling our mission of respect, recovery and hope.

– Allison  
Program Associate  
Miriam's House



Since we have suspended in-person volunteering, I have been maintaining the courtyard garden. Every now and again, clients will come and help - I can't think of anything better than gardening while maintaining relationships with Village residents.

– Heidi  
Director of Volunteers and  
Vocational Development

What keeps me motivated is knowing we provide a way out. The Village gives hope to the women we serve and shows them they can overcome homelessness.

– Jaynada  
Program Associate  
Miriam's House



My role has changed drastically, as my job is usually very hands on. In order to best serve clients, I've had to focus on my own development and find new ways to connect even when I can't be in the office.

– Chaquita  
Wellness Center Manager





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N Street Village is a community of empowerment and recovery for homeless and low-income women in Washington, D.C. With comprehensive services addressing both emergency and long-term needs, N Street Village helps women achieve stability and make meaningful gains in their housing, income, employment, mental health, physical health, and addiction recovery.

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- ✓ Help us reach our goal of 365 recurring donors to ensure the Village is here for every woman in need 365 days a year.
- ✓ Enable the Village to respond to our client's most urgent needs and plan for the future.
- ✓ Simplify your charitable giving while making an incredible impact over time.

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