

## Michiko Yoon

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# Carpenter's Shelter

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**June 2024**

The graphic features the text "June 2024" in a large, white, serif font, centered over a background of vibrant green, dew-covered leaves.



Thank you to our sponsors, in-kind donors, and staff that helped to put together a fantastic night! [Watch the video.](#)

We served food from Ruby's Jamaican Kitchen, What the Chef, Anna Sudha's Community Kitchens and A Thyme & Place. Each guest received a raffle ticket and was able to win great prizes like a wine tasting package, outdoor pizza oven and Craftsman mechanics toolbox.

Here are some thoughts from a few of our Awardees:

"What I found in [Carpenter's Shelter] was a tremendous mission, an incredible organization, remarkable leadership, particularly with Shannon and his team, a dedicated board of directors, and most importantly, this group of volunteers that just never quit. It was a wonderful experience for me. Thank you."

- Mike Lyden, Wall of Honor Awardee

"I find the volunteers, the staff, the residents, past residents, just a joy to be around every single time out there. One of my favorite things of all time to see is a "Shake the Keys" event, which is when a resident obtains permanent housing. You just feel so full of joy and so proud of the staff and the person that did it.

And so, and this just stays with you day after day. I just really enjoy it and thank you again for this honor."

- Elizabeth Bradley, Wall of Honor Awardee

"I am just so pleased with this award, because I think it tells me that my contribution of time and talent has had some positive effect in some way, along with my fellow board members past and present.

At the same time, I think about my mom and say what a wonderful role model she was in terms of service. I know that she'd be very proud of me getting this recognition tonight. I think, for me, getting this recognition is--in a way--recognizing her as well."

- Jim Taylor, Wall of Honor Awardee



**Congratulations again to our 2024 Award Winners!**

**Bob Douglas Awardees:**

- Philip Sunderland
- Rick Evans

**Wall of Honor Awardees:**

- Anna Sudha Community Kitchens
- Elizabeth Bradley
- Mike Lyden
- Jim Taylor



**Thank you to our Sponsors for this event:**

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Jim Taylor



[Please help us fund summer camp](https://CarpentersShelter.org/Give) for our children in shelter! It allows their parents to work and save up money for permanent housing. A single donation of \$250 is enough to send one child to summer camp. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 by June 30th.

It is through these summer camps that the children at Carpenter's Shelter are able to thrive, participate in activities that will keep them engaged over the break. The most important thing is that the children will feel that being homeless did not hold them back in any way. They are still able to participate and have a full life over the summer. The children are our future!



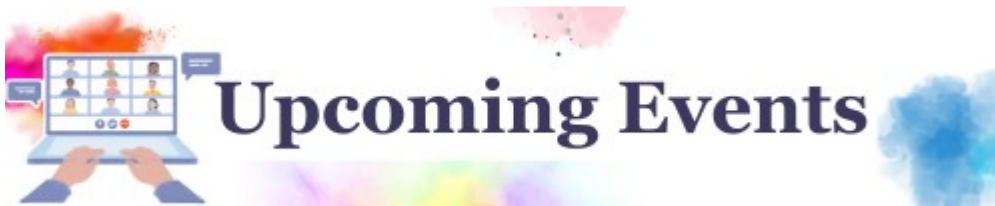
This month, Carpenter's Shelter celebrates three remarkable contributions that drive our mission forward.

A heartfelt thank you to the **Community Foundation for Northern Virginia** for their generous \$30,000 contribution. Their support fuels our two emergency shelters and comprehensive programs, providing vital resources to those in need.

Additionally, we extend our sincere thanks to the **Alexandria Rotary Club** for awarding us a \$1,000 grant as part of their Contributions Day Luncheon. Their continued support underscores the power of community collaboration.

These donations are powerful reminders of what community support can achieve. Yet, the journey continues, and we invite you to be part of it.

Donate today and help us turn every dollar into a beacon of hope. Together, we are not just counting donations; we're counting lives changed.



### **Virtual Volunteer Training**

Tuesday, June 11th, 6:00 pm

Click this [link](#) to register!

Please note that the [Volunteer Application](#) must be completed before training.



We are very grateful to [Yes&](#) for designing a beautiful annual report for us pro bono. Thank you for the amazing work that you do!



Thank you to Jefferson Houston School for their donation! The 5th grade class hosted a Fun Run for Carpenter's Shelter and raised \$1,500 for our services and programs.



### **Volunteer with Us!**

As summer approaches, we are in need of more volunteers to provide or serve meals or volunteer at the front desk. If you know someone who would be interested in volunteering this summer, please spread the word that Carpenter's Shelter is in need of volunteers. Visit [CarpentersShelter.org/Volunteer](https://CarpentersShelter.org/Volunteer) for more information.

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