



Town of Forest Heights

5508 ARAPAHOE DRIVE
FOREST HEIGHTS, MARYLAND 20745-1968
(301) 839-1030 Fax (301) 839-9236

Jacqueline Goodall
Mayor

COUNCIL MEMBERS

C. Lynn Smith-Barnes – Ward I
Robert Barnes Jr. – Ward I
Jonathon Kennedy II – Ward II
Cynthia Mann – Ward II
Habeeb-Ullah Muhammad – Ward III
Larry Stoner – Ward III

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

September 16, 2013

Town of Forest Heights Sponsors Food Drive for 2013 ‘Day to Serve’

Oxon Hill, Md. – In doing its part to help those in need, the Town of Forest Heights will hold two all-day food drives Sept. 19 and 20 at Eastover Shopping Center (10 Audrey Lane, Oxon Hill, MD 20745) as part of this year’s statewide “Day to Serve” event.

Town officials and residents will attempt to collect enough donations of nonperishable food items and personal hygiene products to fill an entire car. Members of the Forest Heights Police Department will be present both days to accept donated items. Donations will be used to replenish the food pantries at St. Mark AME Church in Forest Heights.

“There are so many ways each of us can serve our community, where every day we can reach out a helping hand to those who may need it,” said Forest Heights Mayor Jacqueline Goodall. “I hope that each of us will give one small donation to help us fill the pantries of St. Mark, who has for many years fed those in the community that were in need.”

A regional effort by the states of Maryland, West Virginia, Virginia and the District of Columbia, “Day to Serve” unites people of all faiths, races, cultures and backgrounds with the shared goal of helping those in need and improving local communities. The annual event runs September 15-29.

In 2012, Maryland Governor Martin O’Malley officially declared Sept. 29 an interfaith Day of Service in the state, calling on all Marylanders to engage in community service projects focused on ending hunger and protecting the environment. The initiative builds on the Governor’s strategic goals to eliminate childhood hunger by 2015, and to restore the health of the Chesapeake Bay by 2025.

More information on “Day to Serve” is available at www.daytoserve.org.

The Town of Forest Heights comprises approximately 2,500 residents and 945 homes that straddle both sides of Maryland Route 210, and is located near the Capital Beltway, the Woodrow Wilson Bridge and National Harbor.

Contact

Mimi Liu

571-835-8196

liu.y.mimi@gmail.com

###