

# DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES NEWSLETTER

The Developmental Services Newsletter will be shared quarterly with individuals, parents/guardians, group homes, and providers that support individuals in Arlington with Developmental Disabilities (DD).

## In this newsletter, you will find:

- Updates and announcements from Arlington County's Developmental Services program,
- Feature stories about individuals in our community,
- Events throughout Arlington.



## TOP NEWS

- Arlington County recently opened the first net-zero group home in Virginia for individuals with exceptional medical and behavioral support needs. This home will be operated by enCircle, under contract with the County.
- For individuals on the DD Medicaid Waiver waitlist, the Individual and Family Support Program (IFSP) application period opens on Oct. 16th and closes on Nov. 11th. For more information click [here](#).
- Visit Bitty&Beau's Coffee Shop as they celebrate their grand re-opening, operated by ServiceSource, located at 3207 M Street NW. To learn more about Bitty&Beau's Coffee shop, click [here](#).

## EMPLOYMENT READINESS PROGRAM

We are excited to announce that ServiceSource has been selected to operate the County's new employment readiness program for individuals with developmental disabilities. The program is located at 2100 Washington Blvd here in Arlington.

This program will be licensed as a day support program with a focus on developing peer socialization, self-help skills, community integration, adaptation, and career planning skills that enhance employability and build a successful foundation to achieve and sustain future employment.

The Developmental Services (DS) Newsletter is a source of connection to the wider Arlington community, with opportunities for individuals of all ages and abilities. **Scan the QR code to keep up with all the exciting things happening throughout the County!**

