Collaborative Initiatives in the Charlottesville/Albemarle Area

This list is an effort to identify collaborative groups in the Charlottesville/Albemarle area. If you have any additions or corrections please contact Mary Davis Hamlin at mdhamlin@thecne.org.

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Aging

Charlottesville Area Alliance
The Charlottesville Area Alliance works towards the advancement of an age-friendly community.
Contact: Marta Keane - mkeane@jabacares.org; Charlottesvilleareaalliance.org

Jefferson Area Coalition to End Elder Abuse
Charlottesville and Albemarle’s Commonwealth Attorneys have partnered with attorneys, nonprofit advocates, city, county, and state police, nursing homes, hospitals, area banks, the FBI, the U.S. Attorney’s Office and the U.S. Attorney’s Office of Adult Protective Services to “enhance communication and cooperation to better prevent, identify, refer and prosecute elder abuse and exploitation in the local community.”
Contact: Kristina Robertson – kroberts@albemarle.org

Court/Justice System

Charlottesville Coalition for Gun Violence Prevention
The coalition is sponsored by Westminster Presbyterian Church.
Contact: westminsterva.org

Gang Reduction through Active Community Engagement
Albemarle County and Charlottesville police work with a steering committee to develop community activities for our area youth.
Contact: Michelle Busby - busbym@albemarle.org; https://www.thecne.org/comprehensive-gang-assessment-grace/

Economic/Employment

City Workforce Advisory Council
The City Workforce Advisory Council serves in an advisory capacity to Coalition the city when developing and implementing its workforce development efforts and strategies.
Contact: Hollie Lee – leeh@charlottesville.org

Network2Work
Network2Work at PVCC, a Charlottesville Works Initiative (CWI) program, is a job network that connects job seekers to the skills and resources they need to become valued employees and helps employers find the quality employees they need for their companies. The CWI is a partnership between PVCC and the Charlottesville Regional Chamber of Commerce.
Contact: Ridge Schuyler – ridge.schuyler@gmail.com
Piedmont Workforce Network
Piedmont Workforce Network provides an integrated, effective workforce development system to provide local residents with the skills needed to fill new jobs with expanding companies and to contribute to our community’s overall attractiveness as a job market.
Contact: Mary Huffard Kegley - mhkegle@centralVirginia.org

Education
Charlottesville-Albemarle Early Education Task Force
The Task Force is comprised of schools, local government and community leaders. Its aim is to provide preschool to all children in the Charlottesville Albemarle area who live with risk factors.
Contact: www.unitedwaytja.org

Mentoring/Equity/Access
100 Black Men of Central Virginia
This group mentors young African American males to address their achievement gaps.
Contact: Bernard Hairston – Hairston@k12albemarle.org; 100bmocv.org

100 Black Women
This group mentors young African American females to address their achievement gaps.
Contact: Joyce Ivory - msjivory15@gmail.com; 100bwcv.org

Alliance for Black Male Achievement
Alliance for Black Male Achievement is a coalition to support African American boys and young men in achieving academic and personal success, including the avoidance of violence, becoming involved in productive activities, graduating from high school, and obtaining post high school education and/or employment.
Contact: Daniel Fairley – Fairleyd@charlottesville.org; bmacville.org/

Charlottesville Clergy Collective
The Collective’s mission is to establish, develop, and promote racial unity within the faith leadership of the Charlottesville-Albemarle Region through fellowship, collaborative partnerships, and relationship-building.
Contact: Michael Cheuk – email@clergycollective.org; cvilleclergycollective.org/about.html

City of Promise
The City of Promise is designed to create a continuum of solutions with the potential to significantly improve the outcomes of children and youth in the 10th and Page, Westhaven, and Star Hill neighborhoods.
Contact: djohnson@cityofpromise.org

Disproportionate Minority Contact Steering Committee (Juvenile)
This Committee completed a report in 2014 and is now monitoring the progress and tracking implementation of five recommendations related to training, policy, prevention, data collection and school involvement.
Contact: Gretchen Ellis – ellisg@charlottesville.org; charlottesville.org/departments-and-services/departments-h-z/human-services/dmc

Disproportionate Minority Contact Steering Committee (Adult)
Albemarle County and the City of Charlottesville are working with a consultant to understand and address racial disproportionality in the local criminal justice system.
Contact: Neil Goodloe – ngoodloe@oar-jcc.org

Human Rights Commission
A City Council Advisory Commission convened to act as a strong advocate for justice and equal opportunity by providing citywide leadership and guidance in civil and human rights

Immigrant Advocacy and Resource Coalition of Charlottesville/Albemarle
This group, coordinated by Westminster Presbyterian Church is a network of churches, faith groups and other community organization working to support and protect our immigrant neighbors.

University and Community Action for Racial Equity (UCARE)
UCARE is dedicated to helping the University of Virginia and the Charlottesville area communities work together to understand the University’s history of slavery, segregation, and discrimination and to find ways to address and repair the legacy of those harms.
Contact: Frank Dukes – ed7k@eservices.virginia.edu; http://ien.arch.virginia.edu/contact

Food/Physical Activity
Charlottesville Food Justice Network
The Charlottesville Food Justice Network is an emerging collaborative effort among local organizations working in unique and complementary ways to build a healthy and just community food system.
Contact: Jeanette Abi Nader – jeanette@cityschoolyardgarden.org; www.cityschoolyardgarden.org/programs/charlottesville-food-justice-network/

Move2Health Coalition
The Move2Health Coalition aims to encourage healthy eating and active living for residents of the Thomas Jefferson Health District (TJHD) – which covers the City of Charlottesville and Albemarle, Fluvanna, Greene, Louisa, and Nelson counties.
Contact: Move2healthCentralVA@gmail.com; move2healthcentralva.org/about-us/

Health General
Community Health UVA Partnership
This partnership works to increase trust and partnerships with community service leaders and to address MAPP2Health priorities through coordination, communication, sustainable outreach and resource stewardship in Virginia’s Planning District 10.
Contact: Elizabeth Beasley – ED6K@hscmail.mcc.virginia.edu
Family Assessment and Planning Team (FAPT)
The team assesses the strengths and needs of troubled youths and families who are approved for referral to the team and determine the complement of services required to meet those needs.
Contact: Katie Ralston – ralstonek@charlottesville.org; charlottesville.org

Improving Pregnancy Outcomes (IPO) Work Group
The IPO Work Group works to address the racial disparities in birth outcomes in the Thomas Jefferson Health District
Contact: Kathryn Goodman - Kathryn.Goodman@vdh.virginia.gov; facebook.com/IPOworkgroup

Interagency Councils
The Councils are a network of human service agencies and organizations committed to improving resources and services to meet the needs of their counties.

Fluvanna County Interagency Council
Contact: Kim Mabe - Kimberly.Mabe@dss.virginia.gov

Greene Agencies Coming Together
Contact: James Howard - James.Howard@dss.virginia.gov

Louisa Interagency Council
Contact: Whitney Deane - wdeane@louisa.org

Nelson Interagency Council
Contact: Randy Pirtle - RPirtle@brmedical.com

MAPP2Health – Community Health Assessment Council
The Council assesses our community’s health in order to understand our community’s strengths and to prioritize areas for improvement.
Contact: Putnam Ivey - putnam.ivey@vdh.virginia.gov

Transgender Health Alliance
The Alliance works to ensure healthcare for all members of the transgender community
Contact: info@thacva.org

Trauma Informed Network
The network supports trauma informed care as a necessary component to healing and recovery for children, families, and larger systems.
Contact: Alicia Lenahan – alenahan@pcasa.org; pcasa.org

Homelessness/Housing
Charlottesville Albemarle Affordable Housing Coalition (Forming)
Contact: Janette Kawachi – jkawachi@cvillehabitat.org
Charlottesville Low Income Housing Coalition
A coalition of residents and community-based organizations standing against displacement, and for increased affordable housing for very low-income people.
Contact: Emily Dreyfus – emily@justice4all.org; https://affordablehousingcville.org/resources/

Charlottesville Public Housing Association of Residents (PHAR)
PHAR is the recognized resident advisory board for public housing in Charlottesville.
Contact: Brandon Collins – brandon@pharcville.org; pharcville.org

Thomas Jefferson Area Coalition for the Homeless - TJACH
TJACH works to reduce homelessness by initiating creative solutions and by coordinating regional resources and services.
Contact: Anthony Haro – anthony@tjach.org; tjach.org

Mental Health
Community Mental Health and Wellness Coalition
A coalition of 15 agencies and 8 supporting agencies formed to improve awareness of mental health issues and to increase access to mental health services.
Contact: Rebecca Kendall – rebecca.kendall@regionten.org; helphappenshere.org; facebook.com/communitymentalhealthandwellnesscoalition/

Suicide Prevention Awareness Resource Council (SPARC)
SPARC works to reduce the number of suicides in our area.
Contact: Emily Warren – Emily.warren@regionten.org; sparchope.org

Youth
Charlottesville Albemarle Coalition for Healthy Youth (CACHY)
A collaborative group of community members and agencies who care for and about young people who convene to identify needs though available data, to harness resources and to advocate for service for young people, provide information, and raise awareness about current trends and programs in our community.
Contact: Emily Warren – Emily.warren@regionten.org; cachy.net

Charlottesville Youth Council
This group of 17 young people advises the Council, informs the community about issues that affect youth, and makes recommendations on how they feel Charlottesville can be a better city.
Contact: Gretchen Ellis – ellisg@charlottesville.org; charlottesville.org

Juvenile Justice Advisory Committee
The Advisory Committee convenes community stakeholders on an ongoing basis to study juvenile justice system practices and implement strategies to prevent delinquency, promote accountability and rehabilitation, and improve the efficiency and quality of the juvenile justice system in Charlottesville City and Albemarle County.
Contact: Rory Carpenter – carpenterr@charlottesville.org; charlottesville.org/departments-and-services/departments-h-z/human-services/juvenile-justice-advisory-committee