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TURNING POINTS

News and Updates from Turning Point of Lehigh Valley



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of Lehigh Valley

"Flex-Funds" Making An Impact

In partnership with the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence, Turning Point was thrilled to recently be awarded \$20,000 from the Provident Bank Foundation to support survivors with "Flex Funds." Unlike many traditional grants, these funds can be used to respond to a survivor's unique situation with individualized attention and support.

Flex funds play an instrumental role in allowing survivors to carve their own path of empowerment and freedom from abuse. For one survivor, flex funds allowed her family to continue participating in equine-assisted therapy at Equilibrium, while others were able to use these funds to pay fees for GED prep and real estate licensing classes in their efforts to become economically self-sufficient.



Pictured from left to right: Leah Triber (Advancement Coordinator, Turning Point of Lehigh Valley), Jennifer Beittel (Director of Philanthropy, Pennsylvania Coalition Against Domestic Violence), Lori Sywensky (Executive Director, Turning Point of Lehigh Valley), Andrea Search (Director of Advancement, Turning Point of Lehigh Valley), Samantha Plotino (Executive Director, The Provident Bank Foundation), Vanessa Valencia (Foundation Associate, The Provident Bank Foundation), and Trevor Hart (VP, Market Manager, Provident Bank).

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We are pleased to help further valuable initiatives put forth by local organizations who are working every day to strengthen the lives of residents in our communities. We will continue to provide support to these important organizations that have identified an immediate need in the community and for the individuals they serve.

**SAMANTHA PLOTINO, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
THE PROVIDENT BANK FOUNDATION**



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Community Partner Spotlight

We are also immensely grateful for our long-time partnership with the employees of C&S Wholesale Grocers, who recently also provided us a \$500 mini grant to help survivors defray day care costs. Often our shelter residents are returning to the workforce and depend on daycare to do so. While many will qualify for day care subsidies, the application process can take weeks, often leaving people with no option to work during this time. These funds allow us to bridge that time and move ahead with accepting employment when they are ready.



We greatly appreciate the support of Provident Bank Foundation, C&S Wholesale Grocers & the PCADV in supporting empowerment!

DLP Realty Gives Back...Packs



On Saturday, August 7th DLP Realty broke the Guinness World Record for the longest line of backpacks. They surpassed the previous record of 3,318 with 3,892 backpacks. Turning Point, along with several other nonprofits, received 60 backpacks for our Safe House clients.

Thanks DLP Realty!



To learn more about what we've been up to, visit www.turningpointlv.org

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As we are a women's clothing boutique, it makes sense that this donation goes to women. More specifically, we feel invested in our local community and are proud of the area we live and do business. So knowing that this clothing may help a neighbor is a great feeling.

PEACE, LOVE, & THREADS BOUTIQUE,
JEVON CICILIOT




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Hosting a Fundraiser? Let Us Know!

Interested in hosting a fundraiser to benefit survivors of domestic and intimate partner abuse? We can help you plan and promote your event!

Please contact: leaht@turningpointlv.org



GET OUTSIDE FOR GOOD

Monthly hikes for womxn to empower and connect while raising money and awareness for local causes.

Bring your girlfriends.
Unleash your superpowers.
Commune with nature.
Share the goodness.

Details:

WHERE: South Mountain Preserve Alpine Street. 3 mile loop. ****Beginner to Moderate level hiker.**** (There is also a flat, easy walk if that is more your speed.)
WHEN: 9am First Sunday of the month (Sept 5)
WHY: September's Spotlight Organization: Turning Point of the Lehigh Valley
Suggested Donation: \$10
WHAT TO EXPECT: Quick intros, brief stretching, hike, all the feels.

I HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US TO GET OUTSIDE AND DO SOME GOOD!



Check out our
Updated Amazon
Survivor Wish List
<http://bit.ly/tplv>



UPCOMING EVENTS

WE'RE ON TARGET'S CIRCLE APP
Make sure to download
Target's App and vote for us.
We'll be featured as one of five
local nonprofits starting on
October 1, 2021 and running
through December 31, 2021.

GET OUTSIDE FOR GOOD FUNDRAISER
Sunday, September 5, 2021 at
9:00 a.m. "Get Outside for
Good" Hiking Fundraiser to
benefit Turning Point of Lehigh
Valley.

To register and donate, visit:
<https://bit.ly/hike4good>

VIRTUAL TRAUMA-INFORMED YOGA
Sunday, October 10, 2021 at
10:00 a.m. via Zoom. Instructed
by Larissa and Monique of West
End Yoga Center. All proceeds
benefit Turning Point of Lehigh
Valley. \$15 per person.

To register, visit:
[visit:bit.ly/tplv_yoga](https://bit.ly/tplv_yoga)



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Unmasking Domestic and Intimate Partner Abuse

ANNUAL VIGIL

**REMEMBERING LIVES LOST, HONORING
SURVIVORS, AND GIVING HOPE TO THE FUTURE**

Live Music. Survivor Speakers. Candlelight Vigil.



Wednesday, October 20, 2021 | 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Doors open at 6:00 P.M.

Civic Theatre of Allentown

527 N. 19th Street, Allentown, PA 18104

Admission at no cost to the general public

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Desenmascarando el Abuso Doméstico y de la Pareja Intima

VIGILIA ANUAL

RECORDANDO LAS VIDAS PERDIDAS, HONRANDO A LOS SOBREVIVIENTES Y BRINDANDO ESPERANZA PARA EL FUTURO

Música en Vivo. Testimonio de Sobrevivientes. Vigilia con Velas.



Miércoles, 20 de Octubre, 2021 | 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.

Las puertas se abren a las 6:00 P.M.

Teatro Cívico de Allentown

527 Norte Calle 19, Allentown, PA 18104

Entrada gratuita para el público en general

Presentando al Auspiciador



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