



Fort Meade Chapter
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Monthly Meeting Invitation

Presenter: Pam Biddlecomb
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Topic: Arundel House of Hope Mission

Meeting Date: Saturday, May 12, 2025

Meeting Location: Mission Barbeque
3410 Plum Tree Drive
Ellicott City, MD 21042

Meeting Time: 11:30am to 1:00pm

RSVP to our website by May 17, 2025 for the in-person or ZOOM attendance:

<https://fort-meade-may-2025-signup-copy.cheddarup.com>

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MEETING ZOOM link if you cannot attend in Person:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85117441352?pwd=Q44u0xJkVEXvReRkgWk1olBgmdlYBa.1>

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Arundel House of Hope's mission is to end homelessness in Anne Arundel County with emergency, transitional, and permanent supportive housing and support services. We provide emergency services and shelter through our Resource and Day Center, Winter Relief Program, and Warming Center. Our three transitional housing programs serve veterans, single men, and women with children, offering intensive case management and housing support for six months to two years. Our permanent supportive housing programs provide long-term housing, stability, and services to individuals who are chronically homeless and have a disability. Lastly, we offer support services through our Community Recovery Center and collaborate with local organizations, such as the Community Health Ambassador Program.

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Biography

Pam Biddlecomb's passion is for working with those that are less fortunate in our community. Here are her thoughts:

I have a Master's in Computer Science from Johns Hopkins University and was a software engineer at Northrop Grumman (Westinghouse back in the day!) pre children.

When my 2nd child was born, I became a full-time mom and volunteer in various organizations. After my last child went off to college, I returned to the workforce becoming the treasurer for my church. During that time, I became actively involved in the Winter Relief program - first as a site coordinator for my church, then a segment coordinator supporting multiple sites, then for six years the Winter Relief coordinator for Arundel House of Hope. I also became the Director of the Day Center overseeing case management, program assistants, and day to day operations.

When Covid hit, I worked with the County to transform Winter Relief from a volunteer-based part-time program based in local churches into a full-time program that took over an Annapolis hotel to house and feed homeless men, women, and families. I worked closely with the Anne Arundel Department of Social Services, state and local health departments, and other AA county shelters as I ran the shelter in what became a 24/7 job. After 15 months when the world started back into normalcy, it was time for rest and family so I decided to retire. I lasted 3 years in retirement before my heart told me it needed to return to coordinating Winter Relief. I returned to Arundel House of Hope this past season part-time as the coordinator of the Winter Relief shelter.

I find enjoyment in working side by side with our hosting religious organizations as well as supporting those men and women who are facing challenges in their life's journey. I am eager and willing to talk to anyone who will listen about the programs that AHOH offers to our clients to help bring an end to homelessness and the stigma that is associated with substance abuse and mental health issues.