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| Arts | Community Connection: Children's Museum of Richmond | 4/21/2021-7/31/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 29 times. | 60 seconds | Opening in Navy Hill in 1981, the Children's Museum of Richmond is a nonprofit organization with the mission to inspire growth in all children by engaging families in learning through play. They welcome you to join their 40th birthday celebration on Friday, September 10th through both in-person and online experiences. |
| Homelessness | Hear Together: Our Community Place | 4/19/2021-7/13/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 12 times. | 90 seconds | Our Community Place has been serving the homeless population in Harrisonburg since the early '90s. Beginning as a soup kitchen, OCP has now expanded into a full-fledged day program, providing basic necessities like showers and hot meals. They served 23,000 meals during the COVID-19 pandemic, up from 19,000 the year before. But the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic brought another glaring need to the forefront: the demand for permanent housing assistance. It's not uncommon for property management companies to put up barriers, making it difficult for those who are low-income, have been previously incarcerated, or have a history of eviction to gain access to equitable housing. So OCP began working with area landlords to help them understand the needs of their client population. Last year, they placed an upwards of 50 residents in permanent housing, and have solidified 15 placements so far in 2021. We spoke with Executive Director Sam Nickels for this Hear Together profile. |
| Diversity | Hear Together: Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities | 4/27/2021-7/27/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 25 times. | 90 seconds | Founded in 1935, the Virginia Center for Inclusive Communities sought to address a rise in antisemitism, anti-Catholicism, and racism. Over the past eight-and-a-half decades, they've worked with schools, businesses and communities throughout the state to forge a cultural shift that's more equitable, inclusive, and just. Over the past five years, the Virginia Center has seen a 1300% increase in the demand for its services in the face of bias, bullying and discrimination. For this Hear Together profile, we spoke with President and CEO Jonathan Zur about recent trends and what we can do to bring our communities together. |
| Conservation | Community Connection: Shenandoah National Park Trust | 4/28/2021-7/28/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 25 times. | 60 seconds | The Shenandoah National Park Trust in Charlottesville, Virginia is the official philanthropic partner of Shenandoah National Park. The Trust invests in environmental programs to steward and protect the park's 200,000 acres of wild lands, wildlife, and historic treasures from invasive species and climate change. They work alongside partners like you to ensure access to our national park for all children, regardless of economic background, in order to inspire the next generation of conservationists. Help ensure our national park remains climate resilient and learn more about their historical preservation projects inside the park by visiting our website at www.snptrust.org . You can also join an online community of park stewards on social media by following @snptrust. |
| Children's Health | Community Connection: Camp Holiday Trails | 4/28/2021-8/10/2022 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 39 times. | 60 seconds | Camp Holiday Trails is a nonprofit camp for children and teens with medical needs. They are offering Day Camp sessions from June 14th through August 20th for children with medical needs and their siblings, age 5-17, who live in the Charlottesville-Albemarle area. New this year: they are now also offering day camp enrollment to children of hospital employees and healthcare workers. Multi-child and multi-week registration discounts are available. To learn more and sign up for their day camp programs, you can go to their website campholidaytrails.org |
| Food Insecurity | Community Connection: Lynchburg Grows Veggie Society | 4/28/2021-8/1/2023 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 30 times. | 60 seconds | Lynchburg Grows is a nonprofit urban farm in the heart of Lynchburg, providing the community with access to healthy food and jobs for individuals with disabilities. They invite you to support their mission by joining the Veggie Society. Members get perks like monthly giveaways and early access to sign up for their CSA; while Business members get brand exposure on their website and other media. To learn more and join online, you can visit lynchburggrows.org . Lynchburg Grows is a proud supporter of WNRN. |
| Conservation | Community Connection: Appalachian Conservation Corps | 5/4/2021-8/4/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 32 times. | 60 seconds | Appalachian Conservation Corps is currently accepting applications for their summer youth day crew. These paid positions, which are open to local youth ages 15-18, will complete necessary conservation projects alongside trained leaders and project partners from the United States Forest Service. No previous outdoor experience is required. You can learn more about Appalachian Conservation Corps and view the full position description at their website, or you can find them on most social media platforms at @appalachian_cc. |

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| Literacy | Community Connection: The Literacy Lab | 5/11/2021-7/15/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 14 times. | 60 seconds | The Literacy Lab is a nonprofit with a mission to close the literacy achievement gap in Virginia. They place trained tutors in partner elementary schools in Richmond and Henrico Public Schools to serve students from age three to grade three. The Literacy Lab is excited to announce the expansion of their Leading Men Fellowship, a program that trains young men of color to serve as Literacy Tutors for a full academic year in local preschool classrooms. The goal of the Leading Men Fellowship is to simultaneously add classroom capacity to ensure more students are entering school ready for kindergarten and to diversify the teacher workforce. They are currently accepting applications for The Leading Men Fellowship, which is open to young men age 18 to 24 who are interested in a career working with young people. The benefits are a living wage of \$15 an hour, a monthly transportation and communication stipend, and a \$2500 scholarship to be put toward future educational costs. |
| Health | Community Connection: CFF Brewer's Ball | 5/17/2021-7/23/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 20 times. | 60 seconds | Since 2014, the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation and the Virginia's Finest and Brewers Ball unTapped campaign has recognized standout young professionals and craft breweries and restaurants across the Commonwealth. The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is the world's leader in the fight to treat and cure cystic fibrosis: a rare, genetic disease that shortens the lives of children and young adults and makes breathing difficult. Much progress has been made. 50 years ago, the median life expectancy for someone with CF was just four years old -- now, the median age is in the 40s. However, as of today, there is still NO CURE for cystic fibrosis. They invite you to tune in for the Brewers Ball unTAPPED event on Friday, July 23rd, at 7 pm. Brewers Ball unTapped will bring our community together virtually to recognize our Virginia's Finest Honorees across the Commonwealth. Attendees can Bid for a Cure, enjoy music, and more. Virtual tickets are available and include a six-pack of 65 Roses Hibiscus Blonde Ale, brewed exclusively for this event by Three Notch'd Brewing Company, to enjoy while tuning in from home. |
| Food Insecurity | Community Connection: Meals on Wheels of Charlottesville/Albemarle | 5/17/2021-9/1/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 61 times. | 60 seconds | Meals on Wheels of Charlottesville/Albemarle is a nonprofit that delivers hot meals to people throughout Charlottesville and Albemarle County who are vulnerable to hunger and isolation because of decreased mobility. Their mission is to improve the health, support, independence and dignity of our homebound neighbors. They offer many volunteer opportunities for people of all ages, from driving, to packing meals, and helping with events. |
| Healthcare | Community Connection: Blue Ridge Free Clinic | 6/20/2021-8/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 49 times. | 60 seconds | The Blue Ridge Free Clinic offers adult medical visits, prescription assistance, and urgent dental care for our neighbors with unmet needs. Their all-volunteer staff strives to provide holistic care and make connections to resources their patients may need, such as help with food insecurity or transportation and housing challenges. They will soon have integrated social work and counseling programs. They partner with Sentara RMH for lab & radiology services, as well as specialty care. They also partner with JMU and host a clinical training program for physician assistant students. The Blue Ridge Free Clinic works to provide quality care to those who might otherwise fall through the cracks in our healthcare system -- and helps navigate patients to long-term, sustainable healthcare. They envision their clinic services to be "Your Bridge to Health". |
| Education | Community Connection: Rockingham Educational Foundation | 6/20/2021-8/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 47 times. | 60 seconds | Rockingham Educational Foundation, Inc. (REFI) is a nonprofit in Harrisonburg that supports learning by securing financial contributions and educational resources that benefit the students and teachers in Rockingham County Public Schools. They connect our caring community and innovative educators to build stronger schools. They do this through their five core programs: Early Literacy, Innovative Learning Grants for Educators, Student Scholarships, Our Teacher Supply Depot and Teacher Recognition. |
| Animal Welfare | Community Connection: Anicura Veterinary Ce | 6/20/2021-8/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 48 times. | 60 seconds | The Anicura Veterinary Center in Harrisonburg is a nonprofit veterinary hospital dedicated to keeping pets healthy and with the families who love them. They provide a full range of high-quality, affordable veterinary care from treating illness and injury including performing life-saving surgical procedures. Through their Comprehensive Care Clinic, they provide essential veterinary services for the most vulnerable pets in our community -- those with nowhere else to go. Anicura's Pet Food Pantry distributes nutritious meals to hundreds of families each month. |

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| Youth empowerment | Community Connection: Girls on the Run of the Shenandoah Valley | 6/20/2021-8/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 48 times. | 60 seconds | Girls on the Run of the Shenandoah Valley is a non-profit organization that serves girls in 3rd-8th grades. Their 8 week season, and culminating 5k event, teaches girls the importance of caring for themselves and others...physically, mentally, and emotionally through a physical-activity based delivery model. They're forming new teams in the fall, and invite you to join them! |
| Youth empowerment | Community Connection: On the Road Collaborative | 6/20/2021-8/5/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 77 times. | 60 seconds | On the Road Collaborative is a youth empowerment nonprofit in Harrisonburg that provides middle and high school youth with equal access to educational opportunities and hands-on career experiences through afterschool and summer learning programs. They invite you to learn more about how you can make a difference in the lives of local youth by sharing your passion and teaching them about your career. You may just inspire the next generation. For more information about volunteering with On the Road as a Community Teacher, you can go to their website. |
| Arts | Community Connection: Heifetz International Music Institute | 6/1/2021-8/5/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 26 times. | 60 seconds | The Heifetz International Music Institute is a nonprofit in Staunton dedicated to the artistic growth and career development of some of the most talented young classical musicians in the world, guiding them to better communicate, engage, and inspire their audiences. They're hosting their 25th Anniversary Festival of Concerts from June 29th through August 6th, featuring 50 concerts in venues across Staunton and throughout the Shenandoah Valley. |
| Conservation | Community Connection: Rockfish Valley Foundation | 6/1/2021-7/3/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 2 times. | 60 seconds | The Rockfish Valley Foundation preserves the natural, historical, ecological, and agricultural resources of the Rockfish Valley. They're presenting the 4th annual Old Wintergreen Days Outdoor Festival on the 4th of July 2021 11:00AM to 4:00PM. They invite you to bring your entire family out to Old Wintergreen at the Rockfish Valley Foundation Park on Rt. 151 just south of Nellysford. They'll have having Old Time crafts, Living History, Story telling, Music, Demonstrations, the Natural History Museum, a BBQ Food Truck |
| Preservation | Community Connection: Crozet Volunteer Fire Department | 6/3/2021-7/2/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 2 times. | 60 seconds | The Crozet Volunteer Fire Department invites you to attend the Crozet Independence Day Celebration on Saturday, July 3rd. The event begins with the Crozet Volunteer Fire Department parade at 5PM on Crozet Avenue to Crozet Park, followed by live music by the local band Jacobone, children rides and games, food, local beer and cider, and finishing with fireworks at 9:30PM. |
| Arts | Community Connection: OASIS Fine Art & Craft | 6/20/2021-8/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 47 times. | 60 seconds | OASIS Fine Art and Craft is a cooperative of about 3 dozen local artisans in Harrisonburg. They're in their 21st year in the same spot: at the corner of Main and Water Streets. OASIS was created so that artisans would have a local place to exhibit and sell their work. Their mission also includes mentoring new artisans, as well as community outreach. They welcome you to join them for their special upcoming show. They were given 42 guitars by Yamaha, with the stipulation that the guitars could not be sold as musical instruments. So, they're repurposing the guitars, which will be exhibited and sold later this summer. All proceeds will go to the Harrisonburg Music Teachers Association. Their goal is to provide 25 families with a musical instrument and six-months of instruction. |
| Communication | Community Connection: FairField Center | 6/20/2021-9/1/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 48 times. | 60 seconds | For nearly 40 years, the Harrisonburg FairField Center's state-recognized mediation, training, civic engagement, and restorative justice programs have helped thousands of individuals, couples, families, businesses, and organizations listen, plan, and interact more effectively. Highly trained and experienced staff offer alternatives for resolving disputes and teach skills for navigating difficult issues such as separation, divorce, child custody, co-parenting, workplace disagreements, sexual harassment, or the impacts of crime or wrongdoing. FairField Center also strives to contribute to greater understanding in the larger community by sponsoring the Harrisonburg International Festival, an annual celebration of the area's rich cultural diversity, and working with dozens of local students and interns each year. |
| Environment | Community Connection: Sierra Club | 6/20/2021-7/13/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 12 times. | 60 seconds | The Sierra Club is one of the first and largest environmental organizations in the world. On Wednesday, July 14th, at 7 p.m., The Piedmont Group, Sierra Club is hosting a virtual screening of the video Seeding Change: The Power of Conscious Commerce. Seeding Change is about "triple bottom line" businesses that consider the social, environmental and financial impacts of their companies and address some of today's most challenging issues. There will be a round table discussion about conscious commerce with local business owners at the end of the video |

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| Horticulture | Community Connection: Lewis Ginter Botanical Gardens | 6/18/2021-8/18/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 46 times. | 60 seconds | Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden is a nonprofit garden in Richmond connecting people through plants to improve communities. They invite you to visit our 50-acres of blooms, woodland paths and natural spaces to relax, refresh and restore. This summer, the Garden celebrates the healing power of nature and has some evening hours, including Flowers After 5 on Thursday nights with live music. |
| Arts | Community Connection: Richmond Performing Arts Alliance | 6/18/2021-7/9/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 8 times. | 60 seconds | Richmond Performing Arts Alliance (RPAA) is hosting its annual Parking Lot Party featuring live music from Mekong Express. |
| Immigrant Services | Community Connection: Latinos In Virginia Empowerment Center | 6/18/2021-9/18/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 75 times. | 60 seconds | Latinos In Virginia Empowerment Center is a culturally specific non-profit located in Richmond that aims to provide education, advocacy, and support to Latino victims of violence or crime, and specifically to those who are monolingual in Spanish. They believe that everyone has the right to access support in order to stabilize their life, regardless of the language they speak. They've launched a trauma-informed interpreter bank to help those in need be fully present in such conversations. Their interpreters are qualified and trauma-informed, and aim to restore the autonomy of survivors through breaking language barriers. |
| Food Insecurity | Hear Together: Lynchburg Grows | 5/7/2021-8/2/2022 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 30 times. | 90 seconds | Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) relies on a group of individuals to run a farm operation. The farm is then open to other community members who can sign up for a CSA membership where they receive locally-grown produce during a harvest season. Lynchburg Grows is a 7-acre nonprofit farm in Lynchburg that offers their own Veggie Box CSA. Over the last few seasons, they've improved access to the program with a scholarship offering for low-income residents. But that's not the only new initiative Lynchburg Grows has launched recently: They now partner with Sentara to offer a Fresh Rx prescription program, and their Farm Coach mentorship program provides one-on-one coaching for their farmers with disabilities. For this Hear Together profile, we spoke with Executive Director Shelley Blades. |
| Mental Health | Hear Together: Full Circle Grief Center | 5/17/2021-8/10/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 39 times. | 90 seconds | As a school counselor, Allyson Drake worked with a number of students who were experiencing a loss or had a family member at home with a terminal illness. When she had trouble finding further grief support for her students in the community, she decided to start her own comprehensive grief resource center — Full Circle. They provide individual and group counseling for adults and children starting at the age of three in Central Virginia. They also provide grief support trainings for organizations, nonprofits, schools, and corporations. We examine how Full Circle's services have become even more crucial over the past year in this Hear Together profile. |
| Literacy | Community Connection: Literacy Volunteers | 7/14/2021-7/29/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 13 times. | 60 seconds | Literacy Volunteers of Charlottesville/Albemarle is a nonprofit that provides reading, writing, and English language tutoring to adults in our community through the power of volunteer tutors. Their students come from a variety of backgrounds and are hoping to acquire the skills they need to independently pursue life goals and support their families. Like many organizations, they had to change our operations due to the pandemic. Technology and virtual instruction now allows them to reach more people in multiple ways. If you would like to help adults in our community achieve their educational goals, you are invited to register for Virtual New Tutor Training. Tutor training can now be completed from the comfort of your own home. The next session begins on Thursday, July 29 at 6:00 p.m. |

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| Addiction | Community Connection: Institute for Reform and Solutions | 7/14/2021-7/29/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 13 times. | 60 seconds | <p>The Institute for Reform and Solutions is a nonprofit in the Shenandoah Valley committed to reforming the inequities in the criminal justice system. Along with Katrina Broughman, they are hosting Recover Fest, a two-day event with live music in Staunton and Lexington. They will remember lives lost to drug overdoses and promote the importance of harm reduction and recovery treatment. Proceeds will support those suffering from meth and opioid addiction in Lexington, Staunton, Augusta, Rockbridge, Buena Vista, and Waynesboro.</p> <p>They invite you to bring your entire family to both events for live music, speakers, children's activities, and information tables from sponsors and partners; on-site bathrooms at both events. The first day of Recover Fest will be held in Lexington on Thursday, July 29th, at Hull's Drive-In Theater from 5:30-11 pm. They'll have food and drinks at the concession stand and local musicians performing an array of genres including gospel, rock, and electronic.</p> <p>The second day of Recover Fest will be held in Staunton on Thursday, August 5th, at the Sunspots Pavilion on the Wharf from 5:30-9:00 pm. Food and drinks will be available from Shredders BBQ. Live music will include acoustic, rock, gospel, and more.</p> |
| Senior Needs | Community Connection: Twice is Nice | 7/14/2021-10/15/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 76 times. | 60 seconds | <p>Twice is Nice is an upscale resale boutique featuring gently used men's and women's clothing and accessories, collectibles, home decor, and furniture all generously donated by our community. They are a nonprofit and funds from Twice is Nice sales are used to help other nonprofits that directly provide services to seniors in our community.</p> <p>They value helping seniors, practicing sustainability through recycling and reducing waste, being socially impactful and inclusive, and providing quality products with competitive and affordable prices.</p> |
| Health | Community Connection: Sentara Martha Jefferson Hospital | 7/23/2021-8/27/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 21 times. | 60 seconds | <p>Sentara Martha Jefferson Hospital is a not-for-profit community hospital in Charlottesville. They are celebrating their 10th anniversary with Sentara at their Pantops location with a special Sunsets with Sentara concert. They welcome you to join them on Saturday, August 28th at 5 p.m. to relax on the lawn with your family while you enjoy the sunset, set to live music. Refreshments will be available for purchase from local food trucks, breweries and wineries. This concert is open to the public, and blankets and lawn chairs are welcome.</p> |
| Arts | Community Connection: Richmond Shakespeare Festival | 7/26/2021-8/14/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 17 times. | 60 seconds | <p>The Quill Theatre is a nonprofit in Richmond producing vital works of classical and contemporary theatre, with Shakespeare as their foundation. Quill, along with Agecroft Hall and Gardens, is presenting the Richmond Shakespeare Festival now through August 15th. They invite you to enjoy Shakespeare's Twelfth Night and The Bottom Show, an adaptation of A Midsummer Night's Dream, outdoors with Agecroft's 16th-century manor home as a backdrop. Plays run Thursday through Sunday.</p> |
| Homelessness | Hear Together: REAL LIFE | 7/26/2021-current | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 62 times. | 90 seconds | <p>REAL LIFE is a Richmond-based nonprofit that serves individuals who are coming out of incarceration, homelessness, or who battle substance use disorder. With 10 recovery/transition houses, the organization provides six months of inclusive programming including housing, meals, physical and mental health assistance, and help securing employment. By providing opportunities to overcome personal and community barriers, REAL LIFE's programming leads to better outcomes, including a reduced recidivism rate.</p> |
| Housing | Community Connection: Building Goodness Foundation | 7/29/2021-current | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 58 times. | 60 seconds | <p>The Building Goodness Foundation is a nonprofit construction organization based in Charlottesville. For over 20 years, Building Goodness Foundation has been building community and improving lives for thousands of people here in Central Virginia and around the world. Last year, they launched the C'ville Builds fund in response to our community's needs. Through C'ville Builds, they offer renovations and repairs for local nonprofits, small businesses and low-income homeowners in the Charlottesville area. C'ville Builds has made such an impact that they need more builders to join the effort! C'ville Builds is an easy and practical way for construction pros to support our community by offering their skills at a reduced rate. They invite you to join the dozens of local builders who are already a part of C'ville Builds and adopt a project.</p> |

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| Health | Community Connection: Ishan Gala Foundation | 7/29/2021-8/28/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 33 times. | 60 seconds | The Ishan Gala Foundation is a nonprofit in Charlottesville that provides financial assistance, comfort and emotional support to families with a child fighting cancer. They're hosting their 13th annual Splash for a Cure 5K fundraiser on Saturday, August 28th. The event is virtual this year but they encourage small groups to run together! They welcome you to run, walk or fundraise to show your support for the many families in our community fighting childhood cancer. Proceeds will go towards IGF's programs that provide holistic support for each member of the family, including siblings, to ensure quality of life during and after treatment. |
| Arts | Community Connection: Front Porch Fest | 7/30/2021-9/5/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 36 times. | 60 seconds | One Family Productions is a nonprofit in Patrick County with the mission of promoting and supporting community enrichment and growth. They specialize in creating impactful partnerships and events that are accessible, innovative, and engaging. They're hosting Front Porch Fest on Labor Day Weekend at Spirithaven Farm in Patrick County. For more information, you can visit their website. One Family Productions is a proud financial supporter of WNRN. |
| Health | Hear Together: Virginia Rural Health Association | 8/2/2021-current | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 58 times. | 90 seconds | The Virginia Rural Health Association works to improve health and healthcare for the 2.5 million residents in rural areas of the state through education and advocacy. They also form cooperative partnerships with small clinics and hospitals to ensure that they have access to the equipment and federal funding they qualify for in order to operate successfully. For this Hear Together profile, we spoke with Executive Director Beth O'Connor. Listen at the audio link below to learn more about the Virginia Rural Health Association's initiatives, including steps they're taking to combat substance abuse and ensure healthy equity for LGBTQ+ members of our community. |
| Arts | Community Connection: MetamorphIX Art Festival | 8/4/2021-9/23/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 46 times. | 60 seconds | The MetamorphIX Art Festival is a new art festival coming to IX Art Park in Charlottesville on Friday, September 24th from 5 to 10 p.m. This inaugural event will host visual artists, performance artists, live mural painting, music, and access to The Looking Glass - the immersive art museum at IX. All proceeds benefit the non-profit IX Art Park Foundation. |
| Arts | Community Connection: The Front Porch | 8/4/2021-8/23/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 18 times. | 60 seconds | The Front Porch is a nonprofit music school in Charlottesville dedicated to connecting everyone through music. They invite you to join in their Fall Session of music classes, beginning on August 23rd. They offer lessons to kids and adults, for many instruments, genres, and levels. |
| Senior Needs | Community Connection: Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg | 8/6/2021-9/30/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 49 times. | 60 seconds | Meals on Wheels of Greater Lynchburg addresses the hunger, isolation and unique needs of the homebound in Lynchburg, plus Amherst, Bedford & Campbell Counties. Volunteers deliver on almost 40 routes to people of all ages and incomes. In addition to a hot, nutritious meal, they are also a connection to the community and a safety check, so our home-bound neighbors can live valued, independent lives at home. We have all felt the impact of isolation and loneliness this year, but those we serve are still homebound. Meals on Wheels is a lifeline to these neighbors in need. Meals on Wheels is hosting their 3rd annual WheelsUp! during the month of September. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly towards providing meals for those in need. |
| Resource | Community Connection: SHARE Greater Lynchburg | 8/6/2021-11/6/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 51 times. | 60 seconds | SHARE Greater Lynchburg is an online platform in Lynchburg that helps donors discover ways to support, serve or shop for local area nonprofits all in one place, 365 days a year. If you're a nonprofit looking to get the word out about your organization, or, if you're a community member interested in contributing or volunteering, you can go to SHAREGreaterLynchburg.org . |
| Homelessness | Community Connection: Miriam's House | 8/6/2021-11/6/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 49 times. | 60 seconds | Miriam's House is a nonprofit in Lynchburg with a mission to end homelessness and rebuild lives. So far, in 2021, they've placed 210 of our homeless neighbors into safe and affordable housing. They know that the upcoming need is great, and they invite you to get involved with their work of ending homelessness. |
| Environment | Hear Together: Sustainability Matters | 8/7/2021-current | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 48 times. | 90 seconds | Sustainability Matters is the fun, realistic, accessible sustainability organization based in the Shenandoah Valley. They focus on conversation education for everyone, from business owners to farmers to individuals, to empower them to make change themselves. They offer programs on sustainable landscaping and business, host community plant swaps and forums on recycling, teach people how to grow their own food, and even hosted the valley's largest ever Earth Day festival. We spoke with founder and director Sari Carp for this Hear Together profile. |

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| Equine therapy | Community Connection: Ride With Pride | 8/16/2021-9/16/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 29 times. | 60 seconds | Ride With Pride is a therapeutic horsemanship nonprofit in Staunton that assists 150 children and adults every year with emotional, physical, or developmental disabilities, and veterans adjusting to life back home. They invite you to join them at their Gala event on Saturday, October 2nd, from 6-10 PM at Hotel 24 South in Staunton. There will be music, dancing, a silent auction, food, and other activities. The deadline to RSVP is Friday, September 17th. |
| Charity auction | Community Connection: Shepherd's Center | 8/20/2021-9/10/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 19 times. | 60 seconds | Shepherd's Center is a non-profit in Chesterfield with a mission to enrich the lives of adults 60 and better by offering volunteer opportunities for community service and lifelong learning and to help them remain active and independent. The Shepherd's Center is hosting its 4th Annual Charity Auction on Saturday, September 11th at 6:30 PM at The Reserve at the Highlands. |
| Health | Community Connection: RVA Beard League | 8/20/2021-10/1/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 9 times. | 60 seconds | Founded in 2011, the RVA Beard League is a social volunteer organization in Richmond improving their hometown through the three C's of community service, charitable fundraising, and camaraderie. On Saturday, October 2nd, they're hosting the Mid-Atlantic Beard & 'Stache Championships double-oh eight, a charity facial hair competition to benefit Shine For Scott, a non-profit that helps the increasing number of young adults diagnosed with colorectal cancer. The Mid-Atlantic Beard & 'Stache Championships consists of 15 facial hair categories representing a diverse array of styles and lengths and two devoted to fake beards so that everyone — including ladies, kids, and the (in)voluntarily clean shaven — can compete! |
| Childcare | Community Connection: United Way RVA | 8/20/2021-11/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 35 times. | 60 seconds | United Way of Greater Richmond & Petersburg is excited to announce WomenRise — a child care scholarship program for single moms that are pursuing post-secondary education or career training. The cost of childcare in our service area is often more than \$1,000 per month, per child. This massive expense can make it nearly impossible for single parents to maintain financial stability while furthering their education in pursuit of a reliable living-wage career. By covering the cost of childcare, they are providing the opportunity for WomenRise participants to focus on their schoolwork, knowing that their children are in a safe environment where they can learn and grow. |
| Arts | Community Connection: Virginia Quilt Museum | 8/20/2021-9/10/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 17 times. | 60 seconds | The Virginia Quilt Museum in Downtown Harrisonburg would love to welcome you into their historical home to come see their extensive collection of traditional and art quilts, special exhibitions, and collection of over 60 antique sewing machines. They are celebrating their 25th anniversary with two current exhibitions. "Bindings from the Valley" is a curated show of antique and traditional Shenandoah Valley Quilts. It is one of the largest shows they have ever exhibited, containing over 40 quilts in 7 galleries. Their other current show is "Deeds not words." It celebrates the 100th anniversary of the 19th amendment. It was done by 28 award-winning artists from all over the country. Both shows run until September 11, 2021. |
| Childcare | Community Connection: Roberta Webb Early Education Center | 8/20/21-11/20/2021 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 35 times. | 60 seconds | Roberta Webb Early Education Center partners with families to provide rich educational experiences that prepare children for a lifetime of learning. Since 1994, it has been their privilege to advance the educational vision of their namesake Mrs. Roberta Morgan Webb (1889 – 1990). They believe that our children are gifts to the world, and they value the religious, ethnic, and socio-economic diversity that they represent. They invite families into their children's learning and through the children reach into the life of the community. Roberta Webb EEC is where the journey of lifelong learning begins. |
| Housing | Community Connection: Foxfield Racing | 8/26/21-10/2/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 28 times. | 60 seconds | Foxfield Racing, located in Albemarle County, and under new local management, is now a non-profit. Their Fall Race is happening on Sunday, October 3rd at Foxfield. They welcome new and returning attendees and will have a large children's tent full of activities and things to explore between the races. They have partnered with Habitat for Humanity of Greater Charlottesville, and proceeds from the race will support Habitat's efforts in our community. |
| Funding | Community Connection: Women United in Philanthropy | 8/26/21-9/10/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 12 times. | 60 seconds | Women United in Philanthropy is a volunteer group of women (about 170 strong, from all walks of life) who want to make a more meaningful impact to our community through collective giving. Since 2006, they have awarded over \$650,000 dollars in grants to help better the lives of women and children in our area. On Friday, September 10th, they're hosting a social at Chisholm Vineyards in Earlysville from 6-9PM. There will be food, wine, and music. This outdoor event is open to any woman interested in learning more about the group. |

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| Literacy | Community Connection: Charlottesville Rotary Club | 8/26/21-11/26/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 28 times. | 60 seconds | The Rotary Club of Charlottesville provides service to others, promotes integrity, and advances world understanding, goodwill, and peace throughout their fellowship of business, professional and community leaders. They are the community sponsor for Dolly Parton's Imagination Library program. This nonprofit program delivers one age-appropriate book per month through the mail to children from birth until they turn 5 years old. |
| Health | Community Connection: The MaDee Project | 8/26/21-9/14/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 17 times. | 60 seconds | The MaDee Project is a nonprofit that supports pediatric cancer patients and their families in the Shenandoah Valley and surrounding areas. The MaDee Project is presenting Old Crow Medicine Show at The Augusta Expo in Fishersville on Saturday, September 18th. Gates open at 5 PM, music to start around 6 PM with Nashville DJ and OCMS drummer, Jerry Pentecost. |
| Autism | Community Connection: Virginia Institute of Autism | 9/1/21-9/27/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 23 times. | 60 seconds | The Virginia Institute of Autism is a nonprofit in Charlottesville that is dedicated to providing compassionate, effective, evidence-based services for people with autism and their families across the region. They are hosting a grand opening celebration for the Center for Adolescent and Adult Autism Services (CAAAS). The event will take place on Tuesday, September 28 from 5:00-7:30 pm, and will include formal remarks, a ribbon-cutting ceremony, and an open house. |
| Nature | Community Connection: Botanical Garden of the Piedmont | 9/1/21-9/30/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 23 times. | 60 seconds | The Botanical Garden of the Piedmont in Charlottesville welcomes you to join them virtually on Thursdays in September at 7:00 PM for the Ian Robertson Legacy Lectureship - The Healing Properties of Nature. For more information, including ticket details and a list of speakers, you can go to their website, piedmont garden dot org. All proceeds benefit the Garden, where their mission is to educate and inspire through the beauty and importance of plants, to advance sustainability, to engage in nature, and to promote human and environmental well-being. |
| Arts | Community Connection: Fry's Spring Beach Club | 9/1/21-10/1/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 22 times. | 60 seconds | Fry's Spring Beach Club is excited to celebrate their 100 year anniversary on Saturday, October 2. Their centennial concert will take place outside on their grounds and feature local big acts We Are Star Children, Chamomile & Whiskey, and Love Canon. The music starts at 5 PM and all are welcome. Proceeds from this fundraiser will go to Fry's Spring Next Century to raise money for FSBC Scholarships. You can learn more at www.fryspring.org . |
| Conservation | Community Connection: Rivanna Conservation Alliance | 9/1/21-9/24/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 18 times. | 60 seconds | The Rivanna Conservation Alliance is a non-profit based in Charlottesville working to conserve the Rivanna River and its tributaries through water quality monitoring, restoration, education, and advocacy. If you are concerned about trash and plastics in our waterways, or just looking for a way to give back to our community, they invite you to join them for the 2nd annual Rivanna River Round-Up community watershed cleanup. This event will be held on Saturday, September 25th, and will include guided cleanups both on land and in the water. You can even register your own cleanup to receive supplies and support. They hope you will join us in caring for one of our region's greatest natural assets - the Rivanna River - at the second annual Rivanna River Round-Up on Saturday September 25th. Registration takes place through our website at rivannariver.org . |
| Astronomy | Community Connection: Dark Skies, Bright Kids | 9/1/21-9/24/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 17 times. | 60 seconds | Dark Skies, Bright Kids is an outreach organization from the UVA Astronomy Department whose core mission is to bring astronomy activities to elementary school kids throughout Virginia. They invite you to their 11th Annual Central Virginia Star Party on Saturday, September Twenty-Fifth at Albemarle Ciderworks starting at six-thirty pm. They welcome all members of the community to come star-gaze through telescopes, go on a night sky constellation tour, hear astronomy-themed talks, enjoy cider tastings, and much more. This event will be outdoors and they will be observing the CDC guidelines regarding COVID-19. You can learn more about them and their Star Party at darkskiesbrightkids.com . |
| Alzheimer's | Community Connection: Alzheimer's Association | 9/1/21-10/31/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 21 times. | 60 seconds | Alzheimer's and other dementias have impacted, or will impact many of us. The Alzheimer's Association provides funding for research to prevent, treat and one day cure Alzheimer's and other dementias. They also provide services, resources and support to our families impacted by these devastating diseases. To raise awareness and to help fund the work the Alzheimer's Association is doing for our community, they are hosting their annual walk on Saturday, November 6th at 10 a.m. beginning at the CFA Institute on East High Street in Downtown Charlottesville. They hope you will support, join or start a team for this year's walk. The next brain saved may be yours. For more information, you can go the Walk's Website at alz.org/walk . |

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| Grieving | Community Connection: Sadie Rose Foundation | 9/2/21-11/2/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 20 times. | 60 seconds | The Sadie Rose Foundation is a nonprofit in Dayton that provides non-clinical peer support for those grieving the death of a loved one. They offer group meetings and one-on-one support. For more information, you can go to their website, sadiesrosefoundation.org . |
| Culture | Community Connection: Imani Works | 9/2/21-9/22/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 13 times. | 60 seconds | Imani Works is a nonprofit human rights advocacy group located in Nasons. They welcome you and your entire family to join them for The Thang: The Affrolachian On-Time Music Gathering, an outdoor cultural event that celebrates Black string band musicians, Appalachian music, and our allies of all genres. Because two of your 30 basic human rights are: the right to culture, and the right to play. This in-person and virtual music festival will run from 6PM-8PM each evening Wednesday, September 22nd through Friday, September 24th. You can watch online or attend in person at their farm location at 19362 Constitution Hwy in Nasons just east of Orange, near the municipal airport. All proceed for the event go to Imani Works' Musicians Mutual Aid Fund. You can find more information, along with the virtual watch link on their website, Imaniworks.org . |
| Trade skills | Community Connection: Rotary Club of Richmond | 9/14/21-9/29/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 12 times. | 60 seconds | The Rotary Club of Richmond is hosting a Downtown Throwdown at Kanawha Plaza in the heart of downtown Richmond on Thursday, September 30th. They invite you to join them for this outside event featuring music by Jackass Flats, dinner by Mission BBQ and beverages. All proceeds will benefit work force development initiatives in the greater Richmond area that help individuals gain necessary skills to work in a trade. Not everyone pursues a college path and we aim to support non-profits in the community that are helping students gain valuable work skills in the trades. Tickets and information can be found at rvrotary.com |
| Arts | Community Connection: CultureWorks | 9/14/21-10/31/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 13 times. | 60 seconds | CultureWorks is a nonprofit in Richmond committed to strengthening artists and arts and culture organizations to increase their impact in our region. They're presenting the sixth year of artoberVA, from October 1st through 31st. artoberVA is a month-long celebration of arts and culture throughout RVA and the Tri-Cities. Their online calendar shines a light on the breadth and depth of accessible arts and cultural experiences, events, and collaborations throughout our region! artoberVA is for everyone – building and elevating a more accessible and inclusive arts and culture community; bringing hope and healing to our Region! You can learn more online at artoberva.com . CultureWorks is a proud financial supporter of WNRN. |
| Energy efficiency | Community Connection: Community Climate Collaborative | 9/15/21-10/31/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 13 times. | 60 seconds | The Community Climate Collaborative catalyzes climate action with community-based solutions. They work with residents, businesses, and local governments to reduce climate emissions and address energy and transit inequities. They invite you to join them at one of our Fall Energy Clinics running now through November at select locations -- to get acquainted with your energy bill, learn why it might be costing you too much, and how to reduce those bills. For more information, you can go to their website, theclimatcollaborative.org/events . |
| Childcare | Community Connection: Boys and Girls Clubs of Harrisonburg & Rockingham County | 9/17/21-10/29/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 8 times. | 60 seconds | Boys & Girls Clubs of Harrisonburg & Rockingham County focus on enabling young people to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens through programs focused on academic success, healthy lifestyles, good character, and citizenship. The Boys & Girls Club is celebrating 25 years of providing essential out-of-school time programs and services to thousands of our Harrisonburg City and Rockingham County youth and families during the past quarter-century. For more information, you can visit their website at BGCHR.org and learn about our services and upcoming events, like Yoga Fest, held on Saturday, Oct 30th. |
| Health | Community Connection: Conquering CHD VA | 9/17/21-11/17/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 9 times. | 60 seconds | Conquering CHD - Virginia is a nonprofit state chapter of a national organization. They exist to conquer the most common birth defect, congenital heart disease. One in 100 babies are born with congenital heart disease, a structural or electrical problem with the heart present at birth. Conquering CHD offers support to families facing a prenatal or new diagnosis, youths and adults living with CHD, as well as bereaved loved ones. They create visibility and empower all impacted by CHD, through awareness, knowledge, community, and research. If you or someone you know is affected by CHD, they invite you to send them a Conquering CHD Kit, a special care package with helpful guidance, educational materials, and small gifts to encourage and support. You can learn more at conqueringchd.org/Virginia . |

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| Arts | Community Connection: Charlottesville Playwrights Collective | 9/20/21-10/17/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 8 times. | 60 seconds | The Charlottesville Playwrights Collective is a non-profit that produces new plays written by local playwrights. In October, they'll present the first-ever staging of Kate Monaghan's new play, "The O'Malley Gambit". They welcome you to witness the private meeting between England's Queen Elizabeth I and Grace O'Malley, the Irish pirate queen, perhaps the only event of its time to feature two powerful women on opposite sides of a political question. The performances will be held at the non-profit Belmont Arts Collaborative, the Charlottesville space to create for local artists and arts organizations. |
| Youth leadership | Community Connection: Nelson County FFA | 9/21/21-10/8/21 | Throughout the day. Aired approximately 8 times. | 60 seconds | Nelson County FFA is hosting a bluegrass benefit on Saturday, October 9th from 4:00 – 9:00 PM at the Nelson County Middle School Auditorium in Lovingston, featuring music from The Little Mountain Boys, Deep Blue Express, Southern Gentlemen, and the Hill City Cutups. There will also be silent auction items, a live auction, raffles, a bake sale, BBQ, chili, hot dogs, drinks and concessions. All proceeds will be used for trip expenses for students to attend and compete at the National FFA Convention held in Indianapolis, Indiana at the end of October. |