

PATHWAYS OUT OF POVERTY

United Way of the Virginia Peninsula



10 COMMUNITY ASPIRATIONS

Starting Strong All children receive the support they need for healthy development, to be ready to learn, and to thrive from birth throughout their school years.

Pathway to Learning & Employment Everyone (children, youth, and adults) has opportunities to learn and acquire the knowledge, skills, and abilities that will prepare them for life and employment.

Prosperity for All Everyone has opportunities for meaningful, permanent work, and households have sufficient income from all sources to transition out of poverty, avoid poverty, and accumulate savings.

Feeding Ourselves Healthily Households have enough income to afford good quality food and everyone has the skills and means to eat healthily.

Being and Feeling Safe and Included Neighborhoods are safe places where residents feel they belong, know and interact with their neighbors, and have resources to create the community they want.

Having A Home A full range of affordable housing options makes it possible for everyone to have a home.

Accessing Responsive Human Services Everyone has access to sufficient and respectful health (including mental health and addictions) and social services.

Healthy Community The places we build, the options we create, and the outdoor spaces where we connect with each other and with the natural world support better physical, emotional, social, and spiritual health for all.

Getting Around Transportation systems, infrastructure, and options make it easier to get around without creating barriers or stigma.

Being Active & Creative Everyone has opportunities to participate in cultural and recreational activities that foster wellbeing (mental, emotional, social, spiritual, and physical), nurture a sense of belonging and empowerment, celebrate diversity, and encourage generosity.