



Project HOPE New River Valley

Announcing the New Coordinator of NRV HOPE

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After 12 years in the position, Aline Brinckman is retiring. We are happy to announce the new Coordinator of NRV Project HOPE is Heather Turman. Heather is a graduate of James Madison University where she received her degree in Sociology and Special Education. She taught Special Education in Fairfax County and Roanoke County for three years before returning to graduate school. She received her Master's Degree in

Community Counseling from Radford University. Subsequently she worked in the community mental health field for four years before taking a break to raise her children. She is excited to begin this new chapter of her career that combines her skills in a new and meaningful way. She is excited to connect with students and their families with community resources in order to assist with stability, education and

advocacy. Heather will officially take over on the 29th of July. Aline will continue on in a training capacity until August 31. Aline and Heather will be available to conduct trainings after July 25.

Heather's email will be available later. Her phone and cell phone will remain the same as Aline's.

Project SPROUT Expands Throughout NRV

Project HOPE NRV is a regional program for Homeless Education which includes the five school division in the New River Valley.

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A program which targets the younger siblings of school age children experiencing homelessness is being expanded throughout the NRV.

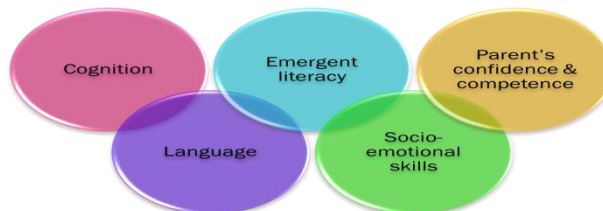
Project Sprout is a prevention and awareness program sponsored by Radford University for young children (birth-five

years) and their parents. Student advocates meet with families for one hour visits.

Each family will receive a bag that includes age appropriate toys and books that target child development. Each bag will also contain developmental checklists and resources for additional services. Families can keep the

bag or follow-up with Project Sprout and trade their bag in for a new one!

If you are interested in making a referral or would like additional information about the program contact Aline Brinckman abrinckman@mcps.org or call 540-382-5100 x 1026.





QUICK GUIDE FOR COUNSELORS

FOR COUNSELORS WORKING WITH STUDENTS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS



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School counseling staff provide important support to students experiencing homelessness. The Every Student Succeeds Act recognized this role by adding requirements that counselors

advise students experiencing homelessness and improve their readiness for college. School House Connection's new quick guide, written by a school counselor, provides practical tips and strategies for

supporting students experiencing homelessness, helping meet their basic needs, and planning for graduation planning.

<https://www.schoolhouseconnection.org/quick-guide-for-counselors-working-with-students-experiencing-homelessness/>

Resources for House Hunting

When talking to a parent who has lost a home and is looking for another, there are valuable resources available to you on line.

Emergency Shelter List
http://www.mcps.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_92164/File/General%201/Emergency_Shelter_List%204.21.14.pdf
 (Lists nearby shelters.)

Apartment Listing
http://www.mcps.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_92164/File/General%201/Apartments%20in%20NRV%2011-12.pdf

[es/Servers/Server_92164/File/General%201/Apartments%20in%20NRV%2011-12.pdf](http://www.vhda.com/VHDA/Search/130&ch=VA)

[130&ch=VA](http://www.vhda.com/VHDA/Search/130&ch=VA)
 (VHDA search engine.)

Mobile Home Listing
http://www.mcps.org/UserFiles/Servers/Server_92164/File/General%201/mobile%20home%20parks%202012.pdf

Craig's List
<http://blacksburg.craigslist.org/apa/>

Virginia Housing Search
http://www.socialserve.com/tenant/index.html?state_id=4

Annual Credit Report Request Form
<https://www.annualcreditreport.com/cra/requestformfinal.pdf>

(Better to know what credit report will reveal before landlords check.)

Professional Development Opportunity

Understanding Federal Student Aid Policy and Practice for Unaccompanied Homeless Youth

\\ Wednesday, June 27, 2:00-3:15PM EDT

[Register Here](#)