

September 2022 Newsletter



Views From The Landing

The Mission of Vanguard Landing is to offer a safe, intentional, interactive and inclusive community where persons with intellectual and developmental differences can thrive and achieve their life's full potential.

We appreciate you for supporting Vanguard Landing!

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What's Been Happening:

We had a **very successful Golf Ball Drop!** Thank you to all our supporters!

Between *golf ball purchases and donations*, we **raised over \$10,000** for VGL!

Thank you again to Delegate Barry Knight and our very own Doug Brown for flying in the helicopter to drop the balls!

Thank you to Lance Gilbert for bush hogging the Target Drop Zone, to The Topsy Squirrel for hosting the Arnold Palmer drinks in such a special way with help from the Bridges Family and Thank you Fuddruckers for the amazing cookies!



We also held 2 **Parent Info Nights** for a large batch of our newest families to inquire about VGL for their loved one! So many excited people, great questions and the energy was amazing! If you are someone who also has yet to complete and turn in your Admissions Packet, please be sure to submit it in the next few months as we are certain that our Phase One housing will be reserved/filled before next Spring!



VGL Fundraising Update:

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We've been diligently working on raising the cash equity of \$3 - 4 million dollars to be able to have enough to close on our Loan with Virginia Housing! They are so awesome!

If ALL of our current pledges come through in time, then.....

We ONLY need \$150,000 more to reach \$3.4m and then only \$750,000 more to reach our overall goal of \$4 million!!!

WE NEED YOUR HELP NOW TO GET THERE!!!!

We've held events, made new connections, given presentations, answered questions, and more - all have led us to where we are now, and we are excitedly seeing the light at the end of this first tunnel!

It is very important for all of our wonderful supporters to know that we are being squeezed to the limits while trying to get this started in this economy where building costs have gone up SO MUCH along with rising interest rates on the funds we are borrowing, so we really need your help IMMEDIATELY to get this last little goal done!

The remaining monetary support will need to come THIS MONTH (September) to make sure we are ready to go when the Site Plan is approved. We have been trying to garner that permit with the City since April of 2021.

We'd love to talk with you if you need or to if you're interested in making a gift - no matter the size!

You can call Debra Dear, Our Founder & Executive Director, at 757-477-3580 or email her at ddear@vanguardlanding.org to talk about how you can help!

The excavators and dump trucks are getting fueled up and they want to start!

We will continue to ask and call and email as we believe our future residents are worth it!

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