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CRATER HEALTH DISTRICT AND THE WE PROJECT PARTNER FOR WHERE WE LIVE MATTERS DISPLAY IN PETERSBURG

(Petersburg, Va.)- “Where We Live Matters,” a photo exhibit sponsored by the Petersburg Wellness Engagement (WE) Project and the Crater Health District, showcases photos taken by Petersburg residents of the things in their community that make it difficult to be healthy, as well as things that can serve as a motivator to building a healthy community. “Where We Live Matters” will be an interactive exhibit and open to the public at **the Petersburg Public Library on Thursday, May 25th at 6pm.**

Being healthy is more than just avoiding junk food, eating fruits and vegetables, and exercising – being healthy also means living in an environment that supports healthy living. Where we live influences how we live. The housing we live in, the safety of our neighborhoods, our access to parks and recreation facilities, the upkeep of roads and sidewalks, and even the location of grocery stores impacts our health.

Building healthy communities requires community effort – we all have a role to play. Visitors to the exhibit will be invited to share their thoughts and ideas about action steps that can be taken together to create a community culture that is supportive of building a healthy environment, one which encourages physical activity and healthy eating.

About the WE Project

The WE Project was established in 2013 as a partnership between Virginia Commonwealth University and Pathways, Inc. (a local community-development organization) with the mission to engage the Petersburg community in a shared process to develop solutions to improve health and well-being.

For more information about the Where We Live Matters display, call 804-863-1652 or visit us online at craterhd.net, or on Facebook [/CRATERHD](https://www.facebook.com/CRATERHD) and Twitter [@CraterHD](https://twitter.com/CraterHD).

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