

Mapping Community Engagement and Needs Assessment Capacity in Arlington

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Background

- Community Health Assessment (CHA) assesses community assets, service gaps, and unmet needs within Arlington County.
- D2027 (previous CHA) identified a 10-year difference in life expectancy between neighborhoods.
- Differences between North and South Arlington highlight the need for localized analysis.

Challenges

- Learning Power BI and survey design tools.
- Identifying and organizing many community organizations and resources.
- Organizing and visualizing community resource data.

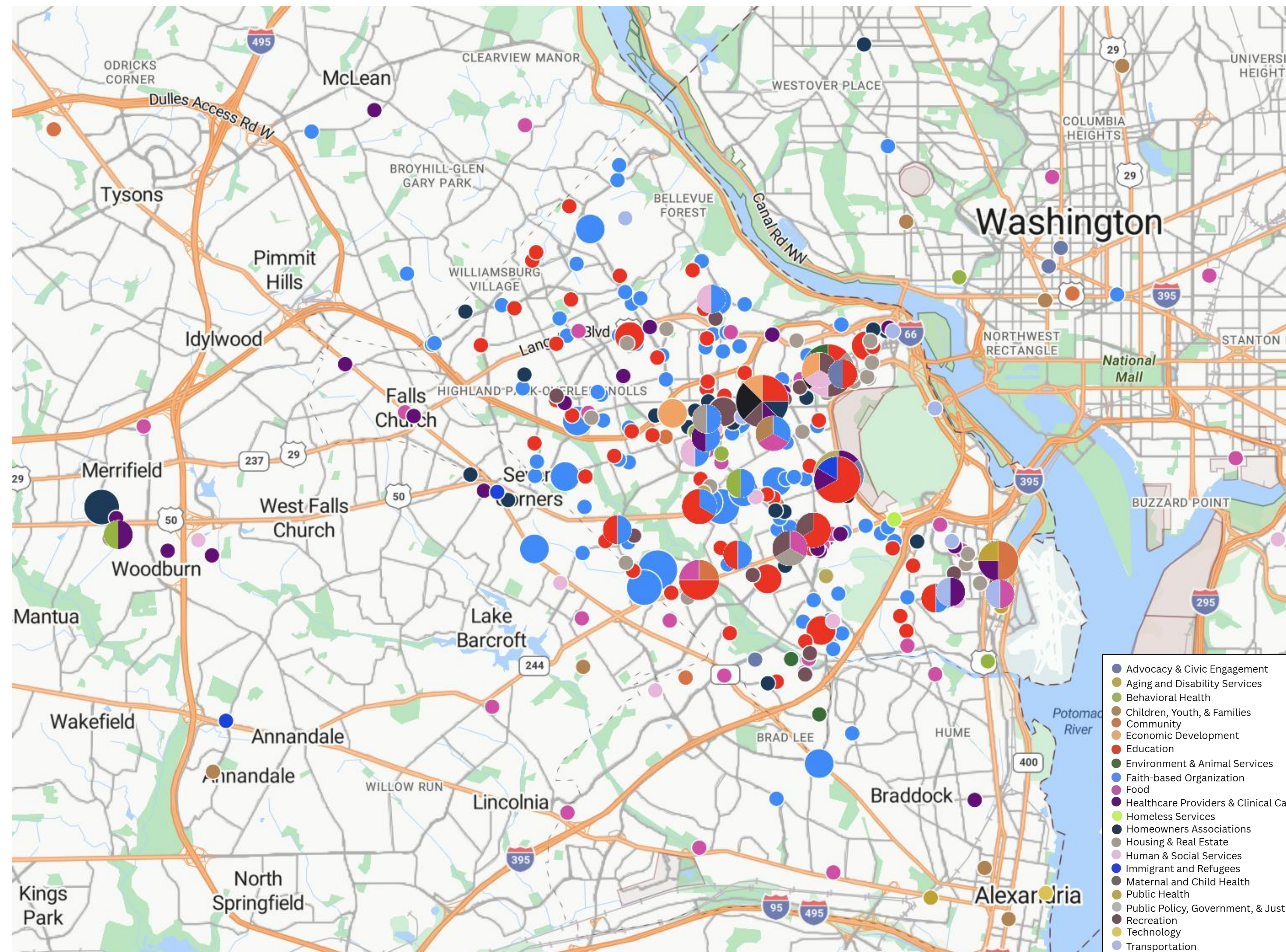


Figure 1. Community Assets across Arlington County categorized by service/category type

Achievements

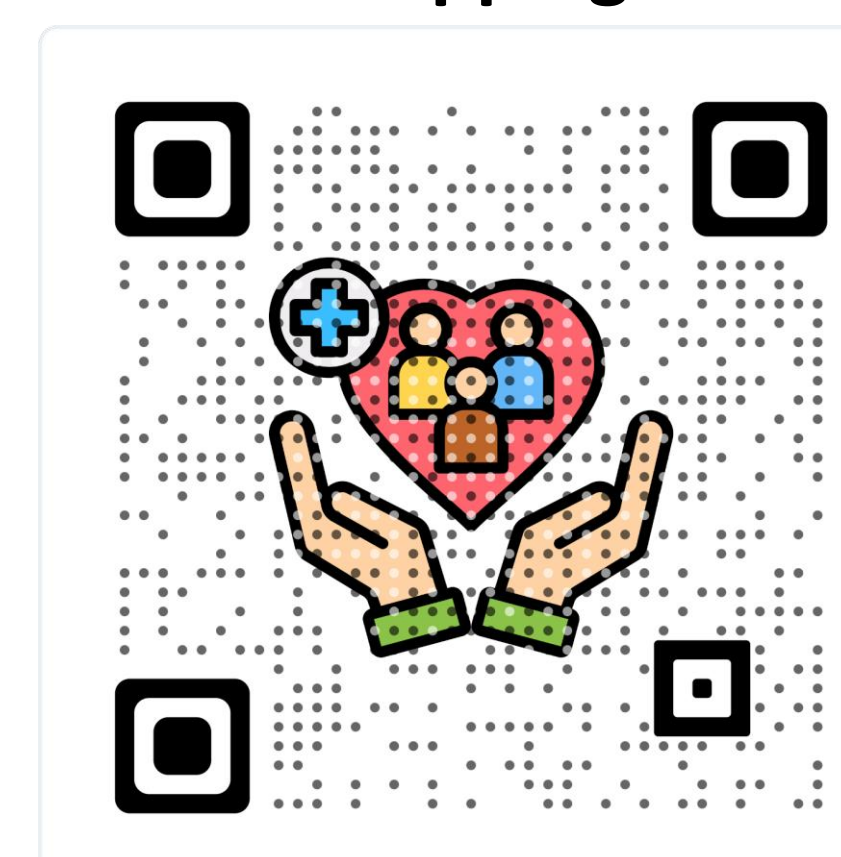
- Community Health Assessment Capacity Building**
 - Conducted staff skills survey to support future CHA efforts
- Community Asset Mapping**
 - Created Power BI dashboards
 - Identified assets, gaps, and partnership opportunities.
- Children and Youth Well-Being Plan**
 - Developed age-group profiles and supporting data for planning.
- Community Outreach and Engagement**
 - Supported Diaper Bank and Public Health outreach events.
- Social Media and Blog Posts on Water and Food Safety**

Key Takeaways

- Integrating multiple community resource datasets improved visibility of assets, service gaps, and partnership opportunities.
- Data visualization tools such as Power BI transformed information into actionable insights for planning and decision-making.
- Building internal assessment capacity supports future CHA and CHIP activities

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Community Asset Mapping



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Right photo: Diaper Bank with my fellow intern **Rynn Parrack**



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Left photo: Community outreach event at Central Library

