

About the

**WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER
HELPING PEOPLE AWARD**

Comptroller Peter Franchot created the William Donald Schaefer Helping People Award in 2012 to honor the legacy of public service exemplified by former Governor, Comptroller and Baltimore City Mayor William Donald Schaefer. Nominees are sought from throughout the state. The nominations are reviewed and recipients selected in 23 counties and Baltimore City.

The honorees are selected based on their demonstration to improve the community; to promptly respond to a citizen problem through effective government intervention; to directly aid those most vulnerable in society; or to establish a public/private partnership to improve the lives of fellow Marylanders.



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The William Donald Schaefer
HELPING PEOPLE
AWARD

*Montgomery County
William Donald Schaefer
Helping People Award Presentation*

to

JANET NEUMANN

FRIDAY, APRIL 5, 2019

ABOUT THE AWARD-WINNER:

JANET NEUMANN

A Montgomery County resident for 32 years, Janet Neumann started as a volunteer with Gaithersburg HELP in 2002 after she retired from her nursing career. She began as a food coordinator but became an Rx coordinator when others realized she had a medical background. When the Director Rx/Financial moved from the area, Janet assumed that role and has served in that capacity for 16 years. Simultaneously, she has promoted Gaithersburg HELP's services (food, infant needs, transportation and prescriptions) at many City events, such as the Active Aging Expo, Gaithersburg Day, Holiday Giving Program, and Homeless Resources Day. When HELP's former grants writer moved west, Janet took on that additional responsibility with great success. She worked on a team to prepare and implement a new Gaithersburg HELP website in 2017. She designed and delivered a training course for the new client database software implemented in January 2018.

For the past 10 years, Janet has served as a Board Member for Upper Montgomery Assistance Network, a sister organization working to prevent evictions and utility disconnections. Over the years, Janet has built strong relationships with the City's Community Services Division and with members of the City Council through her collaborative spirit and willingness to share her expertise and experience. She is passionate about reaching out to the local community, and she has been an inspiration and admired colleague to countless other volunteers over the years. ■

William Donald Schaefer

Award Presentation Ceremony

Welcome **CLARK ROBINSON**

& Worship & Missions Pastor

Opening Remarks *Pathways Baptist Church*

Master of Ceremonies **THE HONORABLE SIDNEY KATZ**
Montgomery County Council Member

Presentation of the Award **THE HONORABLE PETER FRANCHOT**
Comptroller of Maryland

Acceptance of Award **JANET NEUMANN**

Closing Thoughts **MARGO GOLDMAN**

Executive Director

Gaithersburg HELP

