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## **Kathi Carignan named 2026 Henrico Christmas Mother**

The Henrico Christmas Mother Council is pleased to announce the selection of Kathi Carignan as the 2026 Henrico Christmas Mother. Kathi joined the Council in 2022 and is a member of the Food Committee and the Fundraising and Communications Committee. She is honored to represent the organization, which has a rich history of helping neighbors in need during the holiday season. Kathi believes that *"the true spirit of the season comes alive through our community's generosity, empowering Henrico Christmas Mother to bring hope, dignity, and joy to those who need it most in our community."*

Kathi Carignan is a life-long Virginian, moving from Tidewater to Henrico County more than 40 years ago. She is a graduate of The College of William & Mary (BA, Economics) and of VCU (MS, Info Systems). Kathi worked in banking for more than 35 years, beginning her career as a Business Analyst at United Virginia Bank and retiring from its successor, SunTrust Bank (now Truist), as Group Vice President of the Commercial Business Information Office. In addition to her Henrico Christmas Mother activities, Kathi is a member and Board member of The Tuckahoe Woman's Club, a member of the Metropolitan Richmond Woman's Club, and a member of Christ Church Episcopal, Glen Allen, where she co-chairs the Hospitality Committee. She also volunteers weekly at the food pantry at Three Chopt Presbyterian Church.



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**Henrico Christmas Mother** is a volunteer, non-profit 501(c)(3) organization. Our mission is to provide food, new clothing, books, toys, and other gift items to qualifying Henrico County families with children, seniors, and adults with disabilities – a tradition that began in 1942. Food relief constitutes 40% of our program cost. In 2025 we served 4,696 individuals, including 2,493 children and 885 seniors and adults with disabilities. We achieve our mission through strong support from the community: financial gifts, donations, and over 700 volunteers annually.

To learn more about the program, including how to apply for assistance, volunteer, or donate to help our neighbors in need, please visit <https://henricochristmasmother.org> or call us at (804) 236-9741.

