



## A Message from the 2023 Maryland Charity Campaign Vice Chairs

October 2023

Dear State Employees and Retirees,

It is an honor to be serving as this year's Vice Chairs of the [Maryland Charity Campaign](#) (MCC). It is truly a pleasure to take this role because it awards us the opportunity to spread the word about the importance of the MCC.

The MCC is our workforce's annual giving drive. So, each year, we gather a large group of employee volunteers to help support the fundraising efforts of the 10-week program, and they do so much more! This makes it possible for all employees to easily give and support the causes that matter most to them, through the Maryland Charity Campaign. It is everyone's opportunity to support their community and to support the causes that interest each of you. Whether you are interested in stopping homelessness, human trafficking, animal abuse or hunger, or if you want to support protecting our environment and our watersheds. Whatever cause you prefer, we can provide a participating charity.

What's more, the charities you give to will have the benefit of aggregated donations that are bundled with that of your colleagues, which reduces the administrative burden on charities since they will not need to process individual payments. It also allows you to truly give whatever is comfortable for you, while still making a huge, collective impact.

By donating through the MCC, you also have the opportunity to make smaller donations through payroll deductions. By using this method, charities receive necessary ongoing support throughout the year, which helps alleviate the burden of support, without being huge burden to you.

So, please visit <https://mcc.maryland.gov> to get started helping the causes that matter most to you. Let us demonstrate that we **Leave No One Behind!** And be sure to invite your colleagues to join you in giving through the Maryland Charity Campaign.

Sincerely,

Anthony Woods  
Secretary, Department of Veterans Affairs

Josh Kurtz  
Secretary, Department of Natural Resources