

Socktober, December 13, 2024; Online

## Harford County residents donate thousands of winter gear for 'SOCKtober'

2,600 socks, mittens, 746 pounds of food collected for those in need



2024 socktober final collection SOURCE: Harford County Government

### **BEL AIR, Md. —**

Harford County residents donated thousands of socks and other winter gear to benefit neighbors in need.

The county's annual "SOCKtober" event collected more than 2,600 pairs of warm socks, mittens, gloves, scarves and hats. The much-needed items were donated to nonprofits serving families, veterans and individuals who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

Senior center groups contributed hand-crocheted and knitted items for the cause organized by county government in partnership with the Harford County Public Library and We Can Move Movement.

The county held a Thanksgiving Food Drive in November, collecting 746 pounds of non-perishable food items and other necessities, including diapers and toiletries, to benefit families through the Harford Community Action Agency's food pantry in Edgewood.

"I am grateful to the residents of Harford County for their compassion and generosity," Harford County Executive Bob Cassilly said in a statement. "Their donations reflect the true spirit of the season and highlight our community's willingness to help our neighbors in need."

Resources for those in need can be found through the [Harford County Housing and Community Services Resource Guide](#).