

A NEW CHAPTER BEGINS



Celebrating the Future We're Building Together

There are moments in an organization's history when past, present, and future seem to stand together in the same place. Our groundbreaking ceremony was one of those moments. Residents rolled forward with pride. Families stood shoulder to shoulder. Donors, staff, and lifelong friends smiled with the quiet understanding that this wasn't just the start of construction—it was the beginning of greater possibility.

On a crisp November morning, we gathered in Hanover County to celebrate a new era. The groundbreaking for the future Virginia Home marked a significant milestone in our legacy of providing a lifelong home and compassionate care for adult Virginians with physical disabilities.

Local musicians set a warm, celebratory tone. Laughter carried across the field from excited guests. Wheels lined the front row, and everywhere you looked, there was a shared sense of purpose—a belief that a brighter future is on the way.

"This is more than a construction project. It's a promise to our residents and our community," said Laura Stewart, Board Chair, as she welcomed guests.

Al Allen, President of The Virginia Home Resident Council, followed with words that reflected both gratitude and hope, reminding everyone why this home is so much more than a building—it is a place of belonging.

Special guest speakers added their voices to the celebration: Sean M. Davis of the Henry District Board of Supervisors, Virginia State Senator Ryan McDougle, and Jeff Katz, representing the Virginia Board for People with Disabilities.

The ceremony culminated in a symbolic "groundbreaking" led by TVH President & CEO Doug Vaughan—shovels in hand, marking the moment when vision became action.

As the soil turned, so too did a new era in The Virginia Home's story. And standing among the crowd, it was clear: together, we are building more than a home—we are building a future full of possibility.

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— Laura Stewart, Board Chair



"What a joy it is to continue supporting The Virginia Home—where some of the best people we know live, work, play, stay and thrive."

— Patsy Morissette, Associate Board Member and Campaign Contributor



"What an honor to join in the groundbreaking. Hanover's welcoming spirit will benefit all, and special guest speaker Jeff Katz clearly conveyed why this new, improved Home is so urgently needed, speaking as a father of a daughter with special needs."

— Riley Shaia, Board of Trustees

"Here in Hanover, we take pride in being a place where people look out for one another. The Virginia Home has lived that mission for generations. This is an exciting day for our entire community."

— Sean M. Davis, Henry District Board of Supervisors



"We are honored to be a part of the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Virginia Home. The Virginia Home is such a blessing to the residents and their families. We can't thank those behind this effort enough."

— Butch Tiller, Brother of resident Trisha Tiller

Every hallway. Every room. Every view. All shaped by the people who will call this place home.

Built With Heart. Designed With Purpose.

The new campus is more than bricks and beams. It represents:

- ~ A place where residents can live with dignity, comfort, and independence.
- ~ Spaces created from the ground up to spark joy, creativity, and connection.
- ~ Expanded capacity to welcome those who have waited too long to join our community.
- ~ Technology and design that adapt to every resident's needs.

This Day Was Made Possible By You

Your belief in our mission and your faith in what comes next brought us to this milestone. Thank you to:

- ~ Donors whose generosity fuels every step
- ~ Families whose trust keeps us grounded
- ~ Residents who inspire us every day
- ~ Staff who serve with heart
- ~ Volunteers and friends who show up again and again
- ~ Our design and construction partners
- ~ Our welcoming (new!) Hanover neighbors



Join Us On The Journey

Construction has begun, but the story is only starting.



Visit us online to:

Follow project updates and milestones online.

Learn how philanthropic support continues to fuel this journey.

Stay connected to residents' stories, behind the scenes progress, and moments worth celebrating.

Find out how you can support The Virginia Home's Dream

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