2025-26 Annual Report

COLUMBIA VANTAGE POINT FOUNDATION



Vision and Mission

Vision

The Foundation envisions a Residences at Vantage Point community where each home and all facilities are safe, attractive, warmly inviting, and up-to-date; where every employee is well-trained, highly competent, and caring; where the provision of services as measured qualitatively and quantitatively is second-to-none; and where residents may lead lives that are satisfying, enriching, and supportive of holistic well-being.

Mission

The Foundation's mission is to raise, invest, and deploy funds on behalf of The Residences at Vantage Point, to support and advance the well-being of those living there.

Board Chair Statement

During FY'26 (July 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026) the Columbia Vantage Point Foundation has continued to support the Residences at Vantage Point community. We continuously search for ways the Foundation can support RVP and encourage residents to identify areas of need where they believe the Foundation can be helpful.

Sadly, the Foundation board lost Ed Jacobs who passed away this past year. We very much miss Ed's participation and contributions to the Foundation. The resident's council nominated Gerri Garrett to complete Ed's term. We are grateful to have Gerri serving as a new board member.

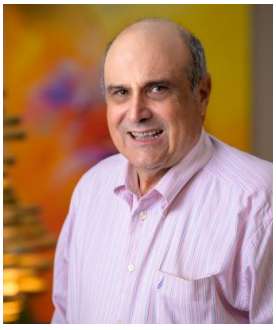
A great deal of our efforts this past year have been positioning the Foundation to activity support the planned capital improvements for the Health Center. In that regard, through the leadership of Rock Schuler, our talented Development Director, we have successfully accomplished the following:

- Through the State Legislative Budget Initiative (LBI) grant application, $330,000 secured for the capital campaign. This is in addition to the $125,000 that was awarded in the prior year.
- Requested $1.5 million in federal set-aside funding for the new health center's capital campaign. RVP's application was successfully passed by Maryland's Senators with a positive recommendation for funding in the federal government's next FY budget. While this request is still pending, we did cross the first most important hurdle of moving to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

In addition, Rock has introduced to the RVP community a legacy giving program, which directs part or all of the return of the initial deposit to their estate as a Foundation contribution. These deferred contributions now total $418,167.

Other highlights for the year include the Foundation hosting our third legislative breakfast and through Rock's leadership obtaining new funding for a new electric vehicle and charging stations, as well as funding from the Howard County Arts Council to support the arts activities of residents.

As always if you have any questions or suggestions for the Foundation, please feel free to contact me at stevetbaron@gmail.com or 410-499-7604.



STEPHEN BARON
BOARD PRESIDENT

Development Director Statement



ROCK SCHULER DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

As I reflect on another year serving as Development Director for the Columbia Vantage Point Foundation, I am grateful for the many opportunities I've had to work alongside our wonderful residents, dedicated staff, and the leadership of both the Foundation and Residences at Vantage Point. It continues to be a happy and meaningful experience, and I am especially thankful for the friendships and relationships that have grown along the way.

This year has also brought important changes in leadership. It was a genuine honor to work with our former Executive Director, Pierce Carey, whose support and collegiality I deeply appreciated. And it has been a pleasure to warmly welcome and begin working with our new Executive Director, Heather Parrott, and our new colleagues at Broadmead. I am especially grateful for the strong and enthusiastic support Heather has shown for the Foundation from the very beginning of her tenure. Her commitment to our work is deeply appreciated and gives me great confidence in all that we can accomplish together.

This past year has been one of meaningful progress and exciting possibilities. We've continued to strengthen the Foundation's fundraising and charitable giving programs, secured important public and private grant support, and expanded opportunities for residents and friends to invest in the future of this remarkable community. I'm particularly encouraged by the generosity of those who support our Employee Assistance Fund and by the growing interest in planned and legacy giving—expressions of care that will make a lasting difference for years to come.

We've also made important strides in securing resources for transportation, environmental sustainability, and improvements to our facilities. And I'm especially excited that plans for the renovation and renewal of our Health Center are moving forward, bringing us closer to a project that will enhance the quality of care and life for our residents.

Through all of this, what continues to inspire me most is the extraordinary sense of community that makes Vantage Point such a special place. I'm grateful to everyone who contributes to that spirit of generosity and mutual care, and I look forward to all that we will accomplish together in the coming year. Thank you for allowing me to be part of it!

Accomplishments





During this past year, the Foundation continued to support projects and activities that contribute to the Residences at Vantage Point community, including:

- Allocating a grant for new felt on the community pool table.
- Continuing fundraising for RVP's employee continuing-education scholarship program, with $18,465 raised during calendar year 2026 as of October 2026.
- Continuing work on RVP's grant-supported electric transport van and two new charging stations, including FY2026 planning for the charging-station installation.
- Renewing grant funding from the Howard County Arts Council for RVP's Creative Aging workshops.
- Securing a $320,000 Maryland legislative grant to help fund the planned Health Center renovation.
- Receiving memorial donations from residents' estates, including donations supporting a new bench in the entrance garden.

Directors

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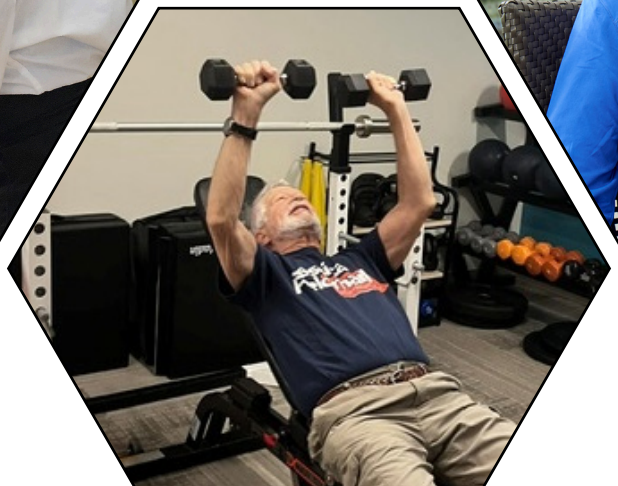
VIRGINIA THOMAS - CORPORATE BOARD PRESIDENT

Fund Balances

as of 6/30/2026

WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS	
Unassigned	$383,353
Community Support*	$308,022
Resident Support*	$115,813
WITHOUT DONOR RESTRICTIONS TOTAL	**$807,188**
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Resident support	$2,417
Staff Support	$835
Employee Appreciation	$8,253
Sidwell Garden	$1,218
Library	$242
Cedar/Aspen Capital	$100,740
Scholarship	$24,580
Spring Landscaping	$5,172
Memory Care Equipment	$13
WITH DONOR RESTRICTIONS TOTAL	**$144,448**
GRAND TOTAL	**$951,635**







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