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Participants of the 50 & Wiser Program Sew for Veterans

Harrisonburg, Va. – The Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department offers a variety of classes through the 50 & Wiser program.

The goal of the 50 & Wiser program is to help keep city residents, who are 50 years of age and older, mentally, physically, and socially active by participating in different programs with their neighbors and friends. Many of the programs take place in the Price Rotary Senior Center, located behind the Community Activities Center.

One group of participants of the craft and chat activity through the 50 & Wiser program has been crocheting and knitting items for Veterans, who are both near and far away.

Most recently, 20 handmade stockings, 20 knit hat and scarf sets, and six sets of crocheted slippers were sent to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center, a United States military hospital that is located in Germany. Handmade blankets are also frequently given to local Veterans.

On Thursday, November 10, and in honor of Veteran’s Day, a local Veteran will pick up a special delivery of handmade items to deliver to other Veterans in our area and throughout the state.

To learn more about the 50 & Wiser program and activities offered, visit www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/50-and-wiser or call 540-433-9168.

The Harrisonburg Parks and Recreation Department manages 12 parks, A Dream Come True Playground and numerous other playgrounds, a skate park, bike trails, soccer complex, softball and baseball fields, a dog park, and two pools. The largest park in the City of Harrisonburg is Hillandale Park that encompasses 74 acres. More information about the parks can be found online at www.HarrisonburgVA.gov/parks-recreation.



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