



Touching Hearts...
One Visit at a Time



Bain 50+ Center

5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia, MD 21044

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Howard County
**Paws 4
Comfort**

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Pets offer unconditional love and have the unique ability to melt away loneliness, rekindle happy memories, and soothe the soul.



The **Howard County Paws4Comfort** program fosters special bonds between owners, the pets they call family and the County residents they visit. Sharing the affection of your pet with others – from the very young to older adults – is a rewarding and life-enhancing experience for all involved in this unique, therapeutic program.

If you are interested in volunteering, or wish to schedule a free evaluation for your pet, contact Program Coordinator:

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EVALUATIONS

First Thursday of the month at **Bain 50+ Center**, 5470 Ruth Keeton Way, Columbia, MD 21044

Pets must pass a temperament test, be well socialized and under control, have a current animal license from their county of residence, and proof of current vaccinations. In accordance with the Maryland State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH), a health certificate must be completed by a veterinarian and kept on file for each pet in the program.

Also, in accordance with guidelines set forth by DHMH, we cannot accept pets fed a raw diet.



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The Howard County Paws4Comfort program has the right to refuse any dog deemed unsuited to the program due to age, breed or behavior.

PROGRAM VISIT SITES



COLUMBIA

Athelas Institute

BAIN 50+ CENTER

Brighton Gardens

Cedar Lane Park

EAST COLUMBIA 50+ CENTER

HOPEWORKS of Howard County

HUMANIM

Lorien Harmony Hall

Lorien Health Systems

Somerford Place

Vantage House



DAYTON

Elternhaus Assisted Living



ELKRIDGE

ELKRIDGE 50+ CENTER

Lorien Elkridge



ELLICOTT CITY

Arc of Howard County

ELLICOTT CITY 50+ CENTER

Ellicott City Health and Rehab

Encore at Turf Valley

Heartlands Senior Living Village

Ivy Manor Normandy I & II

Lighthouse Senior Living

Morningside House



GLENWOOD

GLENWOOD 50+ CENTER



JESSUP

Clifton T. Perkins



LAUREL

NORTH LAUREL 50+ CENTER



MAPLE LAWN

Cedar Lane School