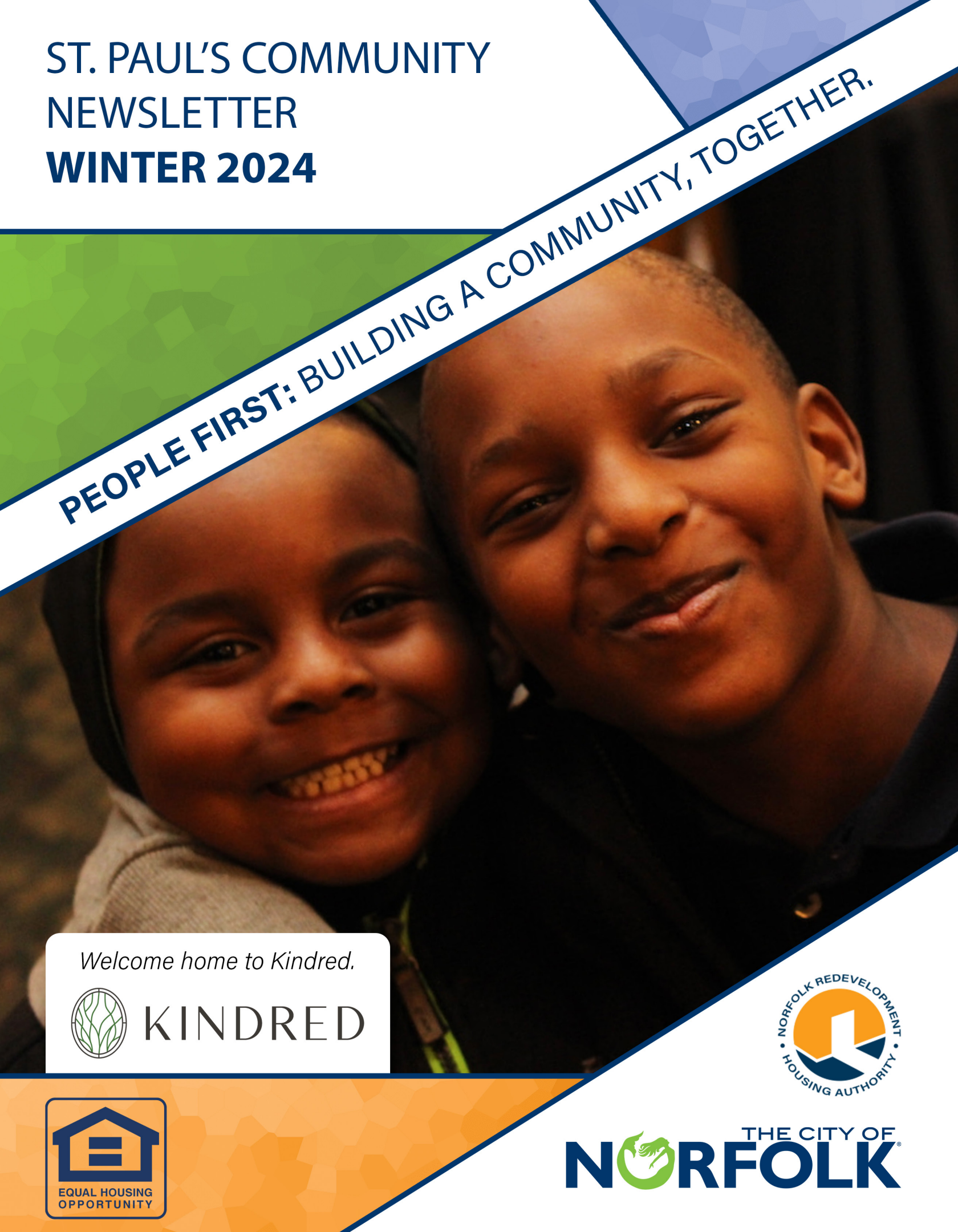


ST. PAUL'S COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER WINTER 2024



PEOPLE FIRST: BUILDING A COMMUNITY, TOGETHER.

Welcome home to Kindred.



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Happy NEW Year

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

As we welcome 2024, I wish you a joyful and prosperous New Year. This year marks a pivotal moment in the transformation of St. Paul's with the joyous return of former Tidewater Gardens families to the redeveloped community now named Kindred. The redevelopment of Kindred stands as a statement of our continued commitment to building a resilient Norfolk.

As we embark on this exciting new chapter, we remain dedicated to fostering supportive environments where every family feels connected, valued, and empowered. Here's to a year of growth, happiness, and unity!

Warm wishes,



Dr. Susan Perry, Director
Norfolk Department of Housing and
Community Development



HELP DURING THE HOLIDAYS

Thanks to the generosity of our community partners, People First - USI supported 121 families with Thanksgiving food boxes. Community partners, including the Food Bank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, Temple of Love Outreach Ministries, along with other local agencies, allowed us to address food insecurity experienced by the families we support. The boxes were distributed to the front doors of families participating in supportive services.

HELPFUL TIPS TO PREVENT FROZEN PIPES

- Drain and disconnect all outdoor hoses.
- Let water drip from faucets during frigid temperatures to prevent pipes from freezing.
- Insulate pipes in unheated areas, such as garages, attics and crawl spaces.
- Install heat tape or heat cable on exposed water pipes or pipes located in areas where the temperature may fall below freezing.
- Seal off vents, doors, windows and cracks.





THE FIRST REUNION RESIDENT!

Meet Ms. Miller, the very first former Tidewater Gardens resident to move into Reunion! It was a memorable moment as the People First team witnessed Ms. Miller sign her lease and receive keys to her new apartment.

As she walked through the front door, the first thing she saw was a huge basket of essentials from People First. Norfolk Wholesale Floral donated a large bouquet of flowers to mark the special occasion.

The look on Ms. Miller's face was priceless as she took in her new home; her unbridled joy brought the team to tears. Ms. Miller said, "This is what happens when you trust the process. I did everything you asked me to do. Now look. God is good". We hope that all our former Tidewater Gardens residents will experience this same joy and love in the Kindred community.

BY THE NUMBERS

As of December 2023, 578 (94%) households and 1556 individuals received family support services from People First, USI. People First continues to provide family support, case management services, economic mobility, education, and health and wellness services. Families are continually assessed and linked to community partners to assist them in reaching their goals.





WELCOME HOME TO KINDRED

Moving back to the Kindred community is made easy with “Welcome Home” mobility counseling provided by People First, empowered by USI. Relocation and Lead Mobility specialists provide important information for a smooth move, including understanding your lease, budgeting, lease compliance, getting to know your new community, and what to do in the first thirty days of moving in. Residents are able to ask questions during the Q & A session.

Welcome Home mobility counseling is offered monthly. Once a family signs the lease to receive keys, a People First Family Support Specialist will help ensure a smooth transition.

YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO RETURN

View our right to return policy and resolution:

- Policy: nrha.us/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/RightToReturnPolicy.pdf
- Resolution: <https://stpaulsdistrict.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/07/City-Council-Right-to-Return-Resolution-R-12-1810-1872.pdf>

DRIVE SAFE THIS WINTER

- Make sure your car is in good running condition.
- If you must go out in ice and snow, let someone know your destination and your estimated time of arrival.
- Clean all ice and snow off of your car before driving.
- Keep your gas tank as full as possible when snow is forecasted.
- Keep a winter weather preparedness kit in your car (i.e. windshield scrapers, a bag of salt or sand, jumper cables, etc.)
- Drive slow on snowy or icy roads.
- If your car begins to skid, steer it in the direction of the skid.





DEVELOPMENT AND TRANSFORMATION CONTINUES

There are lots of moving parts in the transformation of the Kindred community, and Brinshore Development is spearheading the effort.

Reunion is a 72-unit senior housing building that is fully leased with residents moving in. Origin Circle, a 120-unit mixed-income apartment building, is almost complete and residents will move in the first quarter of 2024. The 140-unit mixed-income apartment building, Unity Place, is currently under construction and will open in the summer of 2025. Three new buildings will break ground this year along with the start of Phase 2 Infrastructure.

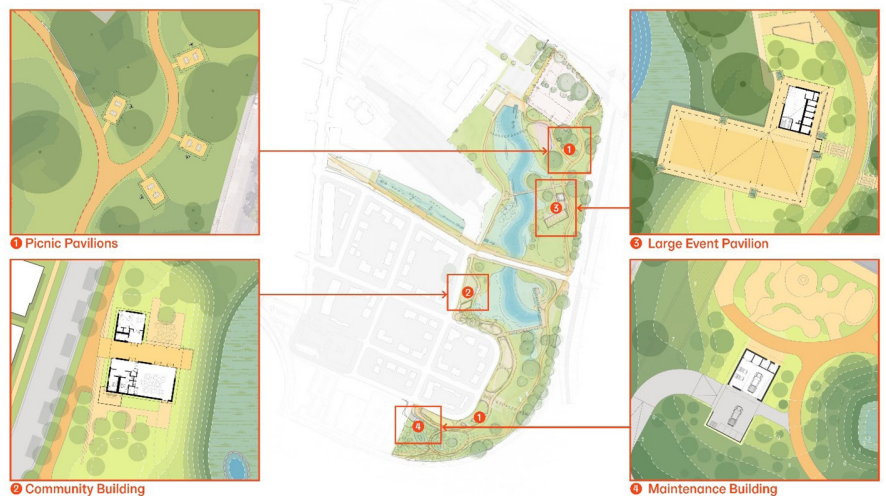
PROVIDING NEW AMENITIES

The Blue/Greenway park is moving closer to reality. The park will connect the Kindred community to new green spaces and park amenities. Newton Creek will once again flow freely, creating a Blue/Greenway that will include recreational facilities, bike paths and trails connections, and the Elizabeth River waterfront. Former Tidewater Gardens residents were surveyed last year and helped determine the amenities that will be found in the park.

The completed design work for the Blue/Greenway Park is slated for the spring of this year allowing for public bid this summer with an expected construction start before the end of 2024.

Network of Destinations

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HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA

People First, USI hosted their first Holiday Extravaganza bringing together former Tidewater Gardens residents for fun and fellowship. Santa and Mrs. Claus took pictures with families dressed in their holiday best and residents enjoyed a holiday dinner catered by Coaches Sports Grill. Participants were treated to a performance by Teens with a Purpose and story time by Mrs. Claus.



Plus, there was Bingo and lots of prizes from our community partners, including Nauticus tickets, Virginia Zoo annual memberships, Virginia Symphony tickets, and Tides baseball tickets.

Close to 300 former residents attended the Dec. 15 event and we look forward to hosting even more residents next year!

We need your voice.







Tell us your community health needs.
Take the 2 minute survey.



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TELL US YOUR COMMUNITY HEALTH NEEDS

What are your concerns when it comes to the health of you, your family and the community? The Norfolk Department of Public Health wants to hear from you as they work to better provide services and programs to support you!

TAKE SURVEY





American Red Cross Blended Learning Lifeguard Training

- All participants must be at least 15 years of age
- Completion of the course pretest is required to register for the course.

Lifeguard Classes Offered Monthly

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| ✓ Winter Session 1
January 13, 20, & 27 | ✓ Winter Session 2
February 17, 24, & March 2 |
| ✓ Spring Session 1
March 30, April 6 & 13 | ✓ Spring Session 2
May 5, 11, & 18 |

Schedule your pretest today

- 📞 Call: 757-441-1760
✉ Email: Stephen.Rego@Norfolk.gov

📅 Day & Time ⌚

Saturday 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

📍 Location

Southside Aquatic Center
1750 Campostella Rd,
Norfolk, VA 23523

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OFFER**

**Norfolk Resident
No Fee
Non-Resident
\$105**

Dive into a rewarding summer job! Lifeguard Classes not only teach essential life-saving skills but also open doors to other exciting opportunities. Norfolk Parks and Recreation is hosting American Red Cross lifeguard training classes after the new year at the Southside Aquatics Center, 1750 Campostella Rd. Completion of a pre-test is required. The test includes:

- 300-yard swim (front crawl or breaststroke)
- Two-minute tread (legs only)
- 20-yard 10 lb. brick retrieval/tow in less than 1 minute and 40 seconds

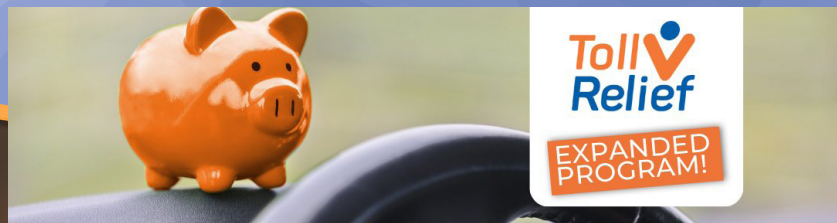
All participants must be at least 15 years old. Participants under 18 years old must have a registration form completed by a parent or guardian. **Schedule your pre-test today.** Call 757-333-3281 or email stephen.rego@norfolk.gov.



STAY ALERT WITH NORFOLK ALERT

Did you also know that by signing up for Norfolk Alert you will receive all the latest information on inclement weather from the city.

Visit www.norfolk.gov/Alert for more information.



Save 50% on Tolls when you use the Downtown or Midtown Tunnel

ENROLL TODAY!

You can enroll in the Toll Relief Program funded by Elizabeth River Crossings (ERC), operators of the Elizabeth River Tunnels. Through the program, eligible residents of Hampton Roads can save hundreds of dollars per year on tolls at the Downtown and Midtown Tunnels. Previous participants must re-enroll each year.

Now open for all Hampton Roads residents with annual income less than \$65,000.

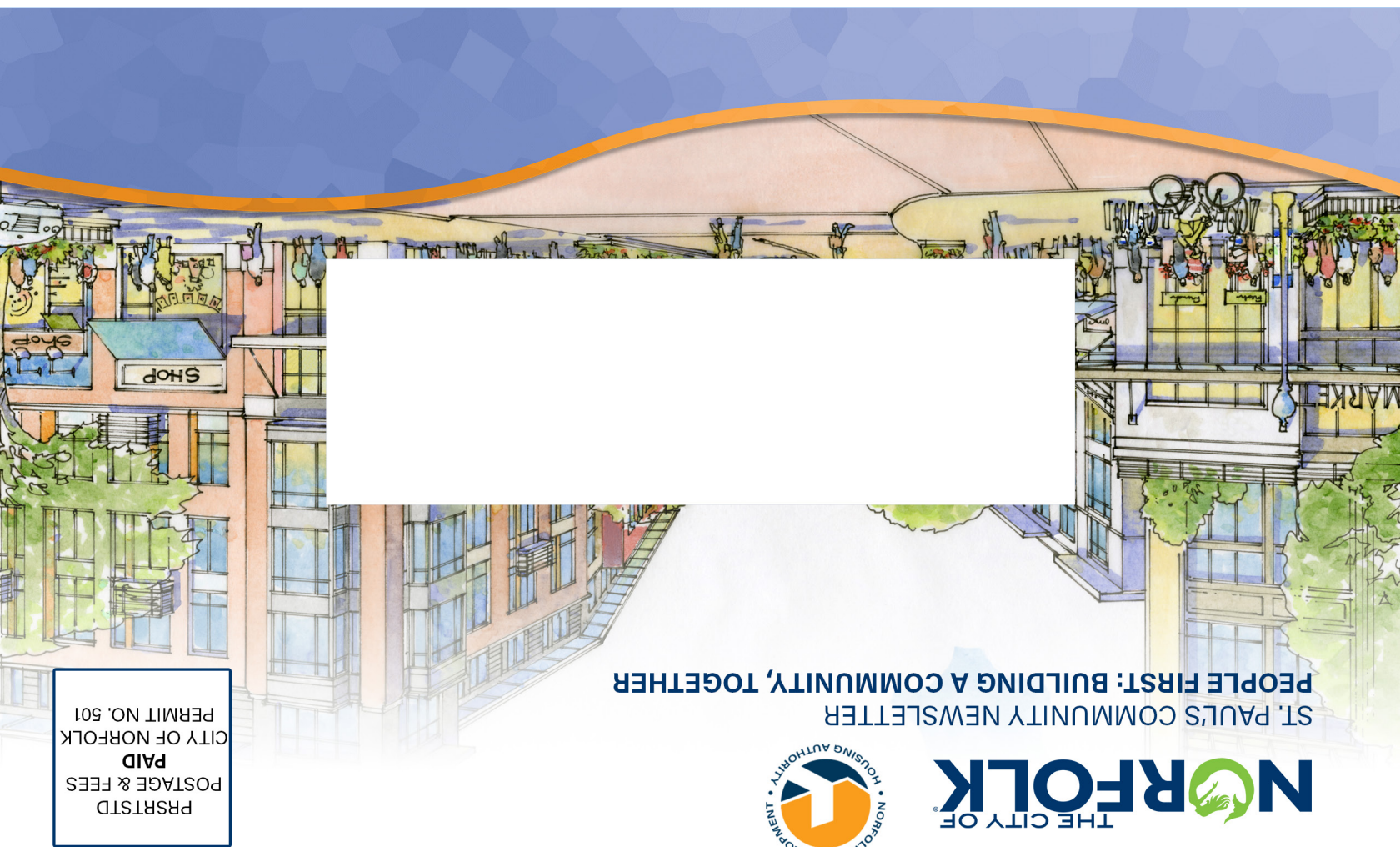
QUESTIONS?

Call 877-762-7824 or visit

www.VDOTollRelief.com

LEARN HOW IT WORKS

When a participant travels through the Downtown or Midtown Tunnel with their approved E-ZPass transponder, a 50% discount will be automatically applied for up to 14 passenger vehicle trips per week (Sunday to Saturday). Toll rates vary depending on time of travel. To view the current toll rates, visit DriveERT.com.



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