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Three-year-old Lian Williams does yard work during the recent One Love project all around Culpeper. See online photo gallery at starexponent.com

5th Annual One Love Culpeper mobilizes workers across county

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Hard work from 57 volunteers representing seven churches, police and industry. Six families and one public school were served at seven individual sites, with backup from businesses and the community. A ton of pancakes and gallons of coffee were consumed. One locality united.

Half a dozen churches joined with various businesses, organizations and individuals of all ages last weekend for the 5th Annual One Love service project across Culpeper. Teams truly worked with one heart Nov. 7 on job sites around the county, helping neighbors in need.

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Dr. Ostranda Williams and his son, Lian, participate in the One Love project around Culpeper.

WATER & SEWER

Gordonsville residents now owe more than $300K in unpaid sewer bills

HEATHER PRICE IVES
The Daily Progress

A bill exceeding $300,000 has been delivered to the town of Gordonsville. But it's the town's residents — already crunched by a nationwide cost-of-living crisis, higher heating bills during the coldest months of the year and mounting receipts from holiday shopping — who will be the ones to pay.

A judge ruled Nov. 13 that the town of 1,400 in Orange County must resume billing its residents for sewer services, after Town Council voted five months ago to stop billing residents on behalf of the Rapidan Service Authority, the regional water and sewer public utility.

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Construction continues on crisis stabilization center

Laurel Street facility will connect people in urgent crisis, free up cops

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Construction continues on a Culpeper Crisis Receiving and Stabilization Center near the local hospital.

Local partners are working to open the drop-in center in an Encompass Community Supports building on Laurel Street, Executive Director Sheryl Reinstrom told the County Board of Supervisors at its meeting earlier this month. It will be a program for people in crisis who need help right away, she said.

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