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Northern Chesapeake Region

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## **Promoting Peace and Giving Back**

The Goddard School of Bel Air Donates \$1,000 to The Arc NCR



Patty Bonsignore (right), Operational Director at The Goddard School in Bel Air, presents Julie Chmura (left), Director of Development at The Arc NCR, with a check for \$1,000.

[Aberdeen, MD] October 16, 2014 – On October 9, 2014, The Goddard School in Bel Air hosted a Kids 4 Global Unity Art show featuring a beautiful variety of artwork made by students. Parents had the opportunity to participate in an "art auction" to purchase the pieces, which raised \$1,000. The proceeds were donated to The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region.

"Our event was a wonderful opportunity to teach our students not only about unifying and promoting peace on an international scale, but also about giving back to our community locally," says Brenda Walker, owner of The Goddard School in Bel Air. "The Arc NCR does so much for people with developmental disabilities in our community, and we wanted to show our support of their efforts."

The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region will recognize The Goddard School in Bel Air's generous contribution through their 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Sprout Film Festival on November 14 at 6:00 p.m. at Harford Community College in Edgewood Hall, which

features films highlighting a variety of disabilities. The festival promotes disability awareness and acceptance, making it an ideal partnership for The Goddard School, who works to nurture children into respectful, confident and joyful learners.

To learn more about The Goddard School in Bel Air, visit <a href="www.goddardschool.com">www.goddardschool.com</a> or call 410-569-9888. To purchase tickets for The Arc NCR's Sprout Film Festival, visit <a href="www.arcncr.org">www.arcncr.org</a> or call 410-836-7177. The event is open to all ages.

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About <u>The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region</u>: For sixty-one years, The Arc Northern Chesapeake Region has helped people with intellectual and developmental disabilities build better lives by providing support services and advocacy to adults and children and their families in Harford and Cecil Counties. For more information, call 410-836-7177 or visit <a href="https://www.arcncr.org">www.arcncr.org</a>.