



Brooke Sydnor Curran, left, with Lonnie Rich and Ginny Hines, celebrate at the Mile Marker 10 celebration of the RunningBrooke nonprofit's 10th anniversary Oct. 19 at the home of Chris and Brooke Curran.

'Mile Marker 10'

RunningBrooke celebrates 10 years.

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Barely 18 months after life-threatening surgery to remove a brain tumor, Brooke Sydnor Curran opened her home Oct. 19 to host the Mile Marker 10 evening under the stars, celebrating the 10-year anniversary of the RunningBrooke non-

profit.

Curran founded RunningBrooke in 2009 as a donor-advised fund of ACT for Alexandria and began raising funds by running a marathon a month. RunningBrooke donated raised funds to organizations providing early childhood education, literacy, running and soccer programs.

In 2015, RunningBrooke expanded, renovating and building playgrounds in underserved schools and neighborhoods. RunningBrooke achieved its own nonprofit status in 2016.

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Curran serves as CEO of the organization, which has again expanded to include funding for movement-related nonprofit programs and building community play-

grounds, to adding Move2Learn programs in ACPS schools. Since its inception, RunningBrooke has invested \$1.5 million back into the community through various city-wide projects. www.runningbrooke.org



Kurt Huffman, Betsy Micklem and John Porter at the RunningBrooke Mile Marker 10 celebration Oct. 19 at the home of Chris and Brooke Curran.



ACPS School Board member Meagan Alderton, center, with Nancy Williams and former School Board member Marc Williams at the RunningBrooke Mile Marker 10 celebration Oct. 19 at the home of Chris and Brooke Curran.