

WGC's Our Giving, Our Stories!

An ongoing series of giving profiles designed to amplify the voices of women and girls in our community.



In Honor of Women's History Month

Celebrating Women's Giving in Howard County

3 Questions With ... Philanthropist Alison Canning

Vice President - Financial Advisor, Morgan Stanley

The Women's Giving Circle of Howard County, Maryland is proud to elevate the voices and philanthropy of our members and friends throughout the year.

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what moves you to give your time, talent and financial resources?

From a very young age, my parents and grandparents instilled in me a strong understanding of the importance of giving to others, the power of community, and gratitude for the opportunities that I have been given. Having grown up in Howard County, I have a passion for helping the local community by expanding opportunities for others who need it most. It is truly a joy to give of my time, talent and resources to help others because it is innate to who I am as a person.

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when did you start giving to issues that are important to you?

Giving to others is a quality that I've had since childhood through church based outreach. For over a decade now, I have supported nonprofits focusing on women and girls, and educational opportunities for everyone in the local community.

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what advice do you have for those interested in giving back?

Find things that you are passionate about, and give in ways that are a good fit for your life. Whether you are able to give your time to volunteer, or provide services and resources, or make donations to causes that you are passionate about - the key is to GIVE!

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The WGC is building a community of philanthropists to address the needs of women and girls in Howard County, MD. www.womensgivingcircle.org

"We are excited to have built upon our support of National Black Philanthropy Month to develop "Our Giving, Our Stories" into a year-long philanthropic leadership recognition effort" said Malynda Madzel, WGC OGOS co-Chair. "Inspiring philanthropic leadership and increasing giving by amplifying the voices of women and girls are among the goals of this effort and we are committed to advancing this important work in our community."