

# Our Giving, Our Stories!

A series of  
giving profiles in  
celebration of  
Black Philanthropy  
Month

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## Celebrating Black Philanthropy Month 2021

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### 3 Questions With ... Philanthropist, April Harrison

The Horizon Foundation

The Women's Giving Circle of Howard County, Maryland is proud to elevate the voices and giving of our donors and friends throughout Black Philanthropy Month

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

Giving is empowering and fulfilling. Helping others and serving when and where needed is a part of my personal values. Having the ability to help improve the lives of those who need it most is not only an obligation but a blessing. By sharing these opportunities and experiences with my daughters, I am building the next generation of givers while instilling principles that will make them better women and citizens.

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

From volunteering as a child to contributing financially as an adult, giving has always been rooted in my being. From a young age, I was taught the importance of giving. As an adult, I experienced challenges and traumas that required the support of others. I, too, have a story! The support and resources of others, helped me during those difficult times. This has also been a force behind my giving and building a platform for others to follow.

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

No amount is too small! Whether it's \$1 or \$10k, every bit helps. Additionally, money is not a requirement to give. Volunteering time and donating goods make a difference as well. Finding an organization that supports a personal mission is a great way to break into the world of philanthropy. Also, look for opportunities that involve the support of the entire family. Including children is a great start for building the next generation of givers.

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The Women's Giving Circle is proud to continue our support for National Black Philanthropy Month 2021!

The WGC is building a community of philanthropists and creating a permanent legacy to address the needs of women and girls in Howard County, Maryland.

"We are excited to continue our support of National Black Philanthropy Month" said Hina Naseem and Judy Smith, co-Chairs of WGC's Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee. "Informing, involving, inspiring and investing in Black philanthropic leadership and giving are among the goals of this annual celebration and we are committed to advancing this important work in philanthropy, both in our community and across the country."

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