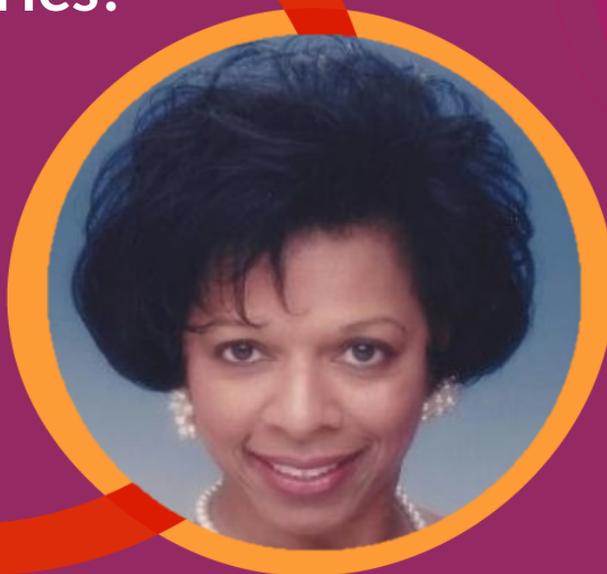


# Our Giving, Our Stories!

A series of giving profiles in celebration of Black Philanthropy Month

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## Celebrating Black Philanthropy Month 2020

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### 3 Questions With ... Philanthropist, JOAN HASH

Educational Activist

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?

I grew up in rural Howard County in a family of 10. My parents were denied a high school education and so I always recognized the blessing of educational opportunities. My parents set the example by their generosity and welcoming spirit. Although they had little, their doors were always open to those in need. There was a special sense of community which helped nurture and inspire me. I honor them by carrying their example forward.

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

My educational experience was in all Black institutions, Harriet Tubman High School in Howard County and Morgan State University where I established an endowment. After graduating, I was able to succeed and thrive in my chosen profession. I believe that we multiply our blessings by blessing others. As a mature adult, I know it's never been about me but all about how I reach out to make a difference in the lives of those in need.

three

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

Life should not be about how much money and material things you possess but about making a difference in any way you can to uplift those in need. There is power in using your gifts to create opportunities for others. Embrace this fact and support those causes which inspire you to act. Life is too short but you can find a way to leave your footprint on this earth in meaningful ways.

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The Women's Giving Circle is proud to continue our support for National Black Philanthropy Month 2020!

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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