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, Mamie Johns Perkins

Retired Deputy Superintendent, HCPSS

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



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

I believe what moves me to give my time, talent and financial resources is my personal desire to feel like I am making a difference in the lives of those around me.



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

I started feeling a need to help others as a young student. I would always volunteer to help students struggling to read. This fired my desire to teach and specifically in schools experiencing challenges related to poverty in Baltimore City. Upon moving to Howard County to teach, I sought out and volunteered with the Black Student Achievement Program even though I was selected to teach in the Gifted and Talented Program at one of their most affluent schools.



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

My advice to those looking to give back is always the same. First figure out what truly fuels your soul and then try to leave a place better than you found it.

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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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