

# 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, Nia Jewell Leak

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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 relied on the mentorship of others to attain my educational goals and access to scholarships. I show my gratitude by being a resource to others and to be an example for my children to do the same.

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

It began in college. It was then that I knew I wanted to commit to the health of women. When I did not have as many resources, I volunteered my time in women's health clinics. This has continued throughout my personal life and in my career. And as my resources have broadened so has been the different ways that I have been able to give back.

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

All of us have talents that can be used to give back: we can give time, give a voice to an organization, offer tangible resources, assist in making connections, as well as giving financial support. Giving the best of ourselves is often the most impactful.

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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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