

# WGC's Our Giving, Our Stories!

A year-long series of giving profiles designed to amplify the voices of women and girls in our community.

In Honor of  
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
of Service



Celebrating  
Women's  
Giving in  
Howard County

## 3 Questions With ... Philanthropist Regina M. Clay

External Affairs Manager of CareFirst BCBS of MD

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?

Most people wait to be inspired to act. I choose to act in order to get inspiration. I have always been blessed with a heart to serve and give. For me, it's as natural as breathing. When I see an area that needs attention, I simply allow what's already in me to manifest openly.

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

My parents instilled this in me as a child and I have always been one to sow and support in various ways. However, I honestly believe that it was during the start of the pandemic that I took things up a notch. During that time, the world needed something different. Something more consistent. And that was when I kicked into a higher gear.

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

Anyone interested in giving back should just go with that feeling. The art of giving and sowing doesn't need any extra words. The beauty of the desire is more than enough to give back. In giving back, I encourage others to do it with clean hands and a pure heart.

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The WGC is building a community of philanthropists to address the needs of women and girls in Howard County, Maryland. [www.womensgivingcircle.org](http://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 Committee 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."