

# 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, Wanda L. Nelson

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?

My gift and inspiration of giving is what moves me to provide resources to help others in the community. Many people have been doing acts of kindness and giving for centuries, but what's most important is knowing that the impact of what I do, and other volunteers are making a significant impact to our communities.

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

I started giving to my community at an elementary school age where my mother enrolled my sisters and I in many activities for girls such as the 4-H club, girl scouts, church activities, and many more. We were able to volunteer with many organizations to provide resources and food to many families. The act of volunteering has been a significant part of my life for more than 50 years.

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

My advice for those who are interested in giving back is to start now. It takes a special person who has a high level of commitment, dedication, and willingness to believe in the mission of the organization. You must enjoy the work you provide to the community. If you are not having fun doing it, then its not the right fit.

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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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