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Women's Giving Circle of Harford County Newsletter September 2017

Message from the Chair

Greetings Members!

As we head in to the fall season, there is much to report regarding the Women's Giving Circle. As you will see below, we have just completed the 2017 grant cycle and are making plans to officially recognize the grantees at the General Membership Meeting scheduled for September 28, 2017. This meeting is always a favorite of our members as we make the official presentations to the grantees. To further showcase the good works of the grantees, each has been invited to set-up a display table at the breakfast. We think this is a fantastic opportunity for members to hear in detail how the grant funds are utilized.

In addition, for the first time, members are invited to bring a guest to the



Save the Date!

General Membership Meeting

Thursday,
September 28th
8:00 - 10:00 AM
Harford Community College
Darlington Hall
Room DH202ABC

Sneak Peek Party with a Purpose for Prospective Members

Wednesday,
October 18th
5:30 - 7:00 PM

In addition, for the first time, members are invited to bring a guest to the meeting to hear firsthand about the mission of the Women's Giving Circle. Do you have a friend, family member or coworker with whom you'd like to share the Women's Giving Circle opportunity? Any member is invited to bring to the September General Membership meeting a woman who is interested in hearing more about our organization and the grantees we support. There will be no formal presentation for prospective members and no obligation for guests who attend - just an opportunity to celebrate the power of the purse! An official invitation will be sent to members shortly with details.

Lastly, I would like to encourage you to recommit to the Women's Giving Circle for the 2018 grant year. Renewal letters and invoices will be sent in early September. Help us to continue to support the women and children of Harford County. Remember - the greater our numbers, the greater our giving!

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to seeing you at the meeting on September 28th.

Kim Malat, Chair

Treasurer's Report

We are proud to announce that there is currently \$99,861.22 in the Endowment Fund and \$12,141.37 in the Grant Fund for the 2018 grant cycle. The Grant Fund for the 2017 grant cycle totaled \$55,550.12 and from this fund, awards totaling \$53,500.88 have been awarded with the remaining balance added back to the Grant Fund for 2018. We are excited to recognize each of the grantees at our September 28 General Membership meeting.

Beginning with the 2011 grant cycle through the 2017 grant cycle, the Women's Giving Circle has awarded a total of \$254,492.76 to non-profit organizations that serve women, children, and families in Harford County. This is impressive and was made possible by the collective efforts and philanthropic mindset of our members. As a group and as individuals, this accomplishment is reason to celebrate and inspires future great work.

The life-blood of the Women's Giving Circle is the dedication each of us brings to our organization, along with our membership payments. We hope that the ability to make your membership payment online will make the process easier and more convenient for you. Make your payment today at:

<https://cfharfordcounty.networkforgood.com/projects/19674-woman-s-giving-circle-of-harford-county>

Thank you for being part of such a generous circle of women supporting our community!

Marion Miller, Treasurer

Grant Committee

The funding component of the 2017 grant cycle is complete! At the General Membership meeting in May, Rosemary King Johnston, Chair, and Cynthia Hergenbahn, Vice-Chair, presented to the members and approved the list of grantees for 2017.

To request an invitation for a prospective member, send an email to: wgcharfordcounty@gmail.com.

One Legacy, Many Hands

The Women's Giving Circle of Harford County is dedicated to engaging women of all generations in the power of community philanthropy. Our contributions of time, talent and financial resources address the needs of women and families. Through education and increased awareness of local needs, we make a difference in the lives of women and their families throughout Harford County.

For more information or to join, go to:

<http://http://cfharfordcounty.org/womens-giving-circle>

To make a membership payment online, go to:

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to the gathered members a proposed slate of grantees for 2017 and recommended awards to 15 deserving applicants totaling \$53,500.88. Because the total awards were less than the \$55,550.12 available in the 2017 Grant Fund, the remaining \$2,049.24 will be added to the Grant Fund for the 2018 grant cycle.

This year's grantees have been invited to attend our General Membership meeting on September 28 where each grantee will be recognized. We hope you will attend this meeting to meet the grantees and hear how our grant funds support women and children in Harford County.

The Grant Committee, comprised of 19 members, is a group of highly engaged individuals and is always open to new members. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about the Committee and its work or would like to consider becoming a member. We welcome your involvement!!

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Rosemary King Johnston, Chair

Membership & Outreach Committee

Please mark your calendar for the Women's Giving Circle of Harford County's General Membership Breakfast Meeting on Thursday, September 28, 2017! Evites will be sent after Labor Day.

For the first time, members are invited to bring a guest to learn more about and celebrate the good work of the 2017 grant recipients!

Sneak Peek

The next Sneak Peek gathering for prospective members will be held on Wednesday, October 18, 2017 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.

If you know someone who is interested in the Women's Giving Circle and would like to invite her to hear ore about the organization, please email the Committee at wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com so that both you and she can receive an invitation.

It's easy to become a member of the Women's Giving Circle of Harford County by joining (or renewing!) online at:

<https://cfharfordcounty.networkforgood.com/projects/19674-woman-s-giving-circle-of-harford-county>

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*Christine McPherson and Cathy Schmidt,
Co-Chairs*



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