

August, 2015

Women's Giving Circle Newsletter



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: [Link to our webpage](#)

Save the Date!

[Celebrate the WGC 5th Anniversary](#)

Thursday,
September 17, 2015
5:30 - 8:00 PM
Maryland Golf & Country Club
RSVP by September 1!

[WGC Membership Happy Hour](#)

President's Message

Happy Summer Ladies!

I am happy to share our excitement that we are successfully becoming a strong, powerful voice to address the needs of women, as demonstrated by another round of successful grants for 2015! We were able to award grants to eleven deserving non-profits in Harford County serving women and their families. This was the largest grant pool of funds distributed to date for the ***Women's Giving Circle of Harford County***, and an accomplishment that every member shares, as one united group of gracious and giving women.

So how do we celebrate five years of giving?

By now, I hope you have received your personal invitation to attend the ***5th Anniversary Celebration Event at Maryland Golf & Country Club, on Thursday, September 17th at 5:30 PM.*** I respectfully encourage you to attend as a philanthropic woman, who personally chose to make a difference in this County, and in your own community. As members, we share a similar passion and vision of philanthropy, and we have 24 reasons to celebrate!

Twenty-four non-profits in Harford County, serving women and their families, have received grants since we sat around a dining room table in November 2010, and began this giving journey in women's philanthropy through our powerful, shared vision! Please join me as we come together to celebrate "***the power of the purse***"!

See you soon, and Ring Those Bells!

Jodi Davis

Tuesday,
September 29, 2015
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM
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Treasurer's Report

WGC is proud to announce we have passed the \$55k dollar mark in the endowment fund and gifted over \$43k in grants in 2015! So far, the Women's Giving Circle has accrued \$22,228 for the 2016 grant cycle as well. In 2014 we had 129 members, and with 2015 membership renewals – we have 62 members paid, and 6 pledges.

Please remember to send in your checks – so the grant pool can grow! ***Keep ringing those bells ladies!***

Jodi Marschhauser, Treasurer

Committee Updates

Grants Committee

On May 12, 2015, at the General Membership meeting, the recommendations for awards for the 2015 grant cycle, as approved by the Executive Committee, were presented to members. Those members present unanimously voted to approve the 2015 awards as proposed – a total of \$43,081.78 - to 11 non-profit organizations serving women and children in Harford County. Including the 2015 awards, the WGC has awarded more than \$155,000 to local non-profit organizations providing community-based services to women and children.

The next meeting for the Committee will be in early October, 2015 to debrief the 2015 grant cycle and to begin planning for the next grant cycle. If you are interested in participating, please contact Kim Malat at kmalat@yahoo.com.

Kim Malat, Grants Chair

Outreach and Engagement Committee

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

Margaret Mead

The Community Outreach and Engagement Committee is looking for new opportunities to market the Harford County Women's Giving Circle's mission to the community. We have been working on Marketing and Social Media plans. *We would like to speak before organizations and tell them about the gracious & giving women who have given back over \$150,000 in the last five years. Your help in identifying these community groups is appreciated.*

We are, also, looking for a **photographer** [attend & photograph WGC's events] and **historian** [help to organize, sort and retain records]. If you would be interested, please contact us.

We hope that you will be able to attend the 5th Anniversary Celebration. The planning committee has been working very hard to make it a special event and in addition, you will be able to meet our 2015 Grant Recipients. The deadline to RSVP is September 1st.

We are very proud of the growth of the WGC. In order to get to the next level, we welcome members to join the Outreach and Engagement Committee, who can offer fresh marketing ideas. The next committee meeting will take place on August 17th. To learn more information, please join us. Please contact Terry Troy (mrt8696@gmail.com) or Susie Bowser (susiebowser@comcast.net)

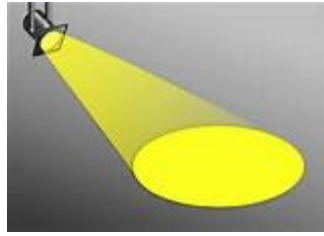
Terry Troy, Outreach Chair

Membership Committee

Join us for the Happy Hour on September 29, 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM, at Liberatore's, Bel Air.

Our next PME is October 8, 2015. If you have anyone you would like to bring as a guest, please send us their name and email so we can send them an Evite.

Ronnie T. Davis



"SPOTLIGHT ON" **2015 GRANT RECIPIENTS**

Arrow Child & Family Ministries

\$4,000 – For support of the Arrow Crossroads Community Equine Assisted Therapy program

Boys & Girls Clubs of Harford County

\$4,000 – For support of the SMART Girls program

CASA of Harford County

\$5,000 – For support of the Transition Aged Youth Initiative

Habitat for Humanity Susquehanna

\$5,000 – For support of the Homeownership Program – Women Rebuild

Harford Community Action Agency

\$4,800 – For the support of the Getting Ahead in a Just-Gettin'-By-World program

Harford Community College Foundation

\$2,960.78 – For support of the Get Your Mind Moving Program

Harford Family House

\$4,200 – For support of the Wheels for Work Program

Inner County Outreach

\$4,000 – For support of the Trinise Jones Summer Day Camp

LASOS

\$3,250 – For support of the Enrich program

Mason-Dixon Community Services

\$3,500 – For support of the Highland Summer Backpack

Tabitha's House

\$2,371 – For support of the Sweet Dreams program

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