

# Our Giving, Our Stories!

A series of giving profiles in celebration of Black Philanthropy Month

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## Celebrating Black Philanthropy Month 2024

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### 3 Questions With ... Philanthropist Carla Gates

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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 want to see a world where everyone can fulfill their potential without the limits of bias and discrimination. When we limit some folk's living options through lack of housing, food, education and safety we actually limit all of us collectively. However, in a world where we're all free, we can devote our time, talent and resources to joy, art, healing our environment, curing diseases and other things that make life better for everyone.

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

I began supporting issues important to me in the early 1990s during the fight for gay rights. I realized that organizations lobbying for liberation needed support in order for the work I (and others) were doing to have maximum impact.

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

Give to organizations doing work that you feel is important. If you can only give \$25 per year that is your contribution. By joining others, you have more power than you do alone and your contribution matters! So go forth and give!

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The Women's Giving Circle is proud to continue our support for National Black Philanthropy Month 2024!

The WGC is building a community of philanthropists to address the needs of women and girls in Howard County, Maryland.

"We are excited to continue our support of National Black Philanthropy Month" says Robin Stimson, Chair of the WGC's "Our Giving, Our Stories" effort. "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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