

# 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 Monique Washington-Jones

Owner /Head Instructor, WKD Karate 4 Girls

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?

Gratitude. I am grateful to be in a position to not only give but to make more of an impact by incorporating the generosity of my network; family, friends and the students that we serve. I enjoy introducing them to organizations that move the needle within the community. It is because of my network, that we are able to create a ripple effect on a much larger scale. And for that, I am grateful and inspired to do more.

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

As long as I can remember, I grew up volunteering as a family, since we had more time than money, sweat equity was how we learned to give. We would choose as a family, where to volunteer which turned into donating to those in need. Typically, we supported initiatives that focused on the advocacy of women and children. This learned behavior became our natural practice, as I got older and could do more, I did.

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

Be strategic, do your research and learn about organizations that you are passionate about. Then build a relationship, get to know the organization and find out how you can serve them best. No gesture is too small, always appreciated and know that we all have something to 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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