

Women's Giving Circle of Harford County April 2021 Newsletter

A Message from the Chair

As we mark over a year since the pandemic changed our lives forever, I'm so proud of our members who continue to show their generosity, both from a time and financial standpoint. Despite being unable to meet in person, we have found ways to connect and sustain our mission. As restrictions ease and more people are vaccinated, I look forward to the time when we can meet in person. Over the next few months, we will continue to host events virtually and plan to transition to in-person events for the second half of the year. I'm particularly excited to see everyone for our delayed 10th Anniversary celebration on October 7 at the Vandiver Inn. In the meantime, stay safe and share your love of the WGC with your friends and family.

Donna Kreis, Chair

New Fiscal Sponsor for the Administrative Fund

Members voted on March 11th to change the fiscal sponsor for our administrative fund from Global Impact to the Faith Based Nonprofit Resource Center due to rising fees. Further details regarding the advantages of making the switch are included in the meeting <u>presentation</u>. As of April 1st, the Faith Based Nonprofit Resource Center is our new fiscal sponsor for the administrative fund and the Join/Renew section of our website is updated to reflect this change.

If you have questions about the change, please send an email to wgchco@gmail.com.

Membership and Outreach Committee Update

At the close of March, new member registrations put us at 25% of our goal to exceed 100 members by the end of 2021! That is fantastic news given we are only 25% into 2021 as well. Please watch the WGC website for upcoming Membership Committee meetings and outreach events.

Next on the agenda is a virtual Membership Committee meeting (members only) on **April 15**th **at 6 p.m**. New members are encouraged to attend for a virtual introduction to the WGC! An email invitation to the meeting will be sent out shortly, followed by an email with the link to attend. Please join us as we discuss and share

membership growth ideas.

As always, please encourage friends, family, co-workers, etc. to visit the website or send an email to wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com and I'll reach out to them directly. Also remember to check employer's matching programs to see if WGC membership qualified for a matching donation!

Donna Kahoe Membership and Outreach Committee Chair

Join or Renew

Grant Committee Update

The 2021 grant applications are submitted! The deadline was March 12th at noon, and we are pleased to report that 24 grant applications were received. We are on track with the reviews as 18 committee volunteers are currently reviewing. We plan to complete the process, as proposed, and award grants in June as usual. Please watch for updates on the WGC Facebook page, where you can find announcements for the May general membership meeting date and voting details!

Sara Burley Sarah Ortiz-Brown Grant Committee Co-Chairs

10th Anniversary Celebration

The 10th Anniversary Committee held its first meeting on March 29th to begin planning for the belated 10th anniversary celebration and recognition of the 2020 and 2021 grantees that is scheduled for October 7, 2021, at the Vandiver Inn in Havre de Grace.

If you are interested in assisting, please send an email to the committee using the email linked below.

Questions? Send an email to wgcanniversary@gmail.com.

Sherifa Clarke Robin Tomechko Anniversary Committee Co-Chairs

Join the Committee!

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