

## Women's Giving Circle of Harford County February 2022 Newsletter



A Message from the Chair

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Our grant season is in full swing and it is exciting to anticipate where our membership dollars w go. Non-profits have another month to prepare their grant applications by the March 11<sup>th</sup> deadline.

We are looking for a few more members to join the Grant Committee. No experience is necessary. This is a great way to learn more about the non-profits we support. More details in the Grant Committee Update below.

The transition to the <u>Grapevine</u> platform is complete. Check your inbox for an email to activate your Grapevine account. Grapevine periodically offers free matching funds to the WGC for members joining/renewing. For the months of February and March, Grapevine will give the WC \$100 for every 10 new recurring donations, so there's no better time to renew your membership.

Donna Kreis, Chair



## Grant Committee Update

It's almost Valentine's Day, and we have great love and appreciation for our Grant Committee Members as we get ready to embark on the 2022 grant review cycle next month! If you would like to "couple up" with us and join the committee, we would "love" to have you! Please do so before March 10th, as our review period begins March 16th and ends April 20th. This is a busy season for the grant committee. We hosted our pre-application meeting for local non-profits on January 24, 2022, and had a huge turnout. We hope to have a large pool of grants to review this cycle based on the interest. We also conducted our first grant committee meeting to review this year's application, schedule, and scoring criteria. Everyone is excited to see what this year brings.

Please spread the word; our application is live! Take a look at the "Grantees" section of the WGC website and share the information with your friends and colleagues in the non-profit community. Encourage them to apply for a grant – up to \$5,000 could be waiting for their organization.

Lastly, don't forget "Random Acts of Kindness Day" is February 17th! Don't just share the love with your loved ones but be sure to spread the love with others that week!

Sara Burley & Sarah Ortiz-Brown Grant Committee Co-Chairs



## Membership and Outreach Committee Update

Interested in spreading out your contributions to the WGC this year? Now is the time! You can easily set up your recurring membership payments using <u>Grapevine</u>, our new platform that is specifically designed to help giving circles grow and succeed! Take a look at the table below to determine your monthly donation amount.

Start of Recurring Donation	Monthly Donation Amount: Members Age 35 and Over	Monthly Donation Amount: Next Generation Members (Age 34 and Under)
By January 15th	\$45.83	\$20.83
By February 15th	\$50.00	\$22.73
By March 15th	\$55.00	\$25.00
By April 15th	\$61.12	\$27.78
By May 15th	\$68.75	\$31.25
By June 15th	\$78.58	\$35.72
By July 15th	\$91.67	\$41.67
By August 15th	\$110.00	\$50.00
By September 15th	\$137.50	\$62.50
By October 15th	\$183.34	\$83.34

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Budgeted membership is most affordable in the early months of the year, so start your installment now! And check out our FAQs to learn more about Grapevine.

As always, we encourage members to invite friends, family, co-workers, etc. to visit the WGC website. If you would like us to reach out to anyone personally, please email us their information at: wgcharfordmembership@gmail.com and we will contact them directly.

Be on the lookout for an email from the Membership and Outreach Committee with a member survey link as well as a listing of activities and events for 2022!

Thank you, Allison Cuneo & Donna Kahoe Membership and Outreach Committee Co-Chairs

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