



*Celebration  
of Philanthropy  
20th Anniversary*

VIRTUAL AWARDS CEREMONY  
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2020

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# Celebration of Philanthropy

## 20th Anniversary

This year is like no other, so we are celebrating it like no other. We are commemorating 20 years of the Celebration of Philanthropy Awards with 20 categories, and we are doing it virtually. These awards recognize the difference makers in our community, the people and groups who are there to drive change and make our community stronger. We at the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County (CFAAC) couldn't be more proud to acknowledge their contributions.

Celebrating 20 years of recognizing these contributors is a big deal for us! We want you to join us in applauding the impact that CFAAC and these incredible community members have made in our community. Together we have transformed lives, encouraged change, and truly made Anne Arundel County a better place for all.

CFAAC's mission to inspire and promote giving in Anne Arundel County by connecting people who care with causes that matter has not changed in its 22 years of existence. We continue to work hard to improve the quality of life for everyone in our community. Since our humble beginnings in 1998 when a group of like-minded, generous community members joined forces, to the present, we continue to accomplish our goals, and we recognize that we wouldn't be here without you.

Through the generosity of donors, CFAAC has raised awareness of critical needs in our county such as affordable housing, food insecurity, lack of accessible and quality childcare, mental health and substance abuse treatment, and lack of transportation.

CFAAC is a leader in the community:

- partnering with donors and taking a proactive role in addressing critical needs.
- stewarding our community's trust as well as our donor's wishes, intentions, and investments.
- initiating change through bold leadership, meaningful collaborations, and generosity.
- distributing nearly \$3,000,000 through more than 500 grants and scholarships in 2020 through the collective generosity of CFAAC donors.
- growing philanthropy one person, one family, one business at a time for a stronger, more vibrant, and healthier community for all.

As the amount of funding through CFAAC increases, so does our responsibility. With your help, we will continue to grow because the more of us who give, the more good we can do for our community, together.

Sincerely,

CFAAC President & CEO



# Virtual Event Program

## Welcome & Introductions

Mary Grace Folwell, Board Chair  
*Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County*

Mary Spencer, President & CEO  
*Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County*

## Messages of Support

Mayor of Annapolis, *Gavin Buckley*  
Anne Arundel County Executive, *Steuart Pittman*  
United States Senator, *Chris Van Hollen*

## Awards Presentations

Mary Spencer, President & CEO and Amy Francis, Development Director  
*Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County*

Unsung Hero Award, *Jan Atwood*

Outstanding Youth Group Award, *Kid Changemakers*

Outstanding Volunteer Group Award, *Anne Arundel Medical Center Auxiliary*

Outstanding Small Business Award, *Atlas Container Corporation*

Outstanding Professional Fundraiser Award, *Jan Wood*

Outstanding Nonprofit Award, *Hope For All*

Nonprofit MVP Award, *Kristina Mitchell*

Legacy Award for Planned Giving, *Cherie Loustaunau*

Leadership in Philanthropy Award, *Taylor Pyles*

Innovation Award, *Creating Communities*

Emerging Philanthropist Award, *Ellen D. Shiery*

Community Collaborators Award, *Banneker-Douglass Museum*

Carol Thompson Lifetime Achievement Award, *Henry "Hank" Libby*

Carroll H. Hynson, Jr. Award for Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion in Philanthropy, *Yevola Peters*

Boots on the Ground Award, *Susana Cruz*

Young Volunteer of the Year, *Haley Havard*

Volunteer of the Year, *Vanessa Carter*

Foundation of the Year, *AMFM Foundation*

Corporate Philanthropist of the Year, *Crosby Marketing Communications*

Philanthropists of the Year, *John and Jan Magnolia*

## Closing Remarks

Mary Spencer, President & CEO  
*Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County*



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# CFAAC AT WORK IN 2020

 **\$19 MILLION**  
**TOTAL ASSETS**

## 5 Scholarships

to Anne Arundel  
County High  
School Seniors



**100%**  
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Granted \$162,250 in the  
inaugural cycle of the  
**Fund for Anne Arundel**,  
focusing on nonprofits that  
provide opportunities to for  
children to be healthy,  
thriving, and successful.



**\$2.76M IN GRANTS**  
**DISTRIBUTED TO NONPROFITS**

## 541 Grants awarded:

- 267 Donor Advised Grants
- 194 Designated Grants
- 9 Grants 4 Teachers Grants
- 7 Help Our Neighbors Grants
- 5 Strengthening Nonprofits Grants
- 12 Scholarships
- 14 Giving Circle Grants
- 1 Agency Fund Grant
- 16 AA County Grants
- 10 Field of Interest Grants
- 6 Fund For Anne Arundel Grants

**10 New**  
**Donor Advised,**  
**Corporate**  
**Advised, Agency,**  
**& Legacy Funds**



In the wake of the COVID-19  
crisis, CFAAC activated the  
**Community Crisis**  
**Response Fund**, which to  
date, has granted **139**  
**grants** totaling **\$296,561** to  
**66** unique nonprofits.



Maintained Accreditation of **The National Standards**  
**for U.S. Community Foundations**, which ensures  
organizational accountability and commitment to legal  
compliance, philanthropic best practices, and  
operational excellence.

*All Figures as of November 1, 2020*

## Transform The Future

### Build Your Legacy For Tomorrow Through Planned Giving

CFAAC wants to help you transform the future of Anne Arundel County and expand your philanthropy with estate and legacy planning. Through planned giving, you can support the causes you care about for generations to come while at the same time, reducing taxes. There are numerous ways to organize your future giving that are mutually beneficial to you and your favorite charitable organizations. Several ways you can establish a planned gift include bequests, trusts, and beneficiary designation on retirement accounts and life insurance. You can also fund your vision with appreciated assets like stock or real estate.

Let us help you realize your philanthropic dreams by reaching out to our Director of Gift Planning, Claudia Cunningham at [Claudia@cfaac.org](mailto:Claudia@cfaac.org) or 410-280-1102 Ext. 103 to discuss your future charitable plan. She can work with your financial advisor or connect you with a financial planning professional. Whether you are an existing fund holder or are just beginning to explore your options to create a personal giving plan for you and your family, we are here to work with you. **Ask about leaving a legacy today.**

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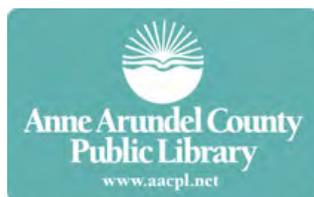
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2020 CELEBRATION OF  
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secure future.

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# *Celebration of Philanthropy*

## *Past Award Recipients*

### ***Philanthropists of the Year***

- 2001 Hillard & Karolyn Donner
- 2002 Creston & Betty Jane Tate
- 2003 Jim & Katherine Mandrin
- 2004 Frank & Susan Chaney
- 2005 Tom & Peggy Baldwin
- 2006 Robert Pascal
- 2007 Frederick A. Graul
- 2008 Edward St. John
- 2009 Phil & Meri Gibbs
- 2010 Jim & Linda Humphrey
- 2011 Patty McManus
- 2012 James & Sylvia Earl
- 2013 John & Cathy Belcher
- 2014 John & Terri Hussman
- 2015 JoAnn DeCesaris
- 2016 Richard "Dick" Franyo
- 2017 Jane Campbell Chambliss & Pete Chambliss
- 2018 Beverly & Stephen Marcus
- 2019 Kent and Sue McNew

### ***Corporate Philanthropists of the Year***

- 2011 BankAnnapolis
- 2011 Varuna Aveda Salon Spa
- 2012 Severn Savings Bank
- 2013 CPS Gumpert
- 2014 Bank of Glen Burnie
- 2015 Skyline Technology Solutions
- 2016 Development Facilitators, Inc.
- 2017 Buck Distributing Company, Inc.
- 2018 The Brick Companies
- 2019 Annapolis Cars

### ***Celebration of Philanthropy Award***

- 2006 The Philip Merrill Family
- 2013 Lisa Hillman
- 2018 Elizabeth Kinney

### ***Foundation of the Year***

- 2011 Carol M. Jacobsohn Foundation
- 2012 William J. and Dorothy K. O'Neill Foundation
- 2013 Keith Campbell Foundation
- 2014 South Anne Arundel County Rotary Foundation
- 2015 TKF Foundation
- 2016 Merrill Foundation
- 2018 The Philip E. and Carol R. Ratcliffe Foundation
- 2019 The Chaney Enterprises Foundation

### ***Volunteer of the Year***

- 2003 Tricia Lehmann
- 2004 Rob Cradle
- 2005 Trudy McFall
- 2006 Dennis Conti
- 2007 Anna E. Greenberg
- 2008 Tony & Penny Evans
- 2009 Ellenor Alvarez
- 2010 Deede Rivers
- 2011 Bill & Terry Kuethe
- 2012 Bobbie & Jerry Burnett
- 2013 Fred Davis
- 2014 Betty Mack
- 2015 Penny Cantwell
- 2016 Karen Smith
- 2017 Karen Feldman & Helena Hunter
- 2018 Tara Balfe Clifford
- 2019 Bronwyn Belling

### ***Young Volunteer of the Year***

- 2007 Megan Skiles
- 2008 Annie Bukowski
- 2009 David Ensor
- 2010 Meade High School Key Club
- 2016 Maggie Crawford
- 2017 Jason Cherry
- 2018 Ben Nussbaumer
- 2019 Grace Gallant

# Celebration of Philanthropy

## 2020 Award Descriptions

**Boots on the Ground Award:** Presented to an individual who has gone above and beyond to meet our community's needs by rolling up his or her sleeves to serve the most vulnerable and underserved. Someone who steps up every single day to take care of our neighbors and our community.

**Carol Thompson Lifetime Achievement Award:** Named in honor of Carol Thompson, CFAAC's Founder, and its first Executive Director. This award is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to advancing philanthropy by demonstrating long-standing leadership, responding creatively to societal problems, and making a significant impact on philanthropy in Anne Arundel County (AAC).



**Carroll H. Hynson, Jr. Award for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Philanthropy:** This award is named in honor of Carroll H. Hynson, Jr., founding CFAAC Board Member. This award is presented to an individual who has made outstanding contributions to philanthropy by building bridges, connecting people dedicated to diversity, equity, and inclusion, and championing the acceptance, respect, and inclusion of all.



**Community Collaborators Award:** Recognizes the partnership of two or more organizations to achieve a common goal. Nominees partnered to address a problem that could not have been solved as effectively by a single organization.

**Corporate Philanthropist of the Year Award:** Presented to a local business that has a proven record of exceptional generosity and demonstrates outstanding civic and philanthropic responsibility through direct financial support to AAC nonprofits. The company encourages and facilitates employee giving and establishes mutually beneficial partnerships with local nonprofits. The CEO or President is actively and effectively involved in the company's community giving programs.

**Emerging Philanthropist Award:** Presented to an individual, regardless of age, who demonstrates exemplary leadership in advancing philanthropy, engagement beyond a single organization, creativity in a philanthropic endeavor, or significant accomplishment in a short period of time.

**Foundation of the Year Award:** Presented to a local Foundation with a proven record of exceptional generosity that, through direct financial support, has demonstrated outstanding civic and philanthropic responsibility and whose generosity encourages others to become philanthropic leaders, particularly in AAC.

**Innovation Award:** Presented to a group that through innovation or an implemented idea has led to positive change in how the philanthropic sector operates, thinks, or impacts communities. Types of innovation can include, forming a public/private partnership, implementing a unique grantmaking strategy, leveraging resources, engaging in creative funding, or developing a new collaboration.

**Leadership in Philanthropy Award:** Presented to an AAC legislator or public servant whose leadership, support, and advocacy has made a positive impact in AAC. Types of advocacy work honored in this category could include legislative action, systems change, and civic engagement.

**Legacy Award for Planned Giving:** Recognizes an individual philanthropist who has made a significant contribution using a planned gift. This award is presented in collaboration with the Anne Arundel Estate Planning Council.

**Nonprofit MVP Award:** Presented to a nonprofit staff member, who is a behind-the-scenes administrative person, a direct service provider, program coordinator, or an intern who went above and beyond the expectation of duties for a nonprofit.

**Outstanding Nonprofit Award:** Presented to a nonprofit for its achievements, which reflect a strong partnership between its staff and board, and its leadership in fulfilling a mission and vision dedicated to improving the quality of life for AAC individuals and families.

# Celebration of Philanthropy

## 2020 Award Descriptions

**Outstanding Professional Fundraiser Award:** Presented to a fundraising professional who demonstrates exceptional skill and enthusiasm for their work, pursues big ideas and successfully engages others in achieving them, and inspires new levels of giving among donors.

**Outstanding Small Business Award:** Presented to a small business (less than 100 employees) that demonstrates outstanding commitment through financial support and motivates others to take leadership roles toward philanthropy and community involvement.

**Outstanding Volunteer Group Award:** Presented to a team of volunteers that has made volunteerism a core value and contributes significant time to help AAC nonprofit organizations. They often make the difference in an organization being able to serve its community, expand its services to a wider audience, or move its programs to a higher level of service to the community.

**Outstanding Youth Group Award:** Presented to youth group or youth-generated project that has demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to the community through direct financial support, development of charitable programs, volunteering, and/or leadership.

**Philanthropists of the Year Award:** Presented to an individual or family with a proven record of exceptional generosity who, through direct financial support, has demonstrated outstanding civic and philanthropic responsibility, and whose generosity encourages others to become philanthropic leaders, particularly in Anne Arundel County.

**Unsung Hero Award:** Presented to a volunteer who motivates others to give, commits time and energy without compensation and offers organizations and fundraising staff his or her talent for strategy, relationship enhancement, and the successful solicitation of donations. This individual demonstrates exceptional commitment and may not otherwise gain recognition.

**Volunteer of the Year Award:** Presented to an individual with a proven record of volunteerism who, through the donations of time and talent, has played a key role in helping local nonprofit organizations provide services to the community.

**Young Volunteer of the Year Award:** Presented to a student, elementary school through college age, with a proven record of volunteerism who, through their donations of time and talent, has played a key role in helping local nonprofit organizations provide services to the community.

## Strengthening Nonprofits Fund



A portion of the proceeds from the Celebration of Philanthropy Awards contributions will benefit the Strengthening Nonprofits Fund at the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County (CFAAC). The fund provides training and educational opportunities to Anne Arundel County nonprofit staff, board members, and volunteers who are interested in learning more about fundraising, marketing, nonprofit management, board development and other capacity building efforts.

Since 2005, CFAAC has provided over \$92,000 through grants and training to professionals and volunteers of local nonprofits. Last year, CFAAC helped provide capacity building trainings and workshops serving over 320 community leaders from over 180 organizations.



# CONGRATULATIONS

## 2020 CELEBRATION OF PHILANTHROPY AWARDEES

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Magnolia Plumbing, Heating & Cooling and The Magnolia Family Foundation congratulates all of the 2020 Celebration of Philanthropy Awardees, and commends the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County on 20 years of service to the community.

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## Jan Atwood

### Unsung Hero Award

*"Whenever there is a call for help, Jan is there, with a shovel in hand, a 'can-do' attitude and a BIG smile. Her impact on our community cannot be understated."*

*—Suzanne Etgen, Executive Director,  
Anne Arundel County Watershed Stewards Academy*

"If you need something done in a pinch, and with great enthusiasm, there is no better person to have on your side than Jan Atwood," said Denise Swol, Executive Director, Arundel Rivers Federation (ARF). "A tireless advocate for ARF, the Watershed Stewards Academy (WSA), and for local environmental issues, Jan is truly an unsung hero."

When Jan joined WSA in 2016, she quickly became a key volunteer, mentor, leader, major donor, and board member for several local environmental nonprofits, said nominator Suzanne Etgen, Executive Director, Anne Arundel County WSA. "Her impact on our community cannot be understated," she said.

As a Master Watershed Steward since 2017, Jan has given almost 500 hours to plant trees, maintain projects, and mentor new Watershed Stewards. She leads a collective of stewards who assist residents to reduce pollution and has trained dozens of volunteers to plan and execute over 44 projects. Jan has planted 63 native trees and shrubs and engaged 250 neighbors in environmental action. As a WSA Board member, Jan serves as a "Donor Ambassador" and "Class Captain," deepening relationships with donors and WSA alumni by inviting them to events, communicating about WSA activities, soliciting donations, and sending thanks.

"Whenever there is a call for help, Jan is there, with a shovel in hand, a 'can-do' attitude, and a BIG smile," said Etgen.

In addition to her work with WSA, her work with ARF is also important. When the Federation had a last-minute opportunity to seek grant funding for a large environmental restoration project in her Heritage Harbor community, Jan recruited fellow Watershed Stewards and garnered the community and management support needed so they could move forward within a matter of days. "Jan's incredible energy and ability to mobilize her community makes her an unsung hero to nonprofits like ours," said Swol.

Jan serves many other organizations including Annapolis Green, a local environmental nonprofit, and Unity Gardens, a county nonprofit organization that supports the building of community partnerships through its grassroots grants program for conservation landscaping. "Jan is an outstanding volunteer, low key and unassuming in her demeanor, but very generous with her time, talent, and knowledge to accomplish the goals of the many local environmental organizations," said Pat Mitchell, Board President, Unity Gardens.

In addition to other volunteer organizations, Jan, an Army veteran, is also deeply committed to the welfare of fellow Army veterans. Last year, when a veteran with no local family fell gravely ill, Jan became her caretaker — transporting her to doctor's appointments, serving as her healthcare advocate in the hospital, hosting out-of-town family, and coordinating her care team. "Jan remained at her friend's side until she passed away over a year later," said Etgen. "She saw a need, and filled it, admirably and selflessly."



# Kid Changemakers

## Outstanding Youth Group Award

*"I feel that people need to pay attention to Caleb and his organization. The takeaway is that anything can be done if you set a goal. Nothing is insurmountable. Sure, you have to work at it, but I want people, especially youth, to know that when they recognize a problem in their community—no matter what that problem is—that they can make a difference. That's what Kids Changemakers does."*

—Taylor Pyles, Director of The Blue Ribbon Project

When Caleb Oh was six, he began looking for volunteer opportunities after he read a biography of primatologist Jane Goodall. Inspired by Goodall and her philanthropic organization, Roots & Shoots, Caleb decided that he, too, wanted to help others. However, there were not any nonprofits that would work with someone his age. Caleb decided to change that narrative. He and his brother, Joshua, gathered neighborhood kids to make bagged lunches for a local homeless shelter. It was then that they launched Kid Changemakers, an organization designed to create volunteer opportunities for kids to serve their communities.

"Kid Changemakers creates volunteer opportunities for young people so they do not have to face the same issues Caleb did when he was in elementary school," said nominator Taylor Pyles, Founder of The Blue Ribbon Project. "Caleb has been able to share his message of service globally and thousands of kids have joined his mission."

After realizing how great the need was in their area, Kid Changemakers began communicating with other organizations such as churches, shelters, and schools, to create partnerships and collect and run food and toiletry drives.

Over the last nine years, Kid Changemakers raised \$85,000 and volunteered more than 1,000 hours with Helping Hands of America, Sarah's House, and The Blue Ribbon Project to serve as youth leaders for foster kids in the state of Maryland. The organization also arranged weekly outings for kids to volunteer at local gardens, food pantries, and senior centers. Kid Changemakers was recognized by Dr. Jane Goodall, U.S. Senator Ben Cardin, and Dr. Ben Carson, and Caleb is the national recipient of the Prudential Spirit of Community Award and a scholarship award recipient from Sodexo.

During this pandemic, Kid Changemakers partnered with local nonprofits and churches to hold pop-up pantries and food distribution events throughout Anne Arundel County. The group also collected laptops for older teens so they could participate online in their The Blue Ribbon Project life skills courses during the pandemic. Kid Changemakers exceeded its goal of collecting 20 laptops, bringing 28 laptops to teens in need. The result is that some of the teens are even taking college classes and working jobs from home, said Pyles.

"When they see a need, Kid Changemakers sets their sights on fulfilling that need. It's very inspiring and gives people a lot of hope with all that's going on in our world," said Pyles. "We have teens who volunteer and get involved, but Caleb's leadership is what stands out. He just steps right up and gets others to join him."

"I feel that people need to pay attention to Caleb and his organization," said Pyles. "The takeaway is that anything can be done if you set a goal. Nothing is insurmountable. Sure, you have to work at it, but I want people, especially youth, to know that when they recognize a problem in their community – no matter what that problem is – that they can make a difference. That's what Kid Changemakers does."



## Anne Arundel Medical Center's Auxiliary Outstanding Volunteer Group

*"The AAMC Auxiliary is a longstanding and indispensable part of AAMC's vision of living healthier together by providing invaluable volunteer service and philanthropic support, providing care and comfort for thousands of patients and their families."*

—Jan Wood, Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation

Seventy-five seems to be the magic number for Anne Arundel Medical Center's (AAMC) Auxiliary. Throughout their 75-year history of AAMC support, the "Blue Crew," has dedicated its time, talent, and funding to care programs throughout the healthcare system. AAMC's Auxiliary consists of more than 750 volunteers working in more than 30 areas of service, including administration, customer service and information, clinical, and retail at AAMC's Jennifer Road campus and other locations. AAMC Foundation President Jan Wood, who nominated the group, said that their annual volunteer support equates to the work of 75 full-time AAMC employees. "The AAMC Auxiliary is a longstanding and indispensable part of AAMC's vision of living healthier together by providing invaluable volunteer service and philanthropic support, providing care and comfort for thousands of patients and their families," she said.

This year, even though the pandemic prevented onsite volunteer work, the AAMC Auxiliary volunteers continued to share their unwavering dedication for their local hospital and its outreach efforts. The Auxiliary Handcrafters Guild sewed and donated hundreds of cloth masks, gowns, and surgical caps for AAMC employees and COVID-19 outreach in the community. To lift morale, the Auxiliary sponsored an ice cream delivery for all AAMC employees in May. Additionally, to recognize the high quality, compassionate care that the AAMC team continues to provide during the pandemic, the AAMC Auxiliary donated \$5,000 to purchase t-shirts for every AAMC employee with the inscription, "We're In This Together."

There are hundreds of stories of the Auxiliary helping others through their steadfast support of AAMC over the years. These dedicated volunteers have helped raised money and donations for some of the most important centers and programs at AAMC. To date, the AAMC Auxiliary has donated more than \$22 million to AAMC areas of care including cardiac surgery, mental health, employee scholarships, the Geaton and JoAnn DeCesaris Cancer Institute, and countless building campaigns. Fundraising efforts on behalf of the Auxiliary includes an on-campus gift shop and the Out of the Box resale revenue, vendor sales, and ticketed social functions.

With 80% of the AAMC Auxiliary aged 70 years and older, they are committed to supporting AAMC's effort in creating an age-friendly health system and addressing the growing needs of Anne Arundel County's aging population. In 2020, the Auxiliary made a commitment to raise \$1.5 million for AAMC's Institute for Healthy Aging to support specialized geriatric care for AAMC patients and their families.

The Auxiliary also extends its help outside of AAMC. When the Our Lady of Guadalupe Ministry at St. Mary's Parish approached them for help, the Auxiliary rapidly agreed, said Constance Robinson, the ministry's Director of Resources Committee. The Out of the Box store now sets aside clothing, household items, and furniture to donate to needy Hispanic families in the county. "With the clothing and household items that are donated to our families from Out of the Box, we have witnessed the individual appreciation and sense of pride in these family members," said Robinson.



## Atlas Container Corporation

### Outstanding Small Business Award

*"Paul and Atlas have been a major factor in our ability to continue to serve Anne Arundel County residents in need during this pandemic. Whatever we need, they are there to support us. They truly care about what we do and those we help, and selflessly spend their time, energy, and money to make sure we are able to continue our mission."*

*—Susan Thomas, Executive Director, Anne Arundel County Food Bank*

Paul Centenari and his company, Atlas Container Corporation, have been avid Anne Arundel County Food Bank (AACFB) supporters for many years, donating thousands of dollars and containers. However, when the pandemic hit, their support went above and beyond, said nominator Susan Thomas, Executive Director of AACFB. When the immense need in the county became evident, Paul secured a refrigerated trailer and purchased 4,800 gallons of milk every two weeks so that AACFB could distribute fresh milk to its pantries and programs to assist residents in need during this crisis. He also reached out to other groups and companies to secure donations of fresh chicken, and other needed items.

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The Outstanding Small Business Award, which is presented to a small business (less than 100 employees) that demonstrates outstanding commitment through financial support and encouragement and motivation of others to take leadership roles toward philanthropy and community involvement, was fitting for Atlas Container Corporation. Atlas not only makes donations, but the company and its owners also get involved with the organizations they support to make sure that their donations are impactful. Since the Coronavirus health crisis began, the company's support for local nonprofits and the community has amplified. Under Centenari's philanthropic leadership, Atlas reached out to all its networks, vendors, and customers to collaborate resources to help fill the gaps during the pandemic.

"They've been amazing, and we cannot thank them enough for their generosity, dedication, and desire to help those in need in our county," said Thomas.

It's not the first time the 45-year old, Severn-based company, has reached out to help. Through the years, the manufacturer of packaging and display products, run by Paul and his brother, Peter, have supported AACFB, the Maryland Food Bank, and have donated boxes and containers to groups such as the Boy Scouts and other nonprofits.

The impact Paul and Atlas Container have made during the COVID-19 crisis cannot be understated, said Thomas. "Paul and his team jumped in without being asked, and made things happen, doing this from the heart, because he cares about Anne Arundel County and the people who live here," she said.



## Jan Wood

### Outstanding Professional Fundraiser Award

*“Jan Wood leads by example as a professional fundraiser through her generosity in supporting local causes, volunteering her time and expertise to support other nonprofits, and encouraging charitable commitments that make a difference throughout Anne Arundel County.”*

— Cindy O’Neill, Community Volunteer

Faced with a pandemic that no one could have anticipated, Jan Wood didn’t blink an eye. As a matter of fact, the president of Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation (AAMCF) and chief development officer for Anne Arundel Medical Center and Luminis Health did what she’s always done — pulled together resources and people. When it became clear in March that many of non-clinical personnel needed to telework, Jan quickly set up new office protocols with routine check-ins to ensure her team’s mental and physical health, said Victoria W. Bayless, Chief Executive Officer, Luminis Health. She also teamed with others to work around postponements of a major fundraising event as well as donor-society gatherings.

“We understand how difficult it is to raise money at any time, but take away the ability for face-to-face meetings, and it becomes even more difficult,” said Bayless. “Nevertheless, under Jan’s tutelage the Foundation established a special fund just to help us procure the equipment and protective gear required to serve COVID-19 patients, raising more than \$1 million.”

Apart from her guidance during the pandemic, Jan, through the years, has guided the health system’s philanthropy, strategic planning, and programming across its various medical centers and entities. Under her leadership, AAMCF focused on major, corporate, and six-figure giving by developing new programs and services; doubling charitable gifts to support AAMC from \$7 million to \$15 million annually during non-campaign years; raising more than \$10 million through AAMCF’s Lighting the Way to Healthy Minds campaign; supporting the J. Kent McNew Family Medical Center opening; and engaging the next generation of philanthropists by launching and sustaining AAMCF’s Building Traditions Society.

“Jan leads by example as a professional fundraiser through her generosity in supporting local causes, volunteering her time and expertise to support other nonprofits, and encouraging charitable commitments that make a difference throughout Anne Arundel County,” said nominator Cindy O’Neill.

Given her dedication to AAMC and Luminis Health, it is no surprise that Jan also donates a considerable portion of time and resources to causes she cares about deeply. She served as a board director for the YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, Anne Arundel Health System, Annapolis Walk-for-the-Cure, Annapolis Wellness House, Leadership Anne Arundel, Anne Arundel Chamber of Commerce, and other nonprofits.

“From some deep well of boundless energy, Jan is never afraid to tackle the big challenges,” said former AAMCF President Lisa Hillman. “Her innate creativity and positive approach drive the Foundation’s extraordinary success. Results prove it. She exhibits the kind of humility that is rare among such high-performing, fundraising professionals. She would far rather give credit to her staff, her board, her donors — or anyone — but herself.”

Hillman added that Jan has an unflagging commitment to the AAMC mission no matter what project and empowers her staff to learn more. “For her it is the patient who matters, and often that patient’s family as well,” said Hillman.

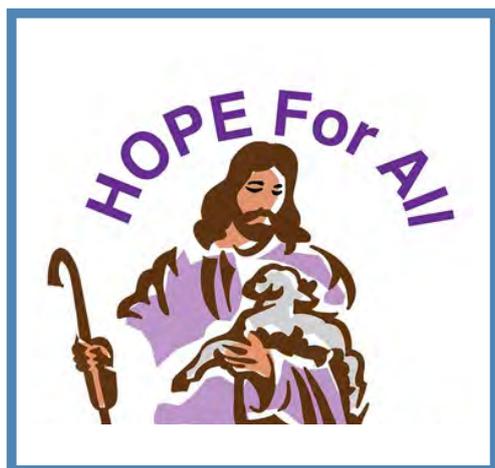


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## Hope For All

### Outstanding Nonprofit Award

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— J. Sandy Bartlett, Maryland House of Delegates

Living up to its name, Hope For All's life-changing mission is to provide basic human necessities and service referrals to families across Anne Arundel County (AAC) — offering hope to those who are facing adversity.

This Christian ministry offers aid and optimism through their programs such as Turning Houses Into Homes, which distributes donated furniture, household items, and supplies to individuals in need; Head to Toe, which provides thousands of county public school children with school supplies, shoes, and essential clothing; and Next Step Clothing, which works with agencies and nonprofits to provide emergency clothing for people who are taking the next step in their lives after experiencing a trauma. They also work with local churches, public schools, and other organizations to offer clothing giveaways throughout the year. Their partnerships in the community include 19-25 churches throughout AAC, the AAC public school system, five corporations, and 100-125 volunteers who volunteered more than 12,000 hours.

Each year, the need has grown in the county, said nominator J. Sandy Bartlett, Maryland House of Delegates, adding that last year a total of 2,367 individuals were served and 694 were referred for additional services. "Nothing is more important to Hope For All than knowing a family has made their way in life," said Bartlett. "During this time of uncertain economic needs, Hope For All's services are more important than ever for residents of Anne Arundel County."

Hope For All's commitment to serving families in times of need was demonstrated during the COVID-19 pandemic by their continued service to families when they served approximately 1,124 individuals, including 381 families. Through a partnership with the Maryland Department of Human Services (MDHS), they were able to help families live safely, stay intact, and maintain their dignity, said MDHS Director Carnitra White. In addition, they provided 250 toiletry kits and emergency clothing items to local churches.

"The clothing, furniture, and other essential household items Hope For All provides help children and families feel self-confident and restore their sense of hope in a better future," said White. "Through our partnership with Hope For All, we have been able to help those in need feel valued, encouraged, and empowered to move forward into self-sufficiency."

Hope For All also partners with the Light House by helping families transition from homelessness to a home filled with furnishings and basic necessities. For many families, they must choose between paying the rent or buying food, said Jill Thompson, Light House Director of Advocacy. "Luxuries like tables, beds, and couches, are out of reach. This is where Hope For All steps in and makes dreams come true," said Thompson. "This priceless generosity is what Hope For All has provided to countless families. Knowing that they will be able to attain and have delivered beds, dressers, curtains, silverware, etc. eases the anxiety and stress of every family we have referred to Hope For All."



## Kristina Mitchell

### Nonprofit MVP Award

*“Everyone who knows Kristina knows her exceptional work, her professionalism, and commitment to supporting people to live their best lives. She helps to move our mission forward and is an asset not only to the Providence Center family also but to the greater community.”*

— Aimee Bullen, Director of Community Relations, Providence Center

Providence Center, a nonprofit dedicated to providing effective, comprehensive services and day programs for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities, has a mission “to support people to discover and live their best lives” and Kristina Mitchell, Providence Center’s Quality Assurance (QA) Manager, exemplifies that mission, said Karen Adams-Gilchrist, President and CEO. “Not only am I grateful for Kristina’s expertise, passion and commitment, but time and time again, I hear from families, people we support, and members of our team about their wonderful experience working with Kristina,” she said.

Kristina leads the Center’s self-advocacy educational program, which teaches clients decision-making skills, to understand and use community transportation resources, and to understand the voting process, register, and ultimately vote.

“Kristina’s work is transformative, both from the impact she has on the people we support, and on the organization’s processes and procedures,” said nominator Aimee Bullen, Providence Center Director of Community Relations. “Kristina personifies the Providence Center belief in people.”

No one knows that better than Brittany Gray, a young woman who receives support from the Center. “She helped me learn to advocate for myself by teaching me to be vocal about my wants and needs,” said Gray. “No matter what, I know that I can count on Kristina. She has a beautiful heart and anyone around her knows that she cares about them and that they are important.”

In her QA role, Kristina is committed to protecting the individual rights and safety of everyone in the organization. She works with many different constituents including the people the Center supports and their families, fellow staff, staff from other agencies, and staff from regulatory agencies. Kristina is a member of the Standing Committee and Human Rights Committees, the Maryland Association of Community Services peer networking group, is the gatekeeper for the state health risk screening tool approvals, co-chairs Providence Center’s Clinical Review Committee, and chairs the internal QA Committee.

“Kristina’s initiative, creativity, dedication to detail, and energy have made a huge impact on Providence Center’s operations,” said Bullen. “For example, when we purchased a new case management software, Kristina was quick to learn the process, develop procedures, and teach staff. She continues to audit the system to make sure it is used to provide the best possible support for people.”

Since many of the organization’s programs had to close during the pandemic, Kristina took it upon herself to design a virtual platform of educational courses and curriculums to support people’s continued learning, skill building, and engagement from their homes.

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## Cherie Loustaunau

### Legacy Award for Planned Giving

*“Cherie never made any rash decisions – everything was well thought out and had a purpose. She made sure she was doing the right thing by donating to the right groups. She wanted to make as big an impact as she could.”*

— Stephen Holt, Financial Advisor & Managing Partner  
at Premier Planning Group

Cherie Loustaunau made an impact on her community while she was alive, and through planned giving, her legacy will continue to help organizations throughout Anne Arundel County and elsewhere. The Legacy Award for Planned Giving recognizes a philanthropist who has made a significant contribution using a planned gift. This award is presented posthumously, in collaboration with the Anne Arundel Estate Planning Council.

In addition to having a distinguished career at the International Trade Administration in the U.S. Department of Commerce for more than 44 years, Cherie lived a life of philanthropy through donation and volunteer work as a board or committee member. Before retiring as Director of the Office of the Middle East, she worked tirelessly to support American exports to the Middle East in the belief that this could help develop peaceful relations in the region. That same thoughtfulness and dedication carried over to her giving, said nominator Stephen Holt, a financial advisor and managing partner at Premier Planning Group in Annapolis. “Cherie never made any rash decisions—everything was well thought out and had a purpose. She made sure she was doing the right thing by donating to the right groups. She wanted to make as big an impact as she could,” Holt said.

Michael Kurtz, Cherie’s husband, agreed, “Cherie investigated where she wanted to put her time, her energy, and her resources,” he said. “Cherie was a quiet person with a very powerful presence. I think she would influence people mostly by what she did.”

Cherie routinely donated to numerous charities and organizations. As a classical music enthusiast, she was long-time subscriber and donor to the Annapolis Symphony Orchestra, as well as to classical radio station WBJC-FM in Baltimore. She also served on various county nonprofit boards and committees, including becoming a life-time member in the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County’s Anne Arundel Women’s Giving Circle and vice president and president of the International Club of Annapolis. Cherie was also a dedicated certified Maryland Master Gardener, and she was particularly devoted to promoting native plants, shrubs, and trees to strengthen the natural environment, and to certifying lawns and gardens as Bay friendly.

While discussing planned giving with Holt, Cherie was unfortunately diagnosed with cancer. With the help of her Estate Planning attorney, Greg Ferra, Holt and Loustaunau were able to identify and put a plan in place to make sure that the charities that Cherie cared about the most were listed as the beneficiaries of her IRA’s and other accounts. She left the vast majority of her estate to a handful of county charities so her tremendous impact on the community could continue.

“I can’t say enough great things about this incredible woman,” said Holt. “I had the pleasure of working with her as her trusted advisor for a few years before her passing from cancer but had known her for many more before. She was always philanthropically inclined.

“She was really a one-of-a-kind person,” added Holt. “She was just herself to the core, day-in, and day-out. Thoughtful, kind, dedicated and focused. She had a heart of gold.”



# Taylor Pyles

## Leadership in Philanthropy Award

*"Taylor inspires and empowers adults and youth alike through his dedication, leadership, and service. He gives hope and purpose to children and adults that have experienced trauma and a voice to those who feel powerless."*

—Carolyn Sabisch, Volunteer, The Blue Ribbon Project

As a victim of child abuse and unable to reunite with his biological family, Taylor Pyles was placed into foster care until he aged out. When he was a teen, Taylor saw fellow foster care teens slip into patterns of destruction. Not wanting to surrender to that type of life, he took it upon himself, instead, to help others. Now, as the founder of The Blue Ribbon Project (BRP), a nonprofit that supports victims of child abuse and neglect, youth in foster care, and adult survivors of child abuse, he serves as a light for all who are in the system, assuring them that they have not only an advocate, but also a friend.

"Taylor has deliberately taken a life path of healing, not only for himself, but for victims and survivors of child abuse in Anne Arundel County," said nominator Carolyn Sabisch, a BRP volunteer. "Taylor inspires and empowers adults and youth alike through his dedication, leadership, and service. He gives hope and purpose to children and adults that have experienced trauma and a voice to those who feel powerless."

In addition to founding BRP, Taylor is also an Annapolis Police Department Detective with the Criminal Investigations Division, an appointed member of the Maryland Children's Justice Act Committee, and a Court Appointed Child Advocate (CASA) volunteer.

Taylor founded the organization as a website resource for adult survivors of abuse. Then, remembering the days when he was sent to a foster home with just the clothes on his back, he knew he needed to help in another way. At home, he started filling backpacks with gender and age specific essentials such as toiletries, clothing, and books, and delivering them to children going into foster care. Now, these "Backpacks of Love" are just a small part of what the organization does for the community. BRP programs also include Aging Up...Not Out, a life-skills program designed for older foster kids; Mirah's Closet, a place where foster children and parents can continue to receive essential items such as clothing; Foster Friends, which helps foster youth participate in extra-curricular activities; JobConnect; FosterLink; and other training programs. Since its inception, the organization has grown, covering not only Anne Arundel County (AAC) but also 11 other Maryland counties.

"I find the work that Taylor does to serve youth in care endless and completely inspiring. He works a full-time job, runs a large nonprofit, is a dad and a husband, and a CASA volunteer, yet, his call to serve youth in care always keeps him looking for more ways to serve," said Katie Fitzsimmons, president, AAC Foster Parent Association. "He will never turn away from an opportunity to help a youth in need or raise awareness in our community about what we can do to help prevent child abuse and neglect. For many of our youth, who have had so many adults let them down in their lives, Taylor Pyles never will."



# Creating Communities

## Innovation Award

*"I was really impressed with how Creating Communities pivoted during the COVID situation; it affirmed what I had already seen — that this is a really mission-driven organization. They haven't lost track of who they need to serve. I think they are a great model of what a nonprofit community organization can be."*

— Joanna Tobin, Educational Consultant

When he saw the need for innovative arts programs for underserved children and adults in Anne Arundel County, award-winning jazz musician and creative artist Rob Levit did something about it. He founded Creating Communities. Since 2007, the nonprofit has been using the power of music, art, movement, and photography to enrich and transform lives. This year, however, there were additional needs and Creating Communities stepped in to help, said nominator and Education Consultant Joanna Tobin, Ph.D. Although Creating Communities is not a nonprofit dedicated to food and supply distribution, the organization was able to rapidly develop and leverage its strong "in-neighborhood," community and school partnerships to deliver healthy snacks, arts and educational supplies, masks, and healthy produce to multiple locations in Annapolis and Southern Anne Arundel County, said Tobin.

"All Creating Communities distributions were done together with communities as opposed to for communities — a key distinction," she added. "I was really impressed with how Creating Communities pivoted during the COVID situation; it affirmed what I had already seen — that this is a really mission-driven organization. They haven't lost track of who they need to serve. I think they are a great model of what a nonprofit community organization can be."

In addition, during the pandemic, Creating Communities created a robust online Arts Mentorship Academy via Zoom and delivered an Arts and STEM program for 70 children from low-income households, covering a geographic span from Brooklyn Park to Shady Side. According to Tobin, no other nonprofit in Anne Arundel County created and delivered a program with as diverse a student population, number of school partners, array of cutting-edge Arts and STEM activities, highly qualified and trained mentors, and provision of all supplies and technology at 100% scholarship.

Tobin added that Creating Communities executes all of this on a small, carefully managed budget while still paying its mentors in recognition of their unique skills and talents. "In doing so, Creating Communities demonstrates for its participating students and families that it values and respects everyone, equally," she said.

The nonprofit also worked with the Light House, a homeless prevention support center, during the COVID crisis to provide art and educational supplies to its guests. "They truly lifted spirits and got our collective creativity flowing. We were delighted to find that the grownups enjoyed the supplies and activities as much as the children did. Receiving such a wonderful gift made our guests feel so special and remembered by the community," said Jill Thompson, Light House Director of Client Advocacy.

"It's so important to know what the arts bring to our lives and it's critical now, especially to communities who are experiencing stress and trauma," said Tobin. "It can open up new avenues for children to find their gifts, to find what they love. Creating Communities recognizes that need."

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## Ellen D. Shiery

Emerging Philanthropist

*"Understanding the monumental impact of charitable giving in making life changing programs and services possible for nonprofits throughout Anne Arundel County, Ellen makes it a personal mission to spread the message of each organization she supports, encouraging her friends, neighbors, and colleagues to make donations of all sizes to these important causes."*

—Jan Wood, Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation

Ellen Shiery's reach extends far and wide throughout Anne Arundel County. As a community leader, volunteer, and donor, she has made an impact in many areas and on many lives.

Ellen currently serves on Anne Arundel Medical Center (AAMC) Foundation's Building Traditions Society Leadership Advisory Council and for the past two years, has personally donated dollars to support AAMC's Lighting the Way to Healthy Minds Campaign to support mental health care. She also contributes funds to the Geaton and JoAnn DeCesaris Cancer Institute and cardiac care programs at AAMC. Ellen maximizes the impact of her personal charitable giving through her employer match program and works in partnership with local businesses to facilitate donations. She does all of this with concern and compassion for others, said nominator Jan Wood, President of Anne Arundel Medical Center Foundation.

Her empathy for others is evident in the way she advocated tirelessly on a baby girl's behalf until she was given the gift of a loving forever home with parents who dote on her, said Rebecca Tingle, Executive Director of Anne Arundel County Court Appointed Special Advocates, Inc. (AACCASA).

As her CASA case was ending, Ellen joined CASA's board of directors and brought much needed awareness and support to the organization, recruiting new supporters, and bringing in new sources of funding. "Ellen listens, provides guidance, and always lends her support," said Tingle. "She lives her life making the world a better place for everyone and demonstrates compassion, kindness, professionalism, strength, selflessness, and an overwhelming spirit of giving."

Ellen touches the lives of hundreds of underserved youth and adults through her dedicated volunteer service and philanthropic support of many Anne Arundel County nonprofits including AAMC, AACCASA, The Blue Ribbon Project, Junior League of Annapolis, Gigi's Playhouse, Anne Arundel Community College, Anne Arundel Women Giving Together, Impact 100 Greater Chesapeake, the Light House, and more.

"Understanding the monumental impact of charitable giving in making life changing programs and services possible for nonprofits throughout Anne Arundel County, Ellen makes it a personal mission to spread the message of each organization she supports, encouraging her friends, neighbors, and colleagues to make donations of all sizes to these important causes," said Wood.

In response to COVID-19 in our community and the increased need for lifesaving units of blood, Ellen coordinated numerous Mobile Blood Drives to meet the urgent demand. She also came through once again for foster youth who are experiencing even greater need for support as school systems, court systems, and community programs suspended operations during the pandemic.

Ellen's engagement as a community leader through volunteer leadership, mentorship, and charitable giving makes her an exemplary role model for the next generation of philanthropists in our community.



# Banneker-Douglass Museum

## Community Collaborator Award

*“Through its innovative community collaborations, Banneker-Douglass Museum is both a Black History education and preservation organization and a strong Anne Arundel County-based platform for social justice reaching far beyond its walls to residents of all ages.”*

—Margaret B. Davis, Community Volunteer

An impressive, but small Gothic Revival building on Franklin Street holds hundreds of years of history within its walls. Since its dedication in 1984, the Banneker-Douglass Museum (BDM) has preserved and shared Black history and culture in new and innovative ways by collaborating with its community. And, this year was no different, only even more inspiring.

Recognizing the need to educate and engage Anne Arundel County residents of all ages regarding history and impact of the Black vote, and recognizing BDM’s role in healing a fractured and isolated community during an historic pandemic, a racial justice movement, and political divisiveness, BDM made a significant, positive impact in our county, said nominator and community volunteer Margaret B. Davis. It brought the community together through the Black Vote Mural Project (BVMP), community collaborations, and programming involving 10 organizations, 50 artists, and more than 4,000 participants. The 2019 planned exhibit created public art inside the museum’s walls. Then, responding to the pandemic and historic social issues starting in March, BDM rapidly changed course and created new opportunities, outside the museum’s walls, that engaged, educated, and inspired diverse audiences throughout Anne Arundel County and beyond.

“BDM did this under the extraordinary leadership and unparalleled initiative of Chanel Compton, Executive Director, and her tiny staff team of four,” said Davis. “In spite of overwhelming social issues, when most arts organizations were shuttered, Chanel immediately pivoted programming and rallied partners for the access and benefit of our community. BDM partnered to address an education, engagement, and racial problem that could not have been solved as effectively by any single organization.”

For example, the Black Vote Mural Project features 17 local artists who explore the intersection of public art, Black voices, and civil rights with sixteen murals that transform the museum’s interior galleries and the centerpiece of in-person, virtual, community-based programs; the Breonna Taylor Mural Project; Youth Conference; and a symposium. The BVMP virtual program series included an artist panel discussion, anti-racism teacher training, and virtual events, and attracted more than 4,000 participants. All programs were free and open to the public, and since March were delivered via Zoom.

As part of BDM’s outreach, it collaborated with Future History Now to support the 7,000 square foot Breonna Taylor Mural Project at Chambers Park in Annapolis. BDM worked with county and city officials on the mural location and coordinated fundraising, marketing, audience outreach, volunteer recruitment, and hospitality for the two-day event in Anne Arundel County.

“Through its innovative community collaborations, Banneker-Douglass Museum is both a Black history education and preservation organization and a strong Anne Arundel County-based platform for social justice reaching far beyond its walls to residents of all ages,” said Davis.



# Henry “Hank” Libby

## Carol Thompson Lifetime Achievement Award

*“As a philanthropist, Hank brings a detective-like mind and tremendous heart to the organizations he supports. He carefully connects the capacity of an organization with data to support their needs in order to determine how his giving can do the most good.”*

—Vollie Melson, AACC Foundation Executive Director

To say Henry “Hank” Libby has had an impact on almost every corner of Anne Arundel County over his years as a philanthropist, board member, and passionate volunteer, could be an understatement. Hank’s work throughout the county has not only changed lives for the better, but also inspired others to follow suit.

“While many donors give generously and have a significant impact, Hank goes above and beyond, channeling his giving in ways that encourage others to join him,” writes Anne Arundel Community College (AACC) Foundation Executive Director Vollie Melson.

As President of the Carol M. Jacobsohn Foundation, Hank has advanced philanthropy in the community through long-standing leadership, research, involvement, and heart. After establishing three endowed scholarships at AACC, with a focus on supporting underserved segments of the community, Hank remains involved, studying annual data on scholarships to ensure the programs are meeting his expectations for outcomes. If they are not, he will recommend adjustments so that his gifts have the most positive impact upon students and community. “As a philanthropist, Hank brings a detective-like mind and tremendous heart to the organizations he supports. He carefully connects the capacity of an organization with data to support their needs in order to determine how his giving can do the most good,” said Melson.

As the former AACC Foundation Board President, Hank was instrumental in transforming the foundation from a largely event-based organization, funding student scholarships, to a major gift organization that strategically expands the reach of AACC to educate thousands of additional county residents. Hank brought together stakeholders from the community, the College Board of Trustees, and the AACC Foundation Board, forming the first comprehensive fundraising campaign in AACC’s history. The cornerstone of the campaign, the Clauson Center for Innovation and Skilled Trades, is a particular passion for Hank, and through his leadership, commitment, and support, the campaign raised more than \$8.3 million, including \$3.4 million for the Clauson Center.

“An entrepreneurial, philanthropic leader, Hank finds ways to leverage his giving, often through challenge grants, so that his gifts are catalysts for many other significant contributions. He works closely with the charities he supports to make data-driven decisions so his gifts can have the highest positive impact,” said Dr. Dawn S. Lindsay, AACC President, and Cullen Murray, current AACC Foundation President.

Hank has brought these same skills and focus to dozens of county nonprofits including the Anne Arundel Medical Center, helping to fund the organization’s first community clinics, and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County, helping with the organization’s capital campaign to open the Wiley H. Bates Clubhouse in Annapolis.



## Yevola S. Peters

Carroll H. Hynson Award for Diversity, Equity,  
and Inclusion in Philanthropy

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—Pamela Brown, PhD., Executive Director of AAC  
Partnership for Children, Youth and Families.

There is a street in Annapolis named Yevola S. Peters Way. And, just like that street, Yevola S. Peters is a pathway — a route to a better future for many.

Known throughout Anne Arundel County (AAC) as Ms. Yevola, she has been working and volunteering to help vulnerable children and families ever since she moved to Annapolis in 1963. At the Community Action Agency where she began working in 1966, and later became the Executive Director, Yevola helped countless children and families navigate toward lives of achievement, despite the institutionalized obstacles and barriers of the day. In that leadership role, she strived to reduce poverty and close achievement gaps that disadvantage low-income and minority students. She retired three times from the agency and was eventually inducted into the Community Action Agency’s Hall of Fame in 2012.

“More than 50 years ago, she was a trailblazer at the Human Relations Commission, before the county had codified the commission,” said AAC Executive Stuart Pittman.

Yevola was Chair of the Board for the AAC Partnership for Children, Youth and Families from 2008–2016. During that time she stewarded the agency through a recession, staff cuts, and the growing needs for children and families across the county. When she left in 2016, the agency had multiplied its budget and staff, and increased services to 8,000 residents each year.

Now, as a spry woman in her 80s, Yevola has not slowed down. She most recently accepted a position of administrator for a small nonprofit mentoring group in Annapolis. A member of St. Phillips Episcopal Church in Annapolis for more than 60 years, she still runs their Family Life Center as well as working with the Newtowne Community Development Corporation, Learning Leap, Anne Arundel Connecting Together, and Black Wall Street, and continues to mentor young people and working professionals in the county.

“Ms. Yevola has been the first in so many spaces and venues, places women have not led before, places people of color have not led before, and spaces where young people were not experienced enough to lead. She has and continues to break barriers and mentor others to do the same,” said Georgia Noone-Sherrad, Executive Director, Anne Arundel Conflict Resolution Center. “She is a builder of bridges, a master of creating space for understanding and equitable solutions to issues most of us take for granted.”

For her many years of service as a leader, educator, advocate, and organizer in the county, Yevola was the Anne Arundel honoree for the 2014 William Donald Schaefer Helping People Award, which honors individuals and corporations in each county for their work to help community members.

“For those of us who have worked with her closely and gained personal access to that ‘Yevola magic’, we can attest to her strength of character, her ability to command and yet her enduring kindness and wisdom, generously bestowed,” said nominator Pamela Brown, PhD., Executive Director of AAC Partnership for Children, Youth and Families. “We are so lucky to have her in our midst.”



# Susana Cruz

## Boots on the Ground Award

*"She is an angel for the Hispanic community, touching the lives of so many vulnerable people. These families often feel helpless in the face of great trials. She bestows on them her greatest gift — reassurance that they are not alone after all — they have a real friend in Susie."*

—Tamara Beigel, Director of Our Lady of Guadalupe,  
Ministry St. Mary's Church

The energizer bunny has nothing on Susana "Susie" Cruz. Dedicated in serving the Hispanic population of Anne Arundel County, Susie has become a beacon of hope for them since she and her husband migrated from Mexico 30 years ago.

"At that time, only a handful of caring souls were concerned about this marginalized part of the population in crisis, but Susie used all her efforts to expand awareness of their plight, focusing her energy on helping these families in vital ways," said nominator Tamara Beigel, Director of Our Lady of Guadalupe Ministry, St. Mary's Church. "She has greatly impacted and sometimes literally saved hundreds of families' lives with her intervention."

Susie's mission began at St. Vincent de Paul 25 years ago and has continued to be a vital part of their ministry, acting as a translator, and helping with family problems. She was largely responsible for bringing the Mexican Consulate monthly to Annapolis to supply immigrants with IDs, passports, work permits, and whatever else they needed. Susie's compassionate heart also led her to volunteer at the Light House, working weekly as a translator, with the pantry, and holiday sharing program.

Four years ago, Susie joined Our Lady of Guadalupe Ministry, working as the Ministry's Director of Families, often from early morning to late night. The organization provides legal help, and assistance obtaining work permits, visas, and help with immigration. It also provides medical services, household items, and essentials like diapers, food, and medication.

Susie is immersed in all areas of our ministry's outreach. Because she is a beloved and trusted leader in the Hispanic church, people often approach the ministry by going to her first for help. She embraces the community with all her heart, passion, and unending energy.

"I am honored and inspired to work with Susie; there is no one I admire and rely on more. She is an angel for the Hispanic community, touching the lives of so many vulnerable people. These families often feel helpless in the face of great trials. But when Susana Cruz visits them, they are touched by her caring spirit. She bestows on them her greatest gift — reassurance that they are not alone after all — they have a real friend in Susie." said Beigel.

"Susie is a true defender of the rights of our communities, with a tireless commitment to serve those in need," said Sergio Polanco, Hispanic Coordinator, County Executive's Office, who has known her since 1998. "She discerns quickly their individual needs and moves efficiently to provide key information, recommendations, or direction — especially in uncertain times like the ones we are currently going through."

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## Haley Havard

### Young Volunteer of the Year

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—Laura Burrell Baxter, Key School Director of College Advising

While other preteens were collecting "likes" on their smart phones, Haley Havard, a Key School student, was collecting clothing and sports equipment for families and children in need. In 2015, at the age of 11, she established Haley's Helping Hands of Maryland. The nonprofit's mission was to send out boxes of clothing and sports equipment to Maryland children and families in need. Five years later, the charity began helping others across the U.S. and has shipped more than 35,000 articles of clothing, free-of-charge to families across the U.S. Through her nonprofit organization, Haley has also inspired her peers to join and help her process and deliver clothes. She even placed bins for clothing donations around The Key School campus. "Haley has the innate and precious ability to broaden other's perspectives," said Tatiana J. Klein, Key School Spanish Teacher, Upper School.

"Every so often I come across a student who stops me in my tracks," said nominator Laura Burrell Baxter, The Key School Director of College Advising. "Haley Havard is one of them. In my 25 years of working with young people, she stands at the top of the heap representing goodness, potential, leadership, smarts, and most importantly, kindness. And to top it all off, she is humble. Haley is one of a kind."

This year, during the pandemic, Haley really stepped up by partnering with the Center of Help in Annapolis, said Klein, who is also the Center's Board Vice President. During the COVID-19 crisis, Haley reached out to volunteer more, and has been tutoring young students virtually. The organization purchased and shipped \$2,000 worth of books to families in need while Maryland was under a stay-at-home order, Klein said. "Haley is a well-liked leader among her peers because of her inclusive approach to relationships and her humble attitude," added Klein. "She strives to make a difference in the world. Haley has a big heart and that love is not just for her own family but flows with empathy and compassion to all."

Haley's Helping Hands is only part of this young philanthropist's world. She also achieves academic excellence, pouring her heart into her studies with the same fervor as she does when volunteering, said her teachers. Diane Toebbe, a Key School Humanities Teacher, said, "I often wince at the use of the word 'scholar' to describe high school students, as most of them are not developmentally ready for such a title. But Haley is the exception. She cares incredibly deeply about her education, not because she sees it as a ticket to some sort of monetary success, but because she is equally genuinely interested in the world around her and also driven to become the best human she is capable of becoming."

Haley is also involved in a myriad of activities including sports and school clubs such as Students Against Destructive Decisions, Students for Community Change, and chorus. And, miraculously, she still finds time to just hang out with friends, said her supporters. "I think it's important to note that she has a healthy balance of still being a kid while recognizing that she has a gift as a leader and organizer," said Burrell Baxter. "We need more Haley's in our world for sure."



## Vanessa Carter

### Volunteer of the Year

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—Kathleen Koch, Executive Director of Arundel Community Development Services

Vanessa Carter learned the value of volunteering and being involved in the local community from a young age as she watched her mother, the late Sarah E. Carter, as the first African American on the Anne Arundel County Council. Vanessa was raised on the principle that one must always give back to the community and she has put that learning into action by not only volunteering for organizations and utilizing her professional background, but also by being involved in and supporting efforts of the church she attends, said nominator Kathleen Koch, Executive Director of Arundel Community Development Services, Inc. (ACDS).

As an active member of the ACDS Board of Directors, Vanessa brought her extensive knowledge of community development, land use, planning, and health to all issues and helps to direct strategic planning efforts. "Due to her extensive knowledge of housing and health, she is one of the few people who understand the connection between housing and physical and mental health," said Koch.

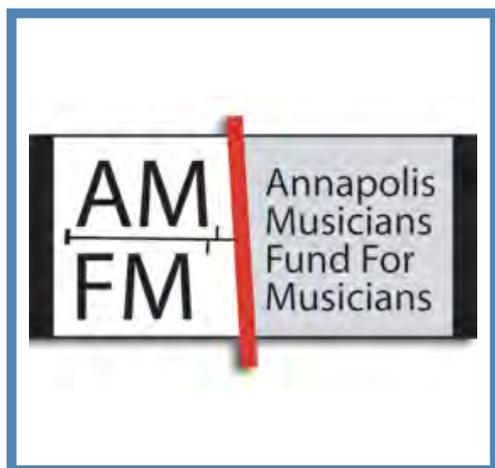
"To have a board member like Vanessa is a Godsend," added Koch. "Not only does she come to as many meetings as possible, but also, she comes prepared — she reads all of the materials so knows what we are talking about, she has a background in the field, so she has existing knowledge, she comes with questions, and then she volunteers to help out. She's knowledgeable, she's willing to work, and provides true leadership."

Vanessa leads by example and is an incredibly hard worker, echoed Molly Knipe, CEO of the YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, where Carter is a board member. "A prior YWCA TWIN honoree, she is part of an esteemed sisterhood of women who have made marked contributions to the community and their professions. Her kindness and support of others is apparent in every interaction and the YWCA has certainly benefitted greatly from her engagement," said Knipe.

Volunteering is and has been a critical component of Vanessa's life. For example, during the more than 40 years that she attended Severna Park Evangelical Presbyterian Church, she worked in 12 different ministries for the church. Now worshipping at Christ Reformed Presbyterian Church in Laurel, she assists the effort to house homeless women in the church facility over the winter.

Vanessa is currently a member of the County Ethics Commission, the 21st Century Club of the Greater Annapolis area, and serves on the board of the YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County. In the past, she has served on an extensive list of nonprofit boards as well as being a member of the 1995 Governor's Task Force on Assisted Living Facilities and a member of the founding Board of Trustees for the Wiley H. Bates Legacy Center.

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# Annapolis Musicians Fund for Musicians

## Foundation of the Year

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—Pamela Godfrey, Peabody Preparatory Annapolis Campus Coordinator

Many people would agree that the world without music would be a world without inspiration and beauty. Yet, many of the musicians who give us this gift often struggle when they cannot work due to sickness, injury, or any other circumstance, leaving them unable to perform. That's where the Annapolis Musicians Fund for Musicians, Inc. (AMFM) Foundation helps. The foundation was established to provide temporary financial relief to professional Annapolis-area musicians who are unable to work, acting as an emergency relief fund for lost income.

Earlier this year, Annapolis-area musicians were hit hard when COVID-19 restrictions shutdown music venues, leaving many artists struggling to pay their monthly bills. AMFM Foundation stepped in to assist. The foundation provided nearly \$111,500 for COVID-19-related expenses to 75 musicians for more than 1,200 lost gigs.

Since its formation in 2006, AMFM has added benefits and grants to support the growth of live music in Annapolis. Its objectives are not only to provide temporary relief to musicians unable to work, but also to provide assistance to musicians after catastrophic events, fund music lessons for talented students at Bates Middle School Performing & Visual Arts Program and Naptown Sings and Plays, fund a grant for a summer program to support underprivileged creative youth, and fund a college scholarship for a high school senior who will major in Music Performance at a four-year institution. On top of that, AMFM operates as an all-volunteer organization of committed local leaders and musicians, said Rob Levit, musician and founder of Creating Communities. "They have a huge heart for the community, an impeccable and 'under the radar' record of service to local musicians-in-need and underserved youth. They do so much for so many in our community," he said.

There are many stories that can be shared such as the funding of the Peabody Summer Vocal Academy, a one-week intensive program designed for middle school to high school singers to experience the professional discipline of preparing Italian/English art songs as well as poetry for a performance.

"Without a grant from AMFM Foundation our summer vocal academy program would not have run," said nominator Pamela Godfrey, Peabody Preparatory Annapolis Campus Coordinator. And, while Godfrey was appreciative of the help that AMFM provided Peabody, she said that it was just a small example of what the organization does for the city of Annapolis.

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# Crosby Marketing Communications

## Corporate Philanthropist of the Year Award

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*—Susan Thomas, Executive Director, Anne Arundel County Food Bank*

Crosby Marketing Communications, founded by Ralph Crosby, and now led by his son, Raymond, has a strong philanthropic philosophy built into its mission statement "Inspiring Actions that Matter." It's not only what leads the firm to produce award-winning marketing and advertising work, it's also what leads the company's owners, Ralph and Ray, to give back and encourage their employees to contribute to their community.

President & CEO Ray Crosby sets the strategic direction for the firm and is the guiding force behind Crosby's mission to Inspire Actions That Matter, helping clients positively impact people's lives and contribute to the greater good. Crosby is passionate about creating real change for health, education, energy, environmental, human service, and faith-based initiatives. "Crosby Marketing Communications is a generous supporter of many Anne Arundel County nonprofits, including the Anne Arundel County Food Bank (AACFB)," said AACFB Executive Director Susan Thomas, who nominated the company as Corporate Philanthropist of the Year.

Recently Crosby made two donations to AACFB, totaling \$65,000, to support hunger relief efforts during the pandemic. The first donation was made shortly after the pandemic began, then, in August, when Ray found out there were still many families struggling, and unemployment benefits decreased, his company made a second donation of \$25,000.

In addition to AACFB, Crosby supports local nonprofits including Dog Tag, Inc., Second Chance, The Severn River Association, the Light House Homeless Prevention Support Center, and the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County (CFAAC) through its philanthropic and volunteer work.

In 2018, the company established The Crosby Foundation, a Corporate Advised Fund, with CFAAC to ensure their funds are directed to the causes that they are passionate about.

"Crosby is a very community-driven organization that loves to give back and help those who are less fortunate whether it be with food banks or other organizations," said Thomas.

The Light House Executive Director Jo Ann Mattson agreed, "They have a long-standing history of supporting our organization when needed most, including valuable pro-bono assistance during our Capital Campaign leading up to the 2010 opening of our new facility," she said. "Soon after, Barbara Crosby (Ray's wife) was a leading force in the development of our clothing closet, which provides clothing to hundreds of The Light House residents and community clients each year."

Mattson added that Crosby recently granted The Light House a \$25,000 gift to support its Safe Harbour Resource Center, which provides services to individuals and families in our community who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

"This generous gift could not have come at a more crucial time, as we are seeing an increase in neighbors seeking our services due to difficulties associated with the COVID-19 crisis," Mattson said.



## John and Jan Magnolia

### Philanthropists of the Year

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—Amy Francis, CFAAC Director of Development

John and Jan Magnolia established the Magnolia Family Fund at the Community Foundation of Anne Arundel County (CFAAC) in 2009. Since then, the Magnolias have been one of the CFAAC’s largest fundholders and donors with contributions to CFAAC totaling more than \$1.7 million over the last 11 years. Through the Magnolia Family Fund at CFAAC the family’s philanthropy has supported multiple local nonprofits including Anne Arundel Medical Center, YWCA of Annapolis and Anne Arundel County, Hospice of the Chesapeake, St. Mary’s High School, Boys & Girls Club of Annapolis & Anne Arundel County, Annapolis Area Christian School, Our Lady of the Fields Church, South River Athletic Association, and GiGi’s Playhouse, an organization that provides therapeutic, educational programs, and tutoring to support all ages of individuals with Down syndrome.

The Magnolias contribute significantly to CFAAC’s Community Leadership efforts, and last year made a substantial gift, which helped CFAAC reach its goal to receive a \$300,000 matching grant for the Fund for Anne Arundel (FFAA). FFAA was created to help meet critical needs and improve the quality of life for all county residents, now and in the future. The current focus of FFAA was important to the couple because of their commitment to providing opportunities for the children of Anne Arundel County to be healthy, thriving, and successful.

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In addition to numerous Anne Arundel County nonprofits, the Magnolia Family Fund provides operating and program support to more than 30 different organizations throughout the Washington D.C. Area. Their mission is to have their foundation funds directly contribute to the needs of the community, specifically in the areas of medical assistance, tuition assistance, homelessness, hunger, basic life skill training, career path guidance, trade school education, and programs assisting the inner city.

Another philanthropic priority for the couple is providing scholarships and financial aid to underprivileged students. John, President of Magnolia Companies, serves on CFAAC’s Board of Trustees, and served as a trustee of St. John’s College High School during a decade of expansion and growth. He was the Co-Capital Chair for the renewing of the Light for St. Mary’s in Annapolis, and a former president of the Royal Blue Club, which provides financial aid to students. John now serves as a trustee on the board for St. Ann’s Center for Children, Youth and Families, a nonprofit devoted to the underserved women and families in our community.



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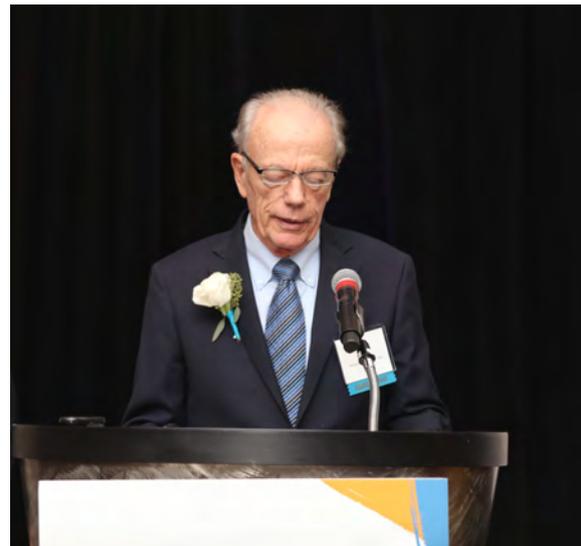
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