Community Foundation of Howard County

2022 ANNUAL REPORT

LOCAL GIVING. BETTER LIVING.
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Meet Our Staff

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Let’s Stay Connected.

Comunity is at the heart of everything we do.

It tethers us as we navigate our way through the challenges of the coronavirus, which brought into sharp relief the preexisting challenges we face — of food insecurity, lack of affordable housing, in education, in health care and calls for racial justice — as well as the uncertainty of what might come next.

No one knows what the future will bring, but we at CFHoCo can remain focused on our mission: to inspire lifelong giving and connect people, places and organizations to worthy causes across Howard County and beyond.

The high cost of housing in Howard County is commonly accepted as a tradeoff for living in a community known for amazing schools, high graduation rates, abundant open spaces, racial diversity, bike paths and beautiful lakes. But acceptance of this view hides the fact that Howard County is facing a housing crisis that threatens our community’s short- and long-term economic health. Our community does not have a proper supply of affordable housing to accommodate those who live and work here. That’s a struggle our county has faced since the days when James Rouse first planned his unique community.

The role of CFHoCo is not to build new housing, rather we work with residents, government, community organizations, nonprofits and business leaders to identify and bring parties to the table to create solutions to Howard County’s affordable housing challenge. One recent example is our partnership with Community Homes Housing Inc. to revitalize and expand housing options in the Harpers Choice and Wilde Lake villages, and we continue to partner with other nonprofits and private donors to find other ways to address this need.

When a local or environmental crisis emerges, our ability to rely on one another is what can carry us through. As evidenced during the Ellicott City floods in 2016 and 2018 and COVID-19 in 2020-21, we have been recognized as the go-to partner during emergency situations. In 2022, Howard County government formalized the partnership with CFHoCo as the lead designee for donations with concurrent responsibility for disbursing these funds as grants to the appropriate local nonprofits to address community needs following a disaster.

And for individuals and families, you can partner with CFHoCo to address community needs with your personal tax and retirement planning in mind.

- Are you focused on making a gift today or leaving a legacy for tomorrow? Or both?
- Do you need to make a required minimum distribution from your 401k in a way that minimizes any adverse tax consequences?
- Do you want to honor a departed family member by establishing a scholarship to help local students attend a college or trade school in their honor?
- Would the donation of appreciated real estate assets be a way to support your philanthropic interests while minimizing capital gains taxes and creating a charitable deduction?

I invite you to learn more about our work, our partners and our stewardship of charitable funds. Join with us in helping Howard County reach its full potential for all of its residents.

Beverly White-Seals, President and CEO
Community Foundation of Howard County
We’ve come to the end of another successful year.

A challenging year of change and growth, coming off the unspeakable tragedies of the pandemic and leading, we hope, to even more growth in the future. In many ways it was our best and biggest year since our founding in 1969 by James Rouse — who created The Columbia Foundation (renamed in 2013 as the Community Foundation of Howard County to better reflect the community we serve). Our funds balance has doubled in the past several years and continues to grow reaching over $30 million at the end of 2022.

We focused on our motto Local giving. Better living. Our efforts are designed to realize the promise and opportunity to be the best community in the region for everyone.

We occupied our donated and renovated new forever home, the remarkable nearly 300-year-old Apple Ford Center at Athol Manor. We explored new connections with numerous partners in philanthropy leading to great successes.

I invite you to explore our successes in the following pages and below:

- With our donors, we increased our contributions in the community to historic levels — distributing more than $7 million over the last three years, including the COVID-19 pandemic-challenged years.
- Among our many program successes are:
  - **Community Grants Program**: This past year we provided grants to 45 recipient organizations by using CFHoCo funds to replace funding usually received from third parties in the county who were not able to participate during the COVID-19 years.
  - **Next 50 Fund**: We solicited and received (and continue to) funding from donors to benefit our operating endowment — ensuring our work will continue into our next fifty years (after our 50th anniversary in 2019-2020). We raised more than $850,000 to date for this fund.
  - **Real Estate Charitable Foundation**: It continues to receive and monetize real estate gifts which become funding for a variety of nonprofits.
  - **Philanthropy Roundtable**: We connected philanthropists in our community with an exciting range of nonprofit organizations in many areas of interest.

Our successes in 2022 and future plans will succeed by continuing to expand the participation in philanthropy within the community. Everyone can be a participant in giving — at a level that is appropriate for them. We all must work together to achieve improvement for everyone.

We thank all donors and fund participants for their generosity and invite everyone to reach out to talk to our professionals about how our programs can help you be a part of the solution.

**Steve Sass, Esq., Chair**
Community Foundation of Howard County Board
When I was making the decision about what organization to join, I was really impressed with the impact the foundation had on the community. I had looked into a few organizations at the time but loved the fact that I could join up with one organization that had an impact on so many other nonprofits.

— Jen McManus, Board Member, Community Foundation of Howard County
We chose the Community Foundation of Howard County to hold our multimillion-dollar fund because of its expertise in donor-advised fund management and most importantly, its shared passion and long-term commitment to Howard County.

— Dan Kelliher, Board President
Community Homes Housing Inc.

Donations Received by Fund
In 2022

Total Contributions: $3,412,646
Grants Given by Fund

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Grants by Category

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The Community Foundation is the glue that links a lot of nonprofit organizations and philanthropists together. Nonprofits in Howard County won’t find a better partner than the foundation.

— Hima Jain
The Far-Reaching Impact of Community Grants

In 2022, CFHoCo helped distribute over $1.7 million in grants, the majority of which came from individual donors through the foundation. Another $200,000 was awarded through the foundation’s annual community grants program to 45 nonprofit organizations. Community grants are provided once a year to support programs and services that transform and enrich the lives of Howard County residents. Nonprofits may use the funds for operating and programming needs.

“With a mission of inspiring lifelong giving and connecting people, places and organizations to worthy causes across Howard County, our donors trust us to be the hub for philanthropic connections to ensure financial resources get in the hands of the nonprofits that can provide the greatest impact. We believe that local giving means better living for all of us.”

— Dan Flynn, Director of Development, Marketing and Communications
Community Foundation of Howard County

Association of Community Services of Howard County
Best Buddies
Bridges to Housing Stability Inc.
Bright Minds Foundation
Candlelight Concert Society
CASA
Columbia Festival of the Arts
Community Action Council of Howard County
Community Allies of Rainbow Youth (CARY)
Friends & Foundation of the Howard County Library System
Get on the Bus
Gilchrist Hospice
Grassroots Crisis Intervention Center
HC DrugFree
HopeWorks of Howard County
Howard Community College Educational Foundation
Howard County Arts Council
Howard County Autism Society
Howard County Conservancy
Howard County Dads
Howard County Foundation for Black Educational & Cultural Achievement
Howard County Poetry and Literature Society (HoCoPoLitSo)
Howard EcoWorks
Humanim Inc.
Indian Cultural Association of Howard County
Junior Achievement of Central Maryland
Leadership Howard County
Luminus
Meals on Wheels of Central Maryland
NAMI Howard County
National Family Resiliency Center
Neighbor Ride
Ohana of Howard County
Rebuilding Together Howard County
Respite Retreats
S.A.F.E. – Supplying Allergy Friendly and Emergency – Food Pantry
Sobar
The Arc of Howard County
The Community Ecology Institute
The Village in Howard County
This Point Forward
Touch Stones Financial Wellness Services Company
Voices for Children
Volunteers of America Chesapeake & Carolinas
Winter Growth Inc.
I hope our 2022 efforts were inspiring you as much as they are all of us – it fuels us to continue working together to support women and girls in our community in 2023. Perhaps, it’s needed now more than ever.

— Jennifer Bodensiek, Chair, Women’s Giving Circle of Howard County

Women’s Giving Circle of Howard County Celebrating 20 Years as a Fund

In 2022, the Women’s Giving Circle of Howard County (WGC), one of the largest and most active funds at the Community Foundation of Howard County, celebrated its 20th anniversary.

The WGC is a community of philanthropists that collectively pools its dollars to have a greater impact together than it might otherwise have individually. We are proud the WGC is among the thousands of giving circles across the country that have given millions of dollars to have an impact on a wide variety of issues.

WGC donors strongly believe there is a place for all women, from all incomes and at all stages of life to be philanthropists and make a difference in Howard County. The circle hosts events and programs to engage donors and raise money to support its grantmaking. In 2022, WGC gave $200K to its nonprofit partners in honor of its 20th anniversary.

Learn more: womensgivingcircle.org.

Groundbreaking Fund Update

Community Homes Housing, Inc. (CHHI) is a nonprofit that promotes the social welfare of low- and moderate-income individuals by improving and increasing the stock of affordable housing in Howard County. In 2022, CHHI broke ground on its first project, Roslyn Rise in Wilde Lake (rendering pictured) in Wilde Lake.

In 2018, CHHI established a designated agency fund at the Community Foundation.

Learn more: cfhoco.org/chhi-breaks-ground-on-roslyn-rise/

By selling property and investing the proceeds in the local community foundation, CHHI created a structure where it would participate as a nonprofit lender to ensure sites would provide more housing, greater rental opportunities and support the new nonprofit owner in the redevelopment.

— Nancy Rase, CHHI Board Member and Former President and CEO of Homes for America, Inc.
Students Benefit from $78,500 in Scholarships

The Community Foundation of Howard County awarded approximately $78,500 in 35 scholarships to Howard County students. The scholarships supported 32 students from 12 public high schools seeking postsecondary education.

“I am immensely grateful for the Wray family’s generosity. This scholarship will have a tremendous impact on my education and will allow me the tools I need to succeed. I am extremely honored to be the first recipient of the Karen S. Wray Scholarship and cannot wait to begin studying my passion. I chose to pursue nursing because I believe there is a need for empathy in the health care system, and I think I can contribute greatly, specializing in patients with chronic pain.”

— Alyssa Gorny

Karen S. Wray Nursing with Compassion and Dignity Scholarship Winner

2022 Scholarship Winners

Sarah R. Arcuri, Centennial High School
Jessica R. Barke, Mount Hebron High School
Dylan Bradford, Reservoir High School
Mackenzie Cooper, River Hill High School
Kendall L. Dean, Atholton High School
Kousalya Gaddam, Glenelg High School
Alyssa Gorny, Howard High School
Jenna L. Grove, Atholton High School
Christopher L. Gunning, Reservoir High School
Erin M. Hopper, Wilde Lake High School
Emani R. Jones, Hammond High School
Daniel M. Lascola, Atholton High School
Erin C. Li, River Hill High School
Ocarin Lin, Glenelg High School
Haley J. Markel, Glenelg High School
Jack McCormick, River Hill High School
Chloe M. Mentz, Long Reach High School
Olivia M. Morgan, Howard High School
Araoluwa G. Omitowoju, River Hill High School
Emmanuel Omole, Howard High School
Abigail Ord, Oakland Mills High School
Anna C. Ottman, Marriottts Ridge High School
Colin R. Sample, Long Reach High School
Lilly M. Smull, Oakland Mills High School
Riley G. Stile, Centennial High School
Mia Swaby-Rowe, Wilde Lake High School
Angela Tan, Marriottts Ridge High School
Joshua Valentine, Mount Hebron High School
Sayali Vispute, Wilde Lake High School
Emily Wieser, Reservoir High School
Vivian Yao, River Hill High School

To learn about each scholarship recipient and scholarship, visit bit.ly/CFHOCO-Scholarships.
New Scholarship in Honor of Pulitzer Prize Winner

The Howard Hughes Corporation, the community developer for Downtown Columbia, established a scholarship in honor of Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Nikole Hannah-Jones, creator of The 1619 Project for The New York Times Magazine. The scholarship promotes equity and justice. It will be available each year to two Black Howard County Public School students who have been accepted into a two- or four-year college or university.

“Nikole Hannah-Jones is a groundbreaking journalist and inspiring leader. Establishing a scholarship in her name recognizes her accomplishments and her example as a torchbearer for the values of equity and justice,” said Greg Fitchitt, president, Columbia, for The Howard Hughes Corporation.

Dylan Bradford and Mia Swaby-Rowe received $5,000 each as the inaugural recipients of the new Nikole Hannah-Jones Scholarship. Dylan graduated from Reservoir High School and is attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology to study engineering. Mia graduated from Wilde Lake High School and is studying kinesiology at the University of Maryland.

To learn more about the new scholarship, visit bit.ly/Hannah-Jones-Scholarship.
Dr. Lillian Bauder decided at a young age to dedicate her life to doing good and improving the world, despite the forces working against her. Her parents rejected the idea of women attending college, but Dr. Bauder worked as a waitress, earned degrees from two schools and served as a professor and dean of the University of Detroit’s College of Liberal Arts.

Joining few women leaders of the time, Dr. Bauder continued a long career leading organizations and giving to others and was named the Community Foundation’s 2022 Individual Philanthropist of the Year at the foundation’s sold-out Annual Dinner and Celebration of Philanthropy on December 1.

“I don’t really see myself as a philanthropist,” Dr. Bauder said, “but just as someone whose life was informed by the decision that a young girl made to lead a life that, in its many stages, builds on the positive and gives hope. This has been my life’s journey.”

Dr. Bauder’s generosity has benefited organizations throughout Howard County, including the Community Action Council, Neighbor Ride, Community Ecology Institute, Howard County Poetry and Literature Society, Howard County General Hospital, Swansfield Elementary School, Howard Community College Education Foundation and so many more.

“Over the years, people I helped would ask me how they could repay me. I always told them that the best gift they could give me would be for them to reach out and help others. They’ve taken my humble efforts to help them and have become a positive force, multiplying in many ways my efforts with them.”

— Dr. Lillian Bauder
Individual Philanthropist of the Year
Community Foundation of Howard County

Dr. Lillian Bauder (right) accepts the Individual Philanthropist of the Year Award from Beverly White-Seals, president and CEO of the Community Foundation (left), and Shafeeq Ahmed, M.D., president of Howard County General Hospital (center), who also lauded Dr. Bauder for her philanthropy.

Dr. Lillian Bauder’s philosophy has consistently remained “be a force for good.”
CORPORATE PHILANTHROPIST OF THE YEAR

M&T Bank is a corporate powerhouse of giving, not only locally, but across the nation. In 2021, M&T Bank contributed over $33.9 million to more than 3,000 nonprofit organizations across eight states and the District of Columbia. In the Chesapeake region, which includes Howard County, M&T Bank contributed over $575,000 to 90 nonprofit organizations in 2021. The organization has donated more than $6.2 million to nonprofits over the past decade.

For all its amazing charitable contributions, M&T Bank was named the Community Foundation of Howard County’s 2022 Corporate Philanthropist of the Year. The award was presented December 1 at the foundation’s Annual Dinner & Celebration of Philanthropy. Greg Smith, executive vice president for the Mid-Atlantic Market, accepted the award on behalf of M&T Bank.

The M&T Charitable Foundation strives to strengthen communities by providing support for a diverse range of civic, cultural, health and human service organizations through grants, employee volunteerism and in-kind services.

It works in partnership with nonprofit organizations that focus on improving the quality of life for its customers, employees and neighbors.
New Endowed Fund Continues Resident’s Love of Music

Elsa Ponce visited art museums, read volumes, worked at the Social Security Administration, watched ballet, enjoyed animals and practiced tai chi, but above all, the Columbia resident loved classical music and Candlelight Concert Society, which has brought world-class classical music to Howard County since 1972.

Determined to share her love for classical music into the future, Elsa left a bequest for Candlelight Concert Society in her estate plan when she died in 2020. The society used her gift to establish an endowed agency fund at the Community Foundation, creating a legacy of beautiful music for future generations.

"Elsa was an extraordinary woman and a true friend of Candlelight Concerts," said Bryan Young, board president of Candlelight Concert Society. "This gift and the creation of the endowment will help us remain a fixture in Howard County for the next 50 years and beyond."

Candlelight Concert Society joins 26 other nonprofit organizations in Howard County with endowments at the Community Foundation. Through the foundation's professional management, economies of scale, partnerships and low fees typical of much larger funds, the endowments grow over time and support the long-term dreams of the organizations.

"The Community Foundation of Howard County has been a longstanding supporter of Candlelight Concert Society, and there’s a level of trust in that relationship. There’s an aligned interest and natural synergy in making the community better. And similar to us, the foundation has been a valued resource in the community for more than 50 years. The foundation is a safe and trusted place to manage our fund."

— Bryan Young, Board President, Candlelight Concert Society
Ensuring 50 More Years of Improving Life in Howard County

Established in celebration of the Community Foundation’s 50th anniversary in 2019, The Next 50 Fund endows lasting support for the primary mission of the foundation as it moves into its second half-century of improving life in Howard County. With a target of $1 million, The Next 50 Fund supports the foundation’s staffing, technology and operating systems, expanding its capacity and allowing it to continue its mission long into the future.

We thank The Next 50 Fund donors who have contributed to support the endowment.*
Visit, cfhoco.org/the-next-50-campaign to support the fund.

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The Kahlert Foundation
The Jain Family Foundation
Lillian Bauder
Susan & Steven Porter
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Howard Bank
The Women’s Giving Circle of Howard County
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The Howard Hughes Corporation
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*As of 12/31/2022

It’s the mandate of the Community Foundation of Howard County to reach every demographic in the county to provide services and support for all our residents. In terms of the breadth of who it serves and the issues it covers, community foundations are incredibly important.”

— Jeffrey Boutwell
Youth in Philanthropy Program Funder

Celebrating 50 Years
Community Foundation of Howard County
five decades of giving