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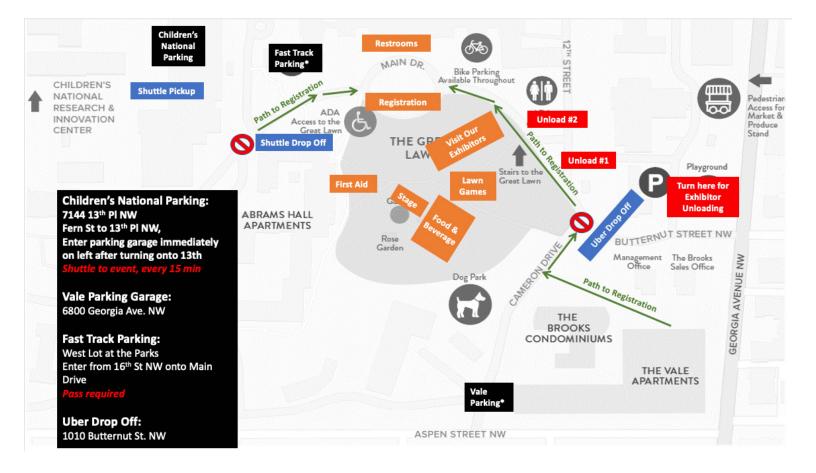
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2:30 PM – 4:00 PM	Networking & DuPont Brass

EVENT MAP

Use the map below to guide your Homecoming experience!



A LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Greetings HAND Members,

It is my honor and privilege to welcome you to Homecoming in the Park, HAND's 2022 Annual Conference! Today, we are coming home. As many of you know, this is the first time that we've been in person for our annual convening in three years. Simply put, this has been a long time coming. The Board, Staff and I are beyond excited to see each of you today, hear from industry and community leaders, and recognize the work that your organizations are doing to create more equitable outcomes for all of our neighbors through the vehicle of housing.

Our theme is also a nod to the tradition of Homecoming. Many of us have experienced this special time at our alma maters with friends and loved ones, and for those of us who attended Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs), it is one of the most exciting times of the year! From the connection with peers to the celebrations, there is truly no feeling like being home. HBCUs are a living, breathing reminder of HAND's <u>commitment to racial equity</u> and why we continue to meet this moment with programming and activities that are targeted to creating more just and equitable communities. For hundreds of years, these institutions have provided opportunity to people of color - many of whom are represented here today. HAND's Board, Staff and so many of you are products of HBCUs across the country and we would be remiss if we did not lift up these schools and the many roles they play in our communities. It is my hope that today we will learn more about how we can work with HBCUs, and be inspired to think about other stakeholders that can be leveraged to drive impact for all residents across our jurisdictions.

And that collaboration is not just something we do - it's who we are. For over 30 years, HAND has brought together the ecosystem of practitioners who bring equitable communities to fruition. In our beginning days, we started by hosting brown bag lunches for nonprofit developers, and today we are training and convening close to 5,000 individuals each year through our capacity building forums and policy activations designed to drive impact for the communities we serve. Our cross-sector collective of members - Accountants, Advocates, Architects, Construction Firms, Engineers, Faith Institutions, Financiers, Government Agencies, Green Building, Homeless Services, Housing Counselors, Insurance, Investors, Law Firms, Lenders, Philanthropy, Property Managers, Real Estate Developers, Resident Services, Tech, Utility Companies, Universities and Students - represent the eco system of partners whose collaboration is critical to bringing equitable communities to fruition. With each passing year we expand our reach both geographically and in the relationships we build, because we have seen the power in partnership - as you'll see today when we recognize our award winners and hear from our slate of panelists. What we can do together is far greater than what we can accomplish alone.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge several individuals who have been integral to the planning and execution of today's conference and HAND's daily operations. I extend my gratitude to the Board of Directors and the HAND Team (Courtney Battle, Director of Strategic Partnerships and Membership; and Trianna Overton, Program Associate) for their dedication to our mission throughout the year. I'm also very appreciative of all the consultants and vendors who empower HAND each day to execute on the organization's mission.

In closing, I invite you to sit back, relax, catch up with colleagues, and grab some good eats from the grill! I'm confident that you will walk away from today's event feeling full from the inspiration and connection we will experience. Over the coming months, we look forward to staying in touch with you and building on our region's progress toward creating greater opportunities in all of our communities. Thank you for joining us at Homecoming in the Park!



Heather Raspberry Executive Director, HAND

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HOMECOMING IN THE PARK AN ODE TO HBCUS

Each year, institutions across the country honor the tradition of Homecoming. From the football game to the tailgating, this is a special time for students and alumni to celebrate and be in the company of friends. HAND is pleased to welcome you to our own version of Homecoming, featuring programming showcasing our region's Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs) and their impact on our communities. We are thrilled to honor HAND's commitment to racial equity with an ode to the institutions that have provided opportunity to people of color for hundreds of years. Keep reading for more on HBCUs and the role they play in our history!

Before the Civil War, higher education for African American students was virtually nonexistent. The few who did receive schooling, such as Fredrick Douglass, often studied in informal and sometimes hostile settings. Some were even forced to teach themselves entirely. As a result of African-Americans generally being denied admission to traditionally white institutions, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) became the primary means for providing them postsecondary education. These institutions were founded and developed in an environment of legal segregation and, by providing access to higher education, contributed substantially to the progress African-Americans have made in improving their status.

Source: Experience the Legacy

There are over 100 higher education institutions in the United States that are identified by the US Department of Education as HBCUs. Of those 107, three are currently closed. The Capital Region is home to a number of these schools as well:

District of Columbia Howard University University of the District of Columbia <u>Maryland</u> Bowie State University Coppin State University Morgan State University University of Maryland-Eastern Shore

<u>Virginia</u>

Hampton University Norfolk State University Saint Paul's College (closed in 2013) Virginia State University Virginia Union University Virginia University of Lynchburg

Did you know that these notable Black Americans attended an HBCU?



Kamala Harris



Oprah Winfrey



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



U.S. Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall



Michael Strahan

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HBCU FAST FACTS

• By 1953, more-than 75,000 students were enrolled in such well known public and private HBCUs such as Fisk University, Hampton Institute, Howard University, Meharry Medical College, Morehouse College, Spelman College, and Tuskegee Institute, as well as a host of smaller black colleges located in southern and border states.

Source: Experience the Legacy

Among African-Americans, HBCUs are responsible for graduating:

- 40% of all Congressmen
- 40% of Engineers
- 50% of Professors at non-HBCUs
- 50% of Lawyers
- 80% of Judges

Source: Thurgood Marshall College Fund

• Over 100 years later, studies show that Black graduates of HBCUs are significantly more likely to have felt supported while in college and to be thriving afterwards than their Black peers who graduated from predominantly white institutions.

Source: Inside Higher Ed



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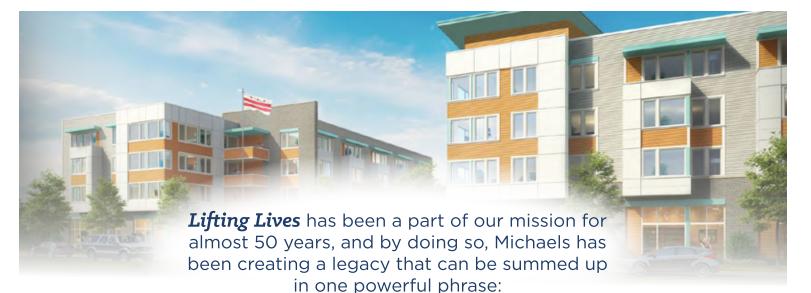


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MARIA DAY-MARSHALL

Director, Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development | University of Maryland

Ms. Maria Day-Marshall, Esq., joined the Real Estate Development Program at the University of Maryland in July 2017, and currently serves as its Director and as Clinical Associate Professor. In February 2018, she added the directorship of the Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development to her responsibilities. As the Director of the Program, Day-Marshall provides programmatic and disciplinary leadership in the areas of curriculum development; faculty recruitment, guidance and evaluation; student recruitment and advising; and, course scheduling. Previously, Day-Marshall served as a Lecturer for the Real Estate Development Program from 2008 until she joined it full-time as Director.

Prior to joining the University as Director, Day-Marshall worked for the District of Columbia Housing Finance Agency beginning in November 2009 and served as the Interim Executive Director and General Counsel to the Agency. She was responsible for the overall supervision, coordination and management of the Agency and for all legal matters for the Agency. From 2004 to 2009, Day-Marshall was a Senior Business Development Manager in Fannie Mae's Community Lending Channel. She was responsible for business development, underwriting, legal documentation review, and transaction execution and closing related to two direct loan products that financed housing development and rehabilitation projects, and that were offered to governmental entities.

Day-Marshall has been involved in the municipal finance industry for over 30 years. Prior to joining Fannie Mae from 1982 to 1996, she served in financially and legally related positions in the District government. During her tenure, she served as Treasurer of the District of Columbia for five years preceded by terms as Deputy Treasurer and Debt Manager. As Treasurer, she was responsible for the issuance of \$6 billion of debt for the District and other DC government issuers. Subsequently, Day-Marshall served as a financial consultant to the DC Water and Sewer Authority during its transition from a division within the Department of Public Works to an independent regional authority. She assisted in preparing the Authority for its first debt issuance.

Day-Marshall joined Columbia Equity Financial Corp., an independent financial advisory firm, in 1999 as Senior Vice President. While working at the firm, Day-Marshall was involved in an array of tax-exempt and taxable bond transactions, and served as financial advisor to a multitude of governmental entities including, among others, Municipalities, Transportation Authorities, Public Housing Authorities, Housing Finance Agencies and Redevelopment Authorities.

Day-Marshall has lectured extensively during her tenure with the District of Columbia government and subsequently about topics affecting the municipal finance industry. She is the recipient of two Distinguished Public Service Awards granted by two mayors of the District of Columbia, and a Certificate of Appreciation granted by a third mayor. The DC Council enacted a resolution in 1996 recognizing her contributions to the District of Columbia. She is a member of the District of Columbia Bar and other associations. Day-Marshall earned a Master of Laws in Taxation degree from Georgetown University Law Center, a Juris Doctorate degree from the Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America, and her undergraduate degree in Economics from Fisk University.

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ERIC MARIBOJOC

Executive Director, Center for Real Estate Entrepreneurship | George Mason University

Eric Maribojoc is a real estate professional with 23 years of experience in the acquisition, financing, asset management, construction, leasing, repositioning and sale of multifamily, office, retail and industrial properties. He has previously worked with private equity groups, most recently with Professors Capital of Solana Beach, California, and has been a principal in over \$200 million in value-added and opportunistic commercial transactions across the country. He has also taught graduate classes in real estate transactions, urban planning and sustainability, real estate principles, and asset management at the Kogod School of Business at American University in Washington, D.C. He earned his Masters in Business Administration from American University in 1993.



ANTHONY P. SAVIA

Vice President of Administration and Finance Bowie State University

Anthony (Tony) Savia serves as Bowie State University's vice president for administration and finance. In his role, he is responsible for ensuring that the university maintains ethical administrative, financial and business practices, as well as overseeing the offices of budget and finance, human resources, facilities management, controller, student accounts, public safety, risk management, procurement and auxiliary services. He also leads the university's capital improvement program, real estate development and climate commitment and sustainability initiatives. His most recent project was to oversee the financing, design and construction of the university's entrepreneurship living learning community. This 170,000 gross square foot facility is home to 557 students, the university's entrepreneurship academy and the bowie business innovation center. Mr. Savia has also successfully partnered with offices of institutional advancement to secure and create the budgets for several eight figure, multi-million dollar gifts.

Mr. Savia came to Bowie State after serving more than 30+ years in administration and finance at the University of Maryland, College Park (UMD). Most recently as assistant dean of finance and administration for the School of Public Policy, he helped develop and implement a program to construct the school's new public policy building and the school's undergraduate major.

His other previous roles at UMD include: director of admissions for the School of Public Policy; director of finance, administration and education technology services in the College of Education; and acting deputy assistant director of financial services, architecture, engineering, and construction.

Mr. Savia holds a master's degree in management and a bachelor's degree in business and management.

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CHAD WILLIAMS

Executive Director, West North Avenue Development Authority Coppin State University

Chad, a native of Washington, D.C., grew up in the Far Southeast neighborhoods of the city. After graduating from H.D. Woodson Sr. High School, Chad enlisted in the United States Marine Corps, serving during Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm. He later graduated from the University of the District of Columbia with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science concentrating in urban policy and community planning. He has over 25 years of experience creatively structuring affordable housing and economic development initiatives using data analytics. He also has 20 years of executive experience leading nonprofit organizations and government agencies to build cohesive efforts to solve challenging neighborhood issues and leading public-private partnerships engaged in land use development to improve historically disenfranchised communities. As Executive Director of the Southern Nevada Regional Housing Authority in Las Vegas, NV, he launched an initiative to transform the Marble Manor public housing community and historic Moulin Rouge hotel and casino sites, into a 50-acre mixed-use destination as a catalyst for economic revitalization of the Historic Westside African-American neighborhood. The initiative received a 2021 HUD Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant. The innovative efforts he has accomplished recognized him by Republican and Democratic members of Congress in receiving the 2019 Charles L. Edison Excellence Award for his creative approaches to comprehensively solving neighborhood issues in low-income communities. Chad will soon release a book on the history of housing discrimination and displacement, economic inequities, and social injustices of Far Southeast communities in Washington, D.C., titled "Barry Farm: A Community Denied Hope." Chad's mission in life is to address and solve historical issues affecting disenfranchised urban Black communities. Chad believes neighborhoods are planned better as transit-oriented communities that use green space for community farms and natural resources to produce clean energy that will save low-income residents on transportation, food, and utility cost while also creating economic development opportunities for small local businesses and residents; that is a philosophy of creating live-work-play ecosystems in communities and neighborhoods of color that have been marginalized. In his spare time Chad enjoys bicycling, hiking, camping, and sailing along the Chesapeake, and playing chess with anyone brave enough to challenge his skills. He is also a long time collector of Batman comic books, and enjoys sci-fi novels and movies that stimulate our human thoughts on life.

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Rashad Young

Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer | Howard University

Rashad Young serves as Howard University's Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer. In this role he oversees the implementation of the University's strategic plan: Howard Forward. He also provides oversight on External Affairs as it relates to the federal government and on Real Estate as it pertains to our non-core assets.

Rashad Young joined Howard after having been the longest serving city administrator in DC Government history. With a workforce of about 35,000 employees and a budget of \$16 billion, Young ensured efficient, accountable and well-managed service delivery to all residents, businesses and visitors on behalf of the Mayor. His focus areas included: improving the District's government operations and oversight, providing for continuous quality improvements in government programs and services, ensuring responsibility and transparency in the budgeting process and improving interagency coordination, collaboration and communication. Young has spent his entire career building expertise in public management, including 15 years as the assistant city manager or city manager in urban centers, namely Alexandria, Virginia, Greensboro, North Carolina, Cincinnati and Dayton, Ohio. Throughout his career, he has managed workforces totaling thousands of employees, led labor union contract negotiations, and overseen airport, convention center, water utility, human service, transit, public works and public safety agency operations.

Through his previous role as city manager of Alexandria, Young is credited with forming the Office of Performance and Accountability (OPA) to develop a culture and practice of performance management and data-driven decision making. He also formed the Department of Project Implementation (DPI) to more effectively manage the growing and expansive list of City infrastructure capital projects. In addition, Young enhanced civic engagement in Alexandria by developing and deploying technology such as Call.Click.Connect that allows citizens and stakeholders to communicate directly with staff at all levels of the organization.

His accomplishments in Dayton included maintaining fiscal discipline and achieving the upgrade of the City's bond rating. His use of performance management systems to deliver top-notch city services helped city government be more transparent, outcome-based, and customer-focused. Young received his bachelor's degree in business management and MBA from the University of Dayton in Ohio. He is a national board member of the National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA), a credentialed manager and member of the International City/County Management Association (ICMA), and a fellow of the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA).

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MONICA MITCHELL

Vice President of Community Development Wells Fargo (Moderator)

Monica Mitchell has over 20 years' experience in banking and community development. In her role, Monica leads Corporate Philanthropy and Community Development work for the Maryland and Greater DC regions, responsible for affordable housing, workforce development, entrepreneurship and financial education efforts for low-to-moderate income communities, with a personal passion to address the intersectionality of these issues with public health outcomes.

She has a passion to educate and motivate individuals and families to reach their full potential through economic empowerment and has conducted hundreds of financial capability seminars for businesses, schools, governmental groups and non-profits. Monica is a passionate volunteer and regularly mentors and job shadows with young women in high school and college who are pursuing careers in banking and corporate social responsibility.

In August of 2015, after years of planning and under Monica's leadership as founding president of the board, the all-girls Lillie May Carroll Jackson Public Charter School opened in Northeast Baltimore City. This innovative model of public/private partnership is in collaboration with Roland Park Country School (K-12 all-girls independent school) and Baltimore City Public Schools. Lillie May currently serves almost 300 young women from across Baltimore City in 5th-8th grades.

She has spoken regionally in various seminars, conferences, radio and tv shows addressing topics such as Education, Community Development, Corporate Volunteerism, Women in Business and Leadership, Social Responsibility, Philanthropy, and Career Development.

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DREW HUBBARD

Interim Director, Department of Housing & Community Development | Washington, DC

Drew Hubbard was appointed Interim Director of the DC Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) on October 1, 2021 by Mayor Muriel Bowser. He's held several leadership positions within DHCD, including as Deputy Director and Chief Administrative Officer, where he oversaw human resources, contracting and procurement, and stewardship of the agency's budget. Drew has over a decade of experience in the legislative and executive branches of the District of Columbia. His experience includes many years on staff at the Council of the District of Columbia, where he served as a Legislative Director and Committee Director with a primary focus on affordable housing, workforce development and re-entry policy. He also served as the Federal Relations-Policy Analyst for the Office of Policy and Legislative Affairs within the Executive Office of the Mayor.

Immediately prior to coming to DHCD, Mr. Hubbard served as an Associate Director for the DC Department of Employment Services (DOES). At DOES, he was responsible for senior management, strategic planning, and cross-program coordination of the Office of Apprenticeship Information and Training, the First Source Program, and the Business Services Group. In that role, he was responsible for executing the realignment of employer-facing programs and identify resources to establish an easily accessible menu of value-added business services aimed at engaging companies in order to cultivate placement opportunities for other agency units and programs servicing District resident employment needs.

Mr. Hubbard holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Morehouse College and a Juris Doctorate from the George Washington University Law School. Mr. Hubbard is a resident of the Woodridge neighborhood in Ward 5, where he resides with his wife and 2 children.

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HELEN MCILVAINE

Director, Office of Housing | City of Alexandria

McIlvaine joined the Office of Housing in 2006 as Deputy Director, where she worked with the Alexandria Housing Development Corporation, other nonprofit and private developers, and the Alexandria Redevelopment and Housing Authority (ARHA), to structure and finance projects that incorporate affordable housing. She supervised the Housing Implementation Division, which provides homeownership assistance loans for first time buyers, home rehabilitation loans and housing counseling.

McIlvaine's work also supports citywide planning processes, including the 2013 Housing Master Plan and ARHA Strategic Plan. She has been Housing's liaison for the Braddock Metro Neighborhood, Braddock East, Potomac Yard, Beauregard,Oakville/Route 1 Corridor and Eisenhower West Plans, and assists with education and outreach to community groups regarding affordable housing.

Prior to her work in Alexandria, McIlvaine was Director of Real Estate Development for the Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing, executive director of Habitat for Humanity of Northern Virginia, and executive director of Catholics for Housing. Before transitioning to affordable housing development, McIlvaine practiced law, including general civil and construction litigation in Texas and Virginia.

McIlvaine holds a bachelor's degree in history from the University of Maryland's European Division and a Juris Doctor from the Rutgers University's School of Law.



Aspasia Xypolia

Director, Department of Housing & Community Development | Prince George's County

Aspasia Xypolia serves as the Director of the Department of Housing and Community Development in Prince George's County, a position she has held since January 2021. In her current role, Aspasia guides the Department's efforts to create and preserve healthy and inclusive communities where access to opportunity for all County residents is increased. Through the use of new programs and financial instruments, DHCD works to preserve and produce rental and homeownership opportunities for County residents and helps to revitalize underserved neighborhoods across the County.

Prior to joining DHCD, Aspasia worked with non-profit development organizations where shecollaborated and negotiated with diverse stakeholders, built consensus around common goals, and identified implementation strategies that resulted in the execution of successful development projects. This work led to the formation of strategic partnerships with government entities, private funders, and public lenders. Coupling these relationships with the analysis of regulatory requirements and programmatic objectives of federal and local subsidy programs led to the implementation of affordable, mixed-income, mixed-use,

urban, and transit-oriented development projects in Massachusetts, Maryland, and the District of Columbia. Aspasia holds a master's degree in City Planning from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a master's in landscape architecture from Louisiana State University and a Bachelor of Science from Athens University of Agriculture in Greece.

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SENTHIL SANKARAN

Principal, Housing Affordability & Finance, <u>Amazon in the Community</u> (Moderator)

As a Principal of the Amazon Housing Equity Fund, Senthil is focused on the deployment of over \$2 billion in below-market capital, in the form of loans and grants, to preserve and create over 20,000 affordable homes in Amazon's 'hometown' communities: The Puget Sound region of Washington State, the Arlington, VA/Greater Washington region, and Nashville, Tennessee.

Before Amazon, Senthil served in various real estate development leadership roles in the private and public sectors. As Senior Vice President, Real Estate Development & Capital Programs at the District of Columbia Housing Authority (DCHA), Senthil led DCHA's strategic portfolio repositioning and rehabilitation efforts. Senthil also served as Senior Director of Development focused on the Union Market neighborhood in Washington, DC for EDENS – a firm specializing in the acquisition, entitlement, and development of mixed-use, urban infill, real estate projects. Prior to EDENS, Senthilserved as Director of Real Estate Development for the Government of the District of Columbia in the Office of the Deputy Mayor for Planning & Economic Development (DMPED), where he managed a multi-billion-dollar portfolio of large-scale, mixed-use, public-private real estate development projects on behalf of the District—most of which required the structuring and deployment of layered public financing tools such as Tax Increment Financing (TIF), proceeds of securitized revenue bonds, capital budget funding and real property tax abatements. Before joining the Government of the District of Columbia, he served as a real estate financial advisory consultant with Jones Lang LaSalle's Public Institutions practice in Washington, DC.

Senthil received an MBA as a John F. Connelly Foundation Scholar of Georgetown University's McDonough School of Business and holds a BA in Government/International Relations from Georgetown University.

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Catherine Buell Amazon in the Community

As Head of Community Development, Catherine Buell is responsible for long-term and innovative programs that address civic priorities in the communities where Amazon employees live and work.

Catherine previously served as the President and CEO of the Atlanta Housing Authority (d/b/a "Atlanta Housing" or "AH") where led the agency's strategic, financial and operational efforts by providing housing to more than 23,000 of Atlanta's low-and extremely low-income households. While at Atlanta Housing, Catherine led the development of the agency's five year plan, called "Vision 2022" (Live, Work, Thrive), aimed at increasing the number of households served, increasing investments in family self-sufficiency efforts and agency fiscal responsibility. During her tenure, she advanced major real estate efforts including partnerships with the Atlanta BeltLine, Inc. to develop affordable housing near the popular BeltLine and also work with Invest Atlanta to purchase the 19-acre Civic Center site in downtown Atlanta. She also served as Vice President of Policy and Programs for the Greater Washington Partnership, a first-of-its-kind civic alliance of CEOs in the Washington D.C. region, where she focused on a range of issues include regional housing policy issues.

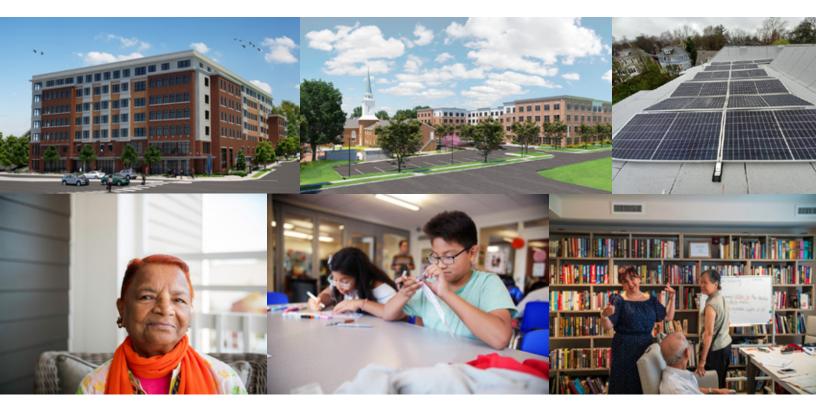
Prior to her time in Atlanta, Catherine served as the executive director of St. Elizabeth's East, one of the District of Columbia's largest mixed-use redevelopment projects. As a result of her tenure, St. Elizabeths East became home to the District's Entertainment and Sports Arena which hosts the Washington Mystic's performance arena and Wizards practice facility, the Residences at St. Elizabeths (a mixed-income multi-family housing development), the R.I.S.E. Demonstration Center and Gateway D.C. Ms. Buell also served as the Chair of the Washington D.C. Historic Preservation Review Board and earned a number of awards for her revitalization efforts – the Built by Women DC Award and Historic Preservation Review Board Chair's Award for Excellence in Historic Preservation among them.

Catherine also serves on a number of boards, including Community of Hope (DC), Greater Greater Washington and the Anacostia Coordinating Council. She started her career as an attorney with Patton Boggs LLP where she counseled institutional investors on real estate assets and private equity funds in the United States, South America, and Europe. She is a cum laude graduate of Spelman College and the Georgetown University Law Center.

DEVELOPER OF THE YEAR



Wesley Housing



DEVELOPER OF THE YEAR: Wesley Housing

Despite the ongoing pandemic, Wesley Housing (WH) continued to deliver its mission of building up the lives of our most vulnerable community members by creating and operating healthy, supportive, stable, affordable housing communities. Key activities in 2021 are highlighted below:

Rapid Expansion: Our expert team closed financing on one new construction project, two preservation projects, and completed rehabilitation of two additional properties. WH broke ground on *Senseny Place* (63 units, Winchester, VA), an affordable senior housing community, and started renovations on 124 units of historic preservation at *The Hampshire* (56 units, Washington, DC [Ward 4]) and Whitefield Commons (68 units, Arlington, VA). In addition, we completed historic renovations on *Knightsbridge* Apartments (37 units, Arlington, VA), as well as *Cedar Street Apartments*, (30 units, Washington, DC [Ward 4]) in partnership with Joseph Development Inc and the Cedar Street Tenants Association.

Concurrently, the team maintained progress on the following three new development projects: *The Arden* (126 units, Alexandria, Fairfax County, VA), *The Waypoint* (81 units, Alexandria, VA), and The Cadence (97 units, Arlington, VA). Collectively, our efforts in 2021 will lead to adding or preserving nearly 500 affordable housing units to the region in 2022, representing over \$216M in total development costs. This will add more than 1,200 residents to our portfolio, bringing our total resident population to ~4,500. In 2021, WH was awarded a competitive 9% LIHTC allocation, a \$700,000 Virginia Housing Trust Fund allocation and \$717,198 Virginia Housing Amazon REACH funding for the renovation of *Quarry Station Seniors Apartments* (80 units, Manassas, VA) to create deeper affordability for a larger number of units. We also began the community engagement process on the rezoning and special use permit for *ParcView II* (224 net new units, Alexandria, VA).

"Green" Priority: All of the projects are being built or renovated to EarthCraft Multifamily Design, Enterprise Green Communities, or National Green Building Standard standards, and a minimum of 10% of the units are designed to Virginia Housing's Universal Design and/or HUD Uniform Federal Accessibility Standards. In addition, WH has incorporated the use of solar energy systems into two recent communities, one of which completed last year.

Active Pipeline: In addition to driving the aforementioned projects to completion, the team continued to build a strategic development pipeline. Specifically, WH currently has an additional 750+ units planned to start construction by 2025, including new construction, acquisitions, and renovations. Each of these projects are grounded in WH's commitment to advancing racial equity via affordable, accessible housing for the Black, Indigenous, and People of Color (BIPOC) in our region who are more commonly in need/living in poverty, according to Inova Health System's Community Health Needs Assessment 2019.

Innovative Partnerships: WH's continued success would not be possible without several innovative partnerships forged across our various lines of business. For example, our real estate development team is collaborating with four different local faith-based organizations (FBOs) on four different projects—all in different stages of the pre- and development process. At the active property level, our team successfully negotiated with Comcast to provide a managed Wifi network (100/100 Mbps) at six of our properties at substantially reduced rates. The first network was implemented at *Knightsbridge Apartments* affording the 37 households at the property free high-speed internet access in their units and within the common areas of the property.

Well-Managed Communities: At the same time, our affiliate, Wesley Property Management (WPM), sustained its commitment to maintaining quality communities by tending to each of our 22 owned and managed properties (totaling 1,281 units). Our property management and resident services teams provided support to 100% of the 3,200+ residents living in our communities, addressed all concerns during unprecedented times, and ensured our properties met the highest safety standards. As a result, WPM earned the SatisFacts' Resident Superior Award for the seventh year in a row because of our residents' "exceptional quality of life" rating.

Commitment to Residents: Our residents are low- to moderate-income households earning \$36,688/year on average, less than a third of HUD's 2021 Median Family Income for the region. Eighty-seven percent of residents are BIPOC and the majority speak a language other than English at home. While we've come a long way since the start of the pandemic, the low-income adults and children in our communities still suffered its consequences in 2021. More than 800 of our residents experienced an instability that caused uncertainty in their future. In response, our resident services and property management teams facilitated rental assistance for households totaling more than \$1.2M. In addition, our resident services team provided priority programs in the areas of housing stability, job stability, and material assistance. Last summer, 400 K-12 students received new backpacks filled with supplies through our annual school supply drive (Supplies for Success), 365 households/727 individuals received food assistance boxes during the holy season of Ramadan through our partnership with Islamic Relief USA, and 600 residents received holiday assistance through our annual Holiday Help campaign, to name a few.

We are proud of the work we do, and our efforts have been recognized by peers and residents alike. In 2021, Affordable Housing Finance named WH in its "Top 50 Affordable Housing Developers of 2020" and was one of only nine non-profits to make the list. WH is becoming one of the most far-reaching developers, owners, and operators of affordable housing in the DMV and remains committed to building up lives.

BEST LARGE AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT



Queens Court Apartments Arlington Partnership for Affordable Housing

APAH is honored that its Queens Court Apartments received the 2022 HAND Housing Achievement Award: Best Large Affordable Housing Project. Queens Court Apartments is the culmination of community-engaged planning and completes a decade-long to journey to make the redevelopment of an aging, 39-unit property a reality. Located in Arlington's urban, transit-rich Rosslyn neighborhood, the 265,000sf project is now a 12-story, 249-unit community redeveloped by APAH, and opened under budget and ahead of schedule in Spring 2021, despite the Covid-19 pandemic. Adding 210 critically needed, affordable units guaranteed to remain affordable for the next 96 years, Queens Court includes 21 studios, 94 one-bedroom units, 90 two-bedroom and 44 three-bedroom apartments. About half of the units are at or below 50% AMI, with the remaining half at 60% AMI. Three 80% AMI apartments enabled APAH to lower more rents to 30% AMI.

APAH layered a combination of debt, tax credits, equity, grants, and other tools to secure the \$107 million needed for the project. The project has been certified to the demanding Earthcraft Gold standard. Among the sustainability features incorporated into the building are ENERGY STAR qualified heating and cooling systems; bike storage rooms; a green roof system; and low VOC paints, sealants, and carpeting materials. 7,100sf of community rooms and resident amenities are designed to foster connection and provide welcoming spaces for programs and relaxation. A Resident Services Office makes available a full-time APAH resident services coordinator; multiple conference rooms provide gathering spaces for residents and resident service programs. All residents can choose between free and low-cost internet service in their apartment, depending on their needs and preferences. The cost is covered by a monthly rent credit. APAH provided an easement to Arlington County, in perpetuity, to construct and operate a 9,000sf public playground on top of our parking garage.



BEST SMALL AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECT



Liberty Place Apartments IBF Development & National Housing Trust

Liberty Place, a joint-venture development by National Housing Trust ("NHT") and IBF Development ("IBF"), is a 100% affordable apartment community located in the Mount Vernon Triangle neighborhood in the District of Columbia.

Located at 3rd and I Streets NW, Liberty Place was completed in January 2022 and provides 71 affordable apartment homes. The building serves households with incomes below 80%, 50%, and 30% of area median income in studios, one-bedroom, and two-bedroom apartments. Eleven units are accessible and reserved for those with limited mobility. Fourteen units are set aside and targeted as permanent supportive housing for formerly homeless households.

The nine-story, 64,211 square foot building meets LEED Gold certification from the U.S Green Building Council. Amenities include a fitness center, bike room, lobby, and penthouse-level community room and patio. Construction on the cast-in-place concrete building commenced in July 2018 and was completed in January 2022. Although the project had its building permit upon construction loan closing, ground-up construction was suspended due to the discovery of an underground electrical duct bank located within the building's footprint. Due to the adjacency of the I-395 tunnel, relocation of the electrical duct bank could not be achieved in time to save the project. Therefore, the development team decided to redesign the building. At great expense, a foundation redesign was completed in Fall 2019 and a new building permit issued allowing for construction to proceed.

Liberty Place would not have been completed but for patient and committed development and financial partners. The development team included Grimm + Parker Architects, AMT Engineering, Hamel Builders, JDC Construction, and Edgewood Management. Financial partners include Truist Bank, Freddie Mac, the DC Housing Finance Agency, DC Department of Housing and Community Development, DC Department of Behavioral Health, DC Sustainable Energy Utility, and the Federal Home Loan Bank of Atlanta.

EMERGING LEADER



Fatima Coreas MHP – HAND 2022 Emerging Leader Nomination

Fatima, 29, uses empathy and compassion to improve the quality of life for hundreds of residents living in Montgomery Housing Partnership's affordable communities. She has made major contributions by helping those recovering from the pandemic and from disasters. She also is expanding MHP programs to improve residents' quality of life. Her lived experience informs all aspects of her work.

She joined MHP to serve as a Neighborhood Community Engagement Specialist in 2017 after volunteering and working for immigrant advocacy group CASA as a youth leader, educator, and advocate. "From a young age, I was involved with nonprofits, working for a cause that affected me and my community. For me it is very personal." Her family emigrated to the US from El Salvador when Fatima was 14. As a Spanish-speaker, she has a special connection to many MHP residents that goes beyond language. Fatima is a Dreamer, protected under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) Act, the law that has enabled many to come out of the shadows, an idea that Fatima embraces.

While with CASA, Fatima stepped forward to advocate for Dreamers like herself, testifying before national lawmakers. "Telling my story to the world is one of the proudest moments of my life." She noted: "It requires a lot of strength to say, 'Hey, I am undocumented, and I am here." She carries that passion into her work at MHP, as well as her commitment to quality affordable housing, having lived in affordable housing as a young girl.

At MHP, Fatima works one-on-one with residents, getting to know them and helping them connect to resources to address crises brought on or exacerbated by the COVID pandemic. She has connected with dozens of MHP residents facing food insecurity, health issues, job loss, wage reduction, and financial crises. She has had a big impact helping Spanish-speaking residents, who face language barriers and sometimes have limited access to technology as they navigate the process of filing for unemployment benefits and other COVID relief. Fatima personally helped and comforted families who lost loved ones due to COVID.

Fatima has staffed countless COVID vaccination clinics at MHP sites, providing Spanish language support and translation. She has played many key roles, including doing outreach to encourage residents to come, educating residents on the benefits of vaccination, and debunking COVID myths. She also distributed test kits and masks to at-risk residents.

She has built partnerships with other organizations to address residents' food insecurity, organizing regular distributions at multiple MHP properties, including MHP's Crescent Park Village community in Southeast DC. She forged partnerships with organizations that include Manna Food, Jesus House, and Rainbow Community Development Corporation, to get the job done.

Fatima says it is most gratifying when she hears back from residents who have received the help they need. "That 'thank you' that I get from the residents is so rewarding."

Recently she was on-site at the disaster recovery center operation helping displaced residents affected by the fire/explosion at the Friendly Garden Apartments in Silver Spring. Many affected residents are Spanish-speaking. She distributed gift cards and assistance checks to residents, many of whom lost their homes and belongings. She helped in the same way with those affected by the January 2022 fire at the Flower Branch Apartments in the Long Branch community. Fatima's supervisor Chris Gillis says: "She has been helping families during what is probably one of the darkest moments in their lives."

When people need help, Fatima is there. Fatima also is strengthening and growing MHP's programs. She manages MHP's Green Club program, providing young residents with environmental education activities and hands-on experience managing community gardens. She is central to an exciting new program to recruit and train MHP residents to serve as peer health educators at the properties where they live. This workforce development initiative will train residents and improve overall resident health. Fatima is helping design the program, which she will manage, and will recruit and support residents as they are being trained, making a lasting impact in MHP communities.

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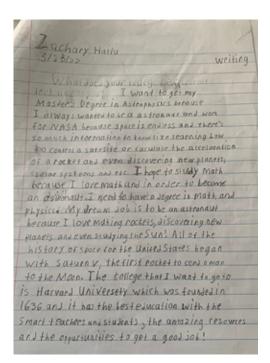
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ABOUT MHP

Montgomery Housing Partnership (MHP) is dedicated to making home possible. Since 1989, MHP has been preserving and expanding access to quality affordable housing. MHP is a private nonprofit that provides more than 2,600 homes in Montgomery County, MD, and surrounding communities. The organization accomplishes its mission by housing people, empowering families, and strengthening neighborhoods.

MHP's Community Life enrichment programs were created in 1998 and serve hundreds of children and families each year. They are based out of community centers at rental properties owned by MHP, and it partners with many local organizations to provide services and resources.

Its Play & Learn program prepares pre-school age children for kindergarten from September to June. The program is set up like a classroom where children play, explore, and learn letters, words, numbers, and music.

Through the Homework Club, MHP serves children ages 6-12 years old. In addition to getting homework assistance, children take part in science, technology, engineering, and math activities with access to the computer labs.

The signature teen program is called Future Leaders of the World. MHP's teen programs are designed to help young adults deal with peer-pressure, socio-economic needs, and build leadership skills in their communities through project-based learning.

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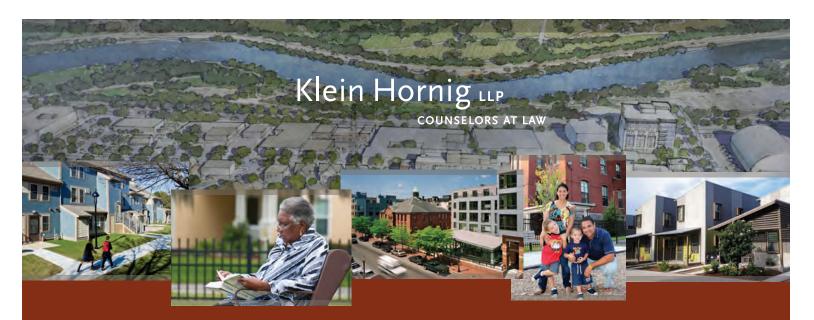
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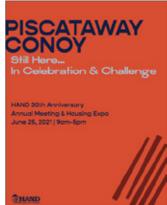
With a footprint spanning Baltimore, Washington and Richmond, HAND is the leading nonprofit membership collective leveraging the power of its cross-sector network to support the development and preservation of affordable housing in the Capital Region. Representing the ecosystem of partners who collaborate in bringing equitable communities to fruition, HAND works to disrupt the systems that perpetuate inequity in the communities we serve. We do this by embedding racial equity into our operations, practices, and programming, and activating our membership through policy forums and advocacy designed to drive impact for Black and brown communities residing at the sharpest intersections of inequity. It's been nearly three years since we have convened our members for the Annual Conference in person, so keep reading to catch up on all that we have been up to! In spite of our physical distance from each other, we have continued to serve our members as a **CONVENER, EDUCATOR** and **ACTIVATOR**.

CONVENER.

HAND has sustained our platform to foster partnerships among our members and partners that are critical to the creation and preservation of affordable housing. We remained intentional in balancing our training series with virtual mixers that allow members to connect with decision makers, future partners, and elected officials across the Region.

Annual Conference

In addition to these cultivation events, the HAND team made the necessary adjustments to host its Annual Conference remotely to prioritize the safety of its members. Last year, the organization celebrated its 30th anniversary with an immersive virtual experience themed *Piscataway Conoy: Still Here... in Celebration & Challenge*. The program paid homage to Piscataway Conoy, the largest and most powerful tribal nation in our region. The conference is consistently the largest convening of affordable housing and community development practitioners in the region, where guests can explore innovative housing solutions and creative strategies to build thriving communities. Conference- goers leave feeling empowered and armed with information and tools that support their organizations' missions.



GenerationHAND Mentoring Program

Recently celebrating its five -year anniversary, the <u>GenerationHAND initiative</u> was designed to support the unique needs of practitioners who are on the rise within the affordable housing and community development industry. When our members expressed an interest in more professional development opportunities, we listened and HAND launched its inaugural mentorship program in early 2022. These mentor-mentee relationships are not only critical for career development, but also provide additional opportunities for expanding their network.

EDUCATOR.

Training & Capacity Building

Training 2,500+ practitioners each year, our robust <u>Training & Capacity Building Series</u> features affinity groups, trainings, and cultivation events designed to foster valuable relationships and the exchange of critical information. These educational sessions continually strengthen the capacity of HAND members, who all play critical roles in the development of affordable housing and sustainable communities.

Affinity Groups

HAND recently re-launched its Affinity Groups to provide intimate peer-to-peer settings for members to share ideas, lessons learned and challenges specific to their job. The Environmental Justice Affinity Group (formerly Green Building) is aligned with HAND's continued commitment to racial equity, and offers members an opportunity to discuss the intersection of housing/community development and racial equity, policy updates, best practices, and solutions to create more sustainable and equitable communities. The Resident Services Affinity Group caters to members serving in the capacity of resident service providers, who are critical touchpoints to some of our most vulnerable populations who have unique needs beyond their housing.

ACTIVATOR.

Housing Indicator Tool

In response to member feedback, HAND is dedicated to taking bold steps to build public and private will, and to catalyze action that addresses housing affordability in our region. The primary effort that has emerged from this work is the <u>Housing Indicator Tool (HIT)</u>. Launched in March 2021, This first of its kind

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platform provides the most up-to-date information on housing production across the region, a comparison with established local housing targets, and a high-level evaluation on the effectiveness of local programs and policies intended to bolster affordable housing production. Released on an annual basis, the tool provides in-depth jurisdictional data that is critical in making the case to decision makers and community stakeholders for affordable housing production. Most importantly, the tool is grounded in racial equity.

Throughout the year, HAND also hosts a number of activations highlighting jurisdictions and industry leaders across the region who are making powerful strides to address our region's housing needs (374,000 net new housing units to be exact!). These events build on the data and policies that can be found on the platform, while inspiring others in the ecosystem with innovative strategies and insights that can drive housing production.

When We All Vote

In 2020 HAND proudly started serving as <u>a partner of When We All Vote</u>, a non-profit, non-partisan organization launched by Michelle Obama in 2018. When We All Vote's mission is to change the culture around voting, increase participation in every election, and help close the race and age voting gap. HAND recognizes the hard-fought struggles to gain voting rights for minorities, and yet to this day voter suppression runs rampant throughout our Black & Brown communities. We successfully worked with our members to ensure all voices were represented at the polls during the 2020 election season, including hosting a Virtual Voter Registration Drive featuring local news anchor Shawn Yancy, industry experts and DJ CheickMeOut!



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Over the last few decades, nonprofit developers in New York City have lost market share and impact due to constantly changing industry conditions. In late 2015, nonprofit developers in New York City established a first-of-its-kind <u>Joint Ownership</u> <u>Entity</u> in order to the create scale necessary to:

- Preserve existing affordable housing projects
- Compete for larger projects across neighborhoods
- Create a portfolio-wide operating reserve
- Decrease operational costs
- Increase revenue
- Increase length and depth of affordability

In 2021, HAND collaborated with its members, Goldstein Hall and Forsyth Street to conduct the exploratory phase of creating a joint ownership structure in the Capital Region, and how such a structure can be applied to the Capital Region as nonprofit developers manage loss of market-share and scarcity of development sites.

AT THE CENTER.

HAND envisions a future where Black and brown communities share equitably in the knowledge, wealth and resources uniquely represented in and between Baltimore, Washington and Richmond. Despite continued economic growth, the rise of inequality persists – with compounded inequities impacting communities of color, challenging their humanity and opportunity to realize their full potential. For nearly the last decade, HAND has been committed to reaching beyond the symptoms of inequity to address the root causes that amplify housing disparities and restrict access to opportunity for communities



of color. This work is embedded in all of HAND's activities, both internally and externally. Through a number of different channels, the organization is working to create more equitable outcomes in our communities:

- Red Lines, White Papers, & Blue Prints: A Four-Part Learning Series Exploring the Dimensions of Racism and Strategies Towards Racial Equity was HAND's first racial equity learning series (2020) based on the foundations of racial equity. Featuring acclaimed social justice experts, the cohort explored the dimensions of racism and its implications to housing disparities and access restricted to communities of color in the region.
- <u>Still We Rise: A Collection of Learnings & Toolkit for Advancing Racial Equity</u> is a digital recap of HAND's 2020 racial equity learning series and a compilation of various resources to support members and our larger network in gaining greater understanding and translating it into action in our communities.
- Birthed out of the series above, the **Racial Equity Design Team** is a small group of connectors, visionaries, and subject matter experts who support and guide our work to operationalize racial equity.
- Racism Can't Live Here: A Collection of Learnings & Toolkit for Advancing Racial Equity (2022) was the second round of HAND's racial equity learnings and resources that built upon the first series. This installment of the series had an increased focus on how these challenges impact our region, with local experts and organizations exploring the intersections of race and housing.
- Even in the midst of the growing housing affordability challenge, black and brown real estate developers are still met with the obstacle of accessing the capital needed to execute their plans to revitalize communities. In partnership with Greystone, HAND launched **Equity in Action**, a debt and equity platform designed to increase opportunity for black and brown real estate developers who seek to create communities where all can thrive.
- **<u>Racial Equity Fast Five</u>** is an e-blast designed to provide the latest updates for members who want to increase their own understanding and support the work to create a more just and equitable region.
- In May 2022, HAND & the University of Maryland College of Arts and Humanities and the Colvin Institute of Real Estate Development hosted <u>A Conversation About Truth, History and the 1619 Project</u>. Nikole Hannah-Jones is a Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist and the author of The 1619 Project - an American origin story that explores the legacy of slavery starting from the arrival of the first enslaved Africans in Virginia. This moving conversation explored several subjects including how Nikole's research can be leveraged to create more equitable outcomes in our communities.
- <u>The Resource Center</u> is a collection of various resources for our members and partners who are committed to learning and taking action to center their organization's work around racial equity. Although it is not an exhaustive list, users will find a variety of content to explore from articles to more in-depth books and podcasts.
- A cornerstone of HAND's commitment to racial equity is building our capacity internally. HAND is pleased to be a
 participant in the upcoming <u>Building High Impact Nonprofits of Color DMV</u> cohort, presented by Prosperity Now.
 The goals of the project are to:

- Assist in developing high impact nonprofit organizations of color focused on advancing economic opportunity nationally;
- Build an understanding of the intersection of income, assets and the racial wealth divide;
- Establish networks across sectors to have lasting local influence and advance social change;
- Improve relationships between organizations of color, local organizations and asset-building institutions; and,
- Equip organizations of color to become leading voices in local and national asset-building dialogues and decisions.

MORE HAND HIGHLIGHTS.

- <u>Health & Retirement Benefit Packages</u> HAND is pleased to partner with The Center for Nonprofit Advancement, VitalHealth, and Nonstop Wellness to support HAND members committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion with an opportunity to reevaluate their employee benefits package. Through VitalHealth, HAND members can provide their employees access to health care coverage and retirement benefits at the best possible value.
- Searching for a new opportunity? Searching for great talent to add to your team? HAND's <u>Career Center</u> is available to all of our members seeking to further their career or bring fresh energy to their organization.
- Salary & Benefits Survey Offered on a biennial basis, the survey is a benefit available to HAND's nonprofit members, providing critical data and information to ensure organizations are competitive in the provision of salaries and benefits offered to their employees. Additionally, the survey is a useful tool for supporting 990 compliance and providing comparative data for a variety of strategic planning purposes.
- HAND Communications From the News & Notes e-blast to HAND's social media platforms and the blog, there are a number of ways that we stay connected to YOU! Interested in staying abreast of HAND updates, industry news and more? <u>Subscribe here</u>.



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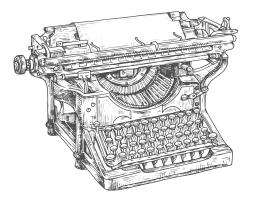
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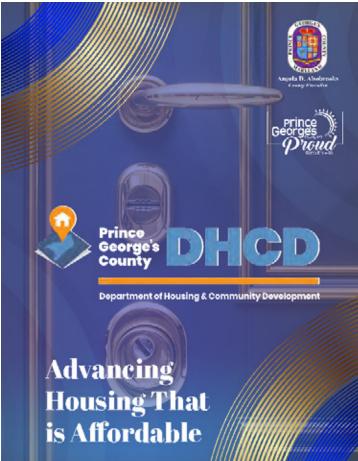


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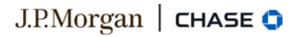


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