

CELEBRATION OF WOMEN & GIRLS

OCTOBER 22, 2025 | VIP RECEPTION 5:30-7:00 PM | MAIN CELEBRATION 7:00-9:00 PM
THE HOUSE AT 1229 | WASHINGTON, DC

The Celebration of Women & Girls is an intimate, invitation-only evening bringing together 150 leaders from the political, business, and philanthropic sectors. The event will feature an exclusive VIP pre-reception with special guests, followed by a celebration with passed hors d'oeuvres, food stations, music, drinks, and dessert to close the night, culminating in the presentation of our 2025 Visionary Award Honorees.

MEET OUR 2025 VISIONARY AWARD HONOREES



We are proud to honor the **Morris & Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation, accepted by Jane Lipton Cafritz, Board Chair and CEO of the Foundation.** The Morris and Gwendolyn Cafritz Foundation is deeply committed to improving the quality of life for all Washington, DC metropolitan area residents. The Foundation responds to community needs and opportunities in the areas of Arts and Humanities, Community Services, Education, the Environment and Health.

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We are proud to honor **Tonia Wellons, President & CEO of the Greater Washington Community Foundation,** the largest public foundation in the Greater Washington region. Under her leadership, The Community Foundation launched a bold 10-year strategic vision to help close the region's racial wealth gap by directing capital, strengthening civic and philanthropic infrastructure, and centering economic justice.

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WASHINGTON AREA WOMEN'S FOUNDATION

MISSION

Washington Area Women's Foundation is a community-supported foundation that invests in the power of women and girls of color in the Washington, D.C. region.

All proceeds from the 2025 Celebration of Women and Girls will support Washington Area Women's Foundation's mission.

Since 1998, we have awarded more than \$17 million in grants to more than 215 local community-based organizations and individuals.

HISTORY

The Washington Area Women's Foundation was built on the belief that women, united in purpose, can drive lasting change to improve the physical, social, and financial well-being of women and girls. Inspired by the growing "women's funding movement" across the United States and recognizing a critical need for Washington, D.C., a group of visionary women took action. What began as a simple invitation to an afternoon tea soon blossomed into a powerful movement. that evolved into what we proudly know today as Washington Area Women's Foundation.

OUR PROGRAMS

Maternal Health & Birth Equity Initiative

Every mother deserves a safe and supported birthing experience. We invest in community-driven solutions to dismantle racial disparities in maternal health and ensure that every birthing person has access to equitable care and resources.

Early Care and Education

To advance Early Care and Education we house the Early Care and Education Funder's Collaborative (ECEFC), connecting funders and facilitating learning, action, and philanthropy. The ECEFC funds advocacy and grassroots organizations to increase the quality and capacity of and access to early care and education in the Washington, D.C. region.

Young Women's Initiative

The Young Women's Initiative (YWI) is a national initiative of prominent women's foundations to ensure all young women—particularly young women of color—lead, prosper economically, and live safe and healthy lives. We put young people at the helm of advancing solutions to the problems they encounter in their lives and communities to advance gender equity and racial justice in DC and surrounding regions.

Black Women's Leadership Project

Black women nonprofit leaders face systemic challenges that hinder their success. The Black Women's Leadership Project (BWLP), inspired by our Thrive As They Lead report, addresses these barriers by strengthening the sector's infrastructure to ensure it is meeting their needs.

SIGNATURE EXPERIENCE SPONSORSHIPS

Make your mark on the 2025 Celebration of Women & Girls with exclusive opportunities to showcase your brand during pivotal moments of the event. These sponsorships not only elevate your visibility but also align your organization with experiences that inspire, engage, and leave a lasting impression on guests—while directly supporting women and girls across our region.

PRESENTING SPONSOR | \$15,000

Spotlight your commitment to empowering women and girls with premier visibility and exclusive engagement opportunities.

- Co-branded step-and-repeat banner for high-visibility branding
- Exclusive VIP pre-reception access for (4) four with key stakeholders, honorees, and prominent leaders in the region
- Admission for (4) four to the main Celebration
- Recognition as a sponsor of two (2) #AskHer series webinars
- Recognition on all event materials, including an on-screen feature at the venue
- Logo and/or name inclusion in all event-related communications



PROGRAM SPONSOR | \$10,000

Host attendees in a designated room to showcase your support of our priority focus areas from birth to the boardroom.

- Exclusive VIP pre-reception access for (2) two with key stakeholders, honorees, and prominent leaders in the region
- Branded materials throughout the room
- Recognition during main Celebration
- Admission for (2) two to the main Celebration
- Logo placement in all event materials
- Website and newsletter visibility

To learn more about partnership opportunities, visit wawf.org/2025celebration or contact us at events@wawf.org. Reserve your sponsorship [here](#).



VIP PRE-RECEPTION SPONSOR | \$7,500

Support the exclusive pre-reception where sponsors, board members, and prominent special guests connect.

- Exclusive VIP pre-reception access for (2) two with key stakeholders, honorees, and prominent leaders in the region
- Admission for (2) two to the main Celebration
- Verbal recognition at VIP reception
- Prominent logo display and signage at pre-reception
- Branded cocktail napkins or drink menu
- Recognition in event program, email, and website



DESSERT SPONSOR | \$5,000

Following the main Celebration, host the sweet conclusion to the evening celebration.

- Admission for (2) two to the main Celebration
- Branded dessert display or signature treat
- Recognition in closing remarks
- Logo and/or name placement at dessert station and in event program
- Event website and newsletter visibility

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