



*Many Women Do Noble Things,
But You Surpass Them All ~ Proverbs 31: 29*

1,000 Women for
**ANGELA
ALSOBROOKS**
Virtual Dinner

~Saturday, Nov. 21, 2020 - 5pm to 7pm~

By Authority: Friends of Angela D. Alsobrooks, Kimberly Seymour, Treasurer



Welcome

Angela Stribling, Mistress of Ceremonies and WHUR 96.3
and Sirius/XM Channel 141 radio personality

Noble Women

Video Presentation

Opening Remarks

County Executive Angela Alsobrooks

Opening Prayer & Blessing of Food

Reverend Mairene Madrid Flores

"Legacy"

A poem written and read by Marissa Michel, Prince George's County Youth Poet Laureate

Keynote Address

Dr. Iyanla Vanzant, inspirational speaker, lawyer, author, spiritual life coach, and television personality

Musical Selection

Lillie Grace, soloist

The 1,000 Women Panel Moderated by Angela Stribling

Featuring

Rosie Allen-Herring, President and CEO, United Way of the National Capital Area;

Melanie Campbell, President and CEO, National Coalition on Black Civic Participation;

Imani Ford, Next generation McDonald's franchise owner; and

Deirdre Stanley, Executive Vice President and General Counsel, The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

Introduction of Elected Officials

Mollie Byron

Sponsor Recognition

Remarks

County Executive Angela Alsobrooks

Musical Selections

Maysa Leak, Grammy-nominated, Soul Train Award Winning Soul/Jazz singer

Final Closing Remarks

County Executive Angela Alsobrooks & Mistress of Ceremonies Angela Stribling





In November 2018, Angela, a proud, life-long Prince Georgian, was elected as the 8th County Executive for Prince George's County and the first woman to hold the position. Her administration is committed to providing a world-class education system, safe communities and a robust economy that creates jobs and opportunities for all and increases the commercial tax base to ensure residents are provided with the services they deserve.

After graduating with her B.A. in Public Policy from Duke University and her J.D. from the University of Maryland Law School, Angela began her career as a Prince George's County Assistant State's Attorney in 1997, eventually becoming the county's first full-time prosecutor assigned to handle domestic violence cases.

In 2002, Angela was appointed by the County Executive to serve as Education Liaison, where she organized educational forums to help increase parental involvement in schools and environmental-based learning opportunities. In 2003, she was appointed the Executive Director of the county's Revenue Authority. Under her leadership, the agency increased revenue by 40% through their parking enforcement program and some of those funds were used to help the county maintain a balanced budget during the recession.

In 2010, Angela was elected to serve as the county's State's Attorney, becoming the youngest and first woman to be elected to the office in Prince George's County.

As the county's top law enforcement official, Angela played a key role in public safety and strived to carry out her responsibilities in a firm, fair and consistent manner. She fought for additional resources to ensure the office could appropriately support the needs of the community.

She created a truancy reduction initiative that works with schools to keep kids on the right path and also started a program called Back on Track – Prince George's, aimed at giving first-time, low-level, non-violent, felony drug dealers a second chance in the community. Under her leadership, prosecution rates rose across the board and remained steady during her tenure.

Angela is a member of the First Baptist Church of Glenarden and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and is involved in the effort to raise breast cancer awareness in her community. Angela resides in Upper Marlboro with her daughter, Alex.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



Dr. *Iyanla*
VANZANT

From welfare mother to New York Times best-selling author, from the Brooklyn projects to Emmy Award winner, from broken pieces to peace, Iyanla Vanzant is one of the country's most celebrated writers and public speakers, and she's among the most influential, socially engaged, and acclaimed spiritual life coaches of our time.

A woman of passion, vision, and purpose, Iyanla embodies a no-nonsense approach in her message and teaching style. Outspoken, fiery, transparent, truthful, and wise, she is living testament to the value in life's valleys and the power of acts of faith. On stage, as she tours the country, Iyanla uses humor and straight talk to deliver her consistent message of love, forgiveness and living your best life.

Today, Iyanla is the host and executive producer of the award-winning breakout hit "Iyanla: Fix My Life," the No. 1 reality show on OWN: Oprah Winfrey Network. It is here that Iyanla goes behind closed doors and deep inside people's lives to reveal emotionally riveting experiences where she applies spiritual principles to help people gain inner peace and healing by learning to "do the work."

1,000 WOMEN PANELISTS



Rosie Allen-Herring

**President and CEO, United Way
of the National Capital Area**

Rosie Allen-Herring is a national expert on public private partnerships, philanthropy and business strategy. She currently serves as the President and Chief Executive Officer of United Way of the National Capital Area (United Way NCA). Rosie is recognized as a thought leader who demonstrates the ability to convene public-private entities, to leverage talent and resources and create collective impact in communities across the region and beyond.

Rosie has more than 25 years of experience in the areas of strategic leadership, corporate philanthropy, and community investment. Formerly, Rosie held key leadership positions at Fannie Mae and the Department of Housing & Community Development. She was also the Senior Deputy Director of Washington, DC Community Business Center.

Rosie holds key leadership roles with several business and civic organizations, including serving on the Board of Directors for the Greater Washington Board of Trade, MedStar Health, Inc., District of Columbia Chamber of Commerce, Washington Area Women's Foundation, Board of Trustees at A.T. Still University, Prince George's Community College Foundation and several additional organizations.

Rosie has been honored by many organizations, including: Prince George Community College Foundation's Partnership Award (2016); Washington Business Journal's Power 100 Top Business Leaders (2017, 2015, 2014 and 2013); Washington Business Journal Minority Business Leader (2015); Hope Awardee for Calvary Women's Shelter (2015); Brava Top CEO Award (2014); Washingtonian Magazine's Most Powerful Women (2015 and 2013) and Washington Business Journal's Women Who Mean Business Award (2011). She exemplifies a "Servant Leader" philosophy in all she does.



Melanie Campbell

President and CEO, National Coalition on Black Civic Participation

Melanie Campbell is President/CEO of the National Coalition on Black Civic Participation and convener of the Black Women's Roundtable. Campbell is one of the hardest working leaders in today's Civil Rights, Women's Rights and Social Justice Movements. She recently celebrated 25 years of service with The National Coalition and has served as an advisor on critical social issues to U.S. presidents, congressional members, executives, philanthropists, faith leaders and others.

Campbell is dedicated to mentoring the next generation and counts among her most rewarding accomplishments creating initiatives like the Black Youth Vote civic leadership and organizing program at The National Coalition. She is also committed to lifting up Black women's leadership in social justice and has made this aim central to her life's work, through the Black Women's Roundtable.

She is a veteran coalition builder and is highly successful in leading civic engagement, voter empowerment and issue-based campaigns. Campbell releases an annual Black Women's Roundtable Report on the status of Black women during the BWR Women of Power Summit that celebrates Women's History Month, and presents an annual public policy agenda to members of Congress.

Campbell has served as a featured writer for the National Urban League's State of Black America and is regularly featured in ESSENCE, Washington Post, USA Today, and more. In March 2020, she was awarded the "Sustainer of the Flame Freedom Flame Award" by The Bridge Crossing Jubilee during the 55th Anniversary of Selma to Montgomery.

A native of Mims, Florida, Campbell has a B.A. in Business Administration from Clark Atlanta University and a certificate in non-profit executive management from Georgetown University. She is a member of the Inaugural Class of Progressive Women's Voices at the Women's Media Center and resident fellow alumni of the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University.



Imani Ford

Next generation McDonald's franchise owner

Imani Ford is a part owner of a McDonald's and is in the process of becoming a second generation McDonald's owner-operator. Imani's family business, Hopkins Navies Management, Inc., owns and operates eight McDonald's Restaurants in Prince George's County. They have owned McDonald's restaurants for over 25 years. Imani understands the importance of building generational wealth within the Black community, and believes "We must ensure we have a seat at the table so future generations can be game changers within any industry of their choosing."

Prior to returning to Prince George's County for succession training, Imani graduated from Spelman College, where she received a Bachelor of Arts degree in English. After graduation, Imani became an Account Executive with Moroch Advertising Agency, overseeing both the Atlanta, Georgia and Augusta, Georgia McDonald's markets.

In addition to pursuing her quest to be a McDonald's owner, Imani currently serves on the Board of Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington DC. She resides in Prince George's County with her husband, Kevin Ford, Jr., and their son, Kevin, III.



Deirdre Stanley

Executive Vice President and General Counsel, The Estée Lauder Companies Inc.

Deirdre Stanley is Executive Vice President and General Counsel of The Estée Lauder Companies (ELC). In this capacity, Ms. Stanley leads the company's legal strategy, practices and policies, and is responsible for ELC's Legal organization globally. Ms. Stanley is a member of the company's Executive Leadership Team and she advises ELC's Board of Directors and Executive Management on a variety of complex global legal issues and business interests.

Before joining The Estée Lauder Companies in 2019, Ms. Stanley served as General Counsel of The Thomson Reuters Corporation and its predecessor company for 17 years. During her tenure, Ms. Stanley held roles of increasing responsibility, culminating in her appointment as Chief Legal Officer where she oversaw worldwide legal affairs and operations.

Ms. Stanley began her career at the esteemed law firm Cravath, Swaine and Moore, and moved to the client side to pursue her interests in business with general counsel roles at the GTE Corporation, a predecessor company to Verizon, followed by InterActiveCorp/USA Networks, Inc., now IAC.

Ms. Stanley has been recognized for her leadership and commitment to diversity by various legal and civic organizations, with awards including Inside Counsel's Transformative Leadership Award, the National Law Journal's 20 Most Influential General Counsel recognition, and the Girl Scouts of New York Tribute Dinner awardee.

Ms. Stanley serves on the Board of Directors of Consolidated Edison, Inc. and on the Board of Trustees of the Hospital for Special Surgery and the Dalton School. She is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and the Executive Leadership Council. Ms. Stanley holds a bachelor's degree in Public Policy Studies from Duke University, and J.D. from Harvard Law School, where she was a member of the Harvard Law Review.

She resides in New York City with her husband and son.



M A Y S A

Maysa's unique, instantly identifiable vocal sound encompasses both Jazz and R&B, and, according to one critic, "will inspire young and old alike to slow dance with their boo." Grammy-nominated, Soul Train Award Winning singer Maysa celebrates her 29th year as a recording artist and 25th year as a solo artist in 2020.

Born and raised in Baltimore, Maysa Leak knew early on that she would be a musician. "I was six years old when my mom took me to see Purlie," she recalls. "When Melba Moore came on stage and sang her heart out, I knew at that moment I wanted to make people feel the way she made me feel."

Maysa started singing 25 years ago in Stevie Wonder's female backing group Wonderlove and later became the vocalist for British funk band Incognito. In 1995 she recorded her first solo album MAYSA, which debuted to rave reviews from critics and listeners alike.



Lillie GRACE

Lillie Grace is an accomplished, lifelong musician who has captivated audiences at home and abroad. Whether it was President Obama's First Inauguration or touring across Europe to minister through song, Lillie hopes to continue to glorify God, to be a blessing to all of her supporters, and to be a role model, providing, through humility and dedication, a positive example particularly to youth with aspirations of embarking upon a career in music.



Reverend Mairene Madrid Flores

Reverend Mairene Madrid Flores is the pastor at Levitical International Church. She helps the Spanish community by teaching English at Landover Hills Baptist Church.

“I am a Spanish salvadoreña native who resides in Forestville, MD, a single mom of one daughter Arielle and reborn Christian who found Christ after receiving deliverance and healing, I started to work in the ministry and I teach English.”



Marissa Michel

Poet

Marissa Michel is the 2020 Prince George's County Youth Poet Laureate and a second generation American of Haitian and Puerto Rican heritage. She is a Scholastic national award-winning teenage writer, published author, and artist. Marissa is also known for being an outspoken advocate for women of color, immigrants, and underserved communities. Her writing tends to reflect diverse experiences of living in America and center on topics of gender, race, and class.

Marissa became a Prince George's County Youth Poet Ambassador at 13 and won 4 regional awards in the prestigious Scholastic Arts and Writing 2018 Competition. After winning a national silver medal in writing, Marissa won 16 more regional Scholastic Awards in 2019 in categories spanning short story, personal memoir, photography, and more. Her poem "Second Generation American" and flash fiction piece "Momma Likes my Hair straight" can be found in the latest release of Pen In Hand; the Maryland Writers Association Official Literary Journal.

Marissa is also a member of the Maryland Writers Association. As a sophomore, Marissa is the youngest head in the history of the Female Empowerment Mission (FEM) club at Sidwell Friends High School, co-founder/co-head of the Students for Art and Music club, a digital editor of the Quarterly Magazine, and a choreographer on the dance team. She raises awareness about underrepresented POC as well as the complexities of intersectionality through all aspects of her work. Last December Marissa flew to Seattle as a member of a selected group of students to participate in the 2019 "Student Diversity Leadership Conference" (SDLC).

Marissa is also a member of the first Diversity and Ethical Leadership Conference Planning Board at her school. Marissa is a multi-talented, dedicated, spontaneous young writer who overcomes obstacles and brings a clear, loud and innovative voice to every issue she tackles.

LEGACY

A little girl opens a book of poetry
She is filled with Maya Angelou's joyous, lively, piercing word
And begins to hum her own sweet tune
of a fearless, freed bird

A kindergarten class learns of the triumph, and bravery of
women such as Susan B. Anthony, Harriet Tubman and Mary McLeod Bethune
they begin to look at the world around them
and yearn to continue the fight for the justice they are due

A movement uplifts ambitious leaders,
Like Madeleine Albright and Coretta Scott King,
Who prove what is possible when you pave your own path
and refuse to be stopped by anyone or anything

A people celebrate as Sonia Sotomayor
shows, Si Se Puede! Yes you can
and widens the door for so many more

A nation watches
as Michelle Obama, and Kamala Harris
walk across historic stages
Speak words of empowerment to millions
Uplift and inspire people of all ages

Somewhere in the world
A woman sees the success of her sisters near and far
and feels her power grow
A grandmother sees the once impossible come true
her smile stretches, her spirit glows

A seed is planted in the heart of a curious girl
Who stands on the shoulders of those who came before
She looks to their wisdom, strength, and courage
and dreams to be the future that their tireless work was for

Not everyone has the ability to make hopes and wishes come true
Not everyone can turn a red state blue

Now we face a horizon, bright and new
thanks to the women that changed the game
Their achievements make history
and we will never forget their names

When we reach to great new heights
Yet to be touched
Yet to be known
Remember the stories of remarkable girls and women
Who refused to accept the word "no"

1,000 WOMEN CO-CHAIRS



Pennie Abramson

In over 40 years of non-profit leadership and philanthropy, Pennie Abramson has been involved in nearly every cause to enhance public welfare through the arts, sciences, humanities, education, and the protection and development of children.

A lifelong resident of Maryland, Pennie is also a natural coalition builder and prolific fundraiser who has provided significant support to numerous Democratic causes and candidates in local, state, and federal elections.

Pennie's dedication to humanitarian and social activism is reinforced by many decades of consistent service to the preservation and growth of the organizations she serves, including: the National Foundation for Missing and Abused Children (NCMEC), Friends of Cancer Research, The Heifetz International Music Institute, Operation Embrace, Project MediShare, and Save A Child's Heart.

In 2010 Pennie was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from The Weizmann Institute of Science for her exemplary dedication over 35 years of service to the advancement of Israeli science. She is currently President Emeritus of the American Committee and remains a member of the executive committee on the International Board of Governors as well as The Feinberg Graduate School of the Weizmann Institute of Science in New York.

Twenty-five years ago, Pennie became a founding member and the first Chairman of the Montgomery County Public School (MCPS) Educational Foundation, where she still Chairs the Small Grants and Scholarships committee. Most recently, in response to the COVID-19 crisis, Pennie co-founded Fisher Island Gives, an emergency response campaign to benefit residents of the Miami-Dade community which just made an inaugural gift of \$1 million to benefit Feeding South Florida and Lotus House Women's Shelter in Miami.

Pennie has been married to her husband Gary Abramson for 50 years. They have three children and 4 grandchildren.



Cora Masters Barry

Professor and civic leader Cora Masters Barry was born in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. She graduated from Texas Southern University with a B.A. degree, and subsequently earned her M.A. degree in urban studies and public administration from Howard University in 1972. In 1976, Barry began teaching political science at the University of the District of Columbia, where she specialized in teaching “Black Politics, Comparative Political Studies, the Presidency, and the Constitution.” Barry also ran the voter registration drive for Marion Barry’s 1994 re-election campaign and chaired his inaugural committee.

As First Lady of the District of Columbia, Barry founded the Recreation Wish List Committee (RWLC) in 1995 to support recreational activities and provide a nurturing learning environment for underserved youth in Washington D.C. In 1995, she co-organized the “Women for the Million Man March.” In 2001, she founded the Southeast Tennis and Learning Center, a premier tennis and education facility.

Throughout her career, Barry has been the recipient of numerous awards, including the DC Chamber of Commerce Community Impact Award, being named the 2013 Washingtonian of the Year by Washingtonian Magazine, the USTA Founders Award, and the National Recreation and Park Association’s Robert Artz Citizen Advocacy Award.

Currently in addition to her leadership of the Recreation Wish List Committee, Cora Masters Barry serves as President, Marion Barry Jr, Legacy Foundation; Commissioner, the DC Arts and Humanities Commission; Board Member, National Coalition on Black Civic Participation; and Podcast Host, Nothing New Under the Sun.



Dr. Rev. Gwen Boyd

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Boyd is an engineer, leader, speaker, preacher and STEM advocate. She earned a B.S. in mathematics from Alabama State University, received a fellowship and was the first African-American female to earn a Master of Mechanical Engineering from Yale University. She earned a Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry degrees from Howard University.

The highlights of Boyd's professional career at the Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory were her work as part of engineering teams and her tenure as Chair of the Johns Hopkins Diversity Leadership Council.

Boyd returned to her alma mater and for three years served as the 14th and first female President of ASU. Nominated by President Barack Obama, she received Senate confirmation to serve as a trustee to the Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation and, later, on the President's Advisory Commission on Educational Excellence for African Americans.

She is an ordained itinerant elder in the African Methodist Episcopal Church and serves on the ministerial staff of Ebenezer AME Church in Fort Washington.

Boyd served as the 22nd National President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. Known as the "Technology President," she established technology usage in all facets of sorority activities and administration. Some transformative accomplishments during her tenure included Project SEE (Science in Everyday Experiences); NGO status at the United Nations; and humanitarian efforts in Swaziland, Lesotho and South Africa.

A member of the Capital City Chapter of The Links, she has served on local, area and national levels and as Interim Executive Director.

Dr. Boyd has received numerous awards for her accomplishments: four honorary doctorates; The Carver Medal from Simpson College; Chancellor's Award, from NCCU; Chairman's Award, NBCA Hall of Fame; President's Award, Black Women's Agenda. She is a member of Leadership Greater Washington and serves on the Board of Directors of MedStar Health Systems.



Janet Cook

Janet Stevens Cook has been a self-established entrepreneur for over 25 years. She was raised in Freeport Long Island, New York where she immersed herself in the arts by acting, modeling, and dancing. She attended Howard University, pledged the Delta Sigma Theta sorority, and graduated with a B.A. in Marketing. After graduation, she established multiple cuisine and juice bars before launching Dignity Services Inc., a youth development foundation. As an advocate for workforce development, she wanted to ensure the fair treatment of workers by opening her own labor staffing agency. In 2008 Janet published her first novel, "Black Sky." All the roads traveled by Janet have enabled her to give back to others through Mediocrity is Not An Option, a motivational speaking series for women designed to awaken the audience to their God given destinies and encourage them dedicate to a journey of self-discovery that will allow them to pursue a life full of purpose.

Janet is a widow and proud mother of two extraordinary children, Quinn and Kelsey Cook. Quinn resides in Oakland, CA, and is a two time NBA Champion, with the Los Angeles Lakers (2020) and the Golden State Warriors (2018), and an NCAA National Champion with Duke (2015). Kelsey resides in Los Angeles, CA where she is a member of the R&B group Cherry Bomb and the new CEO of Event Staff Inc. Janet believes her success as a businesswoman is rooted in her dedication and strong work ethic. She is proud that she has passed the torch of success to her children.



Kelsey Cook

Kelsey Cook was born in Washington DC and raised in Prince George's County, Maryland. At a very young age, Kelsey was bitten by the entertainment bug. Starting off by taking tap and jazz dance classes, she began her modeling and acting career at the age of 15 and eventually placed as a runner up in the Miss Maryland Teen USA Pageant.

At the age of 16, Kelsey entered the professional music scene when she signed with Song records and began her solo recording career. She worked with a variety of talented producers and songwriters while touring with Mindless Behavior. While pursuing her music career, she enrolled in The American Musical and Dramatic Academy, which is part of the New School in New York City.

Her label then sent her to Los Angeles to begin her television career, where she appeared in a variety of shows and eventually starred on *Pretty Princesses*, a story based on her life. In addition to her budding entertainment career, Kelsey opened up a family-owned staffing agency for events, parties, and weddings in Los Angeles. Her most recent project is an app that successfully merges her employees with gig work for underprivileged individuals.



Daphne Turpin Forbes

Daphne Turpin Forbes, Assistant General Counsel, is a trusted legal and business advisor at Microsoft with 20+ years of practice in the U.S. Public Sector and Commercial Regulated Industries. Her corporate experience spans several decades as in-house counsel at companies like Microsoft, Discovery Communications, ACS State & Local Solutions (formerly Lockheed Martin), Hyatt Hotels, and General Motors.

At Microsoft, Daphne is the lead counsel responsible for supporting a \$7B segment of Microsoft's U.S. Public Sector and Financial Services enterprise operating units. She manages a national legal team that supports public sector and commercial sales, state government affairs, PR/marketing, professional consulting services, devices, and product leadership teams in the State & Local Government, Education, and Financial Services. She focuses on various legal matters including complex technology and professional services negotiations, legal and regulatory issues related to digital transformation strategies, data privacy and security matters, critical infrastructure considerations, product/solution development, government and enterprise cloud, Artificial Intelligence ("AI"), public sector contracts/procurement law and ethics, public policy, matters raised by U.S. Attorneys General, and financial services regulations.

Daphne has served on various non-profit boards and advisory councils nationally and in the Washington, DC metropolitan area. She currently serves as Chair and Commissioner of the Liquor Board in Prince George's County, Maryland. She is also an adjunct law professor at the Howard University School of Law where she co-teaches a class on Technology and the Law.

Daphne is a member of the Maryland State Bar and National Bar Associations and is the corporate recipient of the Microsoft MVP Circle of Excellence (Gold Club) Award, the National Bar Association's Clyde E. Bailey Corporate Leadership Award and is the 2020 recipient of the Michigan State University's Distinguished Alumni Award. Daphne is a graduate of Michigan State University, and the American University Washington College of Law.



Jocelyn Krifcher

Jocelyn Krifcher is a seasoned community builder, advocate, lobbyist and activist. She serves on several national boards, including the Board of the Jewish Federations of North America, and AIPAC's National Council.

Locally, she has held multiple leadership roles at the Jewish Federation of Greater Washington, where she is currently Vice President for Financial Resource Development, raising millions of dollars annually for vulnerable populations and educational purposes. She has also served the Federation as Vice President for Strategic Planning and Allocations, Secretary, Vice President for Women's Philanthropy, Vice President for Israel and Overseas, and chair of the grants committee of the United Jewish Endowment Fund.

Jocelyn serves on many community boards and is currently on the Executive Committee of her synagogue. She has received numerous awards in recognition of her service including The Community Leadership Award from the Jewish Community Relations Council.

Jocelyn holds a Bachelor's degree from Hebrew University, Jerusalem and a Master's degree from Brandeis University. Jocelyn and her husband Danny live in Potomac, MD and are the proud parents of four children.

Jocelyn is thrilled and honored to be part of this magnificent event on behalf of the remarkable County Executive, Angela Alsobrooks.



Dr. Dawn Kum

Dawn A. Kum, Ph. D. started her career in the field of education in 1986. She has earned two Masters, one in Administration and the other in Curriculum Development & Supervision, in addition to her doctorate in Education Policy and Curriculum Development. During the span of her career, Dr. Kum has served in all capacities from classroom teacher to school principal and college professor, while working with various grades ranging from elementary school to master's degree candidates. As a classroom teacher, she has worked with regular education, Special Education, and other students placed at risk. Within the Higher Education system, she served as Faculty Advisor in the School of Teacher Education and full-time tenure track faculty. She has also served as a consultant, to various publishing companies, for curriculum development. This is note-worthy, because her expertise is not limited to direct delivery of service but extends to training the practitioners who are primarily responsible for educating our children.

In 2006, Dawn translated her dissertation into the design and implementation of a therapeutic high school currently located in Prince George's County. This school serves students, ages fourteen to twenty-two, who have been identified with Emotional, Behavioral, and other Disorders.

Dawn completed a CORO fellowship on The Art & Science of Effective Leadership in Corporate America. This fellowship enabled her to acquire the theoretical and practical expectations and responsibilities of leaders. And she competed Leadership Greater Washington Class of 2013.

Dawn is married to Vincent C. Gray (Former Mayor of Washington DC) and is the proud mother of two children. Emani, who is practicing law in the District of Columbia and Cecil who is studying Theatre at Boston University.

It is an honor to serve as one of the 1000 Women for Angela Alsobrooks.



Hon. Gloria Gary Lawlah

Gloria Gary Lawlah was elected to the Prince George's County Democratic Central Committee, the House of Delegates and the Senate, and was Secretary of the Department of Aging. A graduate of Hampton and Trinity Universities, one of Maryland's Top 100 Women, State Chair 1000 Maryland Women PAC, President of the Women Legislators of Maryland Foundation, Inc., and a member of Senates Past. She has served Biden for President in many capacities: Maryland Women for Biden, Biden Early Endorser, Biden for Maryland Leadership, Biden GOTV South Carolina, Marylanders for Biden, and Biden Whip. She is a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha and the Prince George's County Links Chapter, Inc. She is the mother of John, Gloria and Gary; grandmother of Jay, GG, Lillie, Leora, Jayda and Jaylynn; wife of Jack.



Necole Parker

Necole Parker is the CEO and Founder of The ELOCEN Group, LLC, a Program & Project Management provider of the built environment, committed to improving the quality of lives within our communities. Since forming ELOCEN in 2007, Necole has expertly managed and overseen project lifecycles from start to finish, consisting primarily of new construction and renovation projects within government and commercial sector markets. ELOCEN has secured numerous notable clients and the company has grown in both scale and capacity, achieving significant revenue gains.

With over 20 years of comprehensive Program & Project Management experience, Necole continues to build synergistic relationships that create value for each of ELOCEN's respected customers. Professional excellence, integrity, and a willingness to go the extra mile every time defines who she is.

Necole holds several Board positions including: Virginia Union University (Board Trustee), Revenue Authority for Prince George's County (Vice-Chair), SHABACH! Ministries, Inc., Walker's Legacy, Capital Region Minority Supplier Development Council (CRMSDC), DC Chamber of Commerce, and The ELOCEN Group Foundation (Chair). She also has memberships in various professional organizations and is the recipient of numerous industry awards and recognitions.

Necole seeks to enrich the lives of others through her non- profit, The ELOCEN Group Foundation, which serves as an advocacy framework for teen mothers and African-American males raised in single parent households. She understands the importance of community involvement and is committed to doing her part.

Necole earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration from the Virginia Union University, and has received certificates from the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth's Building A High-Performing Business Program (2014) and Tuck- WBENC Executive Program (2013). She is also a certified Facilities Management Professional through the International Facilities Management Association (2018).



Stephanie Williams

Stephanie L. Williams, President of Bozzuto Management Company and Operating Partner of The Bozzuto Group, has remained focused on providing extraordinary experiences to residents, clients, partners and employees of the company since joining in 2004.

Stephanie oversees Bozzuto Management Company's performance metrics and strategic expansion, directs day to day operations and leads an array of specialized initiatives to enhance the employee and customer journeys. The current portfolio footprint is comprised of 80,000 units across 270 properties in the Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Midwest and Southern regions. Prior to her role as President, Stephanie held several positions within The Bozzuto Group in their development and management divisions.

In 2017, Stephanie earned the Multi-Housing News Excellence Award for Executive of the Year, was named Minority Business Leader by Washington Business Journal and was honored as a member of Baltimore Business Journal's Top 40 Under 40. In 2018, under Stephanie's leadership, Bozzuto Management Company was awarded #1 Property Management Company by the National Association of Home Builders and has received national recognition for the past six years for the best online reputation in the industry. Stephanie is a board member of the Real Estate Executive Council (REEC) and Housing Association of Nonprofit Developers (HAND) and is also an active member of the Urban Land Institute (ULI), National Multifamily Housing Council (NMHC) and the District of Columbia Building Industry Association (DCBIA).

Stephanie earned a Bachelor of Arts in Community & Environmental Planning from the University of Washington, Seattle and a Masters of Community Planning from the University of Maryland, College Park. Originally from the west coast, Washington, D.C. has proudly been her home for the past 18 years.



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ELITE COLLECTION DISCOVERY SET

Includes: Quila Maldicion; Obatala; Yemoja Wise Woman; Oshun Woman Power Blends and After Glow Shower Oil

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