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Hi,

Early-Bird registration opened May 1 for PowerUP! Baltimore 2023. Welcome to all who have registered already.

May 4, 2023



If you haven't yet attended a large gathering post-pandemic, here's what it is like to re-connect with kindred women involved in collective giving: joyful, inspiring, and punctuated with peals of laughter.

**Philanos' national Conference,** *PowerUP!: The Spark Igniting Collaboration,* will deliver this and more in Baltimore on November 5-7. We're bringing many "firsts" to this gathering. For starters, it is being collaboratively organized by a group of Philanos Affiliates beginning with lead host, the <u>Women's Giving Circle of Howard County, MD</u> and

- Anne Arundel Women Giving Together
- Baltimore Women's Giving Circle
- Giving Together, Inc.

- Many Hands (DC)
- Women's Giving Circle of Harford County

plus, two regional networks of philanthropists, <u>Maryland Philanthropy Network</u> and <u>DMV Collective Giving Network</u>.

What can attendees expect? An opportunity to be inspired by an enormous roster of talent from these co-hosts and their connections including:

- Nationally recognized <u>keynote and plenary speakers</u> involved in leading-edge philanthropic practices;
- 20 carefully curated breakout sessions featuring leaders across the Philanos Affiliate network, in greater Baltimore and Washington, DC and their connections;
- Affinity groups or role-alike sessions on topics like those for affiliates with staff and for climate justice funders; and
- Plenty of built-in opportunities to network and collaborate with these women.

This also means that **early registration rates and our discounted blocks of hotel rooms will fill quickly, so <u>register for PowerUP! now</u> and don't miss out. Curious to learn details about the Conference? Attend our May webinar, <u>Sneak Preview: PowerUP! Baltimore 2023</u>, Tuesday, May 9, 12 PM ET, which is open to anyone.** 

See you in Baltimore!



Greater Giving Summit, Gates Foundation, Seattle, April 2023

#### Finally, attend an upcoming event:

- May Webinar Sneak Preview: PowerUP! Baltimore 2023, Tuesday, May
   9, 12 PM ET, open to everyone
- Comms Club, Thursday, May 18, 12 PM ET
- Tech Talk, Thursday June 15, 12 PM ET



## **Meet Our PowerUP! Baltimore Speakers**



Lisa Hamilton
President & CEO
The Annie E. Casey Foundation
11/5 Dinner Keynote Speaker



Hanh Le Co-CEO If, A Foundation for Radical Possibility 11/6 Breakfast Plenary Speaker



Kerrian "Kay" Suarez
President & CEO
Equity in the Center
11/6 Lunch Plenary Speaker



Victoria Vrana
CEO
Global Giving
11/7 Breakfast Plenary Speaker

**The Willoughby & Spotlight Award Nominations Are Open!** 



2022 Willoughby Award Winner Impact100 Sonoma Member Catalyst Fund Founder

The 2023 Willoughby Award Nominations Close August 1



Philanos Affiliates are invited to recognize a Grant Partner or Community Group for the important work they have done for their local communities.

**Nominations Close August 1** 

#### **Did You Know?**

Philanos Affiliate benefits are not restricted to leadership!

Are you a committee chair, member of the grants committee or communications committee? <u>Subscribe here</u> and you will be linked to your organization to gain access to all of the Philanos Affiliate Benefits.

We welcome all of your members!

#### **June 15 Renewals**

Affiliates with a dues renewal date of June 15, please be sure to process your payment in plenty of time to ensure your members receive the PowerUP! Baltimore 2023 Philanos Affiliate registration rates.

## **Philanos Upcoming Events**





Register



### **Departing Board Members**



# Rebekah Bonde, Philanos Treasurer Washington Women's Foundation

Rebekah first joined the board of Philanos when we were WCGN in 2016 and immediately made an impact! She helped build out the necessary structure to the accounting practices and policies. Rebekah's knowledge, and due diligence were so evident and well respected among the board members. Before she rolled off in 2019, she made sure we had another very capable Treasurer in place for the board - Val Kirk, whom she had worked with at Impact Austin. Rebekah rolled back on to the board in 2021, and built a great finance committee, and continued to enhance the presentation of the financial reporting to the board. Rebekah is a constant learner. servant leader and a dear friend to all whom she meets! Thank you for serving Philanos, Rebekah!

# Paula Perkins, Philanos Governance Chair Impact100 Wichita Falls

When I interviewed Paula Perkins about the possibility of serving on Philanos' Board, she told me that she LOVED governance. Little did I know how her passion would translate into action. We now have a full year governance calendar; updated and approved committee charters and bylaws; a streamlined and enhanced nomination process for new Board and Governance Committee members, resulting in the largest cohort of new Board members in Philanos history; and a new Board member manual that is a vision of functionality and beauty, just for starters. All this while working full-time and being a part-time graduate student! On behalf of the Board and the Philanos community who benefit from your dedication and expertise, we give profound thanks and look forward to seeing your name in the stars of your next chapter!



# Johnson Center for Philanthropy Launches The 2023 U.S. Collective Giving Landscape Research Initiative

The collective giving movement in the U.S. has been led by women, and we're proud to be a part of changing philanthropy to be more accessible, proactive, and collaborative! The 2016 Landscape Research Study found that women make up more than half of the membership of 70 percent of giving circles. We're glad to share that the deadline for the 2023 U.S. Landscape Research Study on Collective Giving has been extended to May 31 to capture more responses. If you haven't already, be part of this important research study. Take the survey: <a href="http://collective.giving">http://collective.giving</a>



## **Trending on the Affiliate Forums**

- Grants to Fund Operations
- <u>Honoraria</u> for Speakers (including grantees)
- Collecting Demographic Data

### **Affiliate Anniversaries**

Any <u>affiliate anniversary</u> celebrations this year? Let us know how many years you're celebrating!

<u>Email</u> your affiliate's anniversary images, celebration details and other information so we can share!





### **Expanded Connections - Philanos Affiliate Impact 100 Redwood** Circle

Philanos Affiliate, Impact 100 Redwood Circle, in Santa Rosa, California recently held a <u>Community Investment Network</u> workshop - *Expanded* Connections. The circle's Leadership Team and "Busting Bias" Committee came together for a day dedicated to listening and learning. Sponsored by Philanthropy Together and facilitated by Community Investment Members, Joy Webb and Michelle Serrano, the result was solid, realistic and actionable things to do towards expanding and celebrating diversity that represents their community. The circle will receive 2 follow-on coaching sessions for a small leadership group and this affiliate is looking forward to what is next!

#### **Good Reads**

How Donors Can Put Equity into Practice for More Effective Giving The Center for More Effective Philanthropy



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