



THE MARYLAND WOMEN'S HERITAGE CENTER

The MWHC is proud to announce that we have found a temporary home for at least the next two years through the largess of David Hillman, who has graciously provided approximately 2500 square feet of space at 39 W. Lexington Street; in the former BGE building. Look for our grand opening in the next couple of months.

The Maryland Women's Heritage Center (MWHC), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, will provide a place to learn and teach about the contributions of Maryland women throughout our state's history. The Center is envisioned as a museum, learning and resource center, archives, showcase for Maryland women in the arts, and a place for gathering to discuss issues impacting on women. The mission of the Center is *to preserve the past, understand the present, and shape the future by recognizing, respecting, and transmitting the experiences and contributions of Maryland women of diverse backgrounds and regions.*

The Center is an outgrowth of the Maryland Women's History Project, established in 1981 as a cooperative program of the Maryland Commission for Women and the Maryland State Department of Education. In 2003 First Lady Kendel Ehrlich and State Superintendent of Schools Nancy S. Grasmick made a commitment to provide vision and leadership towards the establishment of the Maryland Women's Heritage Center. Through the continuing support and leadership of former First Lady Frances Glendening, who is Chair of the MWHC board and First Lady, Judge Catherine Curran O'Malley, the Maryland Women's Heritage Center continues to move forward.

The Maryland Women's Heritage Center (MWHC) is envisioned as a vital, interactive site that will breathe life into information and artifacts which reflect the roles and achievements of Maryland women from every part of the state, from a wide range of cultural and economic backgrounds, and in every field of endeavor. It will be a space to present the diverse stories of well-known women, of women honored in the Maryland Women's Hall of Fame, and of unsung heroines, as well as to preserve the histories of women's organizations and institutions. The Maryland Women's Heritage Center, the first state project of its kind in the nation, will provide an educational facility that will be visited by students, families, community members, tourists, researchers and others interested in learning the rich history that may have been omitted in their own education. It will also be a site to hold seminars, discussions, and programs on current issues impacting on women and girls.

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If you would like to donate, please make your check payable to:

The Maryland Women's Heritage Center
(MWHC) and mail it to P.O. Box 719, Brooklandville, Maryland 21022-0719

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****HOW I CAN HELP****

Ways in Which I Can Provide

Support for The Maryland Women's Heritage Center

These activities are of interest to me:

- Raise public awareness of the Center through networking, newsletters, web sites, and special events
- Identify possible donors and sponsors
- Make a financial contribution
- Publicize fund-raising campaigns
- Sponsor fund-raising events
- Recommend ideas for displays, exhibits, and programs
- Identify local sources for artifacts and memorabilia
- Identify local women and women's history to be included in the Center
- Collect and contribute artifacts and materials for displays and exhibits
- Contribute archival information about local women's organizations
- Identify possible speakers, consultants, and participants for Center programs

SUPPORTING AND PROMOTING THE MARYLAND WOMEN'S HERITAGE CENTER

**Please provide informational materials about the Maryland Women's Heritage
Center for the upcoming event(s):**

Event _____

Date _____

Location _____

Contact Person _____

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