



2021

ANNUAL REPORT

**IVY AND PEARLS OF
SOUTHERN
MARYLAND COMMUNITY
CHARITIES, INCORPORATED**

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MISSION



The mission of Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. is to support the Maryland communities of Charles and St. Mary's Counties through educational, charitable, financial, cultural, and health-related resources in order to enhance the socio-economic condition of our environment.

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HISTORY



In March of 2013, a group of women of like mind, gathered to create an organization that would focus solely on eradicating the socioeconomic differences through philanthropy. Throughout 2014, the committee continued to meet and attend workshops. The charity's bylaws were drafted. The group named this new organization, Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities Incorporated (IPSMCC). Under the leadership of Natalie Hart (President), Denise Barnes, (Vice President), and Miriam Matthews Clark (Executive Director), IPSMCC officially became a 501(c)(3) non-profit charitable organization in August 2015. All of the forms were completed for the State of Maryland by newly appointed Executive Director, Carmella Davis Watkins, so that it could fully function and implement the socio-economic goals related to health, education, the arts and economic empowerment.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS



President	Denise Barnes
Vice President	Kristia Watkins
Recording Secretary	Starlisha Anderson
Corresponding Secretary	Judy Estep
Treasurer	Faith Cooper
Financial Secretary	Mashonda Walston
Asst. Financial Secretary	Donna Cunningham
Historian	Brenda Chase
Chaplain	Donnis Armstrong
Executive Director	Carmella Davis Watkins
Past President 1	Eva Chesley
Resource Development	Jacqueline Gray
Director 1	Delores Datcher
Director 2	Andrea Henderson
Parliamentarian	Natalie Hart
Member	Karleshia Dorsey
Member	Francine Dove Hawkins

COMMITTEE CHAIRS



Starlisha Anderson

Sharon Bond

Arin Bonner

Felicity Booker

Desney Bowen

Carol Cawthorne

Faith Cooper

Laura Dunk

Jacqueline Gray

Natalie Hart

Francine Dove Hawkins

Holiday Jones

Jessica Jones

Diane Parker

Yolanda Penn

Rochelle Savoy

Da'Net Sturdifen

Chimere Taylor

Wualanda Thenstead

Message from the **OUTGOING PRESIDENT**



I hope you will share in the gratitude I have for our 115 members who were here for all the challenges 2021 delivered. Your cooperative spirit weathered the changes and allowed Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) to deliver reliable services to southern Maryland.

At our Annual Meeting, we are confident that those seeking knowledge will see the inside story of how Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated approached the daily challenges and shifting to a global pandemic. As such, we have developed the enclosed publication of the IPSMCC story during the past year. Although we are still in this pandemic, almost two years later, this meeting will provide an opportunity to catalogue our collective experiences and capture for history how the Board and its members lifted our community and served those in need.

Even though our major fundraisers didn't occur, programs were able to be carried out with the assistance of your Program Contribution and two grants: Breast Cancer Awareness webinars, The Pop-up Community Health Fair that debuted the mobile Mammogram unit which was an outstanding success, A Time to Remember: A Musical Journey, awarding of scholarships, sponsorships were made to ST. Mary's County NAACP Annual Back to School Fair, Faith Temple Baptist Church and Morgan State University Southern Maryland Alumni Chapter.

Improved Charities' operations were developed through Corporate Office Foundation webinars, non-profits meetings and training, financial review, presentations from Karla Hall on investments and Pro Bona, Reed Smith LLP, Liza Craig, on our legal issues.

Our task is not over. We will be enduring this COVID-19 pandemic over the course of 2022. But as we continue our mission, we owe a debt of gratitude to our Board, members, supporters, and our partner, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.*. You stepped up and provided your time, talent and treasure and have been a key piece in helping us navigate this challenge. I hope that you take a moment to reflect on what we have accomplished together. Just know I am prouder than ever to have worked alongside each of you.

Wishing you the best of a New Year!

Denise Barnes

Message from the **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**



Greetings,

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. has accomplished much considering that we have endured a pandemic. We have not been able to fully host in person events but we have persevered. I believe that we are setting the stage so that when we can fully engage in the community, we will hit the ground running. I want to personally thank every supporter who has donated to our causes. I also want to thank the members who have stood in the gap during this trying time.

We want you all to remain motivated and inspired to continue this work begun. Remain engaged to move forward with our goals and objectives. There is still much to do and we will make a difference. I want to thank those responsible for producing our annual report this year: Donnis Armstrong, Faith Cooper, Celisa Glasper, and Carol Cawthorne.

Finally, I want to personally thank our outgoing President, Denise Barnes, for her hard work and welcome our new President, Andrea Henderson and look forward to working with her.

It is particularly important to emphasize IPSMCC Inc. is an all volunteer organization, in which all donations are returned to the community. The operations are covered by member fees. IPSMCC was able to continue to provide pandemic relief and recovery to the Southern Maryland community. There was no decline in volunteerism.

We will continue to grow and be involved in the Southern Maryland Community and we look forward to working with you.

Carmella Davis Watkins, PRP
Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.
executivedirector@ipsmcc.org

2021 ANNUAL MEETING



Annual Meeting (Virtual)

Saturday, February 13, 2021

10:00 AM - Noon

Agenda

Roll Call	Starlisha Anderson, Secretary
Call to Order	Denise Barnes, President
Meditation	Donna Cunningham, Chaplain
Reading and Approval of Minutes	Starlisha Anderson, Secretary
Reports of Officers and Standing Committees	
President's Report	Denise Barnes
Executive Director's Report	Carmella Davis Watkins
Annual Report	Carmella Davis Watkins, Carol Cawthorne, Kristia Watkins - Financial Secretary, Yolanda Penn - Treasurer
Technology	Jessica N. Jones
Nominating	Francine Dove Hawkins
Scholarship	Wualanda Thenstead
Resource Development	Jacqueline Gray
Grant	Arin Bonner
Unfinished Business	
New Business	
Presentation of 2021 Budget	Yolanda Penn
Voting	Jessica N. Jones & Francine Dove Hawkins
Installation of Officers	Donine Carrington-Martin
Closing Remarks	
Adjournment	

2021 ANNUAL MEETING



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.
P.O. Box 975
Waldorf, Maryland 20604

Annual Meeting
February 17, 2021
Virtual Zoom Meeting

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

MINUTES:

- Roll Call: Participants recorded via zoom attendees/participant list by recording secretary – 78 members were in attendance.
- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Denise Barnes at 10:08 AM.
- Meditation: Meditation read by Donna Cunningham, Charities Chaplain
- Reading and Approval of Minutes: Minutes for February 1, 2020, annual meeting were read aloud to members and were approved/adopted with no corrections, but one clarification. Member asked for clarification regarding the annual signature event being the Jazz Brunch or Debutante Cotillion. President Barnes clarified it the two events would take place on the alternate year. February annual meeting minutes were included in the 2020 annual report and distributed.
- President's Report: President Barnes covered the purpose of the meeting, to report out on the many activities and accomplishments of IPSMCC during 2020, and to vote to elect new members of the Board of Directors. President Barnes welcomed members to the 2021 annual meeting and expressed gratitude for all the great things we have done in 2020.
- Executive Director's Report: Carmella Watkins provided an overview of the many activities of the Charities and meetings attended in support of strengthening the Charities foundation. She covered the purpose of the Annual Report and requested further support from all members and praised the work of the members and the annual report committee.
- Annual Report – On file and distributed to members:
 - Technology: Jessica Jones provided an overview of all technology initiatives in support of IPSMCC and proposals for 2021
 - Nominating Committee: Francine Dove-Hawkins reported a list of nominated candidates for open Board positions. President Barnes called for additional nominations from the floor.

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- Agnes Lilly nominated Donnis Armstrong for recording secretary
- Delores Datcher nominated Judy Estep for corresponding secretary
- Mashonda Walston nominated Mashonda Walston (self-nomination) for financial secretary
- Donna Cunningham nominated Donna Cunningham (self-nomination) for Assistant Financial secretary
- Sharon Bond nominated Sharon Bond for Financial Secretary
- Rochelle Savoy nominated Delores Datcher for Director-at-Large 1
- Andrea Henderson was nominated for Director-at-Large 2
- Scholarship: Wualanda Thenstead reported on several scholarships offered to students throughout 2020.
- Resource Development: Jackie Gray provided the status of fundraising events and proposals for 2021
- Grants: Arin Bonner provided an overview of the various grants awarded to IPSMCC during 2020 and our way forward to obtain future grants to support program and charity activities.
- 2021 Budget: The proposed budget was presented to Yolanda Penn, treasurer, to members. A motion was made to vote on the adoption of the 2021 budget; the motion passed. The budget received 52 yes votes and 4 no votes; for a total of 56 votes cast.
- Voting of new officers: All nominated officers were voted on; 60 votes were cast (97%) voted.
- Installation of officers: Elected officers were installed

The meeting adjourned at 1:08 PM.

Submitted by: Starlisha Anderson, Recording Secretary

Approved by:

Date Approved:

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



The Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. organized its programs and activities to focus on education, health, the arts, and economic empowerment.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



MLK DAY OF SERVICE COMMUNITY IMPACT DAY

Chairman: Francine Dove Hawkins

Co-Chairman: Rochelle Savoy

Dr. Martin Luther King's legacy was honored on January 18, 2021 with programs providing vital services to the St. Mary's Community. For the 5th consecutive year, Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc., in collaboration with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® assumed a premier role in the MLK Holiday's "National Day On" Campaign by serving as a sponsor of the St. Mary's College of Maryland's Virtual 17th Annual MLK Prayer Celebration and as the host and lead sponsor of the MLK Day of Service.



IPSMCC, St. Mary's College, Nu Zeta Omega of AKA Sorority Incorporated®, and 4 other sponsors of the event (St. Mary's County Public Schools, the St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission, the St. Mary's Branch of the NAACP, and the College of Southern Maryland), due to COVID-19, modified the annual affair by substituting a Virtual Prayer Celebration for its Annual Prayer Breakfast with more than 280 logins noted for the event.

The Virtual Prayer Celebration kicked off at 8 AM with an uplifting duet performed by St. Peter Claver Catholic Church choir duet (Member Stevie-Mari Starks and Denisha LaFleur) with music provided by Roy Johnson, an alumnus of St. Mary's College. Dr. Tuajuanda C. Jordan, President of St. Mary's College, introduced the keynote speaker, Dr. Crystal M. Fleming, a noted American sociologist, professor of sociology and Africana studies, and author of two books about race and white supremacy. Dr. Fleming challenged the audience to soul search and strive to realize in the community "what matters most to them."

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Also performing at the Virtual Prayer Celebration were St. Mary's Ryken students providing an inspiring modern dance, the Spring Ridge Middle School Rhythm Club, and St. Mary's Ryken students providing a beautiful rendition of "The Black National Anthem". The powerful opening and closing prayers were provided by Rev. Dante Eubanks, pastor of New Covenant Christian Worship Center.

MLK DAY OF SERVICE - PART 2

Following the Virtual Prayer Celebration, the MLK Day of Service kicked off at 9:30AM and went through 2 PM on January 18, 2021, starting with the showing of a breast cancer awareness video focused on "Breast Cancer Health Disparities, Life Saving Tips, and Tribute to Cancer Survivors." The video and the Day of Service were sponsored by Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. (IPSMCC); in collaboration with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter and the Rural Maryland Council.



At 10 AM the Community Drive-By Donation Collection Program began and was simultaneously held at the three sites: St. Mary's College of Maryland, St. Mary's Ryken High School, and St. Peter Claver Catholic Church. Transporting the donated items from the three sites to a single site, the Global Village, was completed by the Knights of St. Jerome and Anthony and Adrina Allen (Southern Maryland Top Ladies of Distinction). At the Global Village, the donations were sorted, counted, boxed, and ultimately sent out to the community organizations for distribution.

This was perhaps the most productive MLK Day of Service ever in terms of the total amount of donations collected in the face of the COVID pandemic, which required donators to drive out in the community in the cold to donate. Collected

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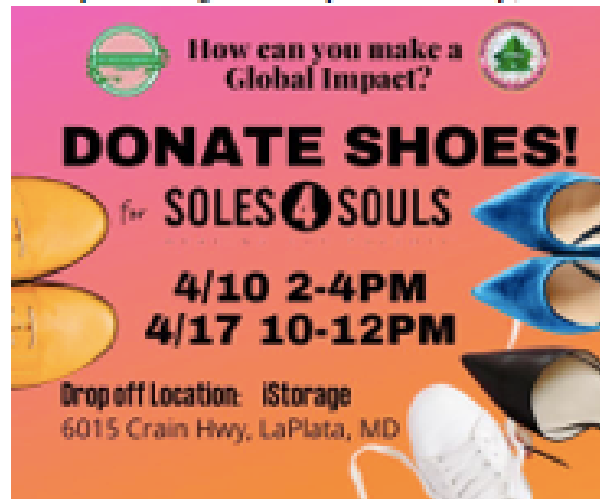
were a total of 1659 donated items at the 3 sites: 245 pairs of shoes for Soles4Souls; 571 canned goods delivered to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church's Food Pantry and 60 canned goods to St. Mary's College of Maryland's Pantry; and 64 pairs of eyeglasses to the Lions Club International; 178 coats to The Mission; and 65 Gloves; 139 Hats; 282 Socks; 44 Scarves; and 11 Blankets to WARM.

In addition to the collection of material goods for the community, IPSMCC collected monetary donations that totaled \$1,281.34. The money collected was equally divided and donated to The Mission and

Wrapping Arms Round Many (WARM), two County non-profits that work with the homeless. Checks were presented to the two organizations by the President Denise Barnes, and Executive Director Carmella Watkins Davis of Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.

The MLK Prayer Celebration and Day of Service drew community-wide attendance, including Congressman Steny Hoyer, local government officials, religious leaders, businesspersons, community activists and others.

The success of MLK Holiday's "National Day On" Campaign was attributed to a powerful coalition of organizations coming together to work for a single purpose - to serve the community both because of and despite COVID. The major hosts, sponsors and partners of the day in addition to Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. were Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, College of Southern Maryland, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church; St. Mary's Branch of the NAACP; St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission; St. Mary's College of Maryland; St. Mary's County Public Schools; Knights of St. Jerome; St. Mary's Ryken High School; St. Peter Claver Catholic Church; Southern Maryland Top Ladies of Distinction; The Mission; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Sigma Alpha Lambda Chapter; and WARM. At least 50 members of IPSMCC participated.



NCAA Eligibility & Scholarship Search Workshop: An AKA #CAP Collaboration Chapters Activity

Chair: Wualanda Thenstead

This workshop, held January 23, 2021, was sponsored by Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. in conjunction with the AKA #CAP Collaboration Chapters to provide orientation and information related to maximizing NCAA Scholarship opportunities. Students and parents learned about NCAA Division I and Division II colleges/universities' scholastic requirements and how to navigate the Eligibility Center. Information was presented by the Eligibility Center Assistant Director, Trae Heeter. Students and parents were also provided with a strategic plan for seeking out scholarships including where and when to look for scholarships. Additionally, they were made aware of several upcoming scholarship application closing dates in February, March, and April of 2021.

Guidance was provided as to how to apply for scholarships and to be sure not to overlook available small-dollar scholarships. Students were advised to check email consistently for updates, once they have applied and to be sure to follow up. Students were also provided with the link to get started with the Eligibility Center registration process and links to various scholarships and organizations offering scholarships.

There were 19 persons in attendance, all of whom were enthusiastic about the information presented. This was a successful and very worthwhile workshop.



PINK GOES RED – 2021

Heart disease is the leading cause of death for women in the United States. Women of African descent have a 50 percent greater risk of developing cardiovascular disease than any other racial group. To combat the risk of heart disease, Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. partnered with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® and Giant Foods to sponsor “Pink Goes Red, Eating for a Healthy Heart” on February 5, 2021.



This was one of the first virtual events of the year, and it was a huge success. The program was open to the community and there were close to 70 participants. The program focused on the prevention of heart disease through healthier eating habits. Tracy Cutler, Health Educator, opened the program with a discussion on the impacts of heart disease for African-Americans. She was followed by Giant Food's, Emily Massi, who challenged the audience to consider how the foods they eat impact their hearts. Emily provided ideas for ways participants could manage their



cholesterol and hypertension by selecting healthier food options. She also provided meal ideas for the audience to implement following the program.

The program closed with a question and answer session between the audience and Ms. Massi. The questions addressed ranged from topics such as whether multi-vitamins are a good nutrition supplement to eating meat, to how exercise factors into diet. IPSMCC looks forward to continuing the discussion of heart health by partnering with Giant Foods again in the Fall.

Breast Cancer Awareness: Having a Healthy Heart

Chairman: Cynthia Thomas

Co-Chairman: Diane Parker

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities Inc. in partnership with The Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention Subcommittee, and in support of the Rural Maryland Council Grant presented a three-part Zoom webinar series during the months of February, March, and April 2021.

The first of the three, Breast Cancer Awareness: "Having a Healthy Heart: Do You Know Your Heart Disease Risk? Do You Know Your Breast Cancer Risk?" was held on February 23, 2021.

This webinar was held virtually and focused on women's health and bringing awareness of health issues to underserved minority women. The emphasis of the program was breast cancer and heart health because the two can have some overlapping factors.

Dr. Claudia Baquet, a renowned researcher and health advocate was the guest speaker. Her research has laid a foundation for what is now called "cancer health disparities research and social determinants of health."

The successful program was viewed by 127 participants. A survey was taken by 93 viewers. It resulted in 92.5% finding the information relevant and helpful. While 87.1% were highly satisfied and would attend the next two webinars in the series.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Women's Health Awareness Month

Women's Health Disparities

Chairman: Cynthia Thomas

Co-Chairman: Diane Parker

The webinar series, held in partnership with Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. and in support of the Rural Maryland Council Grant is about Women's Health and bringing awareness of health issues to underserved women of color. The series started in the month of February. This second webinar, "Women's Health Disparities in the Pandemic", was held via Zoom, on March 16, 2021 for a diverse audience of over 100 participants. There were two guest speakers: Dr. Claudia Baquet and Dr. Dianna Abney, who has recently returned as

the Health Officer for the Charles County Department of Health.

The goal of the program was to present information on Black women, the pandemic, clinical trials, and health disparities on the national and county levels.

The program was successful and was viewed by 110 participants.

A survey was taken by 71 participating viewers. Of those, 69.01% found the

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In Partnership with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. * Nu Zeta Omega Chapter

**Webinar Series:
Breast Cancer Awareness**

Feb. 23 Heart Health Awareness Month / 6:30 PM
Having a Healthy Heart
Do You Know Your Heart Disease Risk?
Do You Know Your Breast Cancer Risk?

Mar. 16 Women's Health Awareness Month / 6:30 PM
Women's Health Disparities in the Pandemic

Apr. 20 Cancer Awareness Month / 6:30 PM
Minority Access to Health Care and Resources

To register for this event:
<https://linktr.ee/ipsmcc>

RMC
Rural Maryland Council

Web Series Details

Breast cancer, heart disease, women's health, and other wellness issues are essential for the communities' socio-economic condition. This 3-seminar series will cover critical health topics for minority women and families, especially during the COVID-19 pandemic. Attendance and participation at all three seminars will result in a certificate for each program participant.

Denise Barnes, President
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information presented extremely useful and 26.76% found the information very useful. While 81.69% thought that the program was excellent and 15.49% thought that it was very good.

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FARMERS FEEDING CHARLES COUNTY

Chairman: Laura Dunk

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. joined the Women's Health and Wellness Committee of Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® and Charles County Commissioner Gilbert "B. J." Bowling, III in "Farmers Feeding Charles County" on Saturday, March 27, 2021 from 2 to 4 PM at Eva Turner Elementary School in Waldorf, MD. Residents received recipe cards to help prepare the perfect meal. Over 150 seasonal food boxes were distributed to residents of Charles County. Breast Cancer and Heart Health awareness materials were also distributed.



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Chairman: Cynthia Thomas
Co-Chairman: Diane Parker

This webinar, held April 20, 2021, was the last in the series of 3. It covered the topic of Minority access to Health care. There were 4 panelists, Dr. Claudia Baquet, Ms. Christine Schiffkovitz of the American Cancer Society, Ms. Angela Cochran of St. Mary's County Department of Health and Ms. Linda Barnes from the Charles County Department of Health.



They spoke about national and local health issues, including available resources on both levels. The panelists shared information regarding disparities related to available treatments. They talked about how to access resources, such as mammograms, other related cancer tests, physicals and nutrition, as well as information about associated costs and more.

The panel discussion was followed by a lively Q&A Session. This 3 part series was sponsored by Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated.

HYGIENE KITS FOR THE HOMELESS

Chairman: Starlisha Anderson

Co-chairman, Tami Davis.

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, in collaboration with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, delivered 304 hygiene kits to local shelters on Thursday, April 22, 2021. President, Denise Barnes, and members Carmella Davis Watkins, Kristia Watkins, Tami Davis and Tawanya Hopkins met at the Robert J. Fuller House to deliver 128 adult hygiene kits. They then proceeded to the Angel's Watch Shelter - Catholic Charities to deliver an additional 96 adult and female hygiene kits to those in need.

This event was sponsored by IPSMCC through a grant from Charles County Charitable trust of \$1290.



FARMERS FEEDING CHARLES COUNTY

Chairman: Laura Dunk

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc., in collaboration with the Women's Health and Wellness Committee of Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, joined Charles County Commissioner, "B.J." Bowling, III (District 1) in "Farmers Feeding Charles County" on Saturday, May 22, 2021, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Mt Hope Nanjemoy Elementary School in Nanjemoy, MD. There were 75 families participating in this 2nd of 3 Farmers Feeding Charles County activities. Residents were given local produce and meats. They were also able to receive their COVID 19 Vaccinations. Food boxes were distributed and health and financial awareness materials such as Breast Cancer Awareness, Heart Health Awareness, Nutrition and Financial Literacy were also distributed.

This event was sponsored by IPSMCC, Inc. and the Rural Maryland Council Grant.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Summer Backpack Program and BBQ Barnhart Elementary

Chairman: Laura Dunk



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc., joined with Women's Health and Wellness Committee of Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® and the C. Paul Barnhart Elementary School for their Summer Backpack Program and BBQ on Tuesday, May 25, 2021 from 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm in Waldorf, MD. Students received full-sized backpacks, summer grade level workbooks, and much more. Nutrition and Heart Health awareness

materials for children were also handed out.

This program was supported with funding from IPSMCC and the Rural Maryland Council Grant. There were 300 attendees and participants.

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Banking 101: The Importance of Saving

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. in collaboration with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® and Industrial Bank of Washington, D.C., the only minority-chartered bank in the DMV, held a virtual webinar via Zoom and Facebook live on Tuesday, May 25th, titled “Banking 101: The Importance of Saving.” The event was chaired by IPSMCC member, Starlisha Anderson and facilitated by Industrial Bank’s Senior Vice President of the Retail and Operations Banking Division, Ms. Jaqueline Boles who provided critical tips on how to save money and decrease spending. Over 55 participants joined the webinar.

 *Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.[®]
Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
Denise Barnes, President* 

Presents a FREE Virtual Webinar

BANKING 101
THE IMPORTANCE OF SAVINGS
MAY 25 | 6:30-7:30PM

Building Your Economic Legacy
Banking 101 and The Importance of Savings
presented by
Industrial Bank Senior VP, Ms. Jaqueline Boles

Registration Link <http://bit.ly/Target3Banking101>

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



PERSONAL FINANCIAL PLANNING AND ASSET ACCUMULATION UNDERSTANDING AND MANAGING CREDIT

Chairman: Starlisha Anderson

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc., in collaboration with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® and the Industrial Bank of Washington, D.C., the only minority-chartered bank in the DMV, held a virtual webinar via Zoom and Facebook Live on Friday, June 11, 2021. It was titled “Understanding and Managing Credit.” The webinar was facilitated by Industrial Bank’s Senior Vice President of the Retail and Operations Banking Division, Ms. Jaqueline Boles who provided information and resources on managing credit, understanding your credit report and the impact of credit history. We had over 55 participants join the webinar.

Financial Freedom Legacy Workshops were conducted in partnership with local certified financial planners who shared information on saving, investing, and retirement planning. Community residents were trained on ways to perform financial assessments to achieve their financial goals.

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Denise Barnes, President*

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**UNDERSTANDING
& MANAGING CREDIT**

JUNE 11 | 6:00-7:00PM
2021

Building Your Economic Legacy:
Understanding and Managing Credit
presented by
Industrial Bank Senior VP, Ms. Jaqueline Boles

Registration Link: <http://bit.ly/ManagingCredit>

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



A TIME TO REMEMBER A Musical Journey

Chairman: Desney Bowen

Co-Chair: Holiday Jones



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. and Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Sorority, Inc.® in conjunction with Charles County Arts Alliance exposed the Southern Maryland area to a broad array of performing arts on Sunday, June 6, 2021. This was a virtual presentation attended by 124 viewers who logged on to watch and enjoy. The performers included professional dancers, a violinist and an eight piece jazz band. The community had the opportunity to listen to contemporary jazz and watch a modern ballet piece. Some of the artists were local talent. There was great appreciation that these performers were featured.

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Fun in the Sun with Hoops and Flow

Chairman: Da' Net Sturdifen



In furtherance of the Heart Health initiative, on June 26, 2021 the community participated in a fun, virtual, guided hula hoop workout session with Hoops and Flow, a programmed hula hoop dance technique. The event focused on burning calories, building strength, and most importantly having fun while increasing the participants heart rate.

Seventy-three persons logged on to participate with the fun workout session.

This heart health event was financially supported by Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.

FARMERS FEEDING CHARLES COUNTY

Chairman: Laura Dunk

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. along with the Women's Health and Wellness Committee of Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated® joined Charles County Commissioner Gilbert "B.J." Bowling, III (District 1) on Saturday, July 3, 2021 for the third and final "Farmers Feeding Charles County". The distribution period lasted from noon to 4 p.m. at Dorchester Community Center in LaPlata, MD. Over 200 seasonal food boxes were distributed to residents of Charles County.

The food distribution was drive-through with donations from Hancock Family Farms and Haven of Rest Ministries. Breast Cancer and Heart Health awareness materials were also distributed.

As with the food distributions on March 27th and May 22nd, this one was also sponsored by IPSMCC through Rural Maryland Council Grant.



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Pop-Up Community Health Fair Community Impact Day: Breast Cancer Awareness

Chair: Cynthia Thomas

The Health Fair was held October 9, 2021 at the LifeStyles Center located at 10453 Theodore Green Boulevard in White Plains, MD. There were a total of 182 participants.

All the major committees participated. HBCU For Life distributed school supplies. Building Your Economic Legacy collected 22 boxes and 11 bags of canned goods for the homeless. The Arts Committee distributed art supplies, and the Global Impact Committee collected 62 pairs of eyeglasses for the Lions Club. COVID appropriate refreshments were served to all participants. The Risk Management team made sure that there were no more than 50 members present at any one time. All participants were screened for COVID before entering the event.



Our Pop Up Health Fair received financial support as follows:
Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.
Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. @
The Links, Inc., Southern Maryland Chain Chapter
Alpha Phi Alpha, Fraternity, Inc.,
Sigma Alpha Lambda Chapter

In-Kind Contributions were donated as follows:

Laura Dunk – Continental Breakfast

Balloon display

Cynthia Thomas - 200 copies of Event Map & flyer

Lifestyle Station displays

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



HBCU VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK

Chairman: Jacqueline Gray

This virtual event sponsored by Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. in collaboration with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® helped to serve two purposes. We raise funds with the 5K Run/Walk to increase financial support of for HBCU's and to encouraged the healthy living practices of walking and running for the participants.

Some of the benefits of such exercise are stress relief, increased muscle strength, greater self confidence, improved blood pressure and increase in burning of calories.

This event was successful in raising \$1713.27 to support HBCUs.

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Mrs. Denise Barnes, President

HBCU VIRTUAL 5K RUN/WALK

GRAB A FRIEND & GET YOUR WALK IN

\$35 DONATION

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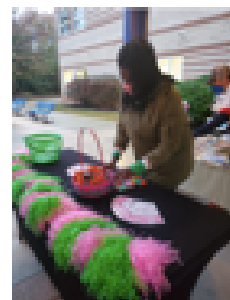
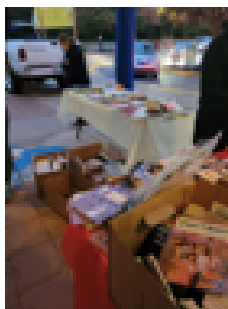
PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



Barnhart "Fall" in Love with Reading

IPSMCC members volunteer at Barnhart Elementary School's Fall reading event.

Chairman: Sydney S. Powell



PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS



CARE FOR CAREGIVERS COMMUNITY IMPACT DAY

Chairman: Deborah Taylor

The Care for the Caregivers Community Impact Day was held Monday, November 15, 2021. The program included multiple presenters from various related professions:

- Ms. Giron - Giant Nutritionist
- Ms. Goldberg - AARP Representative
- Ms. Wilson - Hospice of Charles County

These subject matter experts provided information related to the care of those who care for others. This included each of the presenters sharing links and phone numbers that can be used to obtain free resources for support of caregivers.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
Mrs. Denise Barnes, President
in Partnership with
Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.

Care for Caregivers' Community Impact Day

Caring for Those who Care for Others

Are you a Caregiver?
Join us for an informational session and learn more about Taking Care of the Caregiver.

November 15th, 2021
6:30-8:30pm
If you have any questions, please contact Deborah Taylor at dwtakal7@gmail.com
To register for this virtual event use the link below or QR code:

<https://linktr.ee/nuzetaOmega>

Event Presenters:

- AARP
- Hospice of Charles Co.
- Giant Nutrition

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS




2021 Scholarship Program

Chairman: Wualanda Thenstead


In 2021 program contributions and fundraisers generated \$5000 in scholarship funds. There were five IPSMCC Scholarships awarded. See recipients below.




Reginald Alexander
Class of 2021
North Point High School
3.8 GPA






HOWARD
UNIVERSITY






Ciarra Grady
Class of 2021
St. Charles High School
4.2 GPA
#CAP Scholar




Layla Cozart-Amos
Class of 2021
St. Mary's Byken Academy
3.7 GPA




Imri Gore
Class of 2021
Westlake High School
3.7 GPA



Imani Tookes
Class of 2021
Westlake High School
4.2 GPA



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FINANCIAL REPORT

Treasurer's Comments



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC, Inc.) continued to pursue our mission with purpose and passion. Despite the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, IPSMCC provided some outstanding program activities to the Southern Maryland community.

This year, IPSMCC was awarded (2) two grants that funded the program activities, such as the musical event, "A Time Remember; A Musical Journey of Song and Dance". IPSMCC awarded \$5K in scholarships with the funds from the program contributions and fundraisers. Scholarship recipients for 2021 were Reginald Alexander, Layla Cozart-Amos, Imri Gore, Ciarra Grady and Imani Tookes.

The charity continues to increase in membership. The 2021 the membership grew by 11%, to 105 members. IPSMCC has 100% financial support of its membership. This level of support allows the charity to remain committed to the work in the Southern Maryland community.

Faith Cooper

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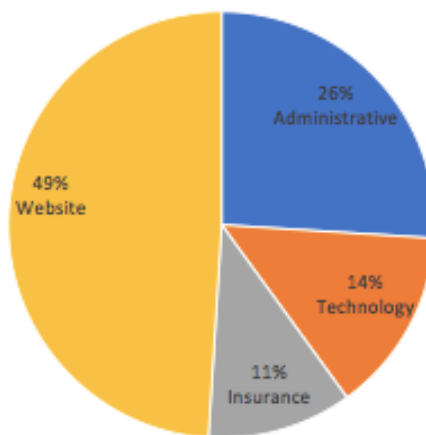


IVY AND PEARLS OF SOUTHERN MARYLAND COMMUNITY CHARITIES, INC. 2021 OPERATION INCOME STATEMENT

OPERATION INCOME					
2021 Membership Dues					5,317.99
TOTAL OPERATIONS INCOME					5,317.99
OPERATION EXPENSES					
Organization Membership					225.00
Other Officers					99.00
Technology					536.85
Bonding					93.00
Liability Insurance					325.00
Office Supplies					122.46
P.O. Box/Postage					357.47
Website Development					1,881.99
Charity Operations					205.95
TOTAL OPERATIONS EXPENSES					3,846.72



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2021 Operations Expenses



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2021 Operations Income



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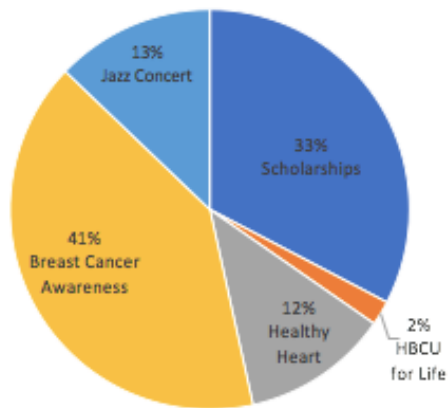


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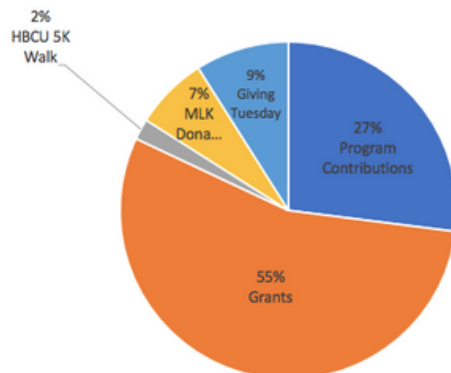
PROGRAM INCOME					
2021 Program Contribution					5,617.87
Grants					
-Charles County Arts Alliance					2,000.00
-Rural Maryland Council					9,605.00
HBCU 5K Walk					394.21
MLK Donation					1,500.00
Given Tuesday					1,854.95
TOTAL PROGRAM INCOME					20,972.03
PROGRAM EXPENSES					
Scholarships					5,100.00
HBCU for Life					250.00
Heathly Heart Seminar					1,823.64
Breast Cancer Awareness and Prevention					6,255.49
Jazz Concert					1,950.00
TOTAL PROGRAM EXPENSES					15,379.13



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2021 Program Expenses



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2021 Program Income



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Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Sigma Alpha Lambda Chapter
Alzheimer's Association National Capital Area Chapter
Barnhart Elementary School
Charles County Arts Alliance
Charles County Department of Health
Charles County Public Schools
Charles County Commissioner, Gilbert Bowling, III District 1
College of Southern Maryland
Delegate Edith Patterson District 28
Giant Foods
Immaculate Heart of Mary Church
Industrial Bank of Washington
Knights of St. Jerome
LifeStyles of Maryland
The Links Inc., Southern Maryland Chain Chapter
Morgan State Univ., Southern Md. Alumni Chapter
Rural Maryland Council
Southern Maryland Top Ladies of Distinction
St. Mary's Branch of NAACP
St. Mary's College of Maryland
St. Mary's County Human Relations Commission
St. Mary's County Public Schools
St. Mary's Ryken High School
St. Peter Claver Catholic Church

LOOKING AHEAD



How can you help IPSMCC, Inc. achieve our goals of community service and educational scholarship? Make a financial contribution and volunteer your time to assist with programs at www.ipsmcc.org.

IPSMCC endeavors to continue to provide exemplary programs of service to the community. With new leadership will come different ideas. It will be advantageous to embrace change and be responsible about promoting IPSMCC's accomplishments.

**Carmella Davis Watkins, PRP
Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland
Community Charities, Inc.**



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2021 Membership Roster

Candi Alfred	Cheryl Franklin	Jeanna Pryor
Starlisha Anderson	Felicia Freeman	Laura Reid
Donnis M. Armstrong	Kim Granville	Donna Maria Rice
Denise Barnes	Linda Gravely	Anita Robinson
Sandra Barnes	Jacqueline Gray	Phyllis Sanders
Sharon Bond	Naomi Gumbs	Rochelle Savoy
Arin Bonner	Rosa Hamilton	Lola Scott
Felicity Booker	Natalie Hart	Patricia Shannon
Desney Bowen	Rochelle Hawes	M. Jane Short
Sierra Brewer	Erika Hawkins	Antoinita Smith
Janice Brooks	Francine Hawkins	Cherie' Smith
Zsa Zsa Brown	Andrea Henderson	Vanessa Smith
Mesheca Bunyon	Monica Hernandez	Karen Spencer-Patrick
Carol Cawthorne	Jocelyn Hill	Stevie-Mari Starks
Jacqueline Chandler	Tawanya Hopkins	Da'Net Sturdifen
Brenda Chase	Demetrus Hunter	Chimere Taylor
Mable Cheek	Michelle Jefferson-Lambert	Deborah Taylor
Eva Chesley	Cheryl Jones	Andrea Terry
Kelly Cobbs	Felicia M. Jones	Wualanda Thenstead
Faith Cooper	Holiday Jones	Cynthia Thomas
Yvette Countryman	Jessica Jones	Janean Thompson
Lena Cuffy	Wyatte (Nita) Jones Coleman	Tonya Thompson-Creek
Donna Cunningham	Andrian Jordan	Kiana Trent
Evelyn Dashiell	Tina Kearney	Mary L. Wade
Delores Datcher	Rushyannah Killens	Delores Walls
Adria Davis	Monica Lamont-Bethea	Mashonda Walston
Tamara Davis	Agnes Lilly	Carmella Watkins
Frances Day	Margaret Marshall	Kristia Watkins
Jamela Dimic	Donine Martin	Vanessa White Viverette
Sonja Djossou	Lannie Morehead	Altamese Williams
Karleshia Dorsey	Jamelah Murrell	Amanda Williams
Patty Dorsey	Diane Parker	Mildred Wilson
Laura Dunk	Edith Patterson	Nicole Wilson
Cassandra Edwards	Nadine Payne	Janelle Woodbury
Dana Estep	Yolanda Penn	Sandra Woody
Judy Estep	Tyra Plater	Tiffany Yeldell
Lillian Estep	Sydney Powell	Benita Young
Tasha Estep	Trina Powell	Lisa Young
*** Amelia Turner	In Memoriam	



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