



2022

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, Incorporated (IPSMCC) 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.

WWW.IPSMCC.ORG

History



In March Of 2013, a group of women of like mind, gathered to create an all volunteer organization that would focus solely on eradicating the socioeconomic differences through philanthropy. Throughout 2014, the committee continued to meet and attend workshops. The Charities' 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. Newly appointed Executive Director, Carmella Davis Watkins, finalized state documents so that the Charities organization could fully function and implement the socio-economic goals related to health, education, the arts and economic empowerment.

Board of Directors and Officers



President
Executive Director
Vice President
Recording Secretary
Corresponding Secretary
Treasurer
Financial Secretary
Assistant Financial Secretary
Historian
Chaplain
Past President 1
Past President 2
Resource Development
Director 1
Director 2
Parliamentarian
Member
St. Mary's County Liaison

Andrea Henderson
Carmella Davis Watkins
Kristia Watkins
Starlisha Anderson
Judy Estep
Faith Cooper
Mashonda Walston
Donna Cunningham
Brenda Chase
Donnis Armstrong
Eva Chesley
Denise Barnes
Yolanda Penn
Delores Datcher
Jocelyn Hill
Natalie Hart
Karlisha Dorsey
Francine Dove Hawkins

Committee Chairmen



Annual Report
Archives
Audit
Budget & Finance
Building Fund
By Laws
Grants
Investments
Nominating
Resource Development
Risk Management
Scholarship
Strategic Planning
Technology & Social Media

Carol Cawthorne
Brenda Chase
Sharon Bond
Faith Cooper
Gwen Douglas
Natalie Hart
Arin Bonner
Donna Cunningham
Carol Cawthorne
Yolanda Penn
Candi Alfred
Wualanda Thenstead
Felicity Booker
Jessica Jones

President's Message



Greetings Members,

In 2022, we were finally able to see a glimmer of light at the end of the COVID 19 Pandemic. Masked meetings and other restrictions were relaxed a little to aid in gathering purposes. As such, we adjusted to a hybrid operation and ended the year receiving the most grant funding in the history of Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC).

If we were satisfied with the above milestones, it was short-lived because we know that, "to be the best you have to beat the best," even if you have to outdo yourself. So, our total membership of 147 new and returning members said that we will continue seeking more innovative ways to take care of the ever-growing needs/challenges which time and change inevitably bring to the communities we serve.

We have no doubt that the successful events in Maryland's Charles and St. Mary's Counties made our citizens feel positive about the actions of IPSMCC. Some of major events sponsored or hosted by IPSMCC included the 2022 Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service, two Let's Talk About Health webinars, Breast and Colorectal Cancer Prevention, Your Womb and Your Wellness, a Virtual Wine Tasting featuring the String Queen Concert, and the Community Day at Indian Head Elementary School. Of course, our signature 2022 Debutante Scholarship Program provided College/University funding assistance to nine young ladies in our community.

As we begin a new year, I would like to thank our community schools and other organizations for partnering with IPSMCC and ask for their continued support. I would also like to thank our Executive Director and the IPSMCC membership for their work in getting significantly impactful projects completed and ask them to remain onboard as we work in 2023 to serve our community to even a greater extent by outdoing our work in 2022!

**Andrea Henderson
Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland
Community Charities, Incorporated**



EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



I am so very proud to be able to report that Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) has grown. Our membership is really making a difference. Our programs are exceptional. The outreach that IPSMCC has been doing is just astounding.

I am sure that, for some, the growth is too fast and, for others, the growth is not enough. But technology under the leadership of Jessica Jones has brought our organization into the areas that make a difference. Paper is a thing of the past; automation is key and environmentally sound.

As always, special thanks goes to the wonderful Annual Report Committee under the leadership of Chairman Carol Cawthorne. She has enlarged the committee and made it more responsive.

IPSMCC is now evaluating every event. Much thanks goes to Felicity Booker, Strategic Planning Chairman, for designing the evaluation tool.

We are saying goodbye to our Budget and Finance Chairman, Faith Cooper. She has been able to organize a chart of accounts and accomplish a personal goal to prepare the Manual of Financial Procedures.

Resource Development Chairman, Yolanda Penn, has made headway in planning fundraisers such that the money is raised a year in advance to fund IPSMCC programs. Scholarship Committee Chairman Wualanda Thenstead has done a yeoman's job of getting our scholarship applications into the community and recognizing awardees. The Audit Chairman, Sharon Bond, has made some recommendations and led the effort to implement Quickbooks.

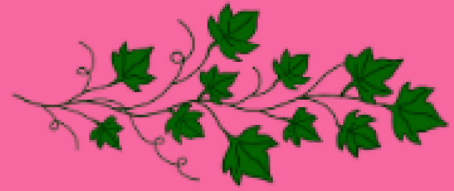
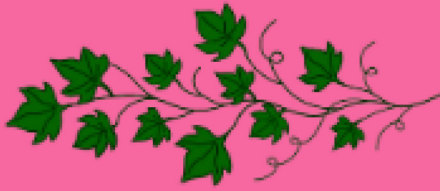
Kudos to Mashonda Walston for her contribution to the team effort. Mashonda has carefully tracked our grants both revenue and expenses and we are eternally grateful. Finally, I cannot say enough about the Grants Committee led by Arin Bonner. The entire team has contributed to its success.

A big thank you to the community for all of the support and to the members for all of their efforts.

Finally, thanks to our President for her support of all the team's activities.

**Carmella Davis Watkins
Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland
Community Charities, Incorporated
828-279-5382**





Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated

Annual Meeting (VIRTUAL)

Saturday, February 12, 2022
10:00 AM

AGENDA

Andrea Henderson, President, Presiding

Roll Call	Starlisha Anderson, Secretary
Call to Order	Andrea Henderson, President
Meditation	Donnis Armstrong, Chaplain
Reading and Approval of Minutes	Starlisha Anderson, Secretary
Reports of Officers and Board Committee Chairs	
President's Report	Andrea Henderson
Executive Director's Report	Carmella Davis Watkins
Financial Secretary	Mashonda Walston
Treasurer	Faith Cooper
Program Committee	Kristia Watkins
Historian	Brenda Chase
Technology Committee	Jessica N. Jones
Audit Committee	Sharon Bond
Strategic Planning Committee	Felicity Booker
Scholarships Committee	Wualanda Thenstead
Resource Development Committee	Jacqueline Gray
Debutante Committee	Tyra Plater
Grants Committee	Arin Bonner
Investments Committee	Yolanda Penn
Unfinished Business	
New Business	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Installation of 2022 Officers: Donine Carrington Martin ➤ Presentation of 2022 Budget: Faith Cooper ➤ Annual Report Committee: Carol Cawthorne and Celisa Glasper ➤ Ad hoc Committee Establishment: Friends of IPSMCC - Volunteers ➤ All Committee Sign Up: Debutante, Resource Development, Investment ➤ MOU Signed: ➤ Report of the Teller: Da'Net Sturdifen 	
Adjournment	

2022 ANNUAL MEETING



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

**Annual Meeting
February 12, 2022
Virtual Zoom Meeting**

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

MINUTES:

- Roll Call: Participants recorded via zoom attendees/participant list by recording secretary – 88 members were in attendance.
- Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Andrea Henderson at 10:08 AM.
- Meditation: Meditation read by Donnis Armstrong, Charities Chaplain
- Reading and Approval of Minutes: Minutes for the February 13, 2021, annual meeting was sent to all members via email the day before the annual meeting. No changes were received in response to the email. No changes were received during the meeting.
- President Henderson made one change to the agenda to remove the historian report.
- President's Report:
 - Outgoing President Denise Barnes gave remarks to the body thanking all for their support. Member Barnes also presented the history of IPSMCC and its accomplishments.
 - President Henderson presented a PowerPoint presentation to the body covering her vision, and short-term and long-term goals as the new President of IPSMCC. Some of her short-term goals included increasing resource development through virtual fundraising; increasing public relations; and creating a building fund committee. Some of her long-term goals included securing a building or property by raising 42K by December 2022. President Henderson also provided her list of activities and events attended so far.
- Executive Director's Report: Executive Director Carmella Watkins presented to the body her focus and priorities which included the development of position descriptions and role clarity for Board members to ensure we comply with state mandates.
- Financial secretary, Mashonda Walston presented the financial report.
- Treasurer, Faith Cooper presented the treasurer's report.
- The Program Report was presented by Kristia Watkins
 - Nu Zeta Omega programs will continue to be in conjunction with IPSMCC
- Technology: Committee chair, Jessica Jones looking for committee volunteers. No report was given.
- Audit committee: No report given.
- Strategic Planning Committee had no report. Member Felicity plans to present the strategic plan to the Board members by end of the month.

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- Scholarship: Wualanda Thenstead reported on several scholarships offered to students throughout 2021.
- Resource Development: Jackie Gray looking for ideas for fundraising.
 - Debutante Committee: The list of debutantes will be sent out to members.
 - Grants: Arin Bonner provided an overview of the various grants opportunities and noted that most will be focused on health, but we are looking to branch out to other areas.
- Investments Committee: No report per President Henderson
- **No unfinished business**
- **New Business:**
 - 2022 Budget: The proposed budget was presented by Faith Cooper, treasurer, to members.
 - Annual Report: The 2021 annual report was discussed briefly and will be sent out to members to review.
 - Executive Director Carmella Watkins presented the IPSMCC and Nu Zeta Omega MOU to members and reviewed its purpose and provided an overview of the agreement.
 - Executive Director mentioned that the MOU will be on the ballot to vote along with the proposed 2022 budget and 2021 annual report.
 - Executive Director Carmella Watkins moved that the minutes from the 2021 annual meeting be accepted. There was a second. The minutes were adopted with 36 members in favor and 2 in opposition via a virtual hand vote.
 - Voting of new officers: Executive Director Carmella moved that the 2022 Board of Directors slate be accepted. A ballot was released. Per the teller's report, 46 were in favor and 0 in opposition to slate.
 - Installation of officers: Elected officers were installed by member Donine Carrington-Martin.
 - Executive Director Carmella Watkins presented an idea to the members to establish "Friends of IPSMCC" to make the Board more diverse. Details will be further discussed with the Board.
 - President Henderson is looking for volunteers that have experience in investments and real estate to support the building fund ad hoc committee.
 - Closing remarks were given by member Denise Barnes – the 2021 federal income taxes have been filed and all reports sent to the State of Maryland.

The meeting adjourned at 12:09 PM.

Submitted by: Starlisha Anderson, Recording Secretary

Approved by:

Date Approved:

Program Highlights & Resource Development Activities



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

Program Highlights



MLK DAY OF SERVICE January 17, 2022 Chairman: Rochelle Savoy

On January 17, 2022, Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter assumed a premier role in the MLK Holiday's "National Day On" Campaign. The St. Mary's County Community was served through its collaboration with the Sorority as a sponsor of the St. Mary's College of Maryland's Virtual 18th Annual MLK Prayer Celebration and a co-host of the MLK Day of Service.

The highlights of the Virtual Prayer Celebration Program (8:00-10:00AM) included the welcome from Dr. Tuajuanda C. Jordan, President of St. Mary's College, followed by a Capitol Hill Update from Maryland Congressman Steny Hoyer; a keynote address by activist and historian, Dr. Mary Frances Berry; a variety of entertainment; and the benediction by Rev. Trisch Smith, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated.

Andrea Henderson, President of IPSMCC, invited the audience to continue participation in the MLK Day of Service by contributing to the Drive-By Donation Collection Program. It was held simultaneously at two sites from 10:00AM to 2:00PM: The Global Village Community Learning Center and Mattawoman Middle School.



Program Highlights



MLK DAY OF SERVICE (continued) January 17, 2022

“Incredibly impactful” is the label attached to this year’s MLK Day of Service. In spite of COVID, the community and members of Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.® donated twice as many food items than during the previous record setting year. Although donors had to come out in very cold weather to donate, they were amazingly generous.

Collected at the two sites, The Global Village Community Learning Center and Mattawoman Middle School, were the following:

- 1269 food items (700 donated to St. Mary’s College of Maryland Student Pantry and 569 donated to The Mission for its homeless population);
- 130 leggings, jeggings, belts, and hoodies/sweatshirts donated to Spring Ridge Middle School’s Clothes Closet;
- 18 unsolicited new clothing items (gloves, scarves, and socks) to The Mission;
- 737 items of clothing to Lifestyles.
- \$1,034.47 in monetary donations (for Spring Ridge Middle School and The Mission).



The MLK Prayer Celebration and Day of Service drew community-wide attendance. Its success was attributed to a powerful coalition coming together to work for a single purpose to serve the community: IPSMCC; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter; College of Southern Maryland; St. Mary’s County Branch of the NAACP, Unit 7025; St. Mary’s County Human Relations Commission; St. Mary’s College of Maryland; and St. Mary’s County Public Schools.



Program Highlights



PINK GOES RED COMMUNITY IMPACT DAY AND NATIONAL HEART AWARENESS MONTH February 5, 2022

Chairman: Laura Dunk

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated, in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter supported the Pink Goes Red Community Impact Day by encouraging the community to get to “Know Diabetes By Heart.”

A social media touch was added to this year's Impact Day by providing a “Heart Fact” to the community via Facebook and Instagram each week of the month of February. The posts garnered over 2800 views and 300 likes.



Program Highlights



COLLEGE PLANNING AND FUNDING WEBINAR March 20, 2022

Chairman: MJ Lambert

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC), in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, NU Zeta Omega Chapter, presented this webinar. The goal of the program was to help better prepare both students and parents to understand and take advantage of opportunities currently available for financing a college education, as well as giving families and students an early start on planning for college. This virtual program was held on Sunday, March 20, 2022 for a total of 59 participants. Dr. Christie Murray, author of several college funding/college planning books, was the guest speaker. The presentation was emailed to the participants as a planning resource. In addition, four (4) student guests were given a copy of Dr. Murray's college planning and funding books.

Although this event was a singular occurrence; it marked the first of several events that would occur through July 2022, geared towards assisting high school students in preparation for college.

#CAP Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®
College Planning and Funding Webinar
Sunday, March 20, 2022 | 4:00 pm ET-5:30 pm ET

Guest Speaker
COLLEGE PLANNING STRATEGIES
Dr. Christie Murray

Register Here:
<https://bit.ly/377BgSP>

Sponsoring Chapters
Psi Psi Omega | Alpha Phi Omega
Gamma Delta Omega | Lambda Omega Omega
Nu Rho Omega | Delta Omicron Omega
Phi Nu Omega | Psi Theta Omega
Nu Zeta Omega | Beta Nu Omega

Program Highlights



LET'S TALK HEALTH: Breast Cancer and Colorectal Cancer Prevention March 30, 2022

Chairman: Cynthia Thomas

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) partnered with The Southern Maryland Chain Chapter, The Links, Incorporated to present a symposium entitled, "LET'S TALK HEALTH: Breast & Colorectal Cancer Prevention". Attending this Zoom event were 119 participants. Those registering for the event numbered 197 registrants.

A panel discussion with four expert panelists was facilitated. Serving on the panel were: Avonne Connor PhD, MPA, Sandra Barnes, PhD., Porsha Johnson Williams, PharmD., Kirsten McGill, and moderator Autumn Joi, WHUR Radio Personality.

The panelists provided information about the following:

- 1. Prevention and early detection of breast and colorectal cancer**
- 2. Mental health issues of a cancer diagnosis as well as mental health wellness strategies**
- 3. Pharmaceuticals and alternative and natural remedies for prevention and treatment**
- 4. Strategies for developing healthy eating habits and a healthier body**

Participants were asked to complete a same-day evaluation. Their feedback indicated that the event was extremely informative, and the speakers were very knowledgeable as well as very interactive in their presentation.

The Links Incorporated, in partnership with IPSMCC, contributed \$1000 toward the implementation of this event.

Southern Maryland Chain (MD) Chapter, The Links, Incorporated
IN CONJUNCTION WITH
Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.
AND
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
PRESENT

AVONNE CONNOR
PHD, MPH

SANDRA BARNES
PHD

PORSHA JOHNSON WILLIAMS
PharmD

KIRSTEN MCGILL
MS, RD, CSOWM, LDN

**LET'S TALK
HEALTH**

BREAST & COLORECTAL CANCER PREVENTION

MODERATOR: AUTUMN JOI
"WHUR"

Let's Talk Health is made possible by the generosity of the Anthem Foundation in partnership with the American Cancer Society, The Links, Foundation and The Links Health Equity Ambassador Links (REAL) Program.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30, 2022 @7:00PM EST
TO REGISTER, PLEASE VISIT: bit.ly/letstalkhealth1

The Links, Incorporated
American Cancer Society
Anthem

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Program Highlights



LET'S TALK HEALTH: Your Womb, Your Wellness

May 11, 2022

Chairman: Jam Black

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated, in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter presented this virtual discussion on female reproductive issues that uniquely impact Black women. Members of the Pan Hellenic Council served as the panel. They included: Dr. Ahmad Kerr, OBGYN with Reiter, Johnson and Hill, Fertility Coach, Ivori Lipscomb-Warren, Chantal Cross, MD, Reproductive Endocrinologist and Fertility Specialist. There were 100 participants.

Some of the major topics discussed were:

- Fibroids, Infertility
- Egg Freezing+ Invitro Fertilization (IVF)
- High Maternal Mortality Rate for Black Women



Program Highlights



INVESTING 101 May 24, 2022

Chairman: Starlisha Anderson

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated presented a live webinar on real estate, retirement, and stock investments.

This two-hour webinar was open to the public. There were 95 participants in attendance.

The specific topics and their presenters were as follows:

- **Stock Market 101 - Investing & Trading for Financial Freedom**
Presenter: Ms. Brea Washington, Options Trader and Coach.
- **Intro to Real Estate Investing**
Presenter: Ms. Antoinita Smith, KAS Properties, LLC.
- **Retirement Planning.**
Presenter: Ms. Jeanna Pryor, Pryor Financial Services, LLC

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.,
in Conjunction with
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®
Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
Andrea Henderson, President

Building Your Economic Legacy:
Investing 101
May 24, 2022
6:00pm - 8:30pm EST

Topics Include:

- ♣ Stock Market 101 - Investing & Trading for Financial Freedom
By Ms. Brea Washington, Options Trader & Coach
- ♣ Intro to Real Estate Investing
By Ms. Antoinita Smith, KAS Properties, LLC
- ♣ Retirement Planning
By Ms. Jeanna Pryor, Pryor Financial Services, LLC

Register: <https://linktr.ee/nuzetaomega>

For Questions, Please Contact:
programs@aka-nzomega.org

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Program Highlights



HBCU/PWI COLLEGE OFFICIAL PANEL DISCUSSION June 5, 2022

Chairman: M. J. Lambert

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC), in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, sponsored an HBCU/PWI (Historically Black Colleges and Universities/Predominantly White Institutions) college webinar on June 5, 2022. Michelle Jefferson-Lambert of IPSMCC moderated a panel discussion designed to help students understand how to navigate the college admissions process. Serving as the panelists were the following: Dr. Jovany Felix, North Carolina Central University; Ayana Booker, Norfolk State University; and Kenyatta Grimmage, College of Charleston. All panelists answered an array of questions, including one that addressed why their particular college would be an ideal choice for the students to attend.

Forty (40) attendees, including students, parents, and members of IPSMCC were in attendance. * Four students answered the most questions during the final review of the information presented during the webinar. Their answers earned each of them a gift card.

HBCU and PWI College Official Webina
(For High School Students & Parents)
Sunday, June 5, 2022 | 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm (ET)

Register Here:
<https://akahbcupwi.eventbrite.com>

Sponsoring Chapters
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Gamma Delta Omega | Lambda Omega Omega
Nu Rho Omega | Delta Omicron Omega
Phi Nu Omega | Lambda Omega
Nu Zeta Omega | Beta Nu Omega | Psi Theta Omega

Program Highlights



2022 RELAY FOR LIFE June 11, 2022

Chairman: Lola Scott

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC), in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter participated in the Relay for Life of Charles County event on June 11, 2022, at St. Charles High School, Waldorf, Maryland. The annual event is sponsored by the American Cancer Society (ACS).

Games were provided during the event for the participants. Members of the Risk Management Committee were on site to ensure safety protocols were followed. The theme was "Cruising Past A Cure". IPSMCC's team finished #7 out of 40 teams in its fundraising effort for the ACS and raised \$3,115.00. There were 5 Cancer Survivors who participated in the Survivors' Walk. Some also attended the Survivors' Luncheon sponsored by the University of Maryland Charles Regional Medical Center.

IPSMCC members participated in the Luminaria ceremony in memory of those who lost their lives to cancer and in support of the cancer survivors. Maryland State Delegate, Edith Patterson, District 28, presented IPSMCC member Lola Scott, who is also a member of Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, with a Maryland General Assembly Official Citation for her support of the event for over nine years.



Program Highlights



INDIAN HEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL COMMUNITY DAY

October 22, 2022

Chairman: Kristia Watkins

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated, in collaboration with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, and partners, the Upper Marlboro/Waldorf Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Incorporated and the Charles County Judy Center, held a Community Day event at Indian Head Elementary School, Indian Head, Md. on Saturday, October 22, 2022. The day was filled with face painting, tours of fire trucks, music, food and games from Pure Play Every Day, Inc.

Our partners provided free diapers, health screenings, and educational information. Bags of healthy food were also donated by Charles County Commissioner Gilbert O. Bowling. Local families were also provided with gift cards to help with the purchase of food for healthy meals. IPSMCC collected more than 30 pairs of shoes, 400 pairs of socks, 190 t-shirts, 300 pairs of underpants, 50 pairs of leggings and 25 pairs of sweatpants, and raised over \$1400 to support Indian Head Elementary School.

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc.
In collaboration with
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. * Nu Zeta Omega Chapter
and
The Upper Marlboro/Waldorf (Md) Alumni Chapter
of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc.
presents

Community Day

Indian Head Elementary School

Saturday, October 22, 2022

Village Green Park
100 Walter Thomas Rd
Indian Head, MD 20640
Time: 10am -12pm
Parents of IHES RSVP Required

Donations Needed:

- Sweatpants (Size 5-16)
- Leggings (Size 5-16)
- Underwear (Size 5-16)
- T-Shirts (Size 5-16)
- Shoes & Socks
- Healthy Individual Packaged Snacks

Events:

- Food Vendors
- Dental/Health Screening
- Games
- DJ/Music
- Fire Prevention
- Pure Play Every Day

JUDY CENTER
EARLY LEARNING HUB

Farmers Feeding Charles County
Hosted by: County Commissioner
Gilbert "BJ" Bowling III (District 1)



Program Highlights



WALK TO END HOMELESSNESS November 19, 2022

Chairman: Da'Net Sturdifen

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, participated in the Annual Walk to End Homelessness, sponsored by Lifestyles of Maryland, Inc. on November 19, 2022. The walk took place along the Indian Head Rail Trail in Charles County and began with a Zumba class.

Community and organizational participants were given the option of walking in-person or virtually.

Seven members of IPSMCC attended the walk in person, and approximately 20 members attended the walk virtually.

The members walked over 10,000 steps per person and had enough energy to dance in the street at the conclusion of the walk.

The funds raised from the annual event helped LifeStyles of Maryland provide food, water, shelter, and clothing in addition to housing and employment assistance to the Southern Maryland homeless community and to those at risk of becoming homeless.



Program Highlights



THANKSGIVING GIFT CARD PROGRAM

November 21, 2022

Chairman: Carmella Davis Watkins, PRP

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter and Maryland State Delegate Edith Patterson, District 28, sponsored and distributed \$25 gift cards at the Thanksgiving Turkey giveaway held on November 21, 2022.

The program was hosted at The Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Bryans Road, MD. Fifty cards were distributed to the patrons for the purpose of supporting them and their families in the purchase of fresh fruit, vegetables and bread to supplement their Thanksgiving holiday meals. In addition, turkeys were donated by GS Proctor and Associates.



Program Highlights



PROJECT WARM (Wrap Arms 'Round Many) December 14, 2022

Chairman: Francine Dove Hawkins

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter hosted an evening with the homeless housed at St. Peter Claver Catholic Church in St. Mary's County, MD on December 14, 2022, as part of the County's Project WARM Program.

IPSMCC along with Nu Zeta Omega Chapter planned, shopped and paid for, set up, prepared, cooked, served, and cleaned up following a meal for the homeless guest residents. IPSMCC members bought and delivered gifts (hats, gloves and scarves) for the guests and socialized with them throughout the evening. There were 5 guests in attendance. Three groups evaluated the service activity: Guests, IPSMCC member volunteers and Non-Member volunteers. Across all three groups, 100% of ALL present recommended this program be added to our annual calendar.

A total of 179 hours were documented for this service program: Members of IPSMCC had 124 volunteer hours of service for this program and community members had 55 volunteer hours.

Participation in Project WARM was significantly impactful. IPSMCC worked in collaboration with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter and in partnership with a host of community partners (8 that week and 4 on that night). They assisted a group of men living in the homeless community in St. Mary's County by providing for their needs in the form of food, shelter, socialization, and clothing. It also expanded the Charities' and Sorority's footprint of service in the wider community of St. Mary's County.

PROJECT WARM

As of today, there are 552,830 homeless people in the United States.

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. & Nu Zeta Omega Chapter plan to WARM (Wrap Arms Around Many) homeless men and women in St. Mary's County with dinner and interpersonal contact for an evening.

When: Wednesday, December 14, 2022 at 6:00 pm (Sorors arrive between 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm)

Where: St. Peter Claver Catholic Church
16222 St. Peter Claver Road, St. Inigo, MD 20684 (Kidge, MD 20684)

Menu: Fried chicken, ham, mashed potatoes, green beans, corn, salad, rolls, sheet cake and ice cream

Sorors interested in donating items are encouraged to provide hats, gloves and scarves. The donated items will be collected on December 9th.

President, Andrea Henderson
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Program Highlights



INDIAN HEAD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL BREAKFAST BASKETS

December 19, 2022

Chairman: Da'Net Sturdifen

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) purchased healthy non-perishable breakfast items for 10 Indian Head Elementary School students. The school requested a laundry basket filled with breakfast items such as cereal, pancake mix, syrup, fruit cups, granola bars, English muffins, peanut butter, jelly, pop tarts, juice boxes, granola bars, little muffins, and assorted crackers. Five members of IPSMCC delivered the breakfast baskets to the school on Monday, December 19, 2022. The 10 students receiving the breakfast baskets were identified by the school based on economic need.



This program afforded an opportunity to impact the local community through food donations for a school that resides in a food desert. A food desert is an area that is not readily accessible to grocery stores or food options.

Program Highlights



CHRISTMAS GIFT CARD PROGRAM

December 21, 2022

Chairman: Carmella Davis Watkins, PRP

Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) in conjunction with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated®, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter, distributed fifty \$25 gift cards at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in Marbury, MD during their monthly food drive held on December 21, 2022. The Christmas Gift Card Program was designed to supplement the families' Christmas food budgets.



The recipients were happy to be given the cards to supplement their Christmas dinners.

Along with the gift cards, IPSMCC provided information regarding smoking cessation and contacts or resources which could support such efforts.



Program Highlights

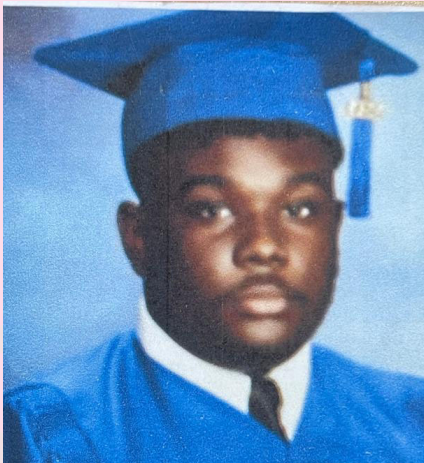


Scholarships 2022

Chairman: Wualanda Thenstead

The 2022 scholarship recipients of Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) were seniors Nakiyah Brooks and Keenan Yarbrough (pictured below). Nakiyah graduated from Great Mills High School in St. Mary's County, Md. with a 4.15 grade point average. She planned to attend North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University to major in nursing. Keenan graduated from Henry E. Lackey High School in Charles County with a 2.7 grade point average and planned to attend Bowie State University to major in social work.

IPSMCC received a \$3,000 grant from Charles County Charitable Trust during 2022. Because of this grant, our organization was able to provide \$500 scholarships to six 2022 high school seniors demonstrating financial need. Most of the students had to work during the pandemic in order to help support their families and were at risk for being homeless youth.



Despite their hardships, the students remained focused on their education because they believed that was the way to change their lives for the better. Their post high school aspirations included art/graphic design, professional football, nursing, and teaching music. College acceptances included College of Southern Maryland, Allegany College of Maryland, Bluefield State College, Morgan State University, and Towson University. IPSMCC remains committed to providing opportunities such as this to the Charles County community with the help of Charles County Charitable Trust.—Names of students have been withheld to protect their identities.

Resource Development



Virtual Wine Tasting May 15, 2022

Chairman: Kristia Watkins

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated sponsored a Virtual Wine Tasting on Sunday, May 15, 2022 in partnership with In Good Taste, and Charles County Arts Alliance.

Participants took a virtual tour through the wonderful world of wine. Our tasting experience was a great way to explore a variety of quality wines affordably. The wine expert reviewed each bottle included in the collection by discussing the grapes, regions, tasting notes and even threw in some fun wine trivia! Each guest received 8 boutique style mini bottles equivalent to almost 2 standard bottles of wine.

Music was provided by The String Queens. The String Queens (TSQ) is a dynamic trio that creates stimulating musical experiences that inspire diverse audiences to love, hope, feel, and imagine!

There were 67 participants in this virtual event. IPSMCC raised a net total of \$1025.42

Ivy & Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. presents

IN GOOD TASTE

VIRTUAL
WINE TASTING
MAY 15, 2022
5PM - 7PM

Wine Tasting Includes:
Music by The String Queens, Boutique Style Mini Bottle, Wine Expert,
Interactive Fun, Private Zoom Link, \$100 per person
Register here: <https://ipsmccvirtualwinetasting2022.eventbrite.com>

Andrea Henderson, President

Resource Development



2022 Debutante Program

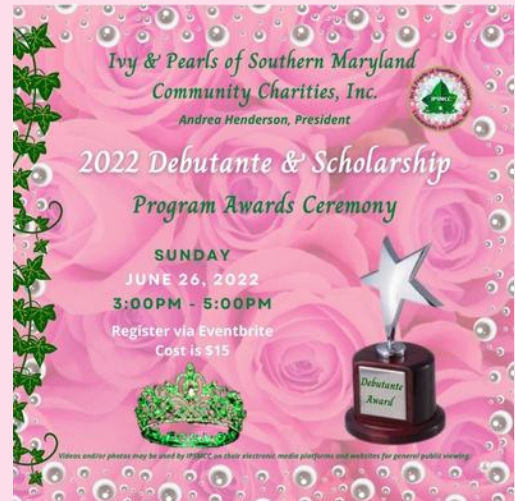
June 26, 2022

Chairman: Arin Bonner

The Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities Incorporated (IPSMCC) Debutante Program was a five-month program consisting of carefully planned enrichment activities and community service projects designed to expand the cultural, social, and educational horizons of the Debutante Program participants.

The 2022 Debutante Program included activities that focused on the following:

1. HBCU for Life
2. Women's Healthcare and Wellness
3. Building Your Economic Legacy
4. The Arts
5. Global Impact



Financial Report



Treasurer's Comments

In 2022, Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC, Inc.) remained on track with our mission through our 2022 Community Day and other program activities to the Southern Maryland community. For 2022, IPSMCC was awarded (3) three grants that funded the program activities, such as the 2022 Community Day and Safeway gift cards that were provided to the community to address food insecurity. IPSMCC awarded \$6K in scholarships with the funds from the Charles County Charitable Trust grant and program contributions.

IPSMCC continues to increase in membership. In 2022, the membership grew by 8%, to 134 members and membership is projected to continue to grow in 2023. Charities membership came short by 23% in 2022. However, participation is anticipated to be greater in 2023.

In 2022, the IPSMCC began to raise funds to obtain a building that will allow the organization to do even greater work within the community.

The financial support allows IPSMCC to remain committed to continued efforts in the Southern Maryland community.

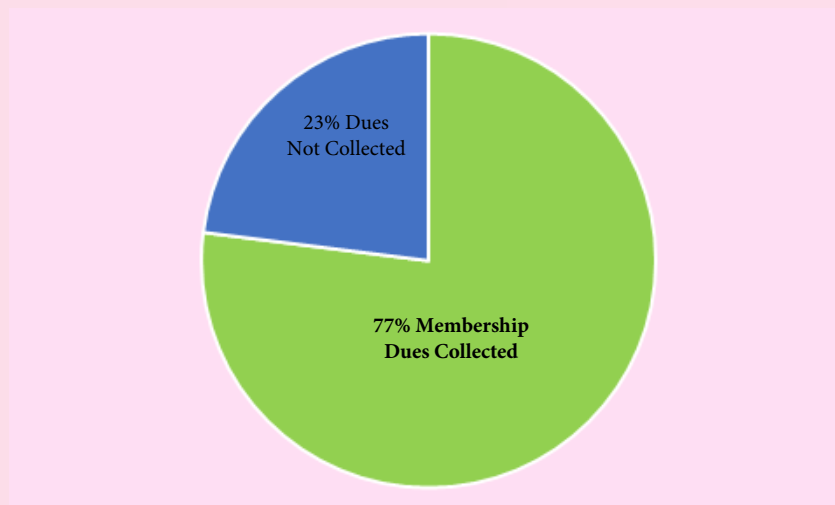
Faith Cooper, Treasurer

Financial Report

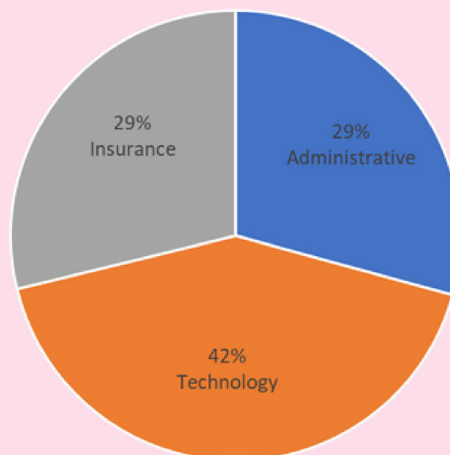


Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2022 Operations Income

23% membership dues not collected



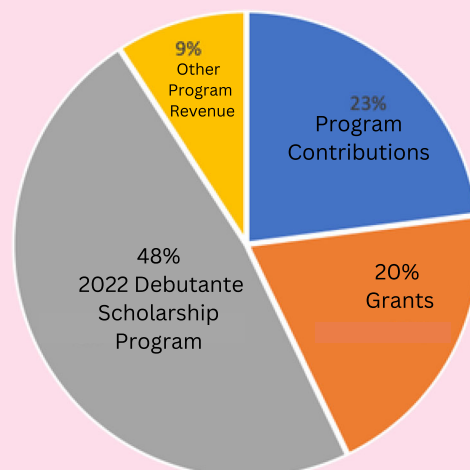
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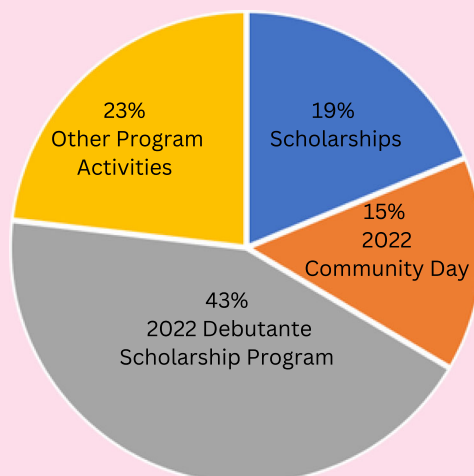
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Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2022 Program Income



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Inc. 2022 Program Expenses



Acknowledgments



The officers and members of Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) appreciate the support and contributions of our community partners. They have been instrumental in helping IPSMCC achieve our service and community outreach goals.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, Nu Zeta Omega Chapter

Charles County Department of Health Disease Prevention and Management Team

Charles County Public Schools

College of Southern Maryland Nonprofit

Charles County Commissioner Gilbert O. Bowling

Maryland State Delegate Edith Patterson-District 28

Charles County Judy Center

Kappa Alpha Psi, Incorporated, Upper Marlboro/Waldorf Chapter

Metropolitan United Methodist Church, Bryans Road, Maryland

St Mary's County Branch, NAACP, Unit 7025

Pan Hellenic Council of Southern Maryland

Partnership For A Healthier Charles County

Pleasant Grove Baptist Church, Marbury, Md.

Rural Maryland Council

St Mary's College of Maryland

St Mary's County Human Relation's Commission

St. Mary's County Public Schools

St. Peter Claver Catholic Church

Southern Maryland Chain Chapter of The Links, Incorporated

United Way of Southern Maryland

Looking Ahead



Ivy and Pearls of Southern Maryland Community Charities, Incorporated (IPSMCC) is committed to the ongoing engagement of our community. We will continue to develop partnerships with:

- **Charles County Health Department**
- **Rural Maryland Council**
- **Charles County Arts Alliance**
- **Partnerships for a Healthier Charles County**
- **United Way of Southern Maryland**
- **Charles County Public Schools, specifically Indian Head Elementary and Dr. Gustavus Brown Elementary Schools**

We will also emphasize our wish list on Amazon to replace Amazon Smiles donations and the acquisition of certifications will remain a priority. Lastly, our support of Charles and St. Mary's Counties will continue.



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Michelle Anderson
Starlisha Anderson
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Ella Baker
Denise Barnes
Sandra Barnes
Jamela Black
Sharon Bond
Arin Bonner
Felicity Booker
Desney Bowen
Terrill Brailsford
Lakisha Brewer
Sierra Brewer
Janice Brooks
Zsa Zsa Brown
Mesheca Bunyon
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Floretta Cabiness-Hughes
Kelly Carrington
Donine Carrington Martin
Carol Cawthorne
Brenda Chase
Mable Cheek
Eva Chesley
Kelly Cobbs

2022
Membership
Roster

Faith Cooper
Yvette Countryman
Kimberly Cowins
Lena Cuffy
Donna Cunningham
Tracy Cutler
Evelyn Dashiell
Delores Datcher
Tamara Davis
Frances Day
Sonja Djossou
Karleshia Dorsey
Patty Dorsey
Gwendolyn Douglas
Francine Dove Hawkins
Laura Dunk
Dana Estep

Judy Estep
Lillian Estep
Tasha Estep
Veronica Fisher
Cheryl Franklin
Celisa Glasper
Linda Gravely
Jacqueline Gray
Naomi Gumbs
Rosa Hamilton
Latica Hammond
Natalie Hart
Niki Harvey
Rochelle Hawes
Erika Hawkins
Andrea Henderson
Monica Hernandez
Jocylin Hill
Tonya Hill
Deidre Wilson Hodge
Tawanya Hopkins
Kenyetta Hunt
Michelle Jefferson-Lambert
Jennifer Johnson
Pamela Johnson
Cheryl Jones
Felicia M. Jones



2022

Membership

Roster

Holiday Jones
Jessica Jones
Wyatte Jones Coleman
Andrian Jordan
Tina Kearney
Rushyannah Killens
Tameka Lancaster
Tierra Lanier
Tianna LaPrince
Agnes Lilly
Christy Little Jones
Kim Makle
Margaret Marshall
Lannie Morehead
Jamelah Murrell
Jessica Omeili
Diane Parker
Edith Patterson
Nadine Payne
Yolanda Penn
Tyra Plater
April Plater
Jeanna Pryor
Donna Maria Rice

Anita Robinson
Claudette Ross
Phyllis Sanders
Rochelle Savoy
Margot Savoy
Tamiko Scian
Lola Scott
Terrill Seymore-Green
Patricia Shannon
Mary Jane Short
Antoinita Smith
Vanessa Smith
Stevie-Mari Starks
Da'Net Sturdifen
Alyssa Tate
Chimere Taylor
Deborah Taylor

Andrea Terry
Wualanda Thenstead
Cynthia Thomas
Arryelle Thomas
Janean Thompson
Rayna Thornton
Kiana Trent
Mary L. Wade
Delores Walls
Mashonda Walston
Carmella Davis Watkins
Kristia Watkins
Chanel Wedge
Melanie West
Vanessa White Viverette
Jessica Williams
Kerry-Ann Williams
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Nicolle Wilson
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Leslie Woods
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