



Dear GWG Members,

I hope you are enjoying the final days of summer. I'm, at least, looking forward to less humidity and cooler days. As I write this, I feel blessed and so excited to start my tenure as Co-Chair. Recognizing that Emelia Stephenson, my predecessor, is a hard act to follow. Thank you Emelia for all you do! Also, thanks to my fellow Co-Chairs, who are patiently helping with my learning curve.

Here are a few details on upcoming events:

- **Annual Kickoff.** We will kick off our "Sweet 16" celebration year on Tuesday, September 21st from 5:30-7:30 at the Hilton Greenville. Please join us as we hear personal stories of how GWG's collective giving has impacted members of our community. As a reminder, we will be providing two options to participate in this year's Kickoff - 'in-person' and via Livestream. Make your reservation [here](#). This is a great opportunity to invite guests to learn about GWG. Just submit their names and email addresses along with your RSVP.
- **GWG Education Series.** On Tuesday, September 28th, at 5:30pm we will host a spotlight on REEM: Racial Equity and Economic Mobility. Speakers Merl Code and David Lominack will present REEM's recommendations as it aims to ensure that all area residents have an unobstructed opportunity for safety, justice and success. This education program will be offered both 'in-person' and via Livestream. Make a reservation [here](#) and invite a friend by entering her (or his) name and email address, as well.

Please remember: Masks are mandatory at both of the above events.

In other news:

GWG Endowment. As is our practice, we report annually on the funds in our endowment click [here](#). It is now over \$200,000 due to donations and stock market performance. Nonetheless, we have a long way to go to reach the \$500,000 threshold our guidelines require before disbursements can be made. If you are interested in learning how to donate to the endowment or to include it in your estate plan, click [here](#).

Annual Program Brochure. By now, you should have received the brochure in the mail. The GWG committees have worked diligently to plan a full year of interesting events. If you did not receive the brochure, please let [Melanie Dixon](#) know and confirm that we have your correct mailing address.

Grant Review Committee (GRC). Looking to get more involved in GWG? Join the **GRC** and be part of the group (usually about 70+ women divided among our five granting areas) who will decide which organizations appear on the 2022 grants ballot. This committee will be active between January and April. If interested in joining this committee, contact [Melanie Dixon](#).

It can't be said enough, we so appreciate your generosity and commitment to Greenville Women Giving!

Sincerely,

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Beverly Ward, GWG Co-chair



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