

# Greater Washington Women's Network

**Empowering in the Region**

*Highlights 2017-2018*



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*Advances and Promotes...*

*We love what we do. It matters!*

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## [Message from our Executive Director](#)

It is awesome and a privilege for **GWWN** to empower women. This metropolitan area offers many **GWWN's** networking activities. This program year **GWWN** hosted networking events in Union Station and the Washington Court Hotel. Venues ambiances set the tone for relaxing, investing, education, and fun. Along with other activities, GWWN continues to build a legacy to fulfill its passion.

***Our Mission** is to advance and promote our members, business and professional women, through education, networking, community services, resources and youth development.*

***Our Vision** is to transform and empower business and professional women to reach their greatest potential and help others to succeed.*

We invite you to take a delightful journey through this publication. Be inspired, disseminate and use the resources. Also, identify ways you can make a difference.

On behalf of **GWWN** Executive Board, thank you for your support and donations over the years. Together, let's do more in the coming year. We solicit your commitment to fortify and broaden **GWWN**.

A Timeless Connection,

*Mary Greene*

Executive Director

*"I believe there is no big "I" on a team. There are invisible eyes that can see what others can't to get the job done."*



# GWWN Advances and Promotes Through

## Network Connections

*We love what we do. It matters!*

## Women Who Lunch and Let's Do Lunch

June 21, 2018 and August 16, 2018

Washington Court Hotel, Bistro, 525 New Jersey Avenue, Washington, DC 20001

Photos: June 21, 2018



## Luncheon Agendas

June 21, 2018 and August 16, 2018

Versions below are for viewing and not reading.

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|  <p>GWWN is an affiliate of the National Association for Female Executives</p> <p>Greater Washington Women's Network</p> <p><b>Women Who Lunch</b></p> <p><i>Sharing powerful stories<br/>Celebrating each other<br/>Exchanging information<br/>Inspiring</i></p> <p>Thursday, June 21, 2018<br/>12:00 pm<br/>Bistro at Washington Court Hotel<br/>525 New Jersey Avenue, NW<br/>Washington, DC 20001</p>   <p><a href="http://www.gwwn.org">www.gwwn.org</a> <a href="http://www.nafeo.com">www.nafeo.com</a></p> <p>GWWN is a nonprofit (501) (c) 3 member-operated organization.</p> |  <p>Working Mother Media and Corporate Voices: Best Practices for Hourly Workers and Companies, The Mayflower Hotel, May 18, 2012<br/>Jennifer Golson 2nd left, Marilyn Dawson 4th left &amp; Mary Greene 6 left</p>  <p>Jessica D. Stamp, LIP Academic Scholarship, Charles Sumner, June 10, 2010</p>  <p>Michelle Coley left<br/>Leadership Award Program (LAP) Robert Hall International,<br/>June 12, 2008</p> |  <p>Afternoon Tea, Edgar Restaurant, The Mayflower Hotel, June 8, 2014<br/>Photo 1-Mary Greene 1<sup>st</sup> left, Julie Och, 2<sup>nd</sup> left and Marilyn Dawson 4<sup>th</sup> left<br/>Photo 2-Afternoon Tea, Edgar Restaurant, The Mayflower Hotel, May 16, 2015, Mary Greene left and Julie Och right front</p>  <p>Photo 3- Jennifer Golson, left, Sallied for Change, Community Outreach monetary and clothing closet presentation, December 12, 2012<br/>Photo 2-Michelle Coley 1st left, GWWN 15 Years in 2010 Open House, U.S. Navy Memorial, December 9, 2010</p> <p>Photos from past events showcase attendees on the "Women Who Lunch" Roster.</p> <p>Thank you for attending. Join us, on line or by mail<br/><a href="http://www.gwwn.org">www.gwwn.org</a> Email: <a href="mailto:gwwnet@gwwn.org">gwwnet@gwwn.org</a><br/>GWWN, P.O. Box 65532, Washington, DC 20036<br/>Phone Contact: 202-580-8884</p> |  <p>GWWN is an affiliate of the National Association for Female Executives</p> <p>Greater Washington Women's Network</p> <p><b>Let's Do Lunch</b></p> <p><i>Sharing powerful stories<br/>Celebrating each other<br/>Exchanging information<br/>Inspiring</i></p> <p>Thursday, August 16, 2018<br/>12:00 pm - 1:30 pm<br/>Bistro at Washington Court Hotel<br/>525 New Jersey Avenue, NW<br/>Washington, DC 20001</p> <p>Cost: Separate Checks</p>   <p><a href="http://www.gwwn.org">www.gwwn.org</a> <a href="http://www.nafeo.com">www.nafeo.com</a></p> <p>GWWN is a nonprofit (501) (c) 3 member-operated organization.</p> |
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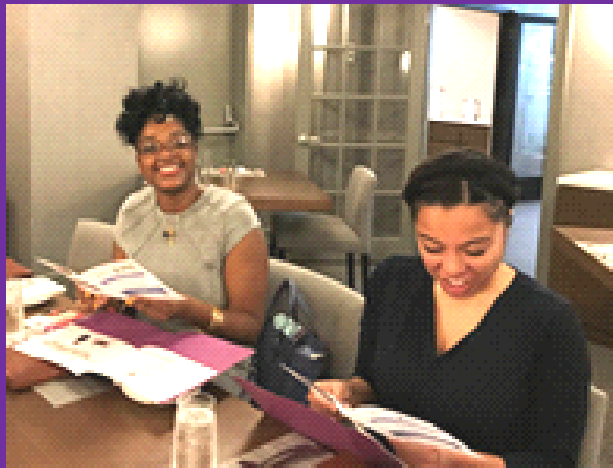




J. Stamp's reactions to her agenda photos: "Superb! I am touched. You remembered me. Thank you."



M. Coley's reactions to her agenda photo: "Oh my goodness, wow, magnificent!"



G. Bishop's reactions to agenda photos: "This is fantastic and a great idea."







**Luncheons: what they said.**

- Fabulous events and a lot of takeaways.
- I felt rejuvenated.
- Sharing and positive energy were amazing.
- Many of us have similar experiences.
- I am so happy to be here. The events are fun.
- When women gather, great things happen.
- Bistro restaurant, a perfect private area.

- Networking was priceless!
- Surprisingly, **GWWN** covered the luncheon cost. That was special!
- The groups were small and intimate.
- Food and fellowship were unbelievable!
- Jenifer Golson's reactions to her agenda photos. This is awesome! The events were marvelous. (Seated: last on right at the end).



Applying the Lessons of #MeToo and Time's Up:  
**How We Can Combat Sexual Harassment**

*June 28, 2018*

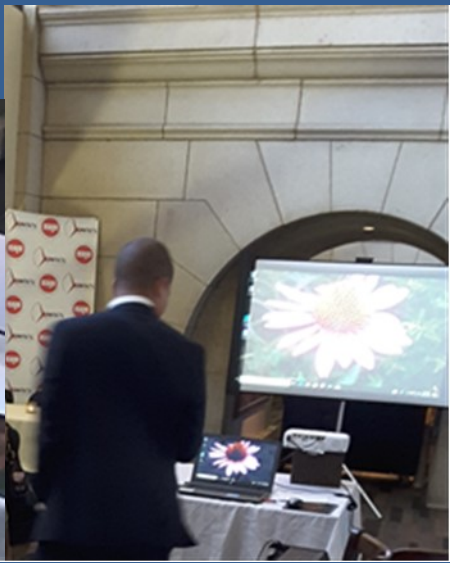
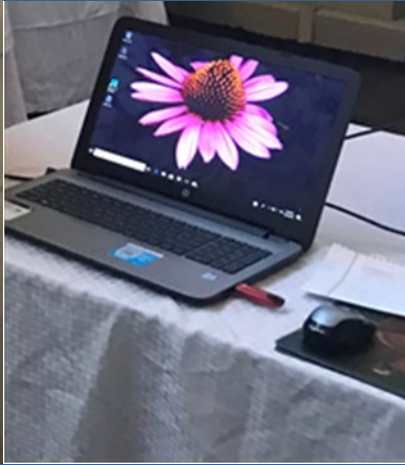
UNO Pizzeria and Grill Restaurant, Capitol Room (Private Space Upstairs)  
50 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Union Station, Washington, DC 20002

**Three Presentations**



Presenter: Harini Srinivasan, Associate, Katz, Marshall & Banks





Harini Srinivasan's presentation was educational, timely and compelling. As a civil rights attorney, her introduction was related to her work in sexual harassment. Her experience added credibility to the topic and build-trust to capture the audience attention and interest.

After her introduction she covered these topics: (1) A Brief History of MeToo and Time's Up, (2) How has the national spotlight on the issue manifested in the workplace? (3) Federal and State Policies and Laws Against Sexual Harassment, and (4) What Can We Do?



In closing, she shared: "The #MeToo and Time's Up movements have forced society to see the gaps between the promises of our politicians and lawmakers and the realities of individuals... Title VII and state laws exist to prevent and remedy sexual harassment, but they are remedies that often come into play after the damage has been done. Sometimes the law pushes forward society, but even more often, society pushes forward the law. We are in the midst of an exceptional moment in the women's movement and we can capitalize on that moment by being kinder to each other, being better advocates and being more knowledgeable about our rights. With the law and the public combined, we can make sure that our workplaces engage the talent and ability of millions of American women."

After Harini's presentation, upon reflecting upon her bio's statement below, her passion to become a civil rights attorney was clearer: *"I became a lawyer to help workers who courageously step forward to stand against abuse in their workplaces and pursue justice by challenging their employers' unlawful actions."*

She won the door prize book: *Reckoning Day: #MeToo Stories That Inspire You* by Dawn Jamison

**#MeToo and Time's Up Movements**  
**Learning More: Share Your Thoughts Please?**  
Frances Simpson, Community Service Chair

Frances Simpson facilitated provoking questions for participants to provide responses to share, and for the audience to learn more about the movements.



**Business Member Spotlight**

Jacqueline Mays

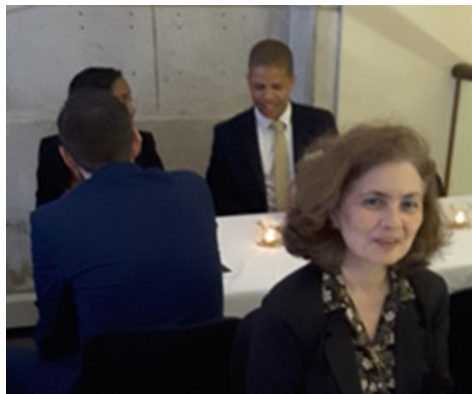
**Founder and CEO, Jacque Oh's Hair Salon**

**The Hair Care Therapist of DC**



Jacqueline is the CEO and proprietor of Jacque Oh's Hair Salon with over 31 years of experience in the field of cosmetology, in DuPont Circle, Washington, DC. She shared her experience along with her passion for the profession. Jacqueline's expertise is working with all types and styles of hair. She is most noted for success in restoring damaged hair.









### Empowering in the Region: What they said:

- *This was an outstanding educational event.*
- *I feel more comfortable and equipped discussing the #MeToo and Time's Up Movements.*
- *A phenomenal evening...I enjoyed participants sharing their experience.*
- *Each presenter gave us profound takeaways.*
- *UNO Pizzeria & Grill, Capitol Room was an excellent private space. It was relaxing.*
- *Great meeting other like-minded people.*
- ***GWWN**, thank you for hosting this event. I had a fabulous time!*
- *I am going to boast about this event to my friends.*





## GWWN Networking Resources Guide

### #Me Too and Time's Up Movements

1. RAINN (Rape, Abuse, Incest National Network) <https://www.rainn.org/statistics/victims-sexual-violence>  
800.656. HOPE (4673)
2. HealthCare Center Directory <https://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov> BPHC Helpline or call 1-877-974-BPHC (2742)
3. U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission <https://www.eeoc.gov/index.cfm> 1-800-669-4000
4. National Women's Law Center <https://nwlc.org/> 202-588-5180
5. Lean In <https://leanin.org/sexual-harassment> [info@leanin.org](mailto:info@leanin.org)
6. Me Too. You Are Not Alone <https://metoomvmt.org/>
7. Time's Up Now <https://www.timesupnow.com/>
8. Office of Women's Health <https://www.womenshealth.gov/office-womens-health> 1-800-994-9662
9. Men Can Stop Rape -<http://www.mencanstoprape.org/> 202-265-6530
10. Start Your Recovery <https://startyourrecovery.org/>
11. Books: Inspiring below by Dawn Jamison, a former **GWWN** member and volunteer who relocated to Michigan.

"**Reckoning Day: #MeToo Stories That Inspire You**" by Dawn Jamison is one of the first books in the country to provide both a historical overview of the 2017 #MeToo Movement AND 20 Survivor Stories. It also includes a section of resources for abuse victims from every state. Be inspired by women and men from around the world. This book continues this important national discussion.

#### For "The 8 Mistakes Women Make"

Certified Life Coach Dawn Jamison covers the 8 most pressing areas that hold women back from achieving their personal and professional goals. These topics include: Thinking Small, Toxic People, and Comparing Yourself with Other Women and more! Each chapter ends with a worksheet to help apply what you read. Both books are available on Amazon for \$15 each.

#### WAYS TO GET INVOLVED:

1. Education – raise awareness
2. Spreading the word on social media
3. Volunteering
4. Fundraising and donations
5. Student activism
6. Mentoring including leadership role and career development
7. Political Speaking – Voice your opinion to congress to change policies and laws

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## **GWWN Advances and Promotes Through Community Engagements We love what we do. It matters!**

The Washington Area Women Foundation  
**The Young Women's Initiative (YWI), GirlsLead Summit**  
March 9, 2018  
University of the District of Columbia



[The Young Women's Initiative \(YWI\)](#)



The 2018 GirlsLead summit was an all-day leadership event for 300 DC women and girls of color to participate in workshops and connect with women mentors. The event was also an opportunity to network with other participants. These young women and girls shared how inspiring it was to see women in leadership positions and mentorship make a difference.

Jenifer, CPA and **GWWN** Treasurer, said:  
*“Although I came prepared to share and answer questions, I learned and was inspired by the young women and girls. This summit was outstanding.”*

## [The National Women's History Museum](#)

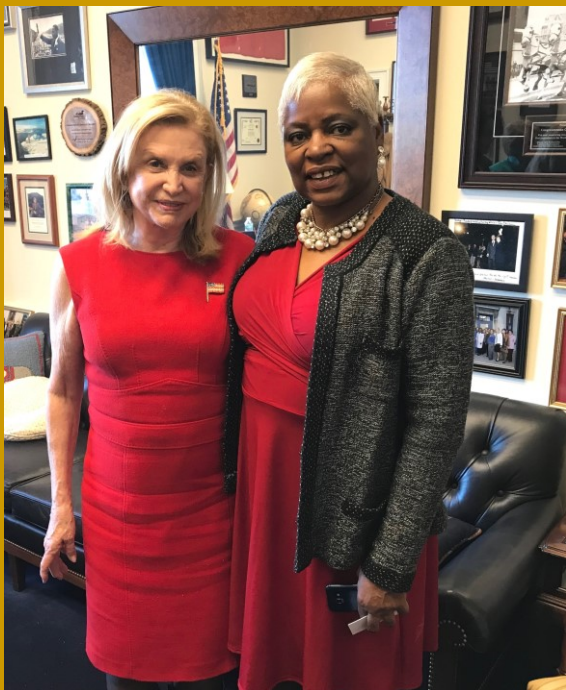
*A new Smithsonian Museum dedicated to women's history*  
**Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney, Network Awareness Meeting**

December 21, 2017

2308 Rayburn House Office Building, Washington, DC 20515



Visit this women's museum: [National Museum of Women in the Arts](#)  
1250 New York Avenue, NW in Washington, D.C 20005



On December 21, 2017 Congresswoman Carolyn B. Maloney (NY-12 District) (left) hosted a luncheon with women organization leaders to share the vision for the new National Women's History Museum. On behalf of **GWWN**, Marilyn Dawson, Business Advisory Chair (right) attended the meeting. This is a nonpartisan endeavor and women from all cultures are to be included. *"There is no comprehensive museum anywhere in the U.S. dedicated to the full story of women's history."* (Ref. [Congresswoman Maloney](#)) Get excited and spread the news. This museum will influence women, including youth to become greater achievers.



## [Maryland New Directions](#)

### Orientation Meet and Greet

August 28, 2018

2700 N. Charles Street, Ste. 200, Baltimore, MD 21218

**GWWN** and [Maryland New Directions](#) (MND) met for orientation to discuss partnerships. Prior to the meeting, **GWWN** hosted clothes drive for MND. The clothes were donated along with a monetary gift for their program. **GWWN** was greeted with a smile and excitement from Stefanie Hopkins, Volunteer Engagement Manager (below). Linda Gray, intern continued the bubbling welcoming when **GWWN** walked through the door.





Crack a smile. It's giving time and fun.







Linda Gray, MND Intern







Barbara Reed-DiGia, MND, Resources & Operation Director (left)



Grace Lee, MND, Executive Director, (4<sup>th</sup> left)

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**Leadership**



On March 17, 2018 Cheryl Blount, (right) was the dynamic powerful Toastmaster of the Day (Mistress of Ceremony), for the Wheaton Community Toastmasters Open House. She electrified the audience. It was hosted at the Mid-County Recreational Center in Silver Spring, MD. Cheryl, **GWWN** Director of Membership credited **GWWN** for her confidence to speak and developing her leadership skills. She has achieved several Toastmaster competency levels. Jenifer Golson, CPA and **GWWN** Treasurer was among the many guests who attended.



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Our Education Information Center  
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**Education and information are powerful!**



Library of Congress -1902 Photo



Library of Congress' Reading Room

A Must-See Treasure: The Library of Congress (LC)  
101 Independence Ave SE, Washington, DC 20540

LC consists of three buildings:

- Thomas Jefferson Building - 1st St SE, between Independence Ave and East Capitol St.
- James Madison Building - Independence Ave, between 1st and 2nd Sts.
- John Adams Building - 2nd St SE, between Independence Ave and East Capitol St.

The [Library of Congress](#) is the research library that officially serves the United States Congress. [LC](#) offers tours, exhibits, concerts, and fun activities for adults and children, other events, reading room, dining shopping and more. The Library has one of the world's premier collections of the U.S. and foreign genealogical and local historical publications. Learn more here regarding the [Local History & Genealogy Reference Services](#). This is one of the sources families use to trace their genealogy.

## Communication Resources

| Published   |
|---|
| <b>NAFE News and Notes</b>  |
| No. 123 – March 29, 2018  |
| No. 123 – April 12, 2018  |
| No. 123 – April 26, 2018  |
| <b>GWWN Newsletters</b>   |
| Season’s Greetings - GWWN 24, 2017 - <a href="#">Inspirational</a>                            |
| No. 16 – March 2018 - <a href="#">“I Persist” National Women’s History Month</a>              |
| No. 17 – April 2018 - <a href="#">Gather Around: Learn More: National Women’s Health Week</a> |
| <b>GWWN Community Resources Information Newscasts</b>   |
| No. 11 – March 2018 - <a href="#">International Women’s Day</a>                               |
| No. 12 – June 2018 - <a href="#">Women Who Lunch Resource Guide</a>                           |
| Resources   |
| Employment and Resumes  |
| Resources and Referrals Assistance  |
| Mentoring and Coaching  |

## Reference Resources

The published *GWWN Newsletters*, and *Community Resources Information Newscasts* (above), feature links to past publications. There are resources there you still can use. Only content matters not past dates.

Also, there are links to historic, organizations and information sites for readers to search in this publication. It is arranged for educational, research, career and personal development. Our highlights go above and beyond a regular annual report. It serves as a “go to” resource tool. Use it, keep it and disseminate. Someone can use it.

### What they are saying about our *Education Information and Communication...*

**Adjectives:** *“Awesome, excellent, informative, beautiful, educational, resourceful, wow, timely, incredible, and more”*

**Additional Comments:**

- *Targets career employment and business opportunities*
- *Features other organizations networking events and conferences*
- *Offers scholarship information to extend others research scope*
- *Identifies educational business and training*
- *Provides information for youth development programs*
- *Spotlights various volunteerism placements*
- *Appreciates each publication broadcast and all information*
- *Disseminates our job announcements, events and other information promptly, your service is valuable*

**Personal Resources Assistance Comments:**

Adjectives: *“Exceptional, compassionate, transforming, high quality, commitment, friendly, refreshing, professional, knowledgeable and more...”*

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**Charitable Channels**  
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**Partnerships**

- Community Crisis Center
- Idealist
- Maryland New Directions
- Office of Partnerships and Grant Services
- The Training Source, Inc.
- Volunteer Match
- Watha T. Daniel/Shaw Public Library, DC
- Women Calendar
- Working Mother Media

**Volunteerism**

**GWWN** is an organization operated by members and volunteers. It was founded in 1995. There is no salaried staff. Our team has a passion to serve others. **GWWN**'s membership consists of women from various backgrounds. **GWWN** is an affiliate of the National Association for Female Executives, (NAFE), one of the largest renowned women's professional associations in the United States, founded in 1972.

**GWWN** promotes volunteerism. A few benefits are... (1) limitless opportunities to achieve careers and professional goals, (2) networking, (3) learning new skills, (4) building relationships with other dynamic professional and businesswomen, and (5) making a positive impact in the community. Internships are available for academic credit and professional development. Volunteers are very important for the success of our program. Sometimes their service is for a project, or for a few hours. It all adds up to help us reach our goals.

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Mary Greene.....Executive Director  
Cheryl Blount..... Secretary  
Jenifer Golson..... Treasurer  
Cheryl Blount..... Director of Membership

HONOREE VOLUNTEERS:

- Victor Adams
- L'Tange Alexander
- Gloria Blackwell\*
- Oliver Caceres
- Marilyn Dawson
- Novella Gumbs \*
- Frederick Isler \*
- Julie Och
- Donna Platon
- Alysee Weilmuenster
- Samuel Whitfield\*

Frances Simpson, Community Service Chair

\*Boosters

**Donations**

**GWWN** is a 501(c) 3 nonprofit organization. We operate on donations, monetary and in-kind gifts. All monetary gifts are used for the organization’s services. We accept any donations on-line through our website, or via our post office box.

**Spirit of Gratitude**

**GWWN** appreciates all the volunteer services, information, assistance, and monetary gifts everyone provided to the organization. You have made a difference!

***Our Charities Contributions***

- Maryland New Directions
- Suited for Change
- The Training Sources Inc.

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Membership Fees

**GWWN**.....\$40.00  
 NAFE..... \$39.00  
 Both Organizations..... \$79.00

[Join both organizations](#) for greater benefits

## **GWWN Advances and Promotes Through** **Next Steps** ***We love what we do. It matters!***

### **What's next?**

We need more success stories like this and your help to make them happen. This program year although we experienced challenges, one of our goals was to host luncheons to appeal to women who could attend.

On June 21, 2018 Jessica O. Stamp, one of **GWWN's** June 10, 2010 Leadership Award Program (LAP) academic scholarship recipients attended the luncheon. We were excited and she was greeted with a heartfelt welcome. Jessica received a B.A in Business Administration and Communications from Trinity Washington University, Washington, DC in 2014. She is now pursuing a Master of Arts (M.A) degree in Strategic Communication and Public Relations at Trinity University, expecting to graduate May 2019. Jessica is currently Assistant Director for Enrollment Development at Trinity Washington University. She was surprised we recalled her positive personality qualities. Also, we recited information from her thank you scholarship speech.

Jessica is outstanding proof that **GWWN's** investment is paying off. Our "giving" is continuing through her. We are proud of her accomplishments. Her photos from the LAP were included in the luncheon's agenda.

During our luncheons as powerful women imparted knowledge and raised awareness on an array of topics, everyone was enlightened, inspired, and transformed. When information is unfolded in a positive environment, it is an education gift, and likely cherished, to keep on giving. That is one of **GWWN's** goals, to invest in others, so they will pass it on. The same held true for **GWWN's** evening networking event, *Applying the Lessons of #MeToo and Time's Up: How We Can Combat Sexual Harassment*, where men attended.

Although **GWWN** achieved several goals during this 2017-18 program year making a difference, there is still more to be done. In the coming year, **GWWN** is counting on you to join us to make incredible progress together through your participation, resources and donations to change lives and make impacts!



## [Photography](#)

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