

LEADERSHIP NEWSBRIEF

Leadership Howard County Announcements | June 2019

Celebrate with us at the Annual Awards & Graduation Event!



Congratulations to the graduates of the Leadership Premier and Essentials classes of 2019 and this year's award recipients:



Distinguished Alumni
Ananta Hejeebu, LP '08
Managing Partner
Howard Tech Advisors



Unsung Hero
Tom Burtzlaff, LP '13
President
CMIT Solutions of Columbia



Leadership Legacy
Phyllis Madachy, LP '99
Community Volunteer

Join us on Tuesday, June 11 from 5-8:45 p.m. at the Ten Oaks Ballroom (5000 Signal Bell Lane, Clarksville) to **connect** – **commemorate** – and **celebrate** our well-deserving award nominees, graduates, and... how can we forget... announce **THE BEST CLASS EVER** (will it be yours?)

Schedule:

- Registration & Networking: 5-5:45 p.m.
- Opening Remarks & Dinner: 6-7 p.m.
- Program (Awards/Commencement): 7-8 p.m.
- Post-program Celebration: 8-8:45 p.m.

[Register Here](#)

THIS JUST IN



Lisa Myers, Howard County's recently appointed Chief of Police, was the featured speaker at the May 29 "This Just In." Our members participated in an engaging dialogue and learned about her vision and direction for the department.

Human Trafficking TJI

LHC's next "This Just In" will be held *Tuesday, July 16* from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and will focus on Human Trafficking (yes, it's happening in Howard County).

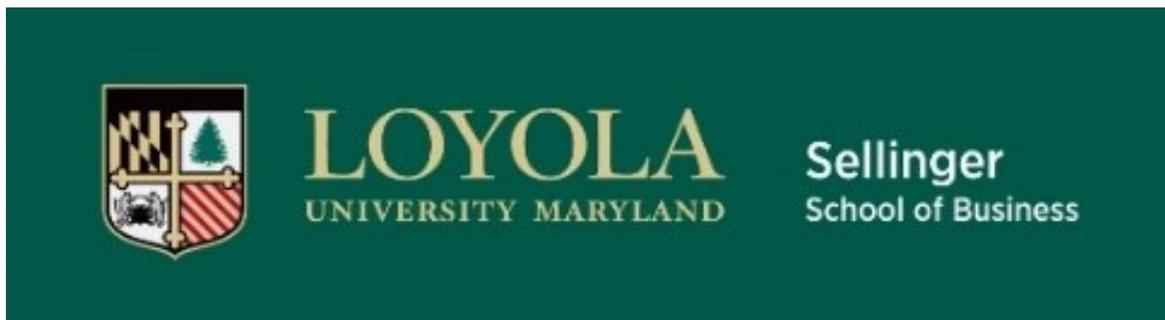
Come hear from a panel of diverse perspectives and join the conversation to find out more about what is being and can be done to help victims and survivors, as well as how you can actively join the fight against this growing problem.



Thank you to our TJI sponsor:

**THE JEFFREY | CHAMBERLAIN GROUP
AT MORGAN STANLEY**

Leadership Essentials Updates



Congratulations to the 2019 Leadership Essentials (LE) class who will successfully complete their 6-month leadership development program on June 6. The LE program, instituted by Leadership Howard County in 2007 and now managed by Loyola's Sellinger School of Business, develops skills that allow participants to stretch their leadership potential and contribute significantly to their organizations, families and community. This program consists of three core components: Skill-building workshops, a coach experience and a community impact project. Information Sessions/application materials for Leadership Essentials 2020 will be announced in July.

Happy Summer!

Announcing: Travelling Tuesdays

Last summer, our staff and membership really enjoyed “Un-Wind Wednesdays” at the LHC office space. This summer, we’re mixing it up and inviting our members to be the hosts for “Travelling Tuesdays” as both an opportunity to socialize *and* showcase your business. Dates are listed below and will be filled on a **first contact – first scheduled basis**.



Travelling Tuesday will be held on Tuesdays from 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. on the following dates:

- **June 25**
- **July 9**
- **July 30**
- **August 13**
- **August 27**

LHC will share information with our membership on our upcoming “destinations” and host organizations will provide snacks and drinks. Please email [Karen Bryant](mailto:karen.bryant@lhc.org) for more information and to sign up for one of the above dates.



Announcing LHC’s summer schedule!

Leadership Howard County will be closed on the following Fridays:

- July 4 (holiday) & July 5
- July 19
- August 2
- August 16
- August 30

Leadership 2.0 Highlights



The current LHC class and alumni recently went behind the scenes with Judge William Tucker for an up close and personal look at the Howard County Judiciary.



Community Impact Projects (CIP)

CIP projects are part of both the Leadership Premier (LP) and Leadership Essentials (LE) programs. These projects focus on an issue or challenge identified by a host organization, typically a non-profit or government entity. Class participants research and propose creative, sustainable solutions. Read below about some current efforts!



CIP Spotlight: Robinson Nature Center

The Robinson Nature Center, owned and operated by the Howard County Department of Recreation & Parks, opened in September 2011 with the mission to facilitate the understanding and enjoyment of natural resources and to bridge the gap between people and the natural world. The LP 2019 project team concentrated their efforts on increasing engagement and removing barriers for communities that have yet to access and use the center. The eventual goal is to design universal and accessible

programming and exhibits that address the needs of the whole community and instigate a shift in the diversity of participants that come to the center. The team specifically focused on those with or affected by Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) and addressed some of the sensory challenges present in this setting that may impact their experience. For more information on the Robinson Nature Center, click [here](#).

Project Team: Saman Akhtar, Matt DeGourse, Ayesha Holmes, Tracey Millings, Raf Olazagasti, Rick Silver, and Craig Wyatt

CIP Spotlight: Mediation & Conflict Resolution Center (MCRC)

MCRC's mission is to provide widely accessible and affordable conflict resolution services and education that help all members of the community manage conflict and have difficult conversations in a meaningful, proactive way. Co-parenting mediation provides a neutral space where parents (and sometimes other family members/guardians) of minor children can come together with professionally trained mediators to develop a plan to address the many facets of raising and supporting children after parents separate. Mediators broach key topics within the areas of living arrangements, decision-making and timesharing and encourage parent-generated solutions geared to a family's specific needs. The LP 2019 project team developed a feasibility study and report to assess the community's need for mediation as a low-cost, desirable option in working with family law judges and magistrates, who have the ultimate responsibility of ordering mediation and accepting/entering into court records any co-parenting plans that result from mediation sessions. For more details about MCRC's mission, composition and programs, visit their website at www.mcrchoward.org.



Project Team:

Charlie Camp, Saji Ijiyemi, Marcy Leonard, Dan Nail, Paul Papagjika, and Cindy Sandler



CIP Spotlight: Supplying Allergy Friendly Emergency (S.A.F.E.) Food Pantry

The S.A.F.E. food pantry is a 501(c)(3), all-volunteer organization that operates by the mission to educate, inspire and engage the community about the necessity for gluten free and allergy-friendly food and provide that safe food to those in need. Currently, the S.A.F.E. Food Pantry (with operations at the Howard County Food Bank and the Non-Profit Collaborative's emergency food pantry) is the only gluten-free and allergy-friendly food pantry in Maryland and only one of a few in the nation, leaving food banks and food pantry clients with these special dietary needs, the hard choice of going hungry or eating something that can make them sick. The LP 2019 CIP team researched

and contacted similar pantries across the nation, as well as those pantries within the Maryland Food Bank's service area, to determine possible partnership priorities and recommended additional financial and food donor resources to sustain growth. The results from this project will allow S.A.F.E. to determine how best to expand services throughout the region. Click [here](#) for more information on S.A.F.E. Food Pantry.

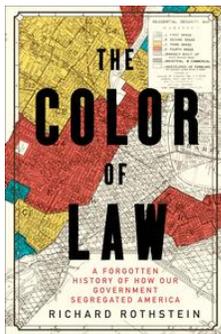
Project Team: Kelly Cimino, Mimi Cuddy-Mierzwa, Felicia Fleming, Eleanor Hunt, Rich Pardoe, and Jason Peay

If you know of a nonprofit that may be interested in learning more about the LHC CIP process and/or submitting a project, click [here](#) or attend an info session for more information:

- **Friday, June 14, 2019** from 8:30 to 10:00 a.m.
- **Tuesday, June 18, 2019** from 4 to 5:30 p.m.

Both sessions will be held at Loyola University Maryland Columbia campus (8890 McGaw Rd, Columbia). Please email [Laurie Remer](#) to RSVP (required). The deadline to submit project proposals is July 8.

Read With LHC



LHC, in partnership with the Howard County Library System, is offering a book discussion group on The Color of Law by Richard Rothstein, who recently spoke at the Miller Branch. Widely heralded as a “masterful” (Washington Post) and “essential” (Slate) history of the modern American metropolis, Richard Rothstein’s The Color of Law offers “the most forceful argument ever published on how federal, state, and local governments gave rise to and reinforced neighborhood segregation” (William Julius Wilson). Exploding the myth of de facto segregation arising from private prejudice or the unintended consequences of economic forces, Rothstein describes how the American government systematically imposed residential segregation. A groundbreaking, “virtually indispensable” study that has already transformed our understanding of twentieth-century urban history (Chicago Daily Observer), The Color of Law forces us to face the obligation to remedy our unconstitutional past. If you’re interested in participating, please contact Alli Jessing, LP '18, by June 14 at alli.jessing@hclibrary.org.

Class News

Congratulations to **Anne Brinker, LP '14**, who recently joined the Horizon Foundation as Chief Operating Officer.

Marc Kolp, LP '11, Director for the Center for Leadership & Innovation at the University of Baltimore County Training Centers, has recently joined the Board of Directors of the Central Maryland Chamber of Commerce.

Chris Maynard, LP '11, is returning to Tuerk House as their Director of Major Giving & Philanthropy.

Some members of the LP Class of 2018 recently caught up to share lunch and their current events!

(From left to right: Hina Naseem, David Koonce, Lanlan Xu, Anish Manrai, Kimberly Prescott and Travis Teal)



Volunteer Opportunities

Mentors Needed: LHC's LU Program

Mentors are needed to provide guidance, networking and coaching to a team of 6-8 high school juniors who are planning, implementing and reporting on their own student-led community service project. Mentor support begins July 26 through December 2. For more information and commitment dates, click [here](#) or contact Meg Ignacio at mignacio@leadershiphc.org.

LU Summer Week Volunteers Needed from July 22-26

Consider chaperoning students during tours of the hospital and detention center, participate in activities such as the poverty simulation, leadership workshops and shark tank judging, and/or pick up and deliver breakfast and lunch during summer week. Please contact [Meg Ignacio](#) for more specific details.

Board of Trustee Members needed for St. John's Parish Day School: The Board serves as the oversight and governing body of the Day School which enrolls students from 3 years old through 5th grade. To learn more, please email [Sharon Runge](#), Trustees Committee, or call 410-599-8704.

Trinity School, an independent, PreK-8th grade Catholic school in Ellicott City, is seeking **new trustees** with a commitment to Catholic education, and expertise in marketing or development. Interested candidates should contact Meg Ignacio at megnacio@verizon.net for additional information.

County Executive Calvin Ball is seeking applicants for the **Multimodal Transportation Board**. The deadline to apply is Friday, June 28. For more information, please email Kimberly Pruim at kpruim@howardcountymd.gov.

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