

Leadership Howard County announces Leadership Premier class of 2024

COLUMBIA, Md.—Leadership Howard County, which seeks to empower leaders to strengthen and transform the community, accepted 43 professionals from Howard County businesses and nonprofits into the Leadership Premier program’s class of 2024. Leadership Premier is an exploration of the Howard County community, during which participants meet with Howard County businesses and local leaders and learn about issues in the county.

The members of the class of 2024 are:

- Stephanie Adibe, Howard County government
- Dan Adler, Catapult Image
- Scherazade Agurto, The BWI Business Partnership Inc.
- Miquel Antoine, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory
- Kirsten Baier, Johns Hopkins Howard County Foundation
- Meridith Belcher, Red Bike Advisors
- Meghan Belcher, M&T Bank
- Lewis Belfont, Howard County Library System
- Bram Berlin, Sandy Spring Bank
- Ryan Bramble, CRISP Shared Services
- Tracy Broccolino, Community Action Council of Howard County
- Armsby Carbon, Columbia Association
- Kathleen Collins-Ihrke, The ARC of Howard County
- Deborah Colson, Federal Realty Investment Trust
- Jinal Contractor, Howard County Economic Development Authority
- Sharon Cooper-Kerr, Wilde Lake Community Association
- James Etchells, Baltimore Gas & Electric, An Exelon Company
- Maureen Evans Arthurs, Howard County government
- Melissa Graham, Tino’s Italian Bistro & Wine Bar
- De’Ara Graves, Mary’s Center
- Axel Guerra, Howard Hughes Corp.
- Althea Hanson, Althea’s Almost Famous
- Michael Ingram, Accenture
- Paloma León, University of Maryland Baltimore County
- Eric Levitas, Edwards Performance Solutions
- Dara Lovett, United Way of Central Maryland
- Emmanuel Mercer, Christ Episcopal Church
- D’Paul Nibber, The Horizon Foundation
- Janeé Pelletier, Learning Undefeated
- Tia Price, Enterprise Community Partners
- Jacqueline Ray, Harkins Builders Inc.
- Zakia Reaves-Johnson, Howard Community College
- Andrew Sherman, American Bully Manufacturing
- Aaron Slater Jr., self-employed
- Yolanda Sonnier, Howard County government
- Ashlie Sowers, M&T Bank
- Jessica Stringham, APL Federal Credit Union

- Alexandra Sullivan, Visit Howard County
- David Susseles, Baltimore Gas & Electric, An Exelon Company
- Angela Tersiguel, Tersiguel's Inc.
- Felicia West, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- Brad Wolf, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory
- Katheryne Womack, WSI Digital Marketing

The Leadership Premier program was launched in 1985 to develop capable, well-informed individuals committed to devoting their time and resources for community improvement. The program addresses countywide issues in monthly, daylong seminars where participants meet with established leaders in business, government and community services.

Since its inception, more than 1,550 individuals have graduated from Leadership Premier and now lead nonprofit boards and civic organizations serving Howard County.

Leadership Howard County provides innovative programs designed to empower and connect community leaders and keep them engaged in the critical issues facing Howard County and the region. Drawn from private businesses, nonprofits and the public sector, Leadership Howard County participants share a common interest in learning more about their community and a commitment to making a positive impact. (www.leadershiphc.org)

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