

Leadership Howard County names board chair, four new members

COLUMBIA, Md.—Leadership Howard County, which seeks to empower leaders to strengthen and transform the community, named Kimberly Prescott chair and appointed four new members to the board of directors.

Kimberly Prescott is founder and president of Prescott HR Inc., a human resources company based in Columbia. She graduated from Leadership Howard County's Leadership Premier program in 2018 and Leadership Maryland's 2023-Program. Prescott has been recognized by the Baltimore Business Journal as one of the 2023 Enterprising Women of Excellence; The Daily Record as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women in 2023; the Howard County Chamber of Commerce as the 2022 Businessperson of the Year; and I95 Business among the Women of Influence in 2019.

Active in the community, Prescott serves on the executive board of the Girl Scouts of Central Maryland; chairs the labor and employment subcommittee for the Howard County Chamber of Commerce; serves on the board of The 3rd; and is past board chair of the Community Foundation of Howard County.

Prescott joins the following Leadership Howard County board officers: Trevor Garner, past chair; Brendan Mahoney, divisional chair, operations and finance; Louann Magi, divisional chair, resource development; Suzi Padgett, secretary; and Paul Skalny, general counsel.

Leadership Howard County also appointed four new board members:

- **Ivy Gales** is the senior business development representative for the Maryland Department of Commerce. She graduated from Leadership Howard County's Leadership Premier program in 2020 and has a bachelor's degree in integrative health services. She lives in Columbia.
- **Jennifer Jones** is the CEO of the Howard County Economic Development Authority. She has a law degree and an MBA from Pepperdine University and a Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University. She lives in Howard County.
- **Lance Johnson** is a vice president in corporate and institutional banking services for PNC Bank. He graduated from Leadership Howard County's Leadership Premier program in 2022 and has a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from Towson University. He lives in Ellicott City.
- **David Woodruff** is the president and CEO of APL Federal Credit Union. He graduated from Leadership Howard County's Leadership Premier program in 2020 and has a Bachelor of Arts degree from Brigham Young University. He lives in Columbia.

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)