



ABAG Giving Circle Connector Gathering  
**Giving and Receiving:  
 Being Allies with Our Grantees**  
 Thursday, October 29, 2015  
 10:00 AM to 2:30 PM

**AGENDA**

Time	Activity
10:00	<b>Registration &amp; Networking</b> <i>Come early and network!</i>
10:30	<b>Welcome Remarks &amp; Introductions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Welcome by Elisabeth Hyleck, Programs and Initiatives Director, Association of Baltimore Area Grantmakers</li> <li>• Introductions by circle: everyone attending from one circle stands, one representative says the name of their circle and mission. Each person says their name.</li> <li>• Welcome to Baltimore! Penny Wald and Peggy Schapiro, Co-chairs of the Baltimore Women’s Giving Circle</li> </ul>
11:00	<b>Opening Remarks by Sheryl Goldstein, Managing Director, Programs &amp; Grants, The Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation, Inc.</b> Moderated discussion by Celeste Amato, President, Association of Baltimore Area Grantmakers
11:20	<b>Panel on Being an Ally</b> <i>Ally: A person or organization that cooperates with or helps another in a particular activity</i> – Oxford English Dictionary <b>Moderator:</b> Buffy Beaudoin-Schwartz, Member and Co-Founder of the Women's Giving Circle of Howard County <b>Panel:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Karen Adkins, Baltimore Outreach Services</li> <li>• Jodi Davis, Women’s Giving Circle of Harford County</li> <li>• Mary Grace Folwell, Anne Arundel Women Giving Together</li> <li>• Sarah Hemminger, Thread</li> </ul> Panel will be followed by Q&A and then table discussion.
12:00	<b>Pick up box lunches, restroom break</b> <i>Please choose a topic for your first table conversation and sit at that table</i>
12:15	<b>Table Conversations (Round 1)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Peer conversations focused on one topic per table:               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Succession and financial planning for your circle</li> <li>2. Advocacy &amp; Public Policy</li> <li>3. Outreach &amp; Marketing</li> </ol> </li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. Educational Programs for Members and the Public</li> <li>5. Member Engagement &amp; Retention</li> <li>6. Measuring Grant Impact</li> <li>7. Open Topic</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Designate one person to record main thoughts on your flip chart</li> <li>• Group report out</li> </ul>
1:00	<b><i>Break and change tables for next conversation</i></b>
1:10	<p><b>Table Conversation (Round 2)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Another round of conversations – same topics as before <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Succession and financial planning for your circle</li> <li>2. Advocacy &amp; Public Policy</li> <li>3. Outreach &amp; Marketing</li> <li>4. Educational Programs for Members and the Public</li> <li>5. Member Engagement &amp; Retention</li> <li>6. Measuring Grant Impact</li> <li>7. Open Topic</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Start with a summary of previous conversation</li> <li>• Designate one person to record main thoughts on your flip chart</li> <li>• Group report out</li> </ul>
1:55	<p><b>Give One - Get One Activity</b></p> <p><i>Give and receive the best learnings of the day!</i></p>
2:25	<b>Closing Comments and Adjourn</b>