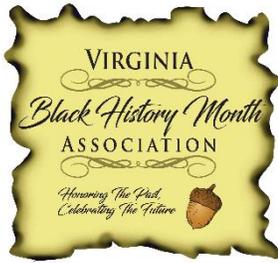


“A Century of Black History Commemorations” (1926-2026)

Supporting The Next Generation of Black Leaders and Innovators While Learning from the Past



The 26th Annual Virginia Black History Month Gala



VaBHMA

The Virginia Black History Month Association

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Dear Sponsors

Since 1996, the President of the United States has issued an annual Presidential Proclamation designating February as African American History Month, also known as Black History Month. Each year, this declaration calls upon “*public officials, educators, and all Americans to observe this month with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities.*”

In February 2000, a group of military veterans and I established the **Virginia Black History Month Association (VaBHMA)** to honor this call to action. The VaBHMA is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization. In our early years, our mission focused on providing meaningful and educational activities for **active-duty military personnel and their families** during Black History Month. Over time, our programs have grown to serve the broader Washington, DC, Maryland, and Virginia (DMV) community, celebrating and sharing the achievements and contributions of African Americans.

As we prepare for our 2026 Black History Month Gala, we will commemorate 100 years of Black History celebrations in the United States. A highlight of this milestone event will be our “**Passing of the Torch**” ceremony, symbolizing the transfer of cultural heritage and historical knowledge from one generation to the next. In this ceremony, the eldest guest will pass an LED Tiki Torch to seven children, who will pledge to continue celebrating and preserving Black History for the next fifty years.

To make this memorable event and our annual scholarship initiatives possible, the VaBHMA is seeking sponsorship support. We invite you and your organization to consider partnering with us through one of our five sponsorship packages. Each package includes exclusive benefits such as:

- Complimentary VIP Gala Tickets
- Access to the VIP Social with our featured speaker(s)
- Advertising opportunities in event materials
- Special recognition during the Gala program

For details about sponsorship levels and participation opportunities, please visit our website at www.vabhma.org

Respectfully Submitted,

William (Bill) Jones, USMC (ret.)
President, VaBHMA

Below is our list of Corporate and Small Business Sponsor Packages, which include items in support of the 2026 Virginia Black History Month Gala. Review each package and determine your level of sponsorship. Check at least one box below. Payment can be made on our website at www.vabhma.org. Make checks payable to: **VIRGINIA BLACK HISTORY MONTH ASSOCIATION**. President William Jones, Virginia Black History Month Association, P.O. Box 41924, Fredericksburg, VA 22404. You may contact me by phone at (540) 907-1857 (cell) or by email at President@vabhma.com to arrange other payment options. Mail to:

Corporate Sponsor Packages

Platinum Sponsor (Donations of \$20,000 or more) includes:

- **One Full VIP Table (10 seats)**
- Opportunity to address our audience or present an award/speaker
- Receive our Annual Black History Month Sponsor Award
- Verbal Recognition at the VIP Social
- Display of your Corporate Logo on all Event Branding
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin
- Vending table in our vendor hall

Gold Sponsor (Donations of \$15,000) includes:

- **One Full VIP Table (10 seats)**
- Opportunity to address our audience
- Verbal Recognition at the VIP Social
- Display of your Corporate Logo on all Event Branding
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Silver Sponsor (Donations of \$10,000) includes:

- **One Full VIP Table (10 seats)**
- Opportunity to address our audience
- Verbal Recognition at the VIP Social
- Display of your Corporate Logo on all Event Branding
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Diamond Sponsor (Donations of \$5,000) includes:

- **Five VIP Tickets**
- Verbal Recognition at the VIP Social and Gala
- Display of your Corporate Logo on all Event Branding
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Bronze Sponsor (Donations of \$2,500) includes:

- **Four VIP Tickets**
- Verbal Recognition at the VIP Social and Gala
- Display of your Corporate Logo on all Event Branding
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Small Business Sponsor Packages

Dr. Carter G. Woodson (Donations of \$1,500) includes:

- **Four VIP Tickets**
- Vending table in our vendor hall
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Harriet Tubman (Donations of \$1,000) includes:

- **Four VIP Tickets**
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Frederick Douglass (Donations of \$500) includes:

- **Two VIP Tickets**
- Full Page Ad in the Souvenir Bulletin

Full Page - Ad

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Quarter Page - Ad

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Half Page - Ad

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