

Special guests at the Women's Commission's 35th anniversary meeting included, from left, Barbara Martin, Nitzalis Rivera, Dani Sweeney, commission President Shadae Paul, Mistress of Ceremonies Bernadette Wagner, Hagerstown Mayor Emily Keller, Erika Bell, videographer Monika Wertman, Hagerstown Councilwoman Tekesha Martin and Del. Brenda Thiam, R-Washington. SUBMITTED

Commission for Women celebrates milestone anniversary with guests

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For 35 years, the Washington County Commission for Women has supported the advancement of women and girls in Washington County.

Nearly 80 guests turned out Sept. 14 as the Commission kicked off its 35th anniversary celebration at the Fletcher Branch of the Washington County Free Library in downtown Hagerstown.

The commission is honoring 35 women for their achievements during this year's commemorations, and many were in attendance. The commission also premiered an anniversary video featuring the stories of eight women who overcame adversity to succeed.



Del. Brenda Thiam, R-Washington, and Hagerstown Mayor Emily Keller, right, chat with other women at the Washington County Women's Commission's 35th anniversary commemoration. SUBMITTED