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**\*\*\*NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING\*\*\***

**COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD (CAAB) MEETING**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a public meeting of the:

**Wilton Manors Community Affairs Advisory Board (CAAB) is scheduled for WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2026, at 7p.m., City Commission Chambers at 2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **ROLL CALL**
4. **ADDITIONS/CHANGES/DELETIONS** - any Board Member may request to add, change or delete agenda items.
5. **UPDATE FROM CHAIR** – welcome all; open carry comments and discussion.
6. **UPDATE FROM CITY LIAISON** – Collected and provided Women’s History Month nominations/scoresheets.
7. **PRESENTATIONS/SPONSORSHIP REQUESTS** – allow public comment with each sponsorship request
  - a. None
8. **APPROVAL OF JANUARY 7, 2026, MEETING MINUTES**
9. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – members of the Public may speak on any issue for up to 3 minutes/read submitted comments.
10. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - a. **WORKSHOP DISCUSSION:**
    - i. CAAB script for neighborhood associations outreach/member reports; strategy for continued involvement
    - ii. CAAB sponsorship funding – establish funding guidelines for CAAB consideration/approval; strategy to request increase to CAAB budget
    - iii. History Month nominations: forms, possible revision, focus on impact to Wilton Manors; goal for number of nominations/outreach.
    - iv. CAAB member remote meeting participation (telephone, Zoom, Teams, FaceTime, etc.)
    - v. Identify key community concern – research and provide CAAB recommendation to Commission
11. **NEW BUSINESS**
  - a. Women’s History Month (February) – review nominations; select recommended honorees.
12. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUESTS FOR AGENDA ITEMS**
13. **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2026 – 7p.m. – Chambers**
14. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Attention Board Members:** Confirm attendance to Johnnie Goodnight: [jgoodnight@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:jgoodnight@wiltonmanors.com) or (954) 390-2120.

Pursuant to FS. 286.0105, if a person decides to appeal any decision made by the Board with respect to any matter considered at such meeting, they will need a record of the proceedings and that for such purposes they may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is based. Any person requiring auxiliary aids and/or services for the meeting may contact the ADA coordinator at (954) 390-2120 at least 2 working days prior to the meeting. If you are hearing or speech impaired, please contact the Florida Relay Service by using the following phone numbers: 1-800-955-8779 (voice) or 1-800-955-8771 (TDD).

Please contact the City Clerk’s Office at (954) 390-2123 if you are interested in submitting a City Board application or visit the City website’s ([www.wiltonmanors.com](http://www.wiltonmanors.com)) Boards & Committees page for more information and to access the application. **Applications to join CAAB and all city boards are accepted year-round.**

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**Dated and Posted: 1/29/26**



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City of Wilton Manors  
Community Affairs Advisory Board  
Meeting Minutes  
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 7, 2026

- **CALL TO ORDER:** Gene Stinson (Chair) called the January 7, 2026, CAAB meeting to order at 7p.m. in the Chambers.
- **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Gene led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- **ROLL CALL:** Johnnie took roll call: Gene Stinson, Carvelle Estriplet, Joanne Diederich, Stuart Bowers, Bill Richardson, and Mia Rodriguez were present in the Chambers. Jose Guzzardi was present via telephone.
- **ADDITIONS/CHANGES/DELETIONS** – to agenda: None.
- **UPDATE FROM CHAIR:** Gene welcomed everyone; did not read the open-carry statement since no members of the public were present.
- **UPDATE FROM CITY LIAISON:** Johnnie reported that he sent an email to the neighborhood associations, non-profits, and others asking for nominations for Black History Month and Women’s History Month honorees; received an email from Jameer that WMEG canceled the March fashion show, but they will still assist in the call for Women’s History Month nominations. Gene stated that in the February CAAB meeting he would like to workshop CAAB goals and will work with Johnnie to create an agenda.
- **PRESENTATIONS/SPONSORSHIP REQUEST:** None.
- **APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE MEETING OF DECEMBER 3, 2025:** Approved by motion.
- **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None.
- **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - a.) CAAB script for neighborhood associations outreach – The approved script was provided for use at the future meetings: CANA, January 14: Gene, Joanne (maybe), Stuart, and Mia; 3 Bridges: Carvelle; ENA, January 22: Bill; and WAWM, January 28: Jose to continue as the WAWM liaison.
  - b.) 2026 Black History (February) and Women’s History (March) Months Honorees – status of call for nominations: Johnnie reported that only 4 nominations were received for Black History Month, despite heavy city social media and WMEG promotion. City and WMEG promotion will continue for Women’s History Month nominations.
  - c.) CAAB sponsorship funding – establish funding guidelines for CAAB consideration/approval – tabled to February workshop; to also discuss strategy for requesting an increase to CAAB budget.
  - d.) Identify key community concern – research and provide CAAB recommendation to Commission (Jose) – further discussion tabled to February workshop meeting.
- **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - a.) Black History Month (February) – review nominations; select recommended honoree(s). Johnnie shared CAAB member scoring on nominees (detail attached) Gabriel Ferwalt (average 85) and Sharon Hughes (average 78). Joanne made the motion to recommend Gabriel as the honoree, seconded by Stuart, and carried unanimously. There was discussion on focusing on the nominees’ impact to the Wilton Manors community – possibly highlight this on the nomination form, to discuss further in the February workshop meeting. Johnnie noted that CAAB may reach out to the nominator or ask Johnnie to do so in the future.
  - b.) CAAB member remote meeting participation (Jose)-Jose inquired about remote CAAB member participation, and if Zoom or Teams were an option. Johnnie reported that the city does not maintain a Zoom account; Stuart noted that Zoom is free for up to 40 minutes. CAAB will discuss this further in February.
- **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS AND REQUEST FOR AGENDA ITEMS:** Bill reported on attending the December 10<sup>th</sup> Bears of South Florida (BOSFL) meeting; he shared the CAAB script, key activities, and call for nominations; they were excited about having someone from CAAB at their meeting.
- **NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE:** Wednesday, February 4, 2026, 7p.m. – Chambers.
- **ADJOURNMENT:** Meeting concluded at 7:50p.m.

Attachment: Black History Month nominations scores.

Submitted by Johnnie Goodnight - CAAB - Staff Liaison/Secretary

To adopt to record 2/4/26

Attested to by:

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Johnnie Goodnight, Staff Liaison/Secretary

## MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 26, 2026

TO: Members of CAAB

FROM: Gene A. Stinson, Chair

SUBJECT: February Planning Session

During the last part of our February meeting, we will have a planning/work session. Since many are relatively new to the board, this will help us understand our mission and ensure our current and future activities are aligned.

Please ensure you have reviewed the items (I & II) listed below on the agenda. This will help us save time in our session.

CAAB Planning Session  
Wednesday, February 4, 2026

### AGENDA

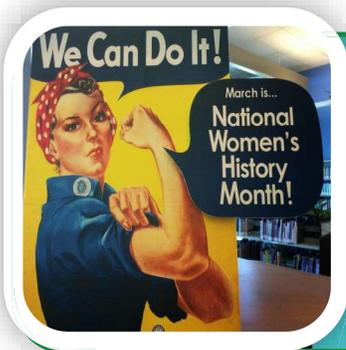
- I. Review the city code establishing the CAAB board.  
[https://library.municode.com/fl/wilton\\_manors/codes/code\\_of\\_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR\\_CH2AD\\_ARTIIBOCOCO\\_DIV3COAFADBO](https://library.municode.com/fl/wilton_manors/codes/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=PTIICOOR_CH2AD_ARTIIBOCOCO_DIV3COAFADBO)
- II. Review 2023 through 2025 goals and outcomes for CAAB  
<https://www.wiltonmanors.gov/482/Community-Affairs-Advisory-Board>
- III. Current goals alignment with code
- IV. Improvement of our existing goals
- V. Possible future goals

CAAB Planning Session  
Wednesday, February 4, 2026

AGENDA

- I. Review the city code establishing the CAAB board.
  - a. Provide a vehicle to maintain a high quality of life through greater citizen participation.
  - b. The annual plan shall include goals and guidelines and shall deal directly with the objectives of the Community Affairs Advisory Board, which are to:
    - i. Recommend programs to promote and encourage active participation of citizens to develop a more viable community. Programs should recognize the efforts of residents and businesses for community spirit, beautification, volunteerism, and other worthwhile contributions to the City (Examples: Holiday light decorating contest, neighborhood improvement program, small business assistance program, and community beautification recognition program);
    - ii. Encourage developers, property owners and business owners to accept basic responsibilities for preserving, enhancing and promoting the beauty of public and private properties;
    - iii. Disseminate information and educational materials and reports which assist the City in supporting issues of community concern;
    - iv. Encourage the coordination of civic events between City administration and community service organizations in order to promote community relations and civic pride; and
    - v. Promote the welfare of the community and provide recommendations for good public relations in order to declare and publicize the benefits of living and doing business in the City.
    - vi. Coordinate all proposals with other impacted departments such as Leisure Services, Community Development Services, Utilities, and Finance prior to proposing to the City Commission.
- II. Review 2023 through 2025 goals and outcomes for CAAB
  - a. Annual recognition awards
    - i. Black History Month
    - ii. Women's History Month
    - iii. LGBTQ+ History Month
    - iv. Hispanic Heritage Month
    - v. Community Spirit Award
  - b. Participation at events
    - i. "Spooktacular" Halloween
    - ii. Holiday lighting
    - iii. Black History month cookout
    - iv. Caribbean PrideFete
  - c. Update resources/materials
    - i. Senior resource guide
    - ii. New resident welcome guide
    - iii. Awards nomination form
  - d. Engage with neighborhood associations
- III. Do current goals alignment with code?
- IV. Improvement of our existing goals
  - a. Goals Not Completed?
- V. Possible future goals

# 2026 NOMINATION FORM



## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD 2026 MARCH WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH HONOREE



Life's Just Better Here

Join us in recognizing outstanding contribution toward Women's History in Wilton Manors by nominating an individual or organization. The deadline for nominations is January 15, 2026. Please email completed form to [community@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:community@wiltonmanors.com).

### NOMINATION

Your Name:                     Johnnie Goodnight                    

Your Phone:           954-390-2120                     Your E-mail:           jgoodnight@wiltonmanors.com                    

### HONOREE OF THE YEAR

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, Leadership, and Philanthropy, per criteria on the reverse side of this form.

Nominee's Name:                     Azita Behmardi, Assistant City Manager                    

Phone Number:           954-390-2103                     E-mail Address:           abehmardi@wiltonmanors.com                    

Address:           2020 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305                    

### TELL US

Provide **specific** examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL**:

Azita Behmardi started as the City of Wilton Manors Assistant City Manager in February 2025, and in one short year has proven herself to be an invaluable asset to the City Manager and the city itself. Although, Azita had already been a valuable asset to the city, having worked as a contract consultant/engineer on several city projects for many years prior to taking on the Assistant City Manager role. She ran her own consulting company for 20 years, during which time she worked on parks and road projects for Wilton Manors. "That's where I fell in love with the city," she said. As an independent engineering consultant, Azita provided project management services to the City for over 15 years on projects of significance to the community. Among the many projects on which she worked are: the construction of the Richard C. Sullivan Public Library, the construction of Hagen Park Community Center and park amenities, the construction of the City Hall and Police Station, the renovations of Mickel Park, as well as roadway and infrastructure projects. Azita is an advocate for the City at the County, State, and Federal levels. As a "role model", Azita's career serves as an inspiration to aspiring public servants and to women seeking leadership roles in government.

On a personal note: as a city employee myself, it is an honor to work with Azita on a daily basis; as a Wilton Manors homeowner, it is reassuring to know that we have someone of her caliber as our Assistant City Manager.

Azita's hiring was announced in the February 25, 2025 Commission meeting - the same meeting in which the 2025 Women's History Month honorees were selected. After a full year in her role as Assistant City Manager, it is fitting that Azita be recognized as a 2026 honoree for Women's History Month after her hard work and dedication in supporting Wilton Manors over the past year.

Provide **specific** examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY**:

A respected leader and mentor, Azita fosters an inclusive and supportive workplace culture that empowers employees and encourages professional growth. She is known for her thoughtful decision-making, clear communication, and unwavering commitment to transparency and accountability in local government. Beyond her administrative responsibilities, Azita's leadership reflects the values of Women's History Month by demonstrating how women continue to shape communities through service, resilience, and innovation. Azita has given her own free-time in supporting and attending Wilton Manors' events. For her outstanding contributions to the City of Wilton Manors and her exemplary leadership, Azita Behmardi is deserving of recognition and honor during Women's History Month.

If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio (i.e., business, LinkedIn, etc.) or attach a document.

Bio link:           www.outsfl.com/wilton-manors/city-names-new-asst-city-manager                    

Currently seated CAAB members are not eligible for nomination.  
For more information, please contact Johnnie Goodnight at (954) 390-2120.



Thursday, January 8, 2026

# Women's History Month Nominations

Deadline: January 13, 2026

The City of Wilton Manors is accepting nominations from the community of a person and/or business that exemplifies Women Power. The selected Women's History Month recipients will be honored with a City Proclamation by the City Commission.

For full details scroll down to the bottom of the form to read all matters pertaining to filling out this nomination form ↓

**Your Name** Laura Petrella

**Your Email** laura@thevideofactory.com

**Your Phone Number** (561) 542-0542

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Robin Bodiford

**Nominee's Email** rbodiford@aol.com

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 630-2707

**Nominee's Address** 2550 N Federal Hwy,  
Fort Lauderdale,, FL, 33305

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

Among the many qualifications Robin has been instrumental in Broward county in many gay rights battles. Americans for Equality: Empower Broward, Political Action Committee, Chair, (defeated petition drive to repeal amendments to Broward County Human Rights Ordinance 2001). Americans for Equality, Political Action Committee, Co-chair (community organizing and lobbying to enact legislation to prohibit sexual orientation discrimination in employment, housing and places of public accommodation, and defeated petition drive to repeal amendments to Broward County Human Rights Ordinance 1996).

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **LEADERSHIP** and **PHILANTHROPY**:

Apart from the above considerable achievements, she represented the gay scouts as they were being discriminated against by the Boy Scouts of America, and led campaigns defeating attempts to overturn Broward county human rights ordinance amendment including sexual orientation. She has fought and won so many battles and it is good to remember it during these hard times. A recognition to Robin would be an inspiration to many to continue the battle and not let the guard down.

**If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio.** <https://lawrobin.net/meet-robin-1>



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**Your Name** RITA GAMBARDELLA

**Your Email** rdella1@bellsouth.net

**Your Phone Number** (954) 647-0880

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Mair Boscarino

**Nominee's Email** boscarinom@bellsouth.net

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 629-7593

**Nominee's Address** 520 SE 12 th Street, Apt 403  
Dania Beach, FL, 33304

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

Mair has been a lifetime supporter of our LBGQT+ community. She is a member of My Hollywood Pride and as a former Key west Citizen she was instrumental in her work with the Tourist Development to continue advocating for the gay owned establishments.





Saturday, January 3, 2026

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**Your Name** Norman Extract

**Your Email** nse102@aol.com

**Your Phone Number** (561) 704-4096

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Ronne Dembo

**Nominee's Email** rdenbo@yahoo.com

**Nominee's Phone Number** (561) 481-0585

**Nominee's Address** Flouda

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Ronne is a role model and advocate. She is everywhere and knows everyone. She is an asset to our community

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Dolphin Dems  
 Fort Lauderdale LGBTQ Social Meetup Group  
 Second Tuesday Women's group  
 Women With Pride





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**Your Name** Jeannie Floyd  
**Your Email** jeannie.floydaka@gmail.com  
**Your Phone Number** (954) 494-9104

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Janelle Floyd  
**Nominee's Email** Janellefloyd08@gmail.com  
**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 913-7228  
**Nominee's Address** 2445 Northwest 33rd Street, 1412  
Oakland Park, FL, 33309

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

Janelle Floyd is a dedicated advocate and role model whose work centers justice, empowerment, and service.

Through her leadership with Girls in Christ, Inc., Janelle creates safe, affirming spaces where girls, especially those from underserved communities are empowered to find their voice, build confidence, and lead with purpose. She actively secures resources, develops transformative programming, and mentors girls by example, showing them what faith-driven leadership and self-advocacy look like in action.

In her role at the Public Defender's Office as the Community Outreach Coordinator, Janelle advances community-centered advocacy by bridging the gap between the justice system and the people it serves. Her work supports access, education, and equity, ensuring individuals and families are met with dignity and compassion beyond the courtroom.

Janelle leads with integrity and intention, making her not only an advocate, but a visible role model whose impact is felt across both community and professional spaces.

[www.girlsinchrist.org](http://www.girlsinchrist.org)

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Janelle Floyd demonstrates exceptional leadership and philanthropy through her sustained commitment to youth development and nonprofit excellence.

For the past six years, Janelle has led Girls in Christ, Inc., guiding the organization’s growth from vision to impact. Under her leadership, the organization has expanded programming, secured funding, built strategic partnerships, and created consistent, safe spaces where girls from underserved communities are supported, mentored, and empowered. She leads with accountability and purpose, overseeing program development, fundraising, volunteer engagement, and community outreach to ensure long-term sustainability and measurable impact.

Janelle’s commitment to philanthropy is further reflected in her pursuit of a Master’s degree in Nonprofit Management, demonstrating her dedication to ethical stewardship, effective leadership, and maximizing community impact. By combining hands-on leadership with formal training, she models what it means to invest in people, build mission-driven organizations, and give back in ways that create lasting change.

**If available, please provide any documents to support your recommendation.**





# Congratulations

to Girls in Christ, Inc. on being awarded

## \$20,000

from Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium to support  
Girls in Christ, Inc.'s new program space and Camp Sunshine.



Thank you to Southern Black Girls and Women's Consortium for this investment in our work.





FUNDRAISING GOAL \$2,000  
AMOUNT RAISED \$3,163



DIRECT IMPACT: 95% OF FUNDS  
GO STRAIGHT TO STUDENTS

### SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS AT A GLANCE



- 2 Scholars received \$1,000 scholarships to launch their college journeys
- 8 Scholars received \$50 awards and a \$50 Amazon gift card to support their studies

### # OF SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED

10



10



COLLEGE READINESS BASKETS  
FILLED WITH SCHOOL SUPPLIES  
AND HYGIENE PRODUCTS

### WHERE OUR SUNFLOWER SCHOLARS BLOOM



- GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY
- VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY
- UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
- UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA
- FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY
- SPELMAN COLLEGE
- FAYETTEVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY
- EASTERN FLORIDA STATE



### TESTIMONY

Hello, my name is Destiny Roberts. I have been a sunflower since the inception of Girls in Christ, Inc. back in 2019. I am a second year college student at Valdosta State University. Last year I was blessed to receive a scholarship from Girls in Christ, Inc. Receiving this scholarship alleviated the stress of paying for my college necessities such as books. This scholarship was a blessing to my mother and I because our number one worry is being able to afford college while avoiding student loans. With this scholarship I was able to focus on studies without having to worry about how I was going to afford my books for the fall and spring semester. It is comforting to know that Ms. Janelle was willing to help girls like me who are embarking on their college journey. Throughout my Girls in Christ journey Ms. Janelle has always been a blessing in my life and continues to be a blessing in my life. Although we have graduated high school, she continues to mentor us and this scholarship reflects that her impact goes far beyond just spiritual development.

Sunflower Destiny, Age 19

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Monday, January 12, 2026

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**Your Name** Rusty John Carbaugh  
**Your Email** iamrustyjohn@icloud.com  
**Your Phone Number** (754) 715-4850

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Dr. Jana Jaffe  
**Nominee's Email** jjaffe@browardhouse.org  
**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 593-5390  
**Nominee's Address** C/O Broward House, 2700 N. Andrews Avenue  
Wilton Manors, FL, 33309

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Dr. Jaffe is a tireless contributor to the mental health and wellness community in and around Wilton Manors. She inspires men and women to find their true self - outside of sauce and substance - and to live their dreams sober and with intention.

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Dr. Jaffe is a steadfast volunteer and serves on several boards and committees by virtue of her work at Broward House and in the community as a whole. For years she has organized and executed Dining Out for Life and she continues that work now organizing personal teams for The Joy Ride and Florida AIDS Walk. She gives tirelessly of her time, talents and treasures for our community.



Tuesday, January 6, 2026

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**Your Name** Renae Green  
**Your Email** renaegreen88@gmail.com  
**Your Phone Number** (754) 264-4031

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Camille Lewis  
**Nominee's Email** camilledanyellewis@outlook.com  
**Nominee's Phone Number** (786) 991-5446  
**Nominee's Address** 1427 NE 56th Street, Apt 6  
Fort lauderdale, Florida, 33334

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Having spent many years working in the HIV and trans rights space Camille has given over 10 years to some of the most marginalized in our community. She currently works as the Executive Director for color and Raw which is youth focused organization as well as the housing program manager for the McKenzie Project where she has been leading the fight for unhoused trans and queer folks in south Florida. She also has a bailsbond business known as Shannon Bails where she works with Black marginalized folks In need of these services for free. Her work and dedication to her community and beyond is truly amazing.

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

She is the Executive Director of Color and Raw which is a youth focused organization working with young black and youth focusing on capacity building and mental health support. She is the CEO of Shannon's Bails Bond which prioritizes providing bails bond services for our marginalized communities in south Florida for free. She the Housing program manager at the McKenzie project where she leads the fight for the unhoused trans women in south Florida.

**If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio.** <http://www.colornraw.org/>



Tuesday, January 13, 2026

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**Your Name** Jason Nunez  
**Your Email** jason@gflglcc.org  
**Your Phone Number** (808) 864-7690

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Dr. Luisa Montoya  
**Nominee's Email** Luisa.montoya@thepowerofinclusionmatters.com  
**Nominee's Phone Number** (720) 261-3820  
**Nominee's Address** 500 SW 7th Ave #105  
Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33301

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

Dr. Luisa Montoya, as President of PFLAG Fort Lauderdale, exemplifies Advocacy and Role Model leadership through her unwavering commitment to supporting parents of LGBTQ+ children with compassion, education, and action. Under her leadership, PFLAG Fort Lauderdale has become a trusted and safe space where parents and families can openly explore questions, concerns, and fears while gaining the tools needed to better understand and affirm their LGBTQ+ children. Dr. Montoya has intentionally expanded and strengthened support groups that provide consistent, judgment-free environments, helping families navigate coming-out experiences, gender identity, mental health challenges, and evolving family dynamics during some of their most vulnerable moments.

Beyond direct family support, Dr. Montoya actively advocates for parents and LGBTQ+ youth within schools, healthcare systems, and community institutions. Drawing on her professional expertise and respected voice, she equips parents with the knowledge and confidence to advocate for their children's rights, safety, and well-being—whether addressing school policies, accessing affirming healthcare, or responding to discrimination. Her advocacy extends into the broader community, where she serves as a public voice for acceptance and inclusion, participating in panels, forums, and community conversations that elevate the experiences of families with LGBTQ+ children. In these spaces, she consistently replaces fear and misinformation with empathy, education, and facts, helping to foster understanding and systemic change.

As a role model, Dr. Montoya leads by example, demonstrating what authentic parental allyship looks like

in practice. Parents look to her as a source of reassurance and inspiration, seeing in her leadership a pathway from uncertainty to confidence and pride in supporting their children. Through one-on-one mentorship and ongoing encouragement, she empowers parents to move beyond passive support into active advocacy, many of whom later become volunteers, peer leaders, and advocates themselves. In times of community challenge or heightened tension, Dr. Montoya's steady, values-driven leadership reflects integrity, resilience, and compassion—qualities that have earned her deep trust and respect. Her ability to transform individual lives while strengthening the broader support network for LGBTQ+ families underscores her lasting impact and affirms her distinction as an advocate and role model worthy of Honoree of the Year recognition.

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Dr. Luisa Montoya's leadership and philanthropic impact are reflected in her ability to build inclusive systems that empower individuals, families, and communities through intentional action and service. As Chair of the Women's Business Council of the **\*\*Greater Fort Lauderdale LGBT Chamber of Commerce\*\***, Dr. Montoya demonstrated visionary leadership by creating meaningful opportunities for connection, collaboration, and professional growth. One of her most notable efforts was convening 47 LGBTQ+ women at the LGBT Visitor Center to share a bold and inclusive vision for the Women's Business Council. Through this gathering, she energized participation, elevated women-owned businesses, and inspired attendees to engage more deeply with the Chamber and other organizations committed to advancing women in business and leadership.

Under her guidance, the Women's Business Council became a platform not only for networking, but for mentorship, visibility, and shared purpose. Dr. Montoya's leadership style emphasized collaboration and authenticity, encouraging women to step into leadership roles, support one another's businesses, and contribute their voices to the broader Chamber ecosystem. Her ability to unite diverse perspectives around a common mission strengthened the Council's impact and reinforced the Chamber's role as a hub for inclusive economic empowerment.

Dr. Montoya's philanthropic leadership is further demonstrated through her founding of **\*\*Diversity Matters\*\***, an organization dedicated to advancing equity and opportunity through service. Through Diversity Matters, she provides pro bono consulting, training, and research support to micro-businesses and organizations that often lack access to these critical resources. Her work includes tailored diversity, equity, and inclusion assessments, program development, bias-reduction strategies, and practical financial guidance—helping organizations strengthen operations while fostering more inclusive environments.

Additionally, Dr. Montoya offers hands-on support with Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) certification, enabling small and emerging businesses to access new markets and growth opportunities. This commitment of time and expertise reflects a deeply philanthropic approach to leadership—one that prioritizes sustainability, access, and long-term impact over personal gain. Across both the Greater Fort Lauderdale LGBT Chamber of Commerce and Diversity Matters, Dr. Montoya consistently demonstrates that leadership is not defined by position alone, but by the ability to uplift others, build pathways to success, and create inclusive spaces where individuals and businesses can thrive.

**If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio.**      <https://www.linkedin.com/in/luisafmontoya>





Thursday, January 8, 2026

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**Your Name** Steven Beakley

**Your Email** sbeakley@bccwotc.com

**Your Phone Number** (214) 263-7237

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Carol Moran

**Nominee's Email** sbeakley@bccwotc.com

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 648-5415

**Nominee's Address** 2163 Wilton Drive  
Wilton Manors, FL, 33305

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Carol is a wonderful role model not just for women, but for all the business owners of Wilton Manors. She has a long history of successful businesses in our city. Her business is welcoming to all, knowing so many of her customers by name and acknowledging them specifically at the restaurant and clearly thankful for their business. She is there for members of the community when they need her. As an example, she and Nancy catered my husband's celebration of life event and handled so much more than I expected her to, making the whole experience for me as simple as possible.

PS, the email address above is my own, as I don't know hers.

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Carol has been recognized in the past for her role in our community, and she does not rest on her laurels, but continues to make strides moving that recognition forward. I have seen her awarded recognition in the past, and she accepts it with grace and humbleness.



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**Your Name** SHERRY RESNICK

**Your Email** cruiselady777@aol.com

**Your Phone Number** (954) 695-8775

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Carol Moran

**Nominee's Email** contact@apt9f.com

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 889-1191

**Nominee's Address** 2163 Wilton Drive  
Wilton manors, Florida, 33305

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

Carol and her wife are great mentors to the community





Monday, January 5, 2026

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**Your Name** Paul Smith

**Your Email** paulmsmith@yahoo.com

**Your Phone Number** (954) 551-3862

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** G Wright Muir

**Nominee's Email** g@blinc.love

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 804-3280

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY** and being a **ROLE MODEL**:

G Wright Muir is an LGBTQ advocate, attorney and writer with a huge footprint in South Florida LGBTQ Landscape. As part of her advocacy work she produces "Thou Art Woman" – an event series using the arts to celebrate LGBTQ women and allies in South Florida. She received her B.A. in Black Studies and Psychology from Amherst College and her J.D. from Pace University School of Law.

### Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **LEADERSHIP** and **PHILANTHROPY**:

G Muir serves on the Board for Our Fund Foundation and the Old Dillard Foundation. She also writes for Island Origins Magazine and the Sun-Sentinel South Florida 100.

G Muir has been recognized for her advocacy by the South Florida Gay News OUT50 list and with the Florida Diversity Council's LGBT Leader Award. She works as a Professor of Practice at Nova Southeastern University, Shepard Broad College of Law in the Academic Success and Professionalism Department. Prior to joining NSU Law, she worked as a Senior Attorney with The Florida Bar; and also worked with the Broward County Law Office of the Public Defender, Legal Aid Service of Broward County and in private practice.

G Muir is a past President of The T.J. Reddick Bar Association and served on The Florida Bar Young Lawyers Division Board of Governors. She also recently served a three-year term on the American Bar Association Commission on Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity and is a member of the Gay & Lesbian Lawyer Network in Broward County.



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**Your Name** Yvonne Rohrbacher  
**Your Email** yrohrbacher9@gmail.com  
**Your Phone Number** (954) 205-5141

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Lali Safavi  
**Nominee's Email** lsafavi@theskirtfoundation.org  
**Nominee's Phone Number** (703) 201-3032  
**Nominee's Address** 2040 n Dixie hwy  
Wilton manors, Fl, 33305

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Lali has been the driver along with her partners, in elevating and furthering causes and projects important to the development of women including founding and publishing Skirt Magazine and then the Skirt Foundation, which has been a first in many ways in our community.

### **Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Lali and her foundation have expanded and elevated the idea of supporting women in education, financial empowerment, and the arts. In existence less than a year, they were able to accomplish: The Skirt Foundation has announced the winners of its 2025 Women's Economic Advancement Grants, awarding \$2,000 each to three organizations driving change. The League of Women Voters Broward Education Fund will expand its Margaret McGrath Leadership Program, training local leaders to address voter disparities. Black LGBTQ+ Liberation Inc. received funding for the Access Granted program, offering skills-based workshops and microgrants to help BIPOC LGBTQ+ women sustain community initiatives.

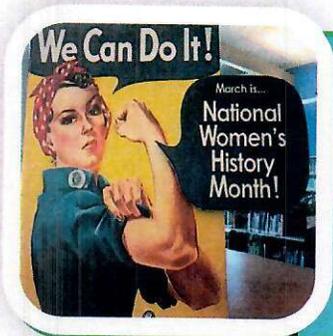
Women Veterans Giving was honored for its Entrepreneurship Training Program, empowering veterans and military spouses—especially LGBTQ+ women—to achieve economic independence. The Foundation will open applications for 2026 grants soon. For more details, you can visit [TheSkirtFoundation.org](https://TheSkirtFoundation.org).

If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio.

<https://theskirtfoundation.org/about-us/>



# 2026 NOMINATION FORM



## COMMUNITY AFFAIRS ADVISORY BOARD 2026 MARCH WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH HONOREE



Join us in recognizing outstanding contribution toward Women's History in Wilton Manors by nominating an individual or organization. The deadline for nominations is January 15, 2026. Please email completed form to [community@wiltonmanors.com](mailto:community@wiltonmanors.com).

### NOMINATION

Your Name: Scott Russell  
Your Phone: 305.389;5969 Your E-mail: Srussell@onehandcare.org

### HONOREE OF THE YEAR

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, Leadership, and Philanthropy, per criteria on the reverse side of this form.

Nominee's Name: Rochelle Sapp  
Phone Number: 904 613 6842 E-mail Address: Rsapp@onehandcare.org  
Address: 1881 NE 26th Street Suite 238 Wilton Manors FL 33305

### TELL US

Provide **specific** examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL**:

- o coordinate + work with Community Service hour - dept of Correction
- o Implements + coordinate 3 Non profit workshops a week
- o Conducts discussion groups / Mental Sever Center, LGBTQ, Recovery
- o One hand care - community resource
- o Women's Advocate to Women seeking support - Workshops

Provide **specific** examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to **LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY**:

- o Coordinator of Annual Non Profit event - Alisa
- o established practitioner to support workshops
- o brings to fruition - coordinator of holistic healing
- o Community Outreach - Recovery, Services, LGBTQ+
- o our "person" on the street for OHC

If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio (i.e., business, LinkedIn, etc.) or attach a document.

Bio link: Align4elements.org

Currently seated CAAB members are not eligible for nomination.  
For more information, please contact Johnnie Goodnight at (954) 390-2120.

January 13, 2026



I am honored to recommend **Rochelle Sapp** as a **City of Wilton Manors History Month Honoree**. The City Advisory Board (CAAB) recognizes women who offer support and produce activities that positively impact the Wilton Manors community, and Rochelle exemplifies these values through both her service and leadership.

Rochelle serves as the **part-time Development Director for the nonprofit One Hand Care**, based in Wilton Manors. In this role, she coordinates and implements **three nonprofit workshops weekly**, directly supporting and uplifting our local community. Her dedication consistently improves the quality of life for participants, one heart at a time.

Rochelle recently celebrated receiving her **one-year sobriety chip**, a milestone that reflects her strength, commitment, and resilience. She is a passionate advocate for **recovery, LGBTQ+ inclusion, and holistic wellness**, using her lived experience to inspire hope and empowerment in others. She has also become a **certified Reiki Master**, further expanding her ability to support healing and personal growth.

Rochelle is a trusted mentor who encourages others—especially women—to pursue their goals with confidence, integrity, and compassion. She holds strong ethical standards and believes that everyone deserves happiness, progress, and dignity. Her spiritual influence, positive attitude, and bright smile are present in every workshop and community interaction.

Rochelle Sapp consistently goes above and beyond to make life better in Wilton Manors. I, along with the One Hand Care volunteer team, **highly recommend her for this well-deserved honor**.

Sincerely,

**Scott E. Russell**

Voluntary Executive Director

One Hand Care

1881 NE 26th Street, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

305.389.5969



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**Your Name** Robert Kesten

**Your Email** rtk212@gmail.com

**Your Phone Number** (917) 520-6382

The Honoree for the Year exhibits efforts in Advocacy, Role Model, and Leadership per criteria listed below in this form.

**Nominee's Name** Monique Force Setlock

**Nominee's Email** monique@stonewall-museum.org

**Nominee's Phone Number** (954) 763-8565

**Nominee's Address** 1300 E. Sunrise Blvd.  
Fort Lauderdale, FL, 33304

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Monique is the founding director of the Stonewall National Women's Fund, a division of the Stonewall National Museum, Archives, & Library working to ensure there is parity between all peoples in the collection, exhibitions, and programing.

Since the Women's Fund started, Stonewall's membership between women and men has come very close to 50/50 and programs and exhibits has grown by 1,000%.

Women have been well represented in receiving honors (Rita Mae Brown, Diana Nyad, Margaret Mary Wilson at our gala and Back to the Drive events) successive women board chairs, an active Women's Fund membership.

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Monique has been the longest serving employee at Stonewall, where she serves (in addition to her role at the Women's Fund) as Director of Development. She has been part of the organization raising its profile, gaining national press attention and engaging women from all walks of life to play a more visible role in our community.

Her work has inspired other organizations to double down on their own women related projects and programs increasing women's programing across the region.

If available, please provide a link to your nominee's bio.

<https://stonewall-museum.org/mission/monique-force-setlock/>





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**Your Name** Helena Hantzes

**Your Email** xavtzn@aol.com

**Your Phone Number** (305) 401-8156

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**Nominee's Name** Monique Force-Setlock

**Nominee's Email** monique@stonewall-museum.org

**Nominee's Phone Number** (561) 445-0761

**Nominee's Address** 4140 NW 1st Court  
DELRAY BEACH FL, FL, 33445

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to ADVOCACY and being a ROLE MODEL:**

Monique Force Setlock exemplifies what it means to be an advocate, a community builder, and a source of leadership for women in Wilton Manors and beyond. In her roles as Director of Development for the Stonewall National Museum, Archives & Library, and Director of the Stonewall National Women's Fund, she has created meaningful pathways for women's empowerment, visibility, and connection.

Monique was instrumental in establishing the Stonewall National Women's Fund itself, shaping its mission and building it into a thriving, engaged community of 42 members and growing. Under her leadership, the Fund has become a vehicle for elevating LGBTQ+ women's history and supporting women-centered programming at Stonewall. She also played a key role in securing acclaimed author Rita Mae Brown as the Fund's honorary chair—an achievement that brought national visibility, credibility, and inspiration to the initiative.

Monique has been central to expanding Stonewall's commitment to documenting and uplifting women's stories especially those whose contributions have often been overlooked in LGBTQ+ history. Her work ensures that women's narratives are not only preserved but placed at the center of exhibitions, programs, and public conversations. Through the Women's Fund, she has secured resources that directly support women-focused exhibitions, programs, and events, opening doors for community members to learn about LGBTQ+ women's history, culture, and leadership in accessible and engaging ways.

Monique is also a role model in the way she leads with integrity, clarity, and genuine care for the people

around her. She balances strategic thinking with a collaborative approach, creating an environment where others feel valued and included. Her commitment to community care is evident in everything from the events she organizes to the partnerships she nurtures, always centering respect, inclusion, and shared purpose.

**Provide specific examples RE: the nominee and their qualifications related to LEADERSHIP and PHILANTHROPY:**

Over the eight years she has been with Stonewall, Monique has played a central role in securing \$2 million in grant funding for the organization, an accomplishment that has strengthened the institution's stability and expanded its capacity to serve the community. She was also instrumental in Stonewall receiving its first-ever grants from both the National Endowment for the Arts and the National Endowment for the Humanities, milestones that elevated Stonewall's national profile and affirmed the cultural significance of its work.

Throughout her career, Monique has shown a willingness to take on challenges, speak up for marginalized voices, and build programs that create lasting impact. Her steady, thoughtful leadership and her dedication to expanding opportunities for women make her a powerful advocate and an invaluable role model for those who want to make a meaningful difference in their community.

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