



Mary McLeod Bethune founded the National Council of Negro Women in 1935 in order to “harness the power and extend the leadership of African American women through a national organization.” It soon developed into an organization of organizations and is dedicated to advancing the quality of life for African American women and their families and communities.



Over the past forty-nine years, Montgomery County, Maryland Section of NCNW has worked to fulfill its mission. The Section leads, develops and advocates for families and communities of African descent.

Community-based projects are central to our work. Among them are:

- Food and Friends
- The Children’s Inn at NIH
- Ronald McDonald House
- Voter Registration
- Participation in the African American Health Program Fair
- Support for the Mary McLeod Bethune Memorial and wax statue
- Support of the National Museum of African American History and Cultural (NMAAHC)
- Homeless Resource Day

### Highlighted Projects and Programs 2018 - 2019

**FAME** - Females Achieving and Maintaining Excellence (FAME) provides middle and high school girls of African descent with relevant tools for life, prepares them for leadership roles and helps them cultivate a sense of cultural pride.

**People-in-Crisis** – The People-In-Crisis Committee assists people transitioning from homeless shelters to permanent housing by providing household items. The committee also provides clothing, food, school supplies and toiletries to needy individuals.

**Health** – The Section is one of the sponsors of the Annual African American Health Program Fair. Free health screenings are available as are presentations of healthy cooking and eating. A fitness component with music and dancing is also offered.

**Senior Citizens** – The Senior Citizens Committee provides companionship, friendship and special treats for adopted seniors in our community. Members also conduct bi-weekly Bible studies and host an Annual Senior Recognition Program.

## OUR PLEDGE

**“It is our pledge to make a lasting contribution to all that is finest and best in American, to cherish and enrich her heritage of freedom, and progress by working for the integration o all of her people, regardless of race, creed, or national origin, into her spiritual, social, culture, civic life, and thus aid her to achieve the glorious destiny of a true and unfettered democracy.”**

“If we have the courage and tenacity of our forebears, who stood firmly like a rock against the lash of slavery, we shall find a way to do for our day what they did for theirs.”

Mary McLeod Bethune

*Please Join!*

### FOR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

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Crystal L Lee, President



## Montgomery County, Maryland Section

The Montgomery County, Maryland Section of NCNW was chartered in 1969 and serves to further the goals set by NCNW National. The Section aims to be a presence in the Montgomery County community and fill the gaps where needed.

Local NCNW Sections and NCNW National confine their operations exclusively to educational and charitable purposes.

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