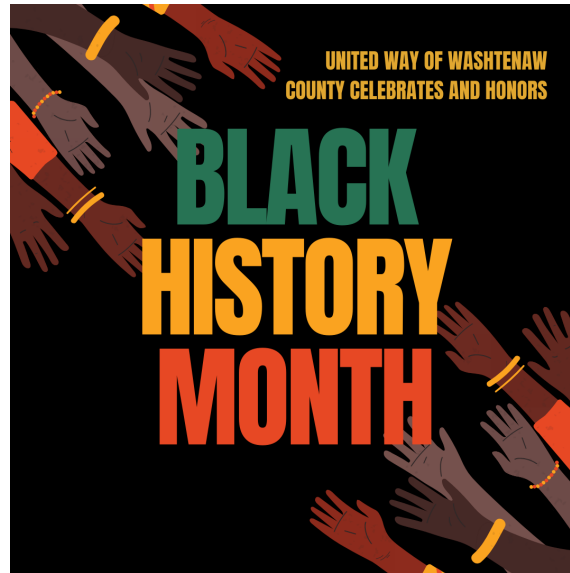


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February is Black History Month. United Way is committed to continuing the conversation and addressing racism, poverty, and trauma in our community. The importance of uplifting local Black voices and understanding Black history remains central to creating lasting, systemic change. This month and every month going forward, we encourage you to be part of the community solutions by learning, advocating, and volunteering. We will be with you every step of the way.

Here are a few resources to help you on your journey:

- Discover an educational and interactive way to honor Black History Month by signing up for [28 Days of Black History](#).
- Learn more about local black history by visiting the [African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County](#).
- Attend a local Black History event put on by the [University of Michigan Multi-Ethnic Student Affairs](#).
- Follow us on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [Twitter](#) for more updates on local opportunities and events.

EVENTS

Power of the Purse

March 9, 2022- We are only a month away from the 14th annual Power of the Purse event! Make sure you've got your tickets for this free event today!

Connect with friends online, and join the party from the comfort of your home. The evening will be a fun-filled hour with an exciting purse auction, [honoring our Woman of the Year, Jimena Loveluck](#), surprises, and more! All proceeds go to support financial stability programs for women in Washtenaw County.



[Visit our website to get your tickets, donate a purse, or become a sponsor!](#)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Volunteer Opportunities for Black History Month

For this year's Black History Month, United Way is featuring Black-led agencies in our volunteer center portal. We want to use this month as an opportunity to spotlight Black-led agencies and their incredible work within Washtenaw County. You can access this list by visiting our [Volunteer Center](#).

Highlight Your Organization

We would love to feature your organization or volunteer opportunity in our newsletter and volunteer portal! Please contact Mahal at Mahal@umich.edu if you would like to nominate an organization to spotlight or add a volunteer opportunity to our portal.

NEWS



VITA Tax Appointments Now Available

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program is now taking appointments for the upcoming tax season. Filing your taxes with VITA is free, fast, and easy. To schedule an appointment today, call 2-1-1 or [visit our website to learn more](#).

United Way of Washtenaw County Receives \$275,000 Michigan Enhancement Grant

United Way of Washtenaw County (UWWC) has been awarded \$275,000 in state funding. State Representative Felicia Brabec championed this initiative in the legislature and helped UWWC secure a Michigan Enhancement Grant in the Fiscal Year 22 budget.

[Visit our website to read more.](#)

LOCAL LIVES CHANGED

Washtenaw United: Building a brighter future through understanding local Black History

Tune in to the latest segment of "Washtenaw United"! Listen to Joyce Hunter, President and CEO of The African American Cultural and Historical Museum of Washtenaw County as she discusses the need for greater education and the personal importance of building

and creating a new and better future.



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