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## A Special Salute to The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion of the U.S. Army



LTC CHARITY ADAMS - FIRST COMMANDING OFFICER



### THE 6888TH



CENTRAL POSTAL DIRECTORY BATTALION  
WOMEN OF DETERMINATION, DEDICATION, AND DISTINCTION  
MOTTO: "NO MAIL, LOW MORALE" NICKNAME: "SIX TRIPLE EIGHT"



CAPTAIN CHARITY ADAMS AND OFFICER CANDIDATES - PARADE GROUNDS, FORT DES MOINES, IOWA (1943)

"THERE IS NO PLEASURE IN ACHIEVEMENT IF IT IS NOT SHARED."  
— LIEUTENANT COLONEL CHARITY ADAMS (EARLEY)

THE FIRST BATTALION INSPECTION

THE CELEBRATION PARADE

#### THE LINEAGE

"THE TRUE WORTH OF A RACE MUST BE MEASURED BY THE CHARACTER OF ITS WOMANHOOD."  
— Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune (10 JULY 1875 - 18 MAY 1955)  
Educator, Special Assistant to Secretary of War and Presidential Advisor

The 6888th was a segregated, all-black, WAC unit active from January 1945 to March 1946. At full strength, it consisted of 835 women (824 enlisted and 11 officers). The women were selected from over 6,000 black women serving in the Army Air Corps and Service Corps.

In January 1945, approximately 750 WACs went to Fort Oglethorpe, Georgia for overseas screening and limited combat training. They then went to Camp Shanks, New York for departure on the unit's first transatlantic crossing to the European Theater of Operations (ETO).

04 Feb 1945: According to the ship's manifest, 738 boarded the *Le de France*.

12 Feb 1945: Docked in Glasgow, Scotland.

16 Feb 1945: Arrived on Valentine's Day for duty in Birmingham, England and housed into the former King Edwards Boys School, which served as their headquarters and barracks.

04 Mar 1945: Major Charity Adams assumed command.

12 Mar 1945: Officially designated as the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion.

May 1945: Relocated to Rouen, France.

Sept 1945: Relocated to Paris, France.

Dec 1945: Major Charity Adams returned to the United States. Captain Mary F. Kearney and Captain Bernice G. Henderson succeeded her in command.

Mar 1946: Under the command of Captain Henderson and with fewer than 300 members, the 6888th departed the ETO and returned to Fort Dix, New Jersey for separation and unit inactivation.

Awards: Women's Army Corps Service Medal, European African Middle Eastern Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Following their separation, the women of the 6888th returned to their jobs, families and careers. Others re-enlisted and made careers in the military. As Dr. Bethune predicted, the 6888th made history and proudly served with a unified purpose.



THE CROSSING

#### THE MISSION

"THE UNIT BROKE ALL RECORDS SORTING MAIL."  
— LTC Anne W. Wilson (Drewes) (23 NOV 1909 - 15 JAN 1999)  
European Theater of Operations, WAC Staff Director

The mission of the 6888th was to support the war and lift morale by sorting, repackaging and redistributing millions of pieces of mail in England and a similar amount in France. In England, mail for over seven million military personnel and Red Cross workers had been backlogged for over two years. The Army gave the unit six months to clear the backlog. Despite working in cold, damp, musty, poorly lit and roach-infested buildings, the 6888th broke all records and cleared it in three months.

The women understood that the lack of mail resulted in low morale on the homefront and battlefield, so they...

- Worked 24 hours, seven days a week, in three eight-hour shifts.
- Assigned over seven million individuals personal identification numbers.
- Distinguished between 7,500 "Robert Smiths" in the Directory.
- Redirected incomplete addresses, such as "Dunlop, U.S. Army."
- Recognized that, unfortunately, some service personnel had died.
- Sorted 65,000 parcels each shift, 195,000 daily, and 5.85 million monthly.

In December 1944, two months before the 6888th arrived in England, another postal unit sorted only 624,000 parcels.

In May 1945, the 6888th relocated to Rouen, France and then to Paris in September 1945. The unit cleared all backlogs before it departed the ETO in March 1946.

In addition to their mission, the women raised funds to bury three members who died from a vehicle accident while in the line of duty.

And war-torn France, the 6888th also donated \$4,503.70 to the United Negro College Fund. The unsurpassed performance of this unique cadre of "weaponless women warriors" left a LEGACY worthy of being honored.

THE RECORD



A monument dedicated to LTC Charity Adams, First Commanding Officer, and other members of the 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion. Nicknamed the "Six Triple Eight," these amazing women successfully fulfilled their promise of getting a whopping 17 million pieces of mail to U.S. soldiers during World War II. Their inspirational story is the focus of a Women's History Program honoring women in the military being presented by the Baltimore County Delta Foundation. The tribute will take place on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Owings Mills Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library, 10302 Grand Central Ave. in Owings Mills, Maryland. (See article on page 7.) Courtesy photo

## What to Know if You Get a Tax Sale Notice from Baltimore City

By Courtland Merkel

After a hard day at work, you head home and pick up your mail. In the mailbox is a notice from Baltimore City that your home is now in a tax sale. Tax sale happens when you have delinquent property taxes on the prior year's tax bill or citations for such things as broken windows.

A person's home can go into a tax sale for a debt of as little as \$750 if the house is owner-occupied and \$250 for other properties. The city will use tax sales to collect the unpaid bills by selling the debt against the property. This is called a lien. The lien on the home is sold at an auction where they sell a debt as a "lien certificate" on the property. Only the debt is sold at this auction, not the property itself. Once the lien is put up for auction, an investor can buy it and the homeowner can try to redeem it.

The tax sale system is complicated. Below is a timeline to visualize each step.

- The city mails a tax bill to the homeowner in **July**.
- If that bill goes unpaid, the city sends a final bill and legal notice during the first week of **February**.
- If the bill is still unpaid, the city will advertise the houses that are on the tax sale list in **March**. This list is published in *The Daily Record*.
- At the beginning of **April**, the city will mail another tax sale notice. The homeowner has until April 30th to pay the outstanding taxes and charges down (below \$750) to avoid a tax sale.
- The auction will be conducted in **May**. The city will then inform the property owner that a lien certificate for their taxes has been purchased.

At this point, the process of **redemption** can be started.

Before you start the redemption

process, you must know if your home is classified as owner-occupied or non-owner-occupied. This is essential because there are different rules for people who live in a home that is considered non-owner-occupied.

You determine your home's status by searching for it on the Maryland Department of Assessments and Taxation (SDAT) Real Property website at <https://sdat.dat.maryland.gov/RealProperty/Pages/default.aspx>. Just insert your home address.

The **initial period of redemption** is up to seven months after the auction date for an owner-occupied home. To redeem, the homeowner would pay the city the amount of liens, interest and any current-year taxes owed. For non-owner-occupied, the initial period is shortened to four months.

After the **initial period of redemption**, the process gets more complicated. To redeem, there is a two-step process:

**Step 1:** The homeowner must contact the person or group that purchased the tax lien on the homeowner's property. Then, the homeowner must pay them any costs incurred like court filing fees and attorney fees. When the homeowner makes this payment, they should request that the tax lien purchaser provide a payoff statement.

**Step 2:** The homeowner must then pay the city for the amount of the lien with any interest, as well as the current year's taxes.

Further, there are assistance programs that can provide aid. The first one is the Homeowners' Property Tax Credit Program. This program limits the amount of property taxes a homeowner must pay based on their income. To learn more, you can call SDAT at 410-767-5900.

The next program you can use is the Maryland Homestead Property Tax Credit Program. This program helps



*Row houses in East Monument Historic District, Baltimore, Maryland.*

*Courtesy photo: Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service*

lower the overall amount owed in taxes by limiting the increase in taxable assessments each year to a fixed percentage. To learn more, you can call SDAT at 410-767-2165.

Baltimore City's Emergency Mortgage & Housing Assistance Program can also help. This program aids people at risk of foreclosure due to economic hardship from the COVID-19 pandemic. To learn more, you can call Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development at 410-396-3023.

Finally, there is Baltimore City's Tax Sale Deferral Program. This program removes homeowners from the current tax sale this year. To learn more, you can call the Baltimore City Tax Sale Ombudsman at 410-396-3000.

Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service provides legal assistance for those in tax sale. You can contact our intake line at 410-547-6537 or apply online at <https://mvlslaw.org/free-legal-help/>.

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## Quander Descendant Shines Spotlight on Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority's First National President

### Keeping Family Legacy Alive

By **Andrea Blackstone**

Trisha Nickel Quarles-Goodman, a longtime resident of the Arundel on the Bay community located in Annapolis, Maryland, stated that she is creating a feature film about the legacy of one of her relatives: Nellie May Quander. The noted educator and trailblazer who was born on February 11, 1880 and died on September 24, 1961 played a role in strengthening the rich legacy of Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc., the first intercollegiate African American sorority.

"Nellie Quander, incorporator and first national president of the Greek sorority, Alpha Kappa Alpha is a cousin of mine," Trisha Quarles-Goodman said.

Before Quander, Lucy Diggs Slow was the first president for a semester from January to June 1908 when the sorority was founded. Ethel Hedgemon Lyle, who is often referred to as the "Guiding Light" of Alpha Kappa Alpha, was the first supreme basileus and founder of the first Black sorority at Howard University in 1908, Quarles-Goodman added.

Quander became a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha at Howard University.

Quarles-Goodman referenced an interview that was conducted with Rohulamin Quander, the Quander family's historian and author of "Nellie Quander, An Alpha Kappa Alpha Pearl; The Story of the Woman Who Saved an International Organization."

The Quanders are members of one of the oldest and most well-documented Black families in America.

Rohulamin said, "Well first you've got to understand that the Quander family is a large and extended family...

we are not quite at 350 years yet in terms of how long we've been here [in America], but we're coming to 350 years fairly soon. So, the divergence of her Quander line and my Quander line is not exactly clear, but we do share the common Quander root going back into early, early Maryland and Virginia. It may be a couple of 100 years back, but we are still related. We are cousins but distantly."

A letter dated February 17, 1913 from Quander to Alice Paul points to the issue of suffrage. Quander wrote to the organizer of the 1913 suffrage parade because women at Howard University wanted to participate in the suffrage procession if they did not have to deal with "discrimination on account of race affiliation." Quander penned another letter asking for them to be "positioned "in a desirable place in the college women's section.

"Future Washington, D.C., educator Nellie Quander graduated in June 1912 from Howard University, where she had joined Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA), the nation's oldest Black sorority. In January 1913, she took the lead in incorporating AKA, possibly hoping to avert the withdrawal of twenty-two student members, with a greater interest in political activism, who subsequently founded Delta Sigma Theta. The Deltas marched in the 1913 parade, but it is not clear how many AKA members participated," according to the Library of Congress.

"But organizers, acceding to racists in states that needed to ratify the 19th Amendment, sought to isolate Black women. In a letter to Paul, Quander made clear she was having none of it. On the day of the procession, "Nellie and her group refused to take a place in



*Nellie Quander, educator, advocate of women's rights and the first National President of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Her likeness is featured at The National Great Blacks in Wax Museum in Baltimore, Maryland. Photo courtesy of the Quander Historical Society, Inc., Moorland Spingarn Research Center, Howard University*

the back of the D.C. line," Rohulamin Quander said. "They forcibly integrated themselves into the group of white women from D.C."

Nellie also pursued post-graduate studies. Quarles-Goodman shared that her late grandmother, Catherine Quander Quarles, was the basalis at Bowie State University. She was another educator in the family.

"My grandmother taught at Adams Morgan, and Belvedere Elementary and retired at Tyler Heights Elementary."

Trisha Quarles-Goodman, a resident of Los Angeles, California who graduated from Annapolis Senior High School, owns Trisha Nickel Talent Consulting. She is pursuing a master's in Organizational Leadership and Management at Pacific Oaks College in Pasadena, California.

"I found this school to be the perfect institution to unfold our family research



*Trisha Nickel Quarles-Goodman, relative of Nellie Quander*  
*Photo credit: Darren Moulden*

because it supports and values social justice and equality for all," Quarles-Goodman said.

Quarles-Goodman noted that she is seeking to establish a nonprofit where a production about Nellie Quander will be housed to document her legacy. Information has been extracted from the book written by Rohulamin.

"Nellie Quander, An Alpha Kappa Alpha Pearl" is the story of the woman who saved an international organization whose membership includes leading women like Vice President Kamala Harris and other well-known public figures," Quarles-Goodman said. "The story will focus on historical moments and how our heroine preserved a membership of educated and professional Black women that are the backbones of the African American community today. The goal is to preserve the truth of a legacy, and turn the facts in the book to film and give our future young people a real Black heroine to role model."

Email [1913Nellie@gmail.com](mailto:1913Nellie@gmail.com) or follow [@1913NellieMovies](https://www.instagram.com/1913NellieMovies) on Instagram to follow Quarles-Goodman's film journey.

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# Charlyn Nater Leads Main Streets for Baltimore City as New Director

## Champion of Innovation and Service Brings Passion for Positive Change to Charm City

**Baltimore, March 5, 2024** - With an illustrious career spanning 25 years, Charlyn Nater has demonstrated a profound commitment to public service, youth development, and an unwavering dedication to community empowerment. As the new Director of Main Streets for Baltimore City Mayor’s Office of Small Minority Business Advocacy & Development, she brings her wealth of experience, contagious energy, and passion to help others to the forefront. In this role, Nater leads “The Main Street Dream Team,” a 5-person supporting executive department, which oversees eight Main Street locations working to revitalize neighborhoods, uplift local businesses, and bridge gaps within the community.

“Charlyn has a passion and enthusiasm for seeing both business owners and communities excel,” said Baltimore City Director Christopher Lundy. “In her time as Director she has already increased awareness of the program, expanded Small Business Saturday to include all of the Main Street neighborhoods, increased their social media presence, and secured new partnerships. Baltimore is fortunate to have Director Nater at the helm of the Baltimore Main Streets program.”

The Baltimore Main Streets Program provides local businesses with developmental resources, and spotlights neighborhoods throughout the City, and currently includes Belair-Edison; Fell’s Point; Hamilton Lauraville; Highlandtown; Federal Hill; Pennsylvania Avenue; Pigtown; and Waverly—with more planned



*Charlyn Nater*  
Courtesy photo

for the future. The Baltimore Main Street program follows the Main Street America approach, centered around transformation strategies organized as four points: Economic Vitality, Design, Promotion, and Organization.

“I am deeply honored to serve as Director of Main Streets for Baltimore City,” said Charlyn Nater. “It’s a privilege to work alongside dedicated individuals who share my commitment

to driving positive change and making a lasting impact in our communities.”

Nater’s dedication to service extends beyond her professional endeavors. As a mother to three children, she leads by example, instilling values of compassion, resilience, and empathy in the next generation. In her spare time, she finds solace in traveling back to her motherland of Puerto Rico, reconnecting with her roots, and immersing herself in the vibrant culture of her homeland. A professional salsa dancer, Nater brings the same passion and grace

to the dance floor as she does to her work in community development and leadership. Her professional journey is a testament to the transformative power of service, innovation, and compassionate leadership. As she continues to break barriers, bridge divides, and inspire change, she invites others to join her in building a more inclusive, equitable, and vibrant future for all.

# New Ways to Combat Warm Weather Mosquito-Borne Illnesses

By Jayne Hopson

The clocks move forward this weekend, signaling the unofficial start of spring. Warmer weather means more time spent outdoors, where fun in the sun increases exposure to a most unwelcome guest—the mosquito.

Not merely a source of itchy discomfort, these invasive insects are vectors, major carriers of a host of diseases known to pose serious health risks to men, women and children. Triggered in part by global warming, the National Institute of Health (NIH) says “the prevalence and range of mosquito-borne illnesses are on an alarming rise, challenging communities and researchers to find effective means of combat.”

Mosquitoes carry diseases like malaria, dengue fever and West Nile virus. While malaria remains relatively rare in the United States, dengue fever has been inching its way northward, and the West Nile virus has become a seasonal concern across much of the country.

To help protect the public’s health, the NIH has been funding research aimed at halting the spread of these diseases through innovative approaches to prevent mosquito bites and the transmission of illness.

One groundbreaking strategy under investigation involves vaccinating individuals not against the diseases themselves but against mosquito saliva. Dr. Matthew Memoli, an infectious diseases researcher at NIH, points out the impracticality of developing separate vaccines for each mosquito-borne illness.

Dr. Memoli’s team is exploring a vaccine that targets the mosquito’s saliva. When a mosquito bites, its saliva—laden with compounds that facilitate blood-feeding and disease

transmission—triggers an allergic response that could dampen the body’s ability to fight off infections.

Preventative measures also play a crucial role in mitigating the risk of mosquito bites. Researchers like Dr. Carolyn McBride from Princeton University are delving into the sensory biology of mosquitoes to discover more effective deterrents.

Dr. McBride’s team has identified a blend of human skin-emitted chemicals that attract mosquitoes, aiming to leverage this knowledge to develop new repellents or traps that could protect entire neighborhoods.

In the quest to reduce mosquito populations and their disease-spreading capability, innovative strategies such as the “reduce and replace” approach are being tested. This method involves initially diminishing mosquito numbers through insecticides, followed by introducing genetically modified mosquitoes less capable of transmitting diseases.

Dr. Zach Adelman, a geneticist at Texas A&M University, is working on creating mosquitoes that would be lethal carriers for the dengue virus, thus preventing the spread of the disease. These genetically modified mosquitoes are designed to be a temporary solution, easing public concerns about long-term ecological impacts.

The fight against mosquito-borne diseases is a multifaceted endeavor that combines scientific innovation with public health initiatives. While researchers continue to develop advanced strategies for controlling mosquito populations and blocking disease transmission, simple preventive measures remain crucial.

As we approach spring, the quest to reclaim the outdoors from the grip of



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mosquitoes and the diseases they carry continues. Through a combination of scientific ingenuity and community action, there is hope that the future will see a significant reduction in the impact of these pests on public health.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) offers the following advice for preventing mosquito bites:

- Cover your skin. When outside, use long sleeves, pants, and socks to help block bites.
- Use insect repellents when outside. Products containing DEET, picaridin, lemon eucalyptus, or para-menthane-diol can be sprayed directly on your skin. Follow label instructions. Products containing permethrin can be put on clothing and outdoor gear. Do not spray permethrin directly on your skin.
- Use a fan when sitting outside. Aim the air from a box fan at your legs when eating outside or gardening.
- Protect your home. Use screens

on open doors and windows. Repair screens if they get holes.

- Remove breeding grounds. Drain puddles around your house where mosquitoes can lay eggs. Look for pots, buckets, pet bowls, gutters, lawn decorations, and other sites that hold water.
- Empty and change the water in bird baths, fountains, wading pools, rain barrels, and potted plant trays at least once a week to destroy potential mosquito habitats.
- Drain or fill temporary pools of water with dirt.
- Keep swimming pool water treated and circulating.
- Cover all gaps in walls, doors, and windows to prevent mosquitoes from entering.
- Make sure window and door screens are in good working order.
- Completely cover baby carriers and beds with netting.

## BCDF To Honor Women in the Military

### A Special Salute to The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion of the U.S. Army

By Ursula V. Battle

Driven by their motto, “No mail, Low morale” the 6888th Central Postal Battalion, nicknamed the “Six Triple Eight,” were not only the sole predominately African American battalion in the Women’s Army Corp (WAC), but they also were the only predominantly African American, all-women battalion sent overseas during World War II. Their assignment was daunting— sorting through a two-year backlog of undelivered mail amidst deplorable conditions, unfamiliar territory, discrimination, and delivering the mail to American soldiers.

Against all odds, these amazing women successfully completed their assignment, fulfilling their promise of getting a whopping 17 million pieces of mail to U.S. soldiers. Their heroics delivered both mail and morale to the soldiers. Their inspirational story is the focus of a Women’s History Program honoring women in the military being presented by the Baltimore County Delta Foundation (BCDF).

The tribute will take place on Saturday, March 9, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. at the Owings Mills Branch of the Baltimore County Public Library, 10302 Grand Central Ave. in Owings Mills, Maryland. The program is free and will feature refreshments, a panel discussion, and a screening of the documentary: “The Six Triple Eight—No Mail, Low Morale” (a Lincoln Penny Film Production).

Governor Wes Moore has proclaimed March 9, 2024 as “6888th Day in Maryland,” inspiring the BCDF to offer a special tribute to the predominantly Black, all-women’s battalion. The Baltimore County Delta Foundation was established in 2010 and it is committed to



*The Baltimore County Delta Foundation members. Courtesy Photos*

providing charitable and educational programming to the citizens of Baltimore County. Heather Ross is president of the Foundation.

Panelists for the program will include CH Captain Stephanie R. Handy, U.S. Army; Chekita Hamilton, Ph.D., U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs; and Anita Hammerer, manager, American Legion Towson Post #22, Maryland Military Department. The discussion will be facilitated by Master Sergeant (retired) Elizabeth Ann Helm Frazier, who is also a staff assistant with the Office of Information Security (OIS) and executive producer of “The Six Triple Eight” documentary.

Ernestine Jones Jolivet, one of the founders of the Baltimore County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc. is the Program Event Chairperson.

“It’s a part of our history,” said Jolivet. “The accomplishments of women are often played down, and not taken seriously, no matter how much we accomplish. We need to realize we know our worth, and to make sure others see the value in what we do. Things were segregated at the time of the Six Triple Eight, and even though they were intelligent, they had to overcome many things to show what they could do. And it seems that in 2024, things like that are still going on.”

The WAC was signed into law by President Franklin D. Roosevelt and on July 1, 1943 was set to active-duty status. First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt along with her friend and civil rights leader, Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune,

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*Ernestine Jones Jolivet, one of the founders of the Baltimore County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta, Inc., is the Program Event Chairperson.*

# Psychotherapist and Production Therapist Carves Unique Niche in Entertainment

By **Andrea Blackstone**

Candace Washington knows the importance of breaking the stigma associated with seeking mental health help, from a personal and professional point of view. She graduated from Bowie State University with a bachelor's degree in psychology and Howard University with a master's degree in social work. Washington is committed to providing services in a variety of ways through her own company as the founder and CEO of Restorative Minds Therapeutic and Wellness Services and Totally Whole Counseling Services in Baltimore, Maryland.

"I am a psychotherapist and I'm also a production therapist. As a psychotherapist, I see adolescents and adults, 14 and up. I work with them to process anxiety, depression, trauma, grief, loss and suicidal ideation," the Anne Arundel County resident said. "I'm a production therapist as well. So, I work as a production therapist providing therapeutic services for cast and crew in the television and film industry."

While serving in a psychotherapy services capacity, Washington provides talk therapy. As a production therapist, she provides one-on-one wellness services for cast and crew in the television and film industry, during pre production, filming and post production. She helps cast members decompress from filming and aids them in disconnecting from characters they portray.

"For What It's Worth," a film of family, redemption and mental health awareness is the second feature under the "BET Her Presents: The Couch" banner. The film premiered on BET+

on March 7, 2024. It is scheduled to premiere on BET and BET Her on May 17, 2024.

"A lot of times in the industry, you have different storylines. Some of them are filled with trauma-based content. So, when you are going on set, no one has taken a psychological intake to say 'Hey, have you, yourself, ever experienced sexual abuse? Have you, yourself, ever experienced what it is that you're about to film?' It may cause some triggers and bring up some things within the cast and crew, so it is not just the persons that are in front of the camera. It's also about those that are behind the camera that have to hear and see this content."

According to Washington, more production companies and producers are realizing the importance of having therapists on set, although it is new to Hollywood.

She added, "So, to have therapists on set to help persons decompress and ground themselves and who are available to them, it helps the person really be able to do what it is that they need to do, but then also to know that their emotional and mental needs are being addressed as well."

Washington further noted that additional benefits for having therapists on set as a part of the production team can be accurate script development to ensure that the correct clinical terminologies and behaviors are included, while presenting mental health content.

She knows what it is like to sit on both sides of the couch.

"I am a therapist with a therapist," Washington said. "One of the things that is important to me is knowing that storytelling is healing. I am a suicide survivor."



*Candace Washington, psychotherapist and production therapist*

*Photo credit: Shawn Mason*

Washington divulged that she tried to take her life three times, including in 2019.

She explained that it's okay not to be okay. Women should not suffer in silence.

"We should normalize the feelings, thoughts and emotions that we have as women. We carry so much and knowing that there's strength and there's courage in saying 'I, too, need support. I, too, need help.'"

The mental health expert reminded that a therapist should be the right fit for you, culturally competent, ethical, professional and someone who specializes in whatever you are in need of.

"I just celebrated four years of sobriety and made a commitment to God and to myself that I was going to live."

The United States Air Force veteran reflected on childhood trauma; sexual

harassment in the military; and feeling triggered by lack of protection and care.

"Alcohol was my way of relief. I abused it and I took advantage of it. I ended up getting arrested," Washington said, reflecting on another stop in her journey to heal.

Participating in a judge-recommended drug and alcohol treatment program, instead of heading to jail, helped her to get herself together.

The minister, mother, author of "Breathe: Rest, Reflect, Reset" and "Woman of God: 60-Day Devotional," symbolizes the ability to achieve personal renewal when grace is coupled with hard work.

"Continue to give tomorrow another chance," Washington advised.

Visit [www.restorativemindswellness.com](http://www.restorativemindswellness.com) to learn more about Washington.



# Woman of Purpose, Woman of Passion

## First Known Female Firefighter in the United States was a Black Woman

### Barrier Breaker in Firefighting

By **Andrea Blackstone**

How many women have you seen driving and operating a firefighting vehicle or climbing a ladder to extinguish a fire? Never say never, even if you have not seen a woman maneuvering heavy fire equipment.

Molly Williams, the first known female firefighter and also the first known Black female firefighter in the United States, was an enslaved woman in New York City who laid the foundation for more trailblazers to follow. Around 1815, she became a member of Oceanus Engine Company #11 and often accompanied Benjamin Aymar, a merchant who owned her, to the location in Lower Manhattan where he was a volunteer firefighter.

During the blizzard of 1818, male firefighters were scarce because of a cholera outbreak. Williams knew how the equipment worked. The tough woman who was dressed in her checked apron and calico dress worked among men while pulling the huge water pumper to the fire through the deep snow.

“Williams cleaned and cooked and, on the noted occasion, she was tending to the men of Oceanus 11, who’d been stricken by an unusually virulent flu. The alarm bell sounded. There was a fire, and she was the only one well enough to go,” according to the Journal of Emergency Dispatch website.

Following Williams’ impressive contribution in extinguishing a fire, the firefighters of Oceanus 11 made Molly an unofficial member of Oceanus 11’s firefighting crew. She was soon referred to as Volunteer No. 11 around the firehouse.

“I belongs to ole ‘Leven,” Williams once said, referring to her role.

While the courageous leader opened a historical door for women firefighters, other women were able to make contributions while climbing the career ladder.

Women in Fire, a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization, reported that the women “made their way into the ranks of seasonal wildland firefighters in the early 1970s, and the first female career firefighter was hired in 1974.”

History was made in Arlington, Virginia, when Judith Livers was hired to join the Arlington County Fire Department. Later, Toni McIntosh of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania became the first African American career firefighter in 1976. Annette Nance-Holt was appointed to become Chicago’s Fire Department commissioner. According to the City of Chicago, she was the first woman and African American to serve in that capacity.

Despite progress that has been made, just five percent of all career firefighters are women, according to the U.S. Fire Administration.

Locally, Captain Shanntel Wilkins and EMT Tiffany Randolph are among two African American women in the Baltimore City Fire Department who want to recruit more women to work amongst them.

Firefighters must retain the desire to help people, even if they are not thanked or praised. They are often unsung heroes who respond to a variety of situations which range from fighting fires to responding to medical emergencies, making presentations to the public for safety education, engaging in search-and-rescue

operations and providing help during traffic accidents. Volunteer firefighters address local needs on a part-time basis. Whether rendering paid or unpaid assistance to community members, firefighters of both genders endure an inherent risk of becoming injured while encountering situations that require physical demands and assisting others. Although robust research is lacking, firefighters are at a higher risk of being diagnosed with cancer, compared to other women in the general population.

When individuals from the public dial 911, firefighters are expected to render service until the challenging job is done, regardless of exhaustion or risk.

During Women’s History Month, and even after the month ends, do not forget the legacy of Williams—a confident firefighter who arguably broke barriers for volunteer and career firefighters. She enabled more women of all races to blaze the trails in a male-dominated occupation, despite the physical and mental challenges that are required by individuals who are suited for the tough job. Williams earned respect, but her legacy is not as widely known as it should be. Everyone and anyone who spreads the word about her story plays a part in honoring her, although some details about her life remain unknown.

“Molly, by Golly!: The Legend of Molly Williams, America’s



**Molly Williams**

*Photo: Public domain*

First Female Firefighter” is a book written for young children about Williams. Additionally, Triple F (Fierce Female Firefighters), founded by Lieutenant Tina Guiler, will offer a plush doll called “Molly.” A portion of the proceeds will support female firefighters and women in the emergency medical services who are battling cancer and other medical challenges. Visit <https://triplefrescue.com/product/female-firefighter-plush-doll-molly/> for more details.

## Lincoln Ekes Out Win Over FSU, Wins First CIAA Crown in Program History

By Demetrius Dillard

Just before the final buzzer sounded, Lincoln men's basketball coach Jason Armstrong walked over to the cameramen and yelled, "Today, we make history."

After suffering a disheartening loss to Winston-Salem State in the conference title match last year at CFG Bank Arena, Armstrong and a few of his players assured the media that they would be back.

Fast forward a year later – lo and behold, the Lions stayed true to their mission and won the program's first-ever CIAA championship on Saturday afternoon.

Forward Ethan Garita recorded 15 points and five rebounds and Bakir Cleveland added 13 points to lift Lincoln to a 54-51 win over Fayetteville State to culminate an exhilarating CIAA Tournament week.

The contest was physical from beginning to end. Six minutes into the game, FSU led 5-4.

Broncos guard Caleb Simmons put in a well-defended layup to give his team a 9-6 lead with 11:46 left in the first half. Just under the seven-minute mark, triples by Kaleb Coleman and Myles Pierre gave the Broncos a 15-8 lead.

Lincoln's Ethan Garita two buckets followed by a lefty layup off a nifty hop-step move by Manny Toha cut Lincoln's deficit to 17-16, forcing an FSU timeout near the three-minute mark of the half.

D'Marco Baucum made a short turnaround jumper in the paint to snap LU's six-point run. Tairell Fletcher added another basket for the Broncos on a long 2-pointer, then Freddie Young responded on the other end with a 3-pointer.

Garita had the chance to even the score heading into the locker room but made one of two from the charity stripe as Fayetteville State had a narrow 21-20 halftime lead.

The physical game was on pace to being perhaps the lowest-scoring men's contest of the tournament. Simmons paced the FSU offense with seven points in the first half.

Bakir Cleveland's corner 3 to open the second half gave Lincoln its first lead (23-21) of the afternoon. Garita was pivotal down the stretch; his putback dunk, floater and driving layup kept LU ahead by a slim margin toward the middle of the second half.

With 11:18 left in the game, FSU was up 33-31 after a Baucum triple. Fletcher was key for FSU in the second half. The lefty hit a mid-range jump shot, creating a 38-35 lead for the Broncos with about eight minutes left in the contest.

A few minutes later, Chase Jackson nailed a pair of free throws that tied the knot at 40-40. As the game drew to a close, it seemingly grew more physical as both teams cherished every possession. With 4:19 on the game clock, Cleveland put Lincoln back on top 42-40 on two makes from the free throw line.

Simmons' putback with four minutes to go tied it again, 42-42. FSU dominated the glass to create multiple second-chance scoring opportunities.

Garita's running right-handed hook shot put the Lions ahead 44-42 at the 2:00 mark. After grabbing a rebound, guard Reggie Hudson found Jackson on the left wing for a decisive 3-pointer, giving Lincoln a 47-42 lead.

Hudson snagged another board and pushed the ball to half-court as Lincoln Head Coach Jason



*The Lincoln University men's basketball team won the 2024 CIAA Basketball Tournament. Photo Courtesy of The CIAA and Visit Baltimore.*

Armstrong called a timeout with a little more than a minute left.

Though they turned the ball over out of the timeout, the Lions came up with a stop that turned into a Peter Sorber free throw on the other end, extending Lincoln's lead to 48-42.

Trailing 49-44 with 30 seconds to go, Simmons laced a corner 3 that pulled FSU to within 49-47. Cleveland added two more free throws and the Lions held a two-possession lead inside 20 seconds.

With 13.2 seconds left, the Broncos trailed 51-48 and had a chance to force overtime. Out of the timeout, Coleman got fouled on a layup attempt. At the line, he went 1 of 2 and FSU trailed 51-49. Cleveland put in three more free throws in the last nine seconds to clinch the historic win.

In what was one of the lowest-scoring games of the tournament was

also one of the most intense.

"Our guys just wanted it a little bit more," Armstrong said.

"Our guys stayed focused and stayed in the moment. It was wonderful to see our fans be here with us this whole week and cheer us on. We came back this year and did what we wanted to do. Now, we get ready for the NCAA Tournament."

Lincoln junior forward Peter Sorber was named the tournament MVP. Simmons had 21 points and six rebounds for the Broncos. Fletcher scored 10 and Coleman pulled down 12 boards for FSU.

With the conference title, Lincoln secures the CIAA's automatic bid to the NCAA Division II tournament. The team will learn its opponent and destination on March 10 when the pairings are announced.

## Fayetteville State Overcomes Defending Champ ECSU, 64-59, to Capture CIAA Title

By Demetrius Dillard

FSU junior guard Keayna McLaughlin recorded 17 points and made timely plays in the game's crucial moments to lift the Broncos to a 64-59 win over Elizabeth City State for the 2024 CIAA championship.

Aniylah Bryant scored 12 points and was named the Food Lion MVP Award for the tournament. Talia Trotter, a Baltimore native, also contributed 12 points.

"It's a blessing," Broncos Head Coach Tyreece Brown said on winning the championship.

"It's always tough to win a championship. You have to go through a tournament winning every game. People don't realize how tough that is; you got to have a strong group of players that's mentally tough, and that's what we have. It's tough to win championships, and we're proud of this group."

The game saw 11 ties and 13 lead changes in what turned out to be a tightly contested battle like many other games throughout the week. By halftime, Fayetteville State held a slim 28-24 halftime lead.

Both teams were red hot to start the second half, trading buckets on nearly every possession for the first two-and-a-half minutes into the third.

Vikings guard Rasheka Simmons knocked down a pair of free throws to even the score, 36-36, with six minutes remaining in the quarter. She nailed a triple from the left wing, then ECSU regained a 41-40 lead after two free throws from Alanis Hill.

ECSU held the Broncos scoreless for the next three minutes before Takia Trotter put in a technical free throw to tie the game. FSU slowed down offensively toward the end of the frame



*The Fayetteville State University women's basketball team is the 2024 CIAA Basketball Tournament champs.*

*Photo courtesy of The CIAA and Visit Baltimore*

going the last four minutes, 40 seconds without a field goal.

Hill connected on a turnaround jumper from the short corner as the third-quarter buzzer sounded, cutting the Vikings' deficit to 44-43 entering the fourth.

With a one-point game entering the last 10-minute frame, all the marbles were at stake and both squads played with intensity and hunger in pursuit of the coveted CIAA crown.

On the opening possession of the fourth, Hill swished a trey that gave the Vikings a brief lead. She scored seven of ECSU's first nine points as the score was an even 52-52 halfway through the fourth.

Bryant hit two free throws and a transition layup that gave FSU a 56-54 lead with three minutes left in regulation. Trotter hit two more free throws, and the Broncos were ahead 58-54 at the 2:00 mark.

With about a minute-and-a-half remaining in the contest, Keayana McLaughlin found Nyah Wilkins is underneath for an easy bucket, giving FSU a 60-55 lead. A steal by forward Jessica Adams led to a clutch Blango with 40 seconds to go, bringing the score to 60-59.

Out of a timeout with 17 seconds left, McLaughlin drove left and finished a contested right-handed shot off the glass that put the Broncos back

on top by three. With 9.2 seconds left, ECSU inbounded the ball to Blango, whose 3-point attempt was blocked and recovered by FSU.

On the other end, Daziy Wilson iced two free throws to seal the emotional win for Fayetteville State.

Hill scored 16 to lead the Vikings, who won their first conference title in program history in 2023. Rashauna Grant recorded 14 points and 13 boards while Blango chipped in with 12 points and three assists.

The conference championship is FSU's fifth in program history. They last won a title in 2020.



*The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion, nicknamed the “Six Triple Eight,” was the only predominantly African American battalion in the Women’s Army Corps (WAC). Courtesy Photos*



*The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion successfully sorted through a two-year backlog of undelivered mail.*

## 6888th Continued from page 7

pushed for the inclusion of African American women in the WAC.

“Many of these women had degrees and skills that were marketable, but they still wanted to help guard our freedom, not only for themselves but for the country,” said Jolivet. “They wanted to show their patriotism. But even to show their patriotism, it was hard because some did not want to give people of color any type of job that would show their talents.”

She added, “They gave these women what they thought was a menial job, but it was an important one. I don’t think they realized how important it was when they gave this job to them because the conditions were horrible...a damp, rat-infested, cold building. They were given six months to clear the backlog. Not only did they clear up the backlog but did it well. They did it in three months, record time.”

Their patriotism and heroism is also the subject of Tyler Perry’s new film “Six Triple Eight.” The film stars Kerry Washington and will air on Netflix.

Jolivet encourages everyone to attend the March 9 program that remembers women soldiers who fulfilled a vital role during World War II.

“I’m excited about what we have planned, and hope people will be just excited,” she said. “We’re going to leave people with a call to action, that they continue to share the story of the Six Triple Eight so that people will be telling other people about them. The hope is that people will continue to tell their story. This is our HISTORY!”

For more information, call Deborah Peaks Coleman at 410-428-9930 or to register visit <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/womens-history-event-6888th-day-in-maryland-tickets-835114037567?aff=ebdssbdestsearch>



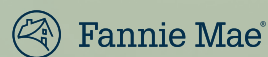
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# TWO OF BALTIMORE'S ICONS PASSED AWAY AND LEFT A HOLE IN THE HEARTS OF ALL WHO KNEW THEM

By Rosa Pryor

Hello, my dear friends,  
I am hoping you and your loved ones are healthy and happy. This week again, I am bringing you sad news, if you haven't heard it already. I tried like hell to bring you positive stories and information. Baltimore won't be the same. Pamela Leake, AKA "Miss Maybelle" passed away on Friday, March 1, 2024. Carlton Douglass has her body. Funeral arrangements were not made at press time. For those who didn't know "Miss Maybelle," she was a strong advocate for the less unfortunate, and homeless, a promoter, comedian, mistress of ceremony for many shows, including performing at City View, and most of all a mother to her son, Nick as well as to other grown children. My dear friend, you will never be forgotten, God needed you more than we do. May you rest in peace. You will be truly missed, and your legacy will live on.

Then, last week I received a call saying Freddie Bee had passed away. Freddie was a life-time member of the East Baltimore Elks Lodge on Harford Road. He traveled the country representing the organization he loved so dearly. Condolences to his family and the Elks Lodge family all over the country where he traveled for many years. May he rest in peace. He, too, will be truly missed.

Okay folks! Are you ready for some fun stuff to lift your spirit? I got that for you, too. John Lamkin II and his band will be at the Caton Castle on Caton Avenue, Saturday March 9, 2024 from 6-10 p.m.

HURRAH! Larry Young will return as talk host of "Conversation with LY" on WOLB 1010 AM, Monday through



*DJ Mel's Grown & Sexy Affair on Saturday, March 23, 2024 from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the American Legion Post #285, 2324 McElderry Street, in Baltimore. Open Bar and light buffet. Dress to impress, (NO SPORTS WEAR) and BYOB. For more information, call 410-493-3512.*

Friday from 4-5 p.m. Also, his buddy, "The Coach" will be joining him. Give him a call on-air at 410-481-1010, just to say hello.

I am telling you that the American Legion Liberty Post #122 is showing off with their live entertainment. I love it! On March 10, 2024 from 3-7 p.m., there will be a music journey you don't want to miss. The Geno Marriott & Friends will be performing. It's a celebration of music, community, and good vibes. Check it out!

The New Band Feat "OBASI" and the Storage Unit Collective Band featuring our own world-renowned drummer, Dennis Chambers will be performing at the American Legion Post #122, located 4424 Painters Mill Road in Owings Mills, Maryland on Saturday, March 16, 2024 from 6-10 p.m. Food and drinks will be sold at the club. Get your ticket in advance.

Well, my dear friends, I have to go. I am



*Pamela Leake, AKA "Miss Maybelle" Baltimore's own, beloved daughter passed away on Friday, March 1, 2024 at 1:30 p.m. in the hospital. So many people from all walks of life will miss her. Condolences to her son, Nick and her other children and family. She is with God who needed her more.*



*Freddie Bee, longtime member of the East Baltimore Elks Lodge #1043 passed away last week in his home. He was a giving soul, and supporter to all the Elks Lodges in Baltimore and around the country. He will be truly missed. Condolences to his family.*



*The NU Band "Obasi" will be performing at the American Legion #122, located at 4434 Painters Mill Road in Owings Mills, Maryland featuring world renowned drummer and Hall of Farmer; Grammy Nominated, my musical son, Dennis Chambers. Food and cocktails will be on sale. For ticket information, call 410-963-8098. No tickets will be sold at the door.*

out of space and out of time. Remember, if you need me just call me at 410-833-9474, or email me at

rosapryor@aol.com. **UNTIL THE NEXT TIME, I AM MUSICALLY YOURS.**

# Ravens Top Targets Post Combine

By Tyler Hamilton

The 2024 NFL Combine is now in the books after last week's sessions of interviews and testing. Baltimore Ravens general manager Eric DeCosta and head coach John Harbaugh led a group of personnel people who are looking for the next pieces in their search for another Super Bowl trophy. This year's draft class is deep at wide receiver and along the offensive line. Both of which are positions of need for the Ravens.

These aren't the only needs for Baltimore. The following list of prospects are the ones the Ravens need to take a closer look at after the Combine:

## Cornerback Terrion Arnold Alabama

Arnold is in a tight race with Toledo's Quinyon Mitchell and Clemson's Nate Wiggins for the top cornerback in the class. The Ravens have always been fond of Alabama players and Arnold could be the next in line.

## ESPN NFL Draft Analyst Mel Kiper Jr.

Arnold, who started 21 career games for the Crimson Tide, has developed into a shutdown defender. He picked off six passes and had 20 total breakups as quarterbacks completed just 43.7% of their passes when he was the nearest defender in coverage over the past two seasons. He allowed just four receptions of 20-plus yards in 2023. Arnold understands angles in press coverage and is aggressive in rerouting wide receivers at the line of scrimmage. He has great speed and acceleration when he turns his hips. He's going to be a great pro.

## Defensive lineman Darius Robinson Missouri

**Kiper:** The inside outside versatility that Robinson possesses will remind some of Kansas City Chiefs defensive lineman Chris Jones. Robinson didn't test well but he is a prospect the Ravens need to go back and watch more film of.

Robinson broke out in 2023, more than doubling his pressure rate from the season before (from 6% to 13.1%) and going from 3.5 sacks to 8.5. He was incredibly disruptive, making an impact in the run game with his quick get-off at the snap. He has scheme versatility, as he also played some defensive tackle and standing up as an outside linebacker.

And then Robinson went and starred in Senior Bowl practices; he was one of the most impressive players in Mobile, Alabama. In a class that lacks a clear top-10 edge-rushing talent, Robinson could rise even more. He's an excited end prospect.

## EDGE Chop Robinson Penn State

Potentially losing veterans Kyle Van Noy and Jadeveon Clowney would cause a need at pass rusher. Robinson, a local product (Gaithersburg) ran a super impressive 4.48 second 40-yard dash. The speed shows on tape as well.

**Kiper:** Robinson has been on my radar for a long time, and he was in a few of my early Big Board updates from over the summer and in September. I dropped him out, however, because he just didn't have the production I wanted to see. He finished the season with four sacks – down from 5.5 in 2022 – and nine total tackles for loss. He got close on a few QB knockdowns but couldn't quite pick up a full sack.

The more I watch the tape of his past two seasons, however, the more I



**Terrion Arnold**

Photo credit: Darrin Cummings/AP

think he could be more productive in the NFL. He's explosive off the ball and has outstanding closing speed. He's powerful and can seal the edge in the run game. Robinson needs to keep working on secondary pass rush moves, but the potential is there. And the reality is that NFL teams need edge rushers and are always looking for guys with starter traits. That's Robinson.

## Wide Receiver Keon Coleman Florida State

Coleman has a tremendous catch radius and is capable of making highlight reel catches a routine. The Ravens need a big threat at receiver and Coleman fits the bit. Coleman didn't run a fast 40-yard dash (4.61 sec) but his tape shows plenty of explosive plays.

## Offensive Line Tyler Guyton Oklahoma

Guyton worked at both left and right tackle at the Senior Bowl.

He played mostly right tackle at Oklahoma.

**Kiper:** Physically, Guyton is exactly what NFL teams want in a future Pro Bowl-caliber right tackle. The progress he made over the past two seasons under the direction of highly regarded Oklahoma O-line coach Bill Bedenbaugh has allowed him to steadily move up my draft board. In addition to his natural talent, what I really like about Guyton is the attitude and rugged approach he brings on every snap. He has excellent feet and agility in pass protection, gets to the second level of the defense with ease and also can deliver a pop as a run blocker.

What Guyton needs to work on is his maintaining more consistency; he started just 14 college games at right tackle, so he's not yet a finished product. Still, his skill set and upside could put him in the mid first-round discussion. He did not allow a sack in the 2023 season.

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**PROJECT NO. 1390: WC 1398  
GEO-TECHNICAL SERVICES**

The City of Baltimore, Office of Boards and Commissions, has been requested by the Department of Public Works, Office of Engineering and Construction (OEC), to advertise for services from qualified engineering firms to perform Geo-technical Services for the horizontal water and wastewater utility projects.

The City intends to select engineering services of one (1) firm for a period of three (3) years with one two (2) year option at the estimated cost in the amount of \$1,500,000. DPW reserves the right to have a second interview with the eligible firm.

This project will be managed by Ms. Tarnisha Bailey. Should you have any questions regarding the scope of the project, please contact Ms. Bailey at (410) 396-8189 or by email at [tarnisha.bailey@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:tarnisha.bailey@baltimorecity.gov)

The firms interested in providing these services must demonstrate and document:

1. Geotechnical services such as site and subsurface investigation and geophysical investigations. Services shall include:
  - a. Subsurface soil borings and rock cores to include continuous and bulk sampling, SPT testing and installation of temporary monitoring wells.
  - b. Non-destructive investigation methods such as seismic refraction, electrical resistivity, spectral analysis of surface waves (SASW) and ground penetration radar (GPR).
  - c. Soils analysis testing such as grain size analysis, moisture content, Atterberg limits, compaction, unconfined and triaxial compression, sieve analysis, California

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Bearing Ratio (CBR) and standard and modified Proctor testing. d. Rock core testing such as unconfined and triaxial compression, tensile strength, point loading, direct shear, abrasion and weathering, permeability, hardness, durability and various other strength, classification, and permeability testing.

2. Onsite materials testing and inspection such as nuclear density testing, aggregate and soil sampling.

3. Preparation of geotechnical engineering evaluation and reports which may include:

- a. Results of field and laboratory data and test results
- b. Interpretation and evaluation of site geology and subsurface conditions
- c. Analysis of available information so that the following may be designed by others:

- i. Temporary earth support systems
  - ii. Groundwater control and mitigation measures including groundwater monitoring wells
  - iii. Soil preparation
4. Test pits (vacuum and traditional)
5. Miscellaneous services in support of the work described above, such as traffic control, maintenance of traffic plans preparation and approvals, permitting, right of way access, temporary patching, GPS/survey location of sampling locations and utility location and designation.

Services shall include, but not limited to, review of available information, project management, contract administration, field investigation, sampling, laboratory testing, urgent/emergency investigation services, preparation of reports and memoranda, work-related permit applications, right of ways etc. for city, state, and or federal funded water and wastewater pipeline projects.

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Projects must comply with the 2006 edition of "The Specifications for Materials, Highways, Bridges, Utilities and Incidental Structures". City personnel will utilize the City of Baltimore Guidelines for the Performance Evaluation of Design Consultants and Construction Contractors for this contract/project.

### Prequalification Requirement

**All firms** listed in the specific proposal for the Project **must** be prequalified by the Office of Boards and Commissions for each applicable discipline *at time of submittal* for this Project. *A copy of the prime and sub consultant's current Prequalification Certificate should be included in the bid submittal package.* Information regarding the prequalification process can be obtained by calling the Office of Boards and Commissions on 410.396.6883.

### Submittal Process

Each consultant responding to this Request for Proposal (RFP) Project # 1390 is required to complete and submit an *original* Federal Form 255 unless otherwise specified in this RFP, along with **five (5)** copies, to the Office of Boards and Commissions on or prior to the April 19, 2024, by NOON. Submittals *will not* be accepted after this deadline.

The Federal Form 255 *cannot* be supplemented with additional pages any additional information such as graphs, photographs, organization chart, etc. All such information should be incorporated into the appropriate pages. Applications should not be bound; should simply be stapled in the upper left-hand corner. Cover sheets should not be included. Inclusion and/or submittal of additional material may result in the applicant being disqualified from consideration for this project.

Firms interested in submitting a proposal for this Project, shall address a "Letter of Interest" to the Office of Boards and Commissions, 4 South Frederick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202 or you may email: [OBC.consultants@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:OBC.consultants@baltimorecity.gov). Letters of Interest will be utilized to assist small minority and women business enterprises in identifying potential teaming partners and should be submitted within five (5) days of the date of the project's advertisement. The Letter of Interest must provide the name and number of your firms contact person. Failure to submit a "Letter of Interest" will not dis-

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qualify a firm submitting a proposal for the project.

Only individual firms (including, for example, individuals, sole proprietorships, corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, and general partnerships) or formal Joint Venture (**JV**) may apply. Two firms may not apply jointly unless they have formed a joint venture.

### MBE/WBE Requirements

It is the policy of the City of Baltimore to promote equal business opportunity in the City's contracting process. Pursuant to Article 5, Subtitle 28 of Baltimore City Code (2000 Edition) – Minority and Women's Business Program, Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) participation goals apply to this contract.

The MBE goal is **30%**

The WBE goal is **15%**

Both the proposed Minority and Women's Business Enterprise firms must be named and identified as an MBE or WBE within Item 6 of the Standard Form (SF) 255 in the spaces provided for identifying outside key consultants/associates anticipated for utilization for this project.

Any submittals that do not include the proper MBE/WBE (in some instances DBE) participation will be disapproved for further consideration for this project.

### Verifying Certification

Each firm submitting a SF 255 for consideration for a project is responsible for verifying that all MBEs and WBEs to be utilized on the project are certified by the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office (MWBOO) prior to submitting the proposal. A directory of certified MBEs and WBEs is available from MWBOO. Since changes to the directory occur daily, firms submitting SF 255s should call MWBOO at (410) 396-4355 to verify certification, expiration dates and services that the MBE or WBE is certified to provide.

### Non-Affiliation

A firm submitting a proposal may not use an MBE or WBE to meet a contract goal if:

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1. The firm has a financial interest in the MBE or WBE
2. The firm has an interest in the ownership or control of the MBE or WBE
3. The firm is significantly involved in the operation of the MBE or WBE (Article 5, Subtitle 28-41).

### **Insurance Requirements**

The consultant selected for the award of this project shall provide professional liability, auto liability, and general liability and workers' compensation insurances as required by the City of Baltimore.

### **Local Hiring Law**

Article 5, Subtitle 27 of the Baltimore City Code, as amended (the "Local Hiring Law") and its rules and regulations apply to contracts and agreements executed by the City on or after the Local Hiring Law's effective date of December 23, 2013 which is applicable to all vendors. The Local Hiring Law applies to every contract for more than \$300,000 made by the City, or on its behalf, with any person. It also applies to every agreement authorizing assistance valued at more than \$5,000,000 to a City-subsidized project. Please visit [www.oedworks.com](http://www.oedworks.com) for detailed on the requirements of the law.

### **Additional Information**

A resume for each person listed as key personnel and/or specialist, including those from MBE and WBE firms, must be shown on the page provided within the application.

Please be advised that for the purpose of reviewing price proposals and invoices, the City of Baltimore defines a principal of a firm as follows:

*A principal is any individual owning 5% or more of the outstanding stock of an entity, a partner of a partnership, a 5% or more shareholder of a sub-chapter 'S' Corporation, or an individual owner.*

Out-of-State Corporations must identify their corporate resident agent within the application.

Firms will not be considered for a specific project if they apply as both a sub-consultant and prime consultant.

Failure to follow directions of this advertisement or the application may cause disqualification of the submittal.

Deena Joyce, AEAC Executive Secretary  
Chief Office of Boards and Commissions

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### **PROJECT NO. 1380 – ENGINEERING AND DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT PROGRAM**

The City of Baltimore, Office of Boards and Commissions, has been requested by the Department of Public Works, Office of Engineering and Construction (OEC), to advertise for services from qualified civil engineering firms to perform design and engineering services for the Horizontal Water Utility Section's water main replacement program.

The City intends to select engineering services of two (2) firms for a period of three (3) years with one two (2) year option at the estimated cost in the amount of \$5,700,000. Each firm shall be allocated a total of \$2,850,000. DPW reserves the right to have a second interview with the eligible firms.

This project will be managed by Tarnisha Bailey. Should you have any questions regarding the scope of the project, please contact Tarnisha Bailey at (410) 396-8189 or by email at [tarnisha.bailey@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:tarnisha.bailey@baltimorecity.gov).

The firms interested in providing these services must demonstrate and document:

1. Expertise in designing water mains in a utility-rich urban environment where there is a possibility that not all as-built drawings for existing and abandoned utilities are available.
2. Expertise in providing:
  - A. Field work, Data
    - \*field investigations
    - \*utility assessments
    - \*surveying
    - \*design investigations and research.
    - \*Geographic Information Systems (GIS)
    - \*AutoCAD
  - B. Design Services
    - \*design of new and rehabilitation of existing water distribution and service mains of various material types including but not limited to ductile iron, steel, HDPE, PCCP, RCP etc
    - \*sizing of water mains
    - \*design studies
    - \*design reviews
    - \*utility coordination

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- \*contract documents development (drawings, specifications and cost estimates)
  - \*reporting
  - \*quality control
  - \*coordination of procurement processes of water main projects
- C. Design and Construction Administration Support Services
- \*geotechnical engineering
  - \*subsurface utility investigations
  - \*preparation of traffic control plans
  - \*erosion and sediment control plans
  - \*permit applications
  - \*construction sequencing
  - \*corrosion protection
  - \*bid-phase assistance
  - \*post-award services during construction
- D. Permitting and Legal Access
- \*right-of-way/ right-of-entry acquisitions
  - \*permit applications

3. Expertise in decision-making and providing detailed recommendations to determine the method of water main improvements and knowledge of alternative methods and technology for replacement and rehabilitation.

4. Expertise in responding to water system emergencies involving water main and components by assessing the situation and recommending corrective measures, preparing fast-track design or sketches to address water system emergencies as needed.

5. Expertise in preparing, submitting, coordinating internal and external agency reviews, obtaining approvals all necessary government and or local jurisdiction permitting. Possess knowledge of federal, state, and local permitting requirements, local utility regulations, and experience in obtaining the permits on a fast-track basis.

6. Expertise in project management knowledge areas and core processes, including but not limited to initiating, planning, executing, monitoring and control, and closeout to ensure designs are completed on time, within budget, and according to the City's design standards.

7. Expertise in developing effective communication processes, stakeholder engagement, public information, and outreach, including development and dissemination of presentation and other materials.

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8. An overall team approach to utilize, manage and coordinate assigned tasks of the Minority/Women Business Enterprises partners and conform to City goals.

9. Expertise in preparing design reports and bid-ready contract documents, including but not limited to plans, specifications, and cost estimates with city, state, and or federal language requirements to comply with funding conditions, providing technical support services through contract bidding and post award services.

Services shall include, but not limited to review of available information, project management, contract administration, field investigation, utility surveying, design of water main replacement and or rehabilitation, re-design of shelved projects, re-signing and re-sealing shelved projects, emergency services, post award and construction management services including inspection, preparation of reports and contract documents, including plans, specification, construction cost estimates, permit applications, right of ways etc. for city, state, and or federal funded water main projects.

Projects must comply with the 2006 edition of "The Specifications for Materials, Highways, Bridges, Utilities and Incidental Structures". City personnel will utilize the City of Baltimore Guidelines for the Performance Evaluation of Design Consultants and Construction Contractors for this contract/project.

### **Prequalification Requirement**

**All firms** listed in the specific proposal for the Project **must** be prequalified by the Office of Boards and Commissions for each applicable discipline *at time of submittal* for this Project. *A copy of the prime and sub consultant's current Prequalification Certificate should be included in the bid submittal package.* Information regarding the prequalification process can be obtained by calling the Office of Boards and Commissions on 410.396.6883.

### **Submittal Process**

Each consultant responding to this Request for Proposal (RFP) Project # 1380 is required to complete and submit an *original* Federal Form 255 unless otherwise specified in this RFP, along with **five (5)** copies, to the Office of Boards and Commissions on or prior to the April 19, 2024, by NOON. Submittals *will not* be accepted after this deadline.

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Firms interested in submitting a proposal for this Project, shall address a "Letter of Interest" to the Office of Boards and Commissions, 4 South Frederick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, Maryland, 21202 or you may email [obc.consultants@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:obc.consultants@baltimorecity.gov). Letters of Interest will be utilized to assist small minority and women business enterprises in identifying potential teaming partners and should be submitted within five (5) days of the date of the project's advertisement. The Letter of Interest must provide the name and number of your firms contact person. Failure to submit a "Letter of Interest" will not disqualify a firm submitting a proposal for the project.

Only individual firms (including, for example, individuals, sole proprietorships, corporations, limited liability companies, limited liability partnerships, and general partnerships) or formal Joint Venture (JV) may apply. Two firms may not apply jointly unless they have formed a joint venture.

### MBE/WBE Requirements

It is the policy of the City of Baltimore to promote equal business opportunity in the City's contracting process. Pursuant to Article 5, Subtitle 28 of Baltimore City Code (2000 Edition) – Minority and Women's Business Program, Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women's Business Enterprise (WBE) participation goals apply to this contract.

The MBE goal is **30%**  
The WBE goal is **15%**

Both the proposed Minority and Women's Business Enterprise firms must be named and identified as an MBE or WBE within Item 6 of the Standard Form (SF) 255 in the spaces provided for identifying outside key consultants/associates anticipated for utilization for this project.

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Any submittals that do not include the proper MBE/WBE (in some instances DBE) participation will be disapproved for further consideration for this project.

### Verifying Certification

The firm submitting a SF 255 for consideration for a project is responsible for verifying that all MBEs and WBEs to be utilized on the project are certified by the Minority and Women's Business Opportunity Office (MWBOO) prior to submitting the proposal. A directory of certified MBEs and WBEs is available from MWBOO. Since changes to the directory occur daily, firms submitting SF 255s should call MWBOO at (410) 396-4355 to verify certification, expiration dates and services that the MBE or WBE is certified to provide.

### Non-Affiliation

A firm submitting a proposal may not use an MBE or WBE to meet a contract goal if:

1. The firm has a financial interest in the MBE or WBE
2. The firm has an interest in the ownership or control of the MBE or WBE
3. The firm is significantly involved in the operation of the MBE or WBE

(Article 5, Subtitle 28-41).

### Insurance Requirements

The consultant selected for the award of this project shall provide professional liability, auto liability, and general liability and workers' compensation insurances as required by the City of Baltimore.

### Local Law Hiring

Article 5, Subtitle 27 of the Baltimore City Code, as amended (the "Local Hiring Law") and its rules and regulations apply to contracts and agreements executed by the City on or after the Local Hiring Law's effective date of December 23, 2013, which is applicable to all vendors. The Local Hiring Law applies to every contract for more than \$300,000 made by the City, or on its behalf, with any person. It also applies to every agreement authorizing assistance valued at more than \$5,000,000 to a City-subsidized project. Please visit [www.oedworks.com](http://www.oedworks.com) for details on the requirements of the law.

### Additional Information

A resume for each person listed as key personnel and/or specialist, including those

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from MBE and WBE firms, must be shown on the page provided within the application.

Please be advised that for the purpose of reviewing price proposals and invoices, the City of Baltimore defines a principal of a firm as follows:

*A principal is any individual owning 5% or more of the outstanding stock of an entity, a partner of a partnership, a 5% or more shareholder of a sub-chapter 'S' Corporation, or an individual owner.*

Out-of-State Corporations must identify their corporate resident agent within the application.

Firms will not be considered for a specific project if they apply as both a sub-consultant and prime consultant.

Failure to follow directions of this advertisement or the application may cause disqualification of the submittal.

Deena Joyce, AEAC Executive Secretary  
Chief Office of Boards and Commissions

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**CERTIFICATION OF PUBLICATION  
CITY OF BALTIMORE  
OFFICE OF BOARDS AND  
COMMISSIONS  
PUBLIC NOTICE  
REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL –  
PROJECT No. 1299R**

### **Construction Management Assistance for Water Contract 1199 Ashburton Pumping Station Improvements**

The Baltimore City Office of Boards and Commissions has been requested by the Department of Public Works, Office of Engineering and Construction, to certify the qualifications of engineering firms to provide Construction Management Assistance for Water Contract 1199 Ashburton Pumping Station Improvements. One contract will be awarded for a period of 4 years.

### Scope of Work

The Construction Management Assistance services to be provided include but are not limited to, assisting the City Office of Engineering and Construction with construction monitoring and inspection, preparation of daily reports, maintenance of project records and documentation, review of contractor's application for payment, attendance at

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progress meetings, preparation of record drawings, review of contract claims and support documents, estimating, scheduling, quality control, project engineering, constructability reviews, submittal reviews and responses, RFI reviews and responses, and other contract documents.

Experience in the Rehabilitation and Construction of Water Facilities Treatment Plants and Pumping Stations with a 40 MGD minimum capacity.

Experience in development and implementation of a Construction Project Management program.

Familiarity with standard construction inspection procedures and requirements for civil, Structural, Mechanical, and Electrical disciplines, and SCADA system installation and implementation.

Familiarity with applicable building codes and standards.

Experience in providing field inspection staff with experience with change orders and claims analysis.

Experience with Critical Path Method construction scheduling and Primavera version 6 scheduling software.

Experience with Primavera Contract Management version 14 project tracking software.

Overall team approach to utilize, manage and coordinate assigned tasks of the *Minority/Women Business Enterprises* partners and to conform to City goals.

DPW encourages all contracting firms that have the experience and capacity to work on this scope to submit their proposals. All firms must demonstrate and document their capacity and resources to deliver the required services on time. Project fees have been estimated at **\$5,000,000.00 for a period of 4 years**. Should you have any questions regarding the scope of the project, please contact **Mr. Farid Sikander** at 410-396-7300 or email [Farid.Sikander@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Farid.Sikander@baltimorecity.gov)

### Prequalification Requirement

**All firms** listed in the specific proposal for the Project **must** be prequalified by the Office of Boards and Commissions for each applicable discipline *at time of submittal* for this Project. *A copy of the prime and sub consultant's current Prequalification*

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*Certificate should be included in the bid submittal package.* Information regarding the prequalification process can be obtained by calling the Office of Boards and Commissions on 410-396-6883.

Projects must comply with the 2006 edition of "The Specifications for Materials, Highways, Bridges, Utilities and Incidental Structures". City personnel will utilize the City of Baltimore Guidelines for the Performance Evaluation of Design Consultants and Construction Contractors for this contract/project.

### Submittal Process

Each consultant responding to this Request for Proposal (RFP) Project # **1299R** is required to complete and submit an *original* Federal Form 255 unless otherwise specified in this RFP, along with **five (5)** copies, to the Office of Boards and Commissions on or prior to the April 19, 2024, by NOON. Submittals *will not* be accepted after this deadline.

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apply. Two firms may not apply jointly unless they have formed a joint venture.

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The MBE goal is **22%**  
The WBE goal is **9%**

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### Verifying Certification

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### Non-Affiliation

A firm submitting a proposal may not use an MBE or WBE to meet a contract goal if:

1. The firm has a financial interest in the MBE or WBE
2. The firm has an interest in the ownership or control of the MBE or WBE
3. The firm is significantly involved in the operation of the MBE or WBE (Article 5, subtitles 28-41).

### Insurance Requirements

The consultant selected for the award of this project shall provide professional liability,

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auto liability, and general liability, and workers' compensation insurance as required by the City of Baltimore.

### Local Law Hiring

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### Additional Requirements

A firm submitting as a prime consultant that fails to comply with the requirements of Article 5, Subtitle 28 of Baltimore City Code when executing a contract is subject to the following penalties: suspension of a contract; withholding of funds; rescission of contract based on material breach; disqualification as a consultant from eligibility to provide services to the City for a period not to exceed 2 years; and payment for damages incurred by the City.

A resume for each person listed as key personnel and/or specialist, including those from MBE and WBE firms, must be shown on the page provided within the application.

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Deena Joyce, AEAC Executive Secretary  
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### CITY OF BALTIMORE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES NOTICE OF LETTING

Sealed Bids or Proposals, in duplicate, addressed to the Board of Estimates of the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore and marked for **GS21870R – War Memorial Building Roof Replacement**, will be received at the Office of the Comptroller, Room 204, City Hall, Baltimore, Maryland until 11:00 A.M. on **WEDNESDAY, APRIL 17, 2024**. Board of Estimates employees will be stationed at the Security Unit Counter just inside the Holliday Street entrance to City Hall from 10:45 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. every Wednesday to receive Bids. Positively no bids will be received after 11:00 A.M. The bids will be publicly opened by the Board of Estimates in Room 215, City Hall at Noon. Bid opening proceedings can be also viewed live at <https://www.charmtvbaltimore.com/live-stream> at 12:00 noon. Bid tabulation sheets detailing the bids received will be publicly posted to the Comptroller's website by COB on the date of bid opening.

The Contract Documents may be purchased for a non-refundable cost of **\$50.00** by contacting Lauren Hoover at [lauren.hoover@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:lauren.hoover@baltimorecity.gov) as of **FRIDAY, MARCH 8, 2024**.

### Conditions and requirements of the Bid are found in the bid package.

All contractors bidding on this Contract

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must first be pre-qualified by the City of Baltimore Boards and Commissions. Interested contractors should call 410 396-6883 or contact the Office of Boards and Commissions at 4 South Frederick Street, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor, Baltimore, MD 21202. **If a bid is submitted by a Joint Venture (“JV”), then in that event, the documents that establish the JV shall be submitted with the bid for verification purposes.** The Prequalification Category required for bidding on this project is **F07500 – ROOFING – INDUSTRIAL.**

The Cost Qualification Range for this work shall be **\$500,000.01 to \$1,000,000.00**

A “Pre-Bidding information” session will be conducted at the site: **101 N. Gay Street, Baltimore, MD 21202 on TUESDAY, March 19, 2024 at 10:00 a.m.**

Principal Items of work for this project are:

**General Conditions**

**Roofing**

The MBE goal is **20%**

The WBE goal is **10%**

**CONTRACT NO. GS 21870R**

APPROVED:

Clerk, Board of Estimates

APPROVED

M. Celeste AmatoBerke Atti

Director, Department of General Services

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The 6888th Central Postal Directory Battalion was the only battalion of predominately Black women deployed during World War II.

# Women's History Month

## March 9th 6888th Day in Maryland

Film Screening: "The Six Triple Eight No Mail, Low Morale"



**Owings Mills Branch Library**

Third Floor #307 A-C

10302 Grand Central Station

Owings Mills, MD

**FREE ADMISSION**

Seating is limited. First come, first served.

**March 9, 2024 - 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.**

In partnership, the Baltimore County Delta Foundation and the Owings Mills Branch of Baltimore County Public Library are screening the documentary, "The Six Triple Eight No Mail, Low Morale" (a Lincoln Penny Film production), in honor of Women's History Month. This historic documentary commemorates the service of the WWII Women Veterans of the 6888th Central Postal Battalion.

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