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“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it’s the only thing that ever has.” - Margaret Mead

Hello friends!

Welcome to the Honey W Nashman Center or, for those of you who have been around awhile, welcome back! We could not be more excited to approach the beginning of the new academic year!

We have spent our summer working on ways to continue to meet our [mission](#) under new circumstances.

In the midst of the national uprisings, we have redoubled our efforts to fight anti-Blackness and systemic racism and to support equity: we focus our programs and projects to build respectful and reciprocal partnerships, engage and fully embrace individuals from all backgrounds, and examine ourselves to address any implicit or underlying bias. One new initiative is a partnership with the GW Black Student Union and Sociology on an action-research project to rethink DC policing and youth.

In the midst of the pandemic, we have found new ways to partner with community organizations to address their needs and mission and to engage GW faculty and students in powerful community-engaged learning experiences. One example, is described in the GW Today [article below](#) about a summer middle school Changemaker program staffed by ten outstanding GW

students; another 30 GW students served as tutors and mentors for DC Public School students -- all online this summer.

ArtReach GW is holding art classes online, sending supplies to students by mail, and teaching virtually. We have worked with faculty across GW to support their efforts to continue community-engaged research and service this year through virtual partnerships.

And **Welcome Days of Service** has gone fully virtual! We are serving with local and national organizations to, for example, transcribe documents, interview seniors and veterans, and record books for young children! Look for similar service for Martin Luther King, Jr Day of Service and Veteran Day of Service.

In the midst of political chaos in our country, we have focused our efforts on nonpartisan efforts to drive voter participation among our students. GW Votes, a nonpartisan coalition of faculty, staff, and students encourages everyone to register and to vote. Anyone can use this [easy tool](#) to register, find out where to vote, or get your absentee ballot.

We look forward to seeing you in our workshops and social innovation events (find these... where?) and can't wait to hear from you!



NASHMAN CENTER PROGRAMS



ARTREACH FALL CLASSES

[ArtReach GW](#) provides free, high quality fine arts education, expressive and therapeutic art classes, and advanced fine arts college preparation facilitated by GW Corcoran alumni and local teaching artists to more than 200 youth and families who reside in DC Wards 7 & 8, and nearby Prince George's County, MD. Fall classes will be held virtually via Zoom and start in mid-September.

[Learn More](#)



SERVE IN OUR COMMUNITY



DEADLINE EXTENDED

[Apply To Become A CEC Consultant!](#) GW will be operating virtually this fall and so is CEC. Last semester CEC pivoted to virtual engagements. This is a great opportunity to connect with members of GW and DMV nonprofits virtually. The application deadline has been extended to August 23rd. If you have any further questions, please email ceconsulting@gwu.edu.

GW CODERS

[GW Coders](#) is a community that brings together students and faculty to apply computational and data analytics skills in research. GW Coders will meet virtually every Friday at 11:00am ET to provide a network for students and faculty. Share coding experiences, learn some new skills, and build your professional networks. GW Coders is for everyone, from those just getting interested in coding to those who have years of experience; for undergraduate and graduate students; for faculty in any discipline; and for others in the DC community who want to participate! Complete this [short form](#) to learn more.



SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES



SERVE WITH HEY!

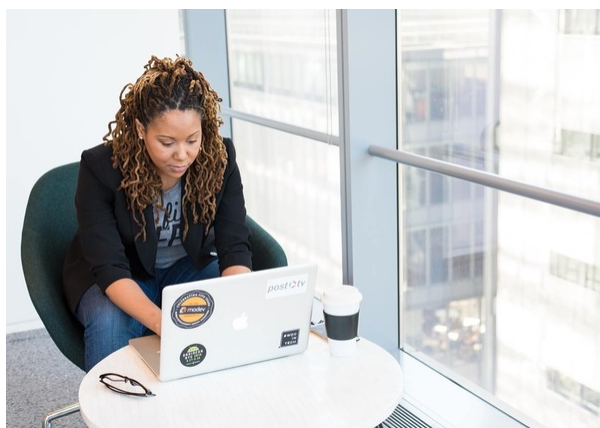
[HEY! - Healthy Excited Youth](#) is a nonprofit organization with the mission of encouraging positive change in the community by utilizing young professionals in surrounding areas to educate youth on healthy lifestyles, social and emotional health, nutrition and more. HEY! offers virtual opportunities with flexible scheduling. Questions? info@healthyexcitedyouth.org.

INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

BECOME A SOCIAL MEDIA INTERN

Passionate about healthcare and social media marketing? Serve as a Social Media Intern with the [Ron and Joy Paul Kidney Center](#). Interested? Learn more about the internship [here](#).

To apply, email Cherry.Miales@gwu-hospital.com



GIVING OPPORTUNITIES

Before the pandemic, the Nashman Center rarely shared opportunities for fundraising for and with our partners, favoring instead opportunities for students to use and develop their academic and civic skills while fostering neighborly relationships. In these times, while we maintain our focus on these rich relationships, we recognize that a) such relationships can be built through fundraising, and b) the needs in many of our communities are dire and immediate and donations of money or goods may be an aspect of highly effective service.

MUTUAL AID GROUP FUNDRAISES FOR LAPTOPS, PPE FOR DC STUDENTS



With D.C. Public Schools and many charters holding classes remotely this fall, students need reliable digital devices and internet access. Learn more about how to help in [this DCist article](#).

COMMUNITY SPOTLIGHT



GW STUDENTS HELP D.C. CHILDREN LEARN SOCIAL JUSTICE

Through the SummerTrek Changemakers program, 10 GW students helped D.C. middle school students turn the issues they are passionate about into virtual advocacy campaigns.

[Read More](#)

Have a story, opportunity, or event you want to share?

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