



YWCA's ANNUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT

**Wednesday, March 3, 2021
12:30 - 1:30 pm**

VIRTUAL EVENT

CIRCLE HOST REGISTRATION

eliminating racism
empowering women
ywca
Greater Flint

801 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, MI 48502
P: 810-238-7621

The Impact

The YWCA's Circle Luncheon is our major fundraising event of the year. The proceeds from this event directly impact our ability to fulfill our mission to eliminate racism and empower women. Circle Hosts are key to the success of the annual YWCA Circle Luncheon. Circle Hosts are encouraged to invite co-workers, family, friends, service group fellow members and acquaintances through clubs or organizations. Due to the pandemic, we have decided on a virtual event that will be different, but promises to be just as enjoyable and engaging! Please join us!

Moving Forward as a Circle Host

Circle Hosts are responsible for identifying at least 10 guests to participate in the virtual lunch and to ensure that each invitee understands they will be asked to make a minimum donation of \$100.

- Make a list of 10 individuals you would like to invite; please complete the form in this packet and send to the YWCA **by February 5, 2021.**
- Send your participants a Save the Date notice via email. A Save the Date notice is attached to the email you received from us.
- Plan how you are going to host your guests for the virtual event while practicing safety requirements for COVID 19. ***As of this writing we are suggesting the following due to the COVID 19 pandemic.***
 - ***Invite individuals to watch from their own home via the YWCA Greater Flint Facebook page***
 - ***If the status of the pandemic changes as we get closer to the event date, we will share other ideas on how to engage participants. Our supporters' health and safety are of utmost importance!***
- On the day of the event, ensure that every participants has made their donation. Donations can be made the following ways:
 - On-line at www.ywcaflint.org/donate
 - Checks or cash collected by the Circle Host and dropped off at the YWCA
 - Each individual sends their check to the YWCA via USPS: 801 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, MI 48502

Frequently Asked Questions

Every dollar raised by our Circle Hosts goes directly to the programs and services offered by the YWCA Greater Flint, including girls' and women's empowerment programming, the Safe House, SAFE Center, etc.

What happens once I make a donation at the Circle Luncheon?

Our staff will deposit your donation, and then you will receive a thank you as well as a document for tax purposes.

If a guest cannot participate in the event the, but would like to make a donation, how can they do that?

Individuals may donate by visiting <http://www.ywcaflint.org/donate.html> OR sending a check directly to YWCA Greater Flint, 801 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, MI 48502.

My company matches donations. What is the process to make this happen?

Please send the company form to Peggy Cooper at peggycooper@ywcaflint.org or via mail to 801 S. Saginaw Street, Flint, MI 48502. YWCA will confirm your donation and submit the form as required by your company. If your company confirms donations electronically, please submit the confirmation of your donation online and YWCA will be notified accordingly.

If you have any additional questions, please contact Peggy Cooper, Executive Assistant at peggycooper@ywcaflint.org or 810-238-8844.

YWCA Greater Flint Initiatives

As the flagship women's organization in Flint for over 100 years, we are uniquely positioned to take the lead in addressing women's and girls' issues. The YWCA is the only agency in Genesee County that offers comprehensive services to victims of intimate partner violence and sexual assault, including:

- Counseling, advocacy and court support
- 24/7 Crisis Line and Emergency Response Team
- SafeHouse emergency shelter
- Sexual Assault Forensic Examination Center
- Healthy Relationships Workshops at local schools

- 2,500 clients served annually
- 1,200 clients receive crisis counseling
- 460 adults and children housing in the emergency shelter
- 100 rape exams completed annually

The YWCA is committed to the elimination of racism and sexism. We offer the following programs to raise awareness and engage with our community.

Stand Against Racism: A signature program of the YWCA USA to raise awareness via programs and social media about the negative impact of institutional and structural racism in our communities, and we can make a change.

YWomenVote Campaign: Initiatives promoting women's political participation and issues education.

Challenging Racism Workshops: About 20 years ago the YWCA Greater Flint developed a curriculum and offered workshops to the community to raise awareness about structural racism. The issue of racial inequity continues to be pervasive. Beginning in 2021, we will be offering a series of sessions again focusing on social identities, implicit bias, the intersection of racism and sexism, and the societal structures that continue to perpetuate discrimination and inequity.

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2020 Circle Luncheon Speaker

Sunny Hostin

Three-time Emmy Award-winner Sunny Hostin has been a co-host of *The View* since 2016. Sunny's debut book, *I Am These Truths: A Memoir of Identity, Justice, and Living Between Worlds*, features an introspective look into the challenges she faced while being raised by teenage parents in housing projects, the many obstacles she overcame to become a federal prosecutor, and her ultimate path to becoming an incredibly successful television journalist.

Last winter, Sunny hosted and executive produced a six-episode documentary series, *Truth About Murder with Sunny Hostin*, on Investigation Discovery. The series explores the stories behind some of the nation's most notorious homicides. Each episode, Sunny meets with forensic experts, law enforcement officials, prosecutors, defense attorneys and the families of each victim, showing viewers how cases are solved.

Sunny will also release her novel next summer, *Summer on the Bluffs* (William Morrow), the first of her upcoming three-book fiction series. Drawing from elements of her own story, the book stars a talented Afro-Latina lawyer, chronicling her escapades with her god sisters in Oak Bluffs, the most exclusive Black beach community in the country.

Originally from the South Bronx, Sunny's longstanding commitment to social justice began at a young age. Growing up as the daughter of biracial parents, she faced the pressures of poverty and police harassment, and experienced firsthand the insidious workings of systemic racism. After graduating from Notre Dame Law School, Sunny began her career as an appellate law clerk and went on to become a trial attorney for the Justice Department and a federal prosecutor. During her time as Assistant U.S. Attorney, Sunny was awarded the Special Achievement Award by Attorney General Janet Reno for her prosecution of child sexual predators. Serving as a board member for Safe Horizon, she fought for the successful passage of the New York State Child Victims Act in 2019, making it easier for child sex abuse victims to seek justice as adults. An inescapable voice from the top echelons of news and entertainment, Sunny continues uses her platform to advocate for and give a voice to the marginalized.

A gifted storyteller, Sunny's impressive depth of knowledge carries over to politics and the criminal justice system. She has brought clarity and context to some of the biggest stories of the past decade, including incisive political analysis of Trump's 2016 presidential campaign and subsequent presidency, the college admission scandal, the George Zimmerman trial, the unrest in Ferguson and Baltimore, and the AME church shooting in Charleston. In May 2020, Sunny and a group of Black female activists penned an authoritative op-ed for *The Washington Post* urging presidential candidate Joe Biden to select a Black female vice-presidential candidate, ultimately predicting his selection of Kamala Harris. She has won two Emmys for her work as a correspondent for ABC's *Good Morning America*, and one for her work as a correspondent for the ABC News Special, *The President and the People*.

Sunny currently resides in Westchester, NY with her husband and two children, Gabriel, 18, and Paloma, 14.



2020-21 Circle Luncheon Circle Host Registration

Circle Host Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone : _____ Email: _____

The following individuals will join my circle:

Name	Email	Phone

This form is due to the YWCA Greater Flint on or before February 5, 2021

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