After two years, N Street Village was thrilled to see longtime champions and many new faces at our 2022 Annual Gala and Auction in March. More than 700 Village friends, sponsors, staff, and supporters raised a record-setting $1.8+ million to ensure each woman who arrives at the Village has the support and services she needs.

We proudly welcomed the Village’s new CEO, Kenyatta T. Brunson, and announced a new strategic plan to further the great legacy of N Street Village, focusing on providing more affordable, community-focused, permanent housing for women experiencing homelessness. In serving a population that’s aging in place, I want to build a housing program geared to our seniors that offers more intensive services including medical staff as well as yoga and nutrition classes to help them lead healthy lives.

We are excited to share our vision of holistic care, and provide more trauma-informed services for women. Our longevity is because of you! Thank you for continuing to have faith in my ability to execute our shared mission as we work to make a better future for the women of the Village.

Kenyatta T. Brunson
President and CEO, N Street Village

SAVE THE DATE
This year’s SHERO Walk will be held Saturday, October 15, 2022. Mark your calendar to join us that morning starting at 9:00 a.m. on the N Street Village Board of Directors terrace. See you there!

Get Inside the Village with NSV Radio
You are definitely missing out if you haven’t yet listened to NSV Radio: Voices of the Village!

One of our most recent podcasts features CEO Kenyatta T. Brunson and Jewel McNeill, a former client and past Steinbruck Honoree. They talk about the importance of family and the toll addiction can take on those relationships. They also talk about forgiveness and accountability, and about learning to love yourself. Find NSV Radio: Voices of the Village on Spotify and Google Podcasts or visit our website at www.nstreetvillage.org/voices.

DEAR FRIENDS,

July began a new fiscal year and N Street Village is launching a year-long celebration of our 50th anniversary! I am honored to lead the organization as we continue our rich legacy of service to the community. I am now eight months in as CEO, and every day I give thanks for being in a leadership position to serve one of the most vulnerable yet resilient populations in Washington, D.C. women seeking a better future.

For 50 years, N Street Village—in partnership with our clients—has provided a safe haven along with services that help women transform their lives. While the year ahead will be full of celebration, our work continues. I recently shared with the Board of Directors my CEO goals and vision that I had shared with staff at our quarterly State of the Village report in January. The Board supported my goals, and we look forward to the journey ahead. Currently, I am filling key vacant positions on my executive team. Once this team is in place, we will develop a new strategic plan to further the great legacy of N Street Village, focusing on providing more affordable, community-focused, permanent housing for women experiencing homelessness.

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My goal is to further elevate the organization to a national level, where we can grow our partnerships with women social service providers, share our vision of holistic care, and provide more trauma-informed services for women.

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The 2022 Gala & Auction in Pictures

Board Members gather with the CEO from left, Ruth Sorenson, Linda Potter, Erika Martin Bolden, Portia Neffy, Cynthia Dahlin, Kenyatta T. Brunson, Lucy Flyles, Jennifer Cardozo, and Carolyn Artz. 

Supports enjoy the Annual Gala and Auction from left, Susan Smith, Christy Huvane, Liz Schrey, Danielle Boling, Gail Cardinale, and upon Brooklyn Hyslop.

Founders Award Recipients Cynthia Dahlin and Ronald Barouch join the celebration. (Mauricio Castro)

 Crush Funk Brass Band and NPR’s 2021 Tiny Desk Contest Winner Neffy close the evening.

Board Chair Peter Shields and Vice-Chair Ruth Sorenson welcome the N Street Village Board of Directors to the opening celebration. (Stephen Reasonover Photography)
Thank You for Your Community Support

The Women Leaders Magazine selected Village CEO Kenyatta T. Brunson as one of the Top 20 Outstanding Women CEOs of 2020. Redefining her in the June edition of the magazine. Look for a link to her interview on our website in the June edition of the magazine.

Bank of America awarded N Street Village a $50,000 grant in May to help further our work to provide dignified housing and supportive services to women experiencing homelessness in Washington, D.C.

In April, N Street Village received the Congressional Black Caucus Health Quality Forum Leadership Summit community partner and hosted a toiletries collection drive for women in April. Kenyatta joined the group for an evening as the Mandarin Oriental Hotel during the Summit to say thanks. She also had an opportunity to chat with Stanford alum, Senator Cory Booker (pictured below).

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CEO Kenyatta

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A HUGE thank you to all who came out to support the event and especially to the donors who provided funds to make the courtyard bloom this season.

Garden Day Celebrates Spring

Our Annual Family & Friends Garden Day in May brought together Village staff and volunteers, who planted an array of flowers in the courtyard at the N Street Village Flagship location.

N Street Village is always looking at ways to cut costs and invest more in our programs. As a result, we are reducing the number of print editions of our quarterly newsletter, The Village View.

• If you want to continue receiving a print edition of The Village View, you still can. Visit www.nstreetvillage.org/VillageView and select Print Edition. Or, complete the form below, clip and send it to: The Village View, 1333 N Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005. We’ll make sure you continue to receive the newsletter in the mail.

• If you have an email on file with us, you don’t have to do a thing! You will continue to receive the newsletter via email.

• If you do not have an email on file and want to help reduce printing and mailing costs, please visit www.nstreetvillage.org/VillageView and select Digital Edition.

Every quarter, N Street Village recognizes an employee for their hard work and dedication to serving the organization. This quarter we recognize Nicole Hall. Nicole joined the Village as Assistant Manager for the 2nd floor of Patricia Handy Place for Women (PHPW) in May 2018 and advanced to Program Manager in October 2019. Each day begins with Nicole ensuring the safety of all residents, who enter the facility. A typical workday includes interacting with residents in support of their goals, problem-solving with her team, celebrating the progress and accomplishments (big and small) of residents, monitoring interactions and rapport between residents and program associates, and valuing the role she plays in PHPW supporting women in need of safe, emergency housing.

Nicole is responsible for the daily program census and interacting with our external partners, including the D.C. Department of Human Services, and The Community Partnership for the Prevention of Homelessness. She also supervises and supports the PHPW management team and collaborates with them on resident matters and operation details. Nicole helps residents resolve grievances, obtain vital documents, and pursue long-term goals. Nicole prides herself on being able to step in or help in any capacity that’s needed. Congratulations on this well-deserved recognition.

Help Reduce Our Paper Trail

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We are grateful to every subscriber, no matter how you get your news. Thank you for continuing to support the important work of serving women experiencing homelessness.

Your Ongoing Support Gives
N Street Village a Safe Place to Stay

Toiletries and cleaning supplies are often not included in state or federal financial assistance programs, leaving many Village clients scrambling to get critical personal items they need.

Your support can help fill the gap. The most requested travel-sized items from clients are shampoo, conditioner, body wash, deodorant, and adolescent. Visit www.nstreetvillage.org/in-kind-donations for an up-to-date list of items our clients need and click through to our Amazon Wish List for goods to purchase.

Clients Always Need Travel-Sized Toiletries

N Street Village is a community of women experiencing homelessness, traumatic injury, or acute illness in Washington, D.C. With comprehensive services addressing mental health, addiction, disability and make meaningful gains in health, income, employment, mental health, physical health, and addiction recovery.

For more information, visit www.nstreetvillage.org/community-builder to make your monthly commitment.

Thank you!