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Village Presents Inaugural Heartbeat Award

N Street Village launched a new employee award in recognition of outstanding performance and commitment to the agency throughout the year.



From left: Colleagues Evelyn Green and Sharon Hart

the “heart” of the Village. This award keeps her memory alive and honors her decades-long service to the women we serve.

The inaugural recipient of the Heartbeat Award is **Muriel Drago, case manager at Phyllis Wheatley YWCA**. Selected for the award by a vote from Village staff, Muriel started working at N Street Village in 2007. She has held various positions in Bethany Women’s Day Center, Erna’s House, and Miriam’s House. She began as a case manager in 2012 when Erna’s House opened. Through her contributions to the Village, Muriel exemplifies the spirit of the Heartbeat Award and is truly deserving of this recognition.

The Heartbeat Award is named in honor of Sharon Hart, who served N Street Village for 30 years and passed away in September 2023. Because of her dedication, selflessness, and generosity, Sharon was considered

ANNOUNCEMENT

Interim CEO Steps into Permanent Role

Portia Robertson Migas was appointed permanent Chief Executive Officer after four months as interim CEO of the organization.

“Portia has risen to the challenge of interim CEO, and this is a natural next step for her to move into the position permanently,” said Peter Shields, Chair of the N Street Village Board of Directors. “Under Portia’s continued leadership, clients, staff and Village supporters can expect a continued and strengthened commitment to our mission to create a community of hope and healing for women in Washington, D.C.”

Portia started volunteering at N Street Village’s overnight shelter more than 30 years ago and began serving on the Board of Directors in 2015.

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