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## The Howard County Historical Society & Visit Howard County Kick-Off "Year of the Howard County Woman"

Ellicott City, MD (January 2020)

On January 10, 2020, at 3:00 p.m., The Howard County Historical Society, in partnership with Visit Howard County will hold a special event at Howard County Tourism, 8267 Main Street, Ellicott City to kick-off 2020 as the "Year of the Howard County Woman" with Honorary Spokeswoman, former County Executive Liz Bobo. The current County Executive, Calvin Ball will also be providing remarks at the kick-off.

The Howard County Historical Society, founded in 1958 as the County's primary repository for historical artifacts, documents, and photographs, will focus its exhibits, programs, and research on profiles of historic women from Howard County to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the Ratification of the 19th Amendment on August 18, 1920.

As a part of the yearlong commemoration, the Historical Society will present an exhibit at the Howard County Fair on the Suffragette Movement and the 1st Women Voters of Howard County. After the Fair exhibition in August, the exhibit will be featured at the Museum of Howard County History for the remainder of the year. In addition to this exhibit, the Historical Society will highlight the profiles of these remarkable women in a series of lectures and smaller exhibits at the Howard County Library Miller Branch and Historical Center.

https://www.visithowardcounty.com/event/year-of-the-howard-county-woman-kick-off-event/16561/

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## **About Visit Howard County**

Visit Howard County (501c6 not-for-profit) is recognized by Howard County Government and the Maryland Office of Tourism Development as the official Destination Marketing Organization for Howard County, Maryland and funded by a legislated portion of the county hotel tax, allocated through Howard County Government. Visit Howard County's mission is to be the lead organization to market and develop the County as a premier leisure and business travel destination. www.VisitHowardCounty.com