



TEN WOMEN TRAILBLAZERS RECOGNIZED AS DRESS FOR SUCCESS COLUMBUS CELEBRATES 10-YEAR BENCHMARK

Dress for Success Columbus is marking a decade of service for over 10,000 Central Ohio women who are advancing themselves and their families through Dress for Success Columbus employment retention and advancement programs. As part of its year-long celebration, Dress for Success Columbus is excited to announce the inaugural group of women being recognized as “10 for 10” Honorees. “Our 10-year anniversary offers us the opportunity to recognize and convey our deep gratitude to ten inspirational leaders who are beacons of empowerment to our shared sisterhood, and to the community itself.” shared Vicki Bowen Hewes, Dress for Success Columbus Founder & CEO. The honorees will be highlighted throughout the month of May and at the annual ‘Beyond the Suit’ Luncheon on October 20, 2017. Additional highlights will be featured on the mission’s website (www.DFSCMH.org) over the coming months.

Below is a brief look at each of the honorees.



Angela An (10TV), a 5-time Emmy Award winning journalist, views community service as one of her great passions.



Karen Kasich (First Lady State of Ohio) is honored to have the opportunity to increase awareness of initiatives that promote the overall health and well-being of Ohio’s children and their families.



Joy Bivens (Franklin County Department of Job & Family Services) serves as an active advocate for community services for individuals across all demographics and age groups.



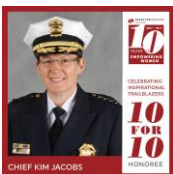
Gale King (Nationwide Insurance), an education advocate, is active in the community and serves on the board of directors for several organizations.



Cheryl Hooker (EXPRESS) complements her work in corporate human resources with volunteerism, notably as past president of the Dress for Success Columbus Board.



Kathy Ransier (Vorys, Sater, Seymour & Pease LLC) is a beacon of strength, hope and resilience for women everywhere, having served on the boards of nearly 30 organizations.



Chief Kimberley Jacobs (Columbus Police) is committed to best practices & mentoring to better serve the needs of the community, and maintains active membership in several local organizations.



TaKeysha Sheppard Cheney (Molina Healthcare of Ohio), Founder of The Women’s Book, understands and champions the immense change created from women coming together.



Piper Kerman (Author/Advocate), author of the memoir *Orange is the New Black: My Year in a Women’s Prison*, maintains special interest in prison reform, reentry, and employment.



Paula Smith (Community Advocate), a long-time Dress for Success volunteer, donor, and champion, is inspired by working one-on-one with women and encouraging them to realize their strength, regain their dignity, and achieve.

For more information on the ‘10 for 10’ Honorees, or to support the Dress for Success 10-Year Anniversary Campaign, visit the website: www.DFSCMH.org #10for10 #dfscolumbus10 #empowerwomen #beyondthesuit

About Dress for Success

Dress for Success Columbus is a nonprofit that provides transformative one-on-one services for thousands of women striving to move forward annually. The organization equips clients with a network of support, career development tools, and workplace apparel programs that empower women to thrive in work and in life. All services are free of charge, and any woman referred by a community partner is eligible. Dress for Success Columbus has assisted over 10,000 women since opening our doors in 2007. Learn more: www.dfscmh.org

Our mission empowers women to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and development tools to help women thrive in work and in life. Any woman referred by a community partner is eligible for free of charge programs and services. Dress for Success Columbus is an independent 501c3 non-profit organization and an affiliate of Dress for Success Worldwide. All funds are raised locally and make impact in Central Ohio. Visit dfscmh.org for more information.

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