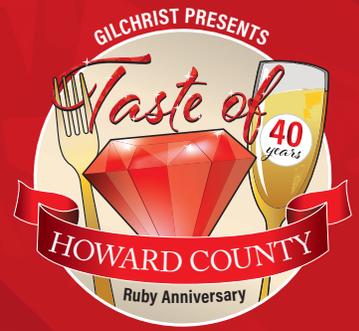


Taste of Howard County

40th (Ruby) Anniversary - Gems and Jewels
October 26, 2025 | Turf Valley Resort | 5 p.m.



EVENT PROCEEDS BENEFIT HOSPICE SERVICES AT GILCHRIST CENTER HOWARD COUNTY

Our Mission

To provide counseling, support and care to anyone with serious illness, so they may live life to the fullest.

Gilchrist's Impact in Howard County



Gilchrist Center Howard County

- The only hospice center in Howard County.
- Opened in Spring 2011.
- 10 patient rooms with care provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week.
- Located in Columbia, behind Lorien's Harmony Hall.



Chairs

Charles McCabe,
McCabe Insurance Associates, Inc.
Linda Sorg Ostovitz, Offit Kurman

Committee

Mary Barbera, Community Member
Sherri Collins-Witzke, Harry H. Witzke's Family Funeral Home
Christel Curtis, Best Fence, LLC
Beth Ditman, The Wendy Slaughter Team, VYBE Realty
Jessica Gray, Community Member
Cyndi Gula, Gula Tech Adventures
Patricia Jarava, Community Member
Gena Johnson, Gilchrist
Kathy Joss, The Vertical Connection Carpet One
Shel Kelley, Paul J. Kelley Jr. Charitable Foundation
Margaret Kim, Higher Ed Prep, LLC
Victor Kim, MD, Dr. K. MediSpa
Pete Mangione, Turf Valley Resort
Sandy Mathias, Keller Williams Realty
Robin Murray, Community Member
Rick Opatick, Knights of Columbus, St. Louis Council #11898
William "Sonny" Richardson, Community Member
Herman Stewart, Knights of Columbus, St. Louis Council #11898
Peter Watts, The Five Arrows Media
Steve and Patti Wecker, Wecker Hospitality



Sponsorship Opportunities



Why Sponsor?

Because insurance does not cover the full cost of patient care, and because Gilchrist accepts every patient, regardless of ability to pay, we depend on community support to provide the high-quality care that every seriously ill patient and their loved ones deserve. **Event proceeds benefit hospice services at Gilchrist Center Howard County.**

*Sponsors at \$5,000 or above receive 2 tickets to a special VIP reception.
The Premier Presenting sponsor will receive 4 tickets and recognition at the VIP reception.*



Premier Presenting \$15,000

Provides two weeks of hospice care to an uninsured patient at the Center

Exclusive recognition as the "Premier Presenting Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* on all marketing materials including invitation, press release, website (logo and link), and targeted social media marketing (logo and link);
- *During the event:* on prominent sponsorship display, table cards, and digital screens, with special on-stage mention during remarks and optional speaking and group photo opportunity;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter and on the Howard Center donor recognition wall.

Reserved VIP seating for 10 guests



Presenting \$10,000

Enables every family to receive a Legacy Memory Gift memorializing their loved one

Special recognition as the "Presenting Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* on all marketing materials including invitation, press release, website (logo and link), and targeted social media marketing (logo and link);
- *During the event:* on prominent sponsorship display, table cards, and digital screens, with special on-stage mention during remarks and group photo opportunity;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter and on the Howard Center donor recognition wall.

Reserved VIP seating for 10 guests



Sommelier \$7,500

Provides patients and families the comfort and care of spiritual services during their stay

Recognition as "Sommelier Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* on all marketing materials including invitation, press release, website (logo and link) and targeted social media marketing (logo and link);
- *During the event:* on prominent sponsorship display, table cards, and digital screens, with special group photo opportunity;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter and on the Howard Center donor recognition wall.

Reserved VIP seating for 10 guests



Executive Chef \$5,000

Provides families with grief counseling to heal after the loss of a loved one

Recognition as "Executive Chef Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* on all marketing materials including invitation, website (link), and targeted social media marketing;
- *During the event:* on prominent sponsorship display, table cards, and digital screens;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter.

Reserved seating for 8 guests

Sponsors at \$5,000 or above receive 2 tickets to a special VIP reception. The Premier Presenting sponsor will receive 4 tickets and recognition at the VIP reception.

Gourmet \$2,500

Provides ten dying veterans a final salute and pinning ceremony

Recognition as "Gourmet Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* name listed on website;
- *During the event:* name listed on one of 10 auction tables, prominent signage, table cards, and digital screens;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter.

6 event tickets

Bon Vivant \$1,000

Provides sessions with certified music therapists to ease a patient's pain and anxiety

Recognition as "Bon Vivant Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* name listed on website;
- *During the event:* name listed on prominent signage and digital screens;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter.

4 event tickets

Epicure \$500

Provides freshly baked cookies to families at Gilchrist Center Howard County

Recognition as "Epicure Sponsor":

- *In advance of the event:* name listed on website;
- *During the event:* name listed on digital screens;
- *After the event:* name listed in *Reflections* newsletter.

2 event tickets



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Gilchrist is deeply committed to giving people the loving support and clear information they need to make informed choices about their care.



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To be listed on the invitation, please respond by 8/8/2025. Otherwise, respond by 9/12/2025.

Sponsor Information

Name of company or individual (*preferred listing name*): _____

Contact person: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

For \$5,000 sponsors and above: our preferred social media platforms and handles are:



Sponsorship Levels (*check one*):

| | | | |
|---|----------|--|-------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Premier Presenting | \$15,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Bon Vivant | \$1,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenting | \$10,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Epicure | \$500 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sommelier | \$7,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Ticket (\$125 after July 1) | \$100/\$125 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Executive Chef | \$5,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> Donation | \$ _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Gourmet | \$2,500 | | |

Payment:

Payment **by Check** or **by Credit Card:** Visa MasterCard American Express Discover

Credit Card Number: _____ Expiration: _____ CVV#: _____

Signature: _____

You can also pay online with a credit card: gilchristcares.org/taste

Please make checks payable to "Gilchrist" and mail to:

Gilchrist Philanthropy Department, 6336 Cedar Lane, Columbia, MD 21044



Sponsorship Questions?

Please contact Diane Daniels,
Director of Philanthropy, Howard County
at 443.721.6110 or drdaniels@gilchristcares.org.

Other Questions?

Please contact Julie Kolankiewicz,
Associate Director of Events and Annual Giving
at 443.621.2206 or jkolankiewicz@gilchristcares.org.

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