



TASTE OF HOWARD COUNTY

Team Up with Gilchrist!

OCTOBER 11, 2026 | 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

**LEADING
PROVIDER**

of hospice care

Caring for
5,000+

patients and
families annually

\$1.08M

in uncompensated/
charity care
last year for
Gilchrist Center
Howard County

GILCHRIST CENTER HOWARD COUNTY

- Celebrating its 15th anniversary this year
- The only hospice center in Howard County
- 10 patient rooms with care provided 24 hours a day, seven days a week
- Located in the heart of Columbia, behind Lorien's Harmony Hall

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.

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SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



Sponsors at \$5,000 or above receive 2 tickets to an Exclusive Tailgate VIP reception with Gilchrist President Cathy Hamel.

The Premier Presenting sponsor will receive 4 tickets and recognition at the Tailgate VIP reception.

PREMIER PRESENTING \$15,000

RESERVED PREMIER TABLE FOR 10

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:* as Exclusive sponsor of the Tailgate VIP reception, and on all marketing materials including invitation, press release, website (logo and link), targeted social media marketing (logo and link), and *The Baltimore Sun, Howard Edition* promotional ad;
- *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:* in *The Baltimore Sun, Howard Edition* recognition ad and on the Howard Center donor recognition wall.

PRESENTING \$10,000

RESERVED PREMIER TABLE FOR 10

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;
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SOMMELIER \$7,500

RESERVED PRIME TABLE FOR 10

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;
- *After the event:* in *The Baltimore Sun, Howard Edition* recognition ad and on the Howard Center donor recognition wall.

EXECUTIVE CHEF \$5,000

RESERVED TABLE FOR 8

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:* in *The Baltimore Sun, Howard Edition* recognition ad.

Seating is limited. Executive Chef-level sponsors and above will enjoy reserved seating.
Gourmet, Bon Vivant and Epicure receive event tickets in the open seating areas.

GOURMET

\$2,500

6 EVENT TICKETS

Provides ten dying veterans a final salute and pinning ceremony

RECOGNITION AS “GOURMET SPONSOR”:

- In advance of the event: on website;
- During the event: on prominent sponsorship display, table cards, and digital screens;
- After the event: in *The Baltimore Sun*, *Howard Edition* recognition ad.

BON VIVANT

\$1,000

4 EVENT TICKETS

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

RECOGNITION AS “BON VIVANT SPONSOR”:

- In advance of the event: on website;
- During the event: on digital screens;
- After the event: in *The Baltimore Sun*, *Howard Edition* recognition ad.

EPICURE

\$500

2 EVENT TICKETS

Provides freshly baked cookies to families at Gilchrist Center Howard County

RECOGNITION AS “EPICURE SPONSOR”:

- In advance of the event: on website;
- During the event: on digital screens;
- After the event: in *The Baltimore Sun*, *Howard Edition* recognition ad.



443.721.6110 | [GILCHRISTCARES.ORG/TASTE](https://gilchristcares.org/taste)

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 8/7/2026. Otherwise, respond by 9/11/2026.

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):

___ Premier Presenting	\$15,000	___ Bon Vivant	\$1,000
___ Presenting	\$10,000	___ Epicure	\$500
___ Sommelier	\$7,500		
___ Executive Chef	\$5,000	___ Ticket (\$125 after July 1)	\$100/\$125
___ Gourmet	\$2,500	___ Donation	\$ _____

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: [GILCHRISTTASTE.GIVESMART.COM](https://gilchristtaste.givesmart.com)

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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