

WFWP USA: WFWP National HerStory Awards on June 25 @ 3 PM EST

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# HerStory Award

**Virtual Ceremony to honor women  
peace leaders who live by the  
logic of love.**

Hear awardees' stories of  
courage, compassion, and  
commitment and lessons learned  
along the way.

**SATURDAY,  
JUNE 25**

3:00 – 4:30 PM eastern

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*"It is such a pleasure to be surrounded by women who believe in me. **The Award will be a constant guide in my life and a path to keep moving forward.** I will continue to make a difference and impact lives."*

- HerStory Awardee, [Nishia Slater](#)

*"It was indeed my pleasure to be counted amongst the other five honorees as a recipient of HerStory Award 2022. I am humbled that God has been faithful in My*

*Story and ascribe all gratitude to him. I promise that I will always keep the banner of love and peace in my heart and share these precious gifts with the world."*

- HerStory Awardee, [Joan Myers](#)

Join June 25 Program

Dear WFWP members, friends, and supporters,

**It is with great anticipation that we prepare for this month's [HerStory](#) award ceremony on Saturday, June 25 at 3:00 pm eastern!** Again we will be hearing from some amazing women leaders as HerStory Award recipients, coming from across the US. Please join us in honoring these women peace leaders and hear the deeper story behind their accomplishments.

Each HerStory recipient has been selected for her courage, compassion, and commitment to using her gifts and talents to uplift others, despite often overwhelming challenges. Recipients will share a few practical points of lessons learned as they overcame trials and tribulations, in order to encourage other women and the next generation.

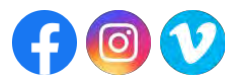
**Feel free to also invite others to hear inspiring stories from some amazing women of the heart!**

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Sincerely,  
WFWP USA

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Women's Federation for World Peace  
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## *HerStory Awards for June 2022*

Saturday, June 25, 2022

3:00 PM – 4:30 PM



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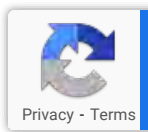
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Earlier Event: June 24

WFWP Int'l Virtual Cafe: Introduction to Ikebana

Later Event: August 13

Leadership of the Heart Seminar



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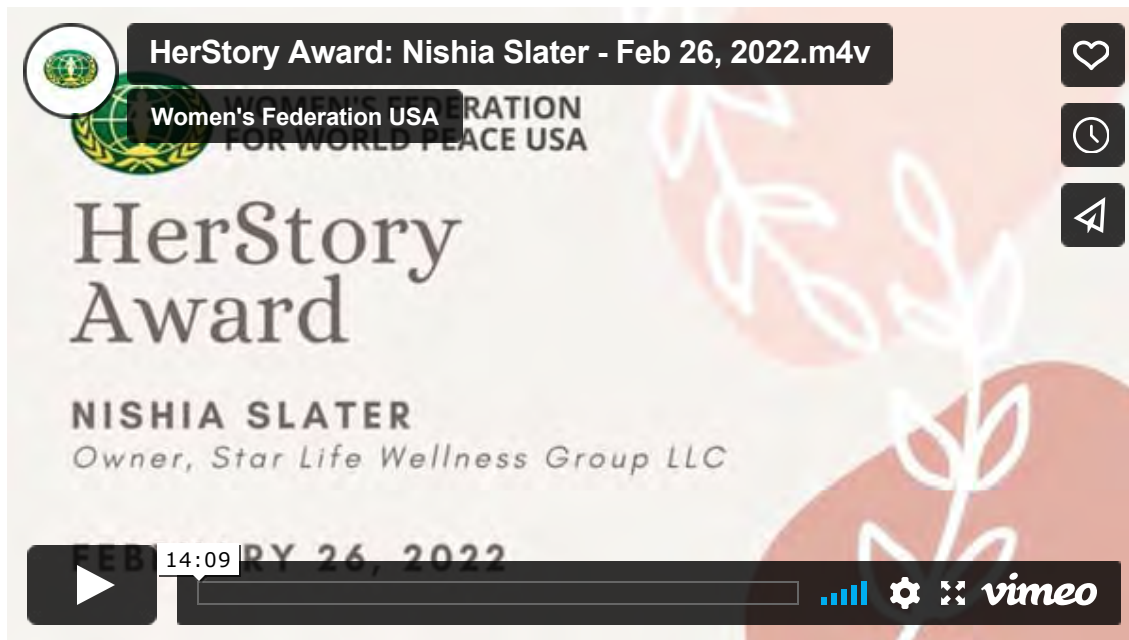
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# Nishia Slater

March 2, 2022 · WFWP USA



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*Nishia Slater was awarded the HerStory Award at the National HerStory Award launch of the Global Women's Peace Network on February 26, 2022, for her exemplary journey of overcoming unimaginable obstacles and using her life lessons to help many more women become empowered through her work.*

Being born into poverty in the early 80's, I was not aware of the opportunities I had in front of me. I have learned how to use my trauma and obstacles as stepping stones to get me where I am. Growing up I knew I wanted to help people, but I didn't know how because my voice was taken away from me at an early age. Even though this has been a passion of mine for a long time, I did not know where to start and I never had anyone to help me.

I have spent the majority of my life being a loving mother to my 3 children. From being a high school dropout to having a baby at 14 to being raped and molested over and over again, I chose not to give up. I knew my children needed me and in the long run, I learned that I needed myself. I didn't understand that I wasn't living my life with purpose, but I rose above it and started to focus on myself, which helped me to feel empowered and confident.

During the pandemic, I launched my Life Coaching business and became the owner of Star Life wellness Group LLC, helping women to choose themselves and live life with purpose. Since then, I have been interviewed, spoke on panels, been a guest speaker on podcasts, hosted events, became a 2x published author, public speaker,



transformed my life for the better, and so much more!

In 2019 I created a space for women to empower, inspire, and uplift them, since then it has grown to nearly 1,000 women. The connections I have made with those women have been life changing.

I have provided free 4 week beta coaching to women who are not able to afford my coaching program, but want to make a change and difference in their lives. This has brought me relationships with women from all over. I have grown to mentor them and assist them through their journey.

My webinars I create are to help women break through their generational trauma and develop a healthier mindset. This allows me to bring awareness in our community, in households, and help women to embrace themselves and live up to their true potential. I desire to see women living life on purpose.

My mission for 2022 and moving forward is to hold space for women who have endured trauma and are afraid to change. I am creating workshops, seminars, and coaching programs to help them along their journey. It brings me great joy seeing and helping women to see and understand their worth and gain the confidence they need along the way. I am on the mission to become recognized as a national public speaker. I want to use my voice for women who have lost their voice and show them how to be their authentic selves.

This journey has taught me to be the change I want to see in this world.





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# Joan Myers

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*Joan Myers was awarded the HerStory Award at the National HerStory Award launch of the Global Women's Peace Network on February 26, 2022, for her exemplary commitment to using her musical and singing talents to enhance the lives of others with love and compassion.*

Joan Amelia Myers is a multi-talented individual, a gospel singer, songwriter and a dynamic performer. She is also a successful businesswoman with Brooklyn's Leading Information Technology Center – B & C Cyberspace Inc. as CEO. However, at the center of Joan's heart and her life, is her love for the Lord Jesus Christ. Joan is a woman with a passion for music and a mission to win souls for Christ.

Joan is the sixth of eight children born to Reverend Egbert and Mrs. Myers. Her musical development began at place called Haddington, in the hills of Hanover, Jamaica. Under the tutelage her mother, Joan and her siblings "The Myers" sang as family group in her church.

Joan began singing professionally in 1982 as member of her local church choir, Holiness Christian Church and in 1986 she was invited to join the gospel group "The Love Singers." Myers toured with the group extensively laying a foundation for her musical career locally. Myers' popularity and professionalism grew rapidly. In 1991 she was invited to join Jamaica's and the Caribbean's most successful gospel group 'The Grace Thrillers.' as one of Jamaica's International ambassador. She recorded two albums with the Grace Thrillers; 'Can't even Walk', 'Make us One' and made videos for



three of the albums. Myers’ international career began forming as she toured the Caribbean, Canada, the British Virgin Island, and the United States as a back up and lead vocalist with the Grace thrillers. During her time with the Grace Thrillers, she shared stage with great singers such as Shirley Caesar, The Talley’s, Rev. FC Barnes, Andre Crouch, Jessie Dixon, Monty Alexander, just to name a few. Her now solo career has afforded her the privilege of sharing stages with outstanding musical icons such - Alvin Slaughter, Luther Barnes, Candi Staton, Huntley Brown, Papa San, Judy Mowatt, Carlene Davis as well as Ken Boothe, Morgan Heritage & Leroy Sibbles just to name a few.

Joan attended Bethel All-Age school where she was a member of the school’s performing group that participated in Jamaica’s National Festival Competition. At Herbert Morrison Comprehensive High school Joan played the clarinet in her high school band and sang in the school’s choir. She was also an active member of the Inter School Christian Fellowship club.

With ambition to become a Certified Chartered Accountant, Myers graduated from Durham Business College with a Diploma in Accounting and was also awarded the Noel Hylton Challenge Cup for Accounting. She successfully completed the Association of Accountants and Technicians examination and pursued further studies for the Association of Certified and Public Accountants.

In 1996, Joan migrated to the United States where she pursued a degree in Accounting at the City University of New York. She was encouraged by Reggae Legend Freddie McGregor to develop her talent. Her brother Benjy Myaz who is also her producer convinced Joan to pursue a solo singing career. In 2000 Joan returned to Jamaica and began to record her solo album “Wanna Be Ur’s” at Freddie McGregor’s his Big Ship Studio. Myers’ solo career took off immediately. Her second album is expected to be released soon.

Joan has an engaging personality, the charisma and talent that attracts people to her. She is self- assured in her unshakable faith and the source of her life, Jesus Christ. Myers believes that God has not called her to a “hall of fame”, but as a strong woman to make Him famous amongst the feeble.” She desires to be who God wants her to be and make herself available to be used by Him. Joan’s desire is that the Kingdom of God be established through her music, allowing for the portals of heaven to open each time she worships Him.



Myers has achieved several milestones as a solo artist. She has performed at several important events in the Caribbean and American community:

- The Caribbean American Mother of the Year Pagent – hosted by Clive Williams

- The First annual Caribbean Gospel Music produced in New York
- Reception for the Jamaica's Opposition Party leader, Mr. Edward Seaga at Club Caribe New York – 1997
- Guest Performer – Jamaica's 39th Independence Anniversary Church Service – New York
- Harvard University Divinity School with Judy Mowatt & Morgan Heritage
- Guest Performer - Jamaica's Governor General Sir Howard Cook, charity Hands-Across-Jamaica at Kings House in Jamaica and events in Atlanta, Miami and New York
- Ebenezer Preparatory School PTA Association
- Guest Performer — New York's Governor - George E. Pataki hosted by the Caribbean American Chamber of Commerce
- Musically contributes to the East Flatbush Christmas Treat to the community – 2004 - present
- Musically contributes to the 67th Precinct Childrens' Rally – 2004 – present
- Guest Performer Jamaica's 42nd Independence Celebration Ball - Atlanta 2004 hosted by Atlanta Jamaican Association
- Guest performer – Luncheon Brooklyn's Borough President – Marty Markowitz
- Performed at the Jerk Yam Festival 2004, 2005 & 2006
- The New York Chapter Representative for Hands Across Jamaica for Righteousness
- Psalmist – New Testament Church of God State Convention - 2007
- Guest Performer - The Jamaican Consulate in Recognition of Jamaica's first female of theatre – Leonie Forbes and outstanding Jamaican actor Peter Williams – 2007
- Performed the US anthem at the Met Your Match Marathon – Tampa 2014
- Prepared devotional Word Action Adult Curriculum for Nazarene Publishing House "Reflecting God" Fall 2012

#### AWARDS:

- Top Female Gospel singer award- the Hopeton Lewis Caribbean Gospel Music Award USA for 2001
  - Album of the Year "Wanna Be Ur's" Caribbean Gospel Music Award USA 2002
  - Song of the Year, "He'll Do Again" Caribbean Gospel Music Award USA 2002.
- MOST RECENT AWARDS
- Singer of the Year Caribbean Gospel Awards USA 2003
  - Performer of the Year Caribbean Gospel Awards USA 2003 and 2004
  - Lifetime Achievement Award – Caribbean Gospel Music Award – 2006
  - Recognition by Gospel Trail Productions 2007
  - Significant Events: "An Evening of Exquisite Gospel Excellence"; listening party for press and sponsors-the first gospel artist to do this

RECOGNITIONS: For Outstanding Contribution to the Community in Music to the

Borough of Brooklyn Citations:

- Senator – Hon John Sampson – Brooklyn, NY 2005
- Councilwoman Hon. Yvette Clarke – Brooklyn, NY 2006
- President of the Borough of Brooklyn - Marty Markowitz, 2006
- Hands Across Jamaica for Righteousness and The Governor General of Jamaica – Humanitarian Award for Contribution to the Diaspora, October, 2007
- Registered Song Evangelist Church of the Nazarene, 2009



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# HerStory Award

Throughout history we have heard much about 'his story,' which means there is still so much of 'her story' yet to be told. To unearth these incredible stories, WFWP USA recognizes and honors women not only for their outstanding accomplishments in various fields of endeavor, in the form of a HerStory Award, but especially for the story "behind it."

Each HerStory recipient has been selected for her courage, compassion, and commitment to using her gifts and talents to uplift others, despite often overwhelming challenges. Upon receiving this award, we ask the recipient to share a few practical points of lessons learned as they overcame trials and tribulations, in order to encourage other women, and also to share those nuggets of wisdom with the next generation.

This award encourages all women to know that by investing into people and relationships, you have influence and thus already are a leader regardless of title or position, and thus have the ability to accomplish extraordinary things for the sake of the greater good!

This is a tribute to all the women around the world who are not just leaders, but *peace leaders* that are "Living by the Logic of Love."

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### Congresswoman Yvette D. Clarke

As the Representative of the Ninth Congressional District of New York, Congresswoman Clarke has dedicated herself to continuing the legacy of excellence established by the late Honorable Shirley Chisholm, the first Black woman and Caribbean American elected to Congress. Hailing from central Brooklyn, Congresswoman Yvette Diane Clarke feels honored to represent the community that raised her.

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### Cathleen Trigg-Jones

Cathleen Trigg-Jones is a social entrepreneur and executive with a background in journalism, media production, public relations and marketing. She has created and leads three independent media companies: iWomanTV, the first streaming news and entertainment network created by women and about women; Catscape Productions, an award-winning multimedia production company; and Trigg Global Media, a strategic marketing, crisis communications, and business consulting practice.

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### Vanessa Dowdy

Mrs. Vanessa R. Dowdy is the Chief Executive Officer of *Amour Finer Touch*, where she plans and creates conferences, seminars, weddings and other events. She is also the Executive Officer and co-founder of *It's A Girls' Thang* (an entity of Greater Hope Baptist Church), where she has organized and hosted events for women and girls for over two decades. In April of 2017, she launched PEARLS which is a program designed to empower girls aged 3-18 while teaching them basic life skills.

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### Sharon Lund

Sharon Lund has danced with life and death throughout her life. She is a fearless pioneer, worldwide educator and advocate, a spiritual counselor, and a Metaphysical minister. She has worked and volunteered for decades around HIV/AIDS and end-of-life issues. She is an author and loving and devoted single mother. She is a woman of faith who lives her life with passion and purpose.

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### Jennifer Gammons-Mujica

Jennifer Gammons-Mujica is a natural born teacher, certified Agriscaping Educator helping homeowners plant elegant and edible landscapes, and Founder of Living Well Organic (currently Farmer Jen Organics) since 2013 to educate how toxin free earthbound living supports optimal health and fresh food can be homegrown even in the barren desert.

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### Anjanette Foster-Miles

Anjanette Foster-Miles is a certified Life Coach and Mentor, and Founder of SISTALUV. She launched a movement called “SISTALUV” in 2013 which focuses on breaking the stigma to Mental Health, designed to be a help to the disadvantaged. Anjanette strongly believes in minimizing stressors and struggles in the community to eliminate depression for families.

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### Julia Mueller



### Dr. Ann Higgins



### Theresa Pettaway



Julia Mueller is a 20-year Clinical Hypnotherapist, Master Trainer of Hypnotherapy and owner of A Mind & Body Connection since 2003, Julia is also an author and best-selling author. She has opened private practices on the Gulf coast of Florida, Sedona, Arizona. and most recently in Bloomington, Indiana, until her Bloomington business was shut down due to COVID.

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Pastor Janet D. Reid

Pastor Janet D. Reid, Founder of Blood Covenant Sisters International, Ministries INC. since 2012, upholds her mission to enhance, encourage, equip and empower those who are downtrodden, unloved and feel they are forgotten or have lost their way.

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Dr. Charlene Jenkins

Dr. Ann Higgins is a Co- Pastor of Creative Christian Arts Ministries International. And President of the World Dance Council UNESCO-Nassau Bahamas Section. She is a Dancer, Choreographer, Author and Producer. She has been working in the area of the performing Arts for over fifty (50) years.

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Heidi Lieb-Williams

Heidi Lieb-Williams is currently the Chair of Alaska’s Governor’s Council for Disabilities and Special Education and GCDSE Executive committee. She serves as a member of the Intellectual/Developmental Disability & Mental Health (IDD-MH) Advisory Council, and the Special Education Advisory Panel (SEAP).

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Joan Myers

Theresa Pettaway is the Founder and Executive Director of Pettaway Pursuit Foundation. She is a black mother of three premature babies. She experienced the trauma of early labor, teenage pregnancy, postpartum depression, being a NICU parent, lack of educational perinatal resources, and systematic racism during her pregnancies. Her experience inspired her to be a maternal and child health advocate.

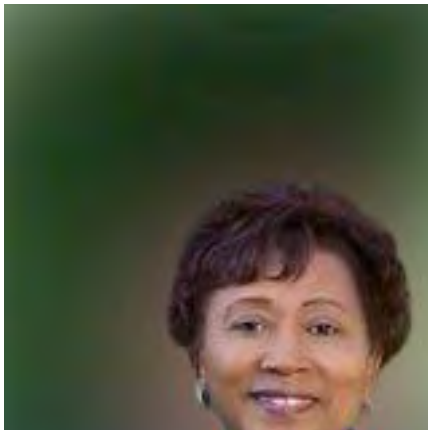
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Mrs. Carolyn Robinson

Dr. Charlene Jenkins, also known as LadyJ, is a native Baltimorean. She is a Motivational Speaker, Radio Talk Show/TV Host, Certified Life/Spiritual Coach, and professional vocalist. Dr. Jenkins received her Doctorate of Divinity in June 2021, and just recently completed Chaplaincy school. She is now a Licensed and Ordained Chaplain/Pastor.

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Hon. Gale A. Brewer

Hon. Gale A. Brewer is the 27th Manhattan Borough President, responsible for advising the Mayor and City Council on borough concerns, commenting on all land-use matters in the borough, advocating for the borough in the municipal budget process, and appointing members of Manhattan’s 12 Community Boards.

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Mary J. Park

Mary J. Park and her husband Jerry co-founded Little Friends for Peace (LFFP) in 1981 out of their shared commitment to peace and their experience with their six children.

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Mrs. Deborah Levine

Mrs. Deborah Levine has a passion for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion inherited from her father, a World War II US military intelligence officer assigned to interrogate Nazi prisoners of war. She has more than 33 years experience consulting on cultural diversity and keynoting for corporations, universities, and professional associations.

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Rev. Gwendolyn Appleberry

is a licensed and ordained minister of metaphysical science. She took it upon herself to see the need in the community, protecting young people, providing safe havens, and nourishing with a hug and love.

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Mrs. Carolyn Robinson founded and has been the CEO of Empowering You Now, a non-profit organization that offers affordable education and life coaching services in the San Francisco Bay Area through targeted and interactive workshops that help both individuals and couples recognize self-defeating beliefs and gain strategies to overcome them.

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Dr. Canzada Twyman

One of the many gifts and talents God has blessed Dr. Canzada Twyman is her role as a founding Executive Director of the Divine Exchange Ministry, Inc.

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Commander Crystal King Smith

has 28 years of service and is currently in charge of the Force Review Unit.

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Judi Moreo

is an accomplished author with eleven books to her credit including her bestselling, *You Are More Than Enough: Every Woman's Guide to Purpose, Passion, and Power* and its companion, *Achievement Journal*.

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Dr. Ayele Amavigan Labante

is the founder and CEO of Hidden Talent Foundation, an international non-profit organization whose mission is to assist the world's under-served children and young adults to discover their hidden educational talents by providing them with basic educational tools.

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Hon. Joy I. Garratt

Her 25 years of working with teachers, students and families motivated her to run for office so that she could address and find solutions to the issues facing working families in her state.

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Dr. Cherilyn Lee

Founder of Nu Wellness Healthcare Inc, Author, Certified Seminary Leader and Speaker, Certified Strategic Life Coach, and Host-Producer of her own Radio Show.

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teaches urban youth about growing their own food, sustainable living and the environment.

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Faye Carol Yarbrough

was awarded a special HerStory Veteran's award for her service in the United States Army as a Non-Commissioned Officer obtaining the rank of Sergeant in the Corps of Engineers.

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## Maral Kabranian Kaprielian

has been serving her Armenian community in quiet ways for many years, including housing homeless families during the Lebanese Civil War.

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## Astrid Fidelia

works to bring sustainable solutions to a weak health care system by providing health, wellness, and illness prevention information to the vulnerable citizens of disadvantaged communities.

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## Assemblywoman Michaelle Solages

As the first woman of Haitian descent to serve in the New York State Legislature, she determined to never let the word “no” stop her from her mission to help others.

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