



April 9, 2021

Dear Prospective Sponsor,

The Board of Directors of Hosanna Community House, Inc., doing business as Hosanna School Museum, is sponsoring our fifth annual Juneteenth Celebration in honor of the history associated with Hosanna School Museum and McComas Institute. Juneteenth commemorates the end of slavery in the US and celebrates the contributions, leadership, artistry and innovations of African Americans.

We will host our virtual celebration on **Saturday, June 19, 2021** from 6-8pm. This day of commemoration and celebration will feature a variety of musicians, historians, costumed interpreters, and presentations by food and craft vendors.

In our fourth year, we hosted a hybrid event that included a virtual program and an in-person mask give-away/sale. Masks were handcrafted by passionate Hosanna volunteers to protect against the spread of COVID-19. In our third year, the attendance nearly doubled from the previous year to more than 2,200 visitors!

We are seeking corporate sponsors looking for an opportunity to reach out to the community and to support a worthwhile cause to help to continue to preserve our historic sites, the important history associated with them, and the rich Harford County history and culture shared.

Hosanna School was the first of the three Freedmen's Bureau schoolhouses built in Harford County, MD. Built in 1867, it was established while the end of the Civil War still raged. It became the center of the African American community until it closed in 1946. McComas Institute holds the distinction of being one of the most intact extant Freedmen's Bureau Schools in the nation. Today, Hosanna School and McComas Institute are recognized on the National Register of Historic Places.

A donor form is enclosed for your convenience with sponsorship levels. With your contribution, we will make certain that your sponsorship is noted in our publicity. **Please respond by May 15, 2021.**

If you need more information, I may be reached at (410) 802-0008 or donnaelewis54@gmail.com.

Sincerely,

Donna Lewis
Event Sponsorship Chair