



CIVIC COCKTAIL RESOURCE GUIDE

WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

REFLECTING ON WOMEN'S HOUSING AND HISTORY



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DESCRIPTION

For this month's Civic Cocktail, we'll highlight Women's History Month focusing on women's homelessness and women's history in Washington State. Moderator Lauren McGowan will review the specific challenges faced by unhoused women in our region and the progress made to address homelessness with speakers from YWCA and Mary's Place. In the second segment, Alicia Crank, Executive Director of Seattle CityClub will speak with Marilyn Morgan, Author of Trailblazing Black Women of Washington State, to discuss women's history in Washington State: their untold stories and contributions to our community.

ABOUT CIVIC COCKTAIL

Civic Cocktail connects elected and community leaders with the public for lively conversations about important issues facing our region.



ABOUT SEATTLE CITYCLUB

Seattle CityClub is a 40-year-old nonpartisan, civics-focused nonprofit providing a platform for insightful and educational conversations that include a diverse range of perspectives.



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ABOUT THE COLLECTIVE

The Collective is a brand new urban basecamp for the mind, body and soul. A vibrant, members-only community in the heart of South Lake Union that merges dynamic space, active Members, neat programs and craveable food + beverage offerings.

MEET THE TEAM!



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Segment 1 - Women's Housing and Homelessness

- **Jeanice Hardy**, Regional Director of Family and Related Services for King County, YWCA
- **Marty Hartman**, Executive Director, Mary's Place
- Moderator: **Lauren McGowan**, Executive Director, LISC Puget Sound

Segment 2 - Women's History in Washington State

- **Marilyn Morgan**, Author of Trailblazing Black Women of Washington State
- Moderator: **Alicia Crank**, Executive Director, Seattle CityClub
- Journalist: **Anna Patrick**, Reporter, Project Homeless, The Seattle Times

Marilyn Morgan, Author



Marilyn Morgan is an author, historian, and photographer. Her published books include *Careers in Criminology*, *Baffling Murder Mysteries*, and *Seattle Historic Houses of Worship*. Her newest release is titled *Trailblazing Black Women of Washington State*. She contributed photos to the book *New York - A Past to Present Photo Tour*.

More has worked for a wire news service as a reporter, a magazine features writer, and as a writer for The Boeing Company. Her photographs have appeared in books, on websites, and magazine.

She graduated from Virginia State University and received a Documentary Production Certificate from the University of Washington.

In her downtime, Morgan loves traveling, attending Broadway plays, eating at great restaurants, jogging among other activities.

Marty Hartman, Executive Director, Mary's Place



Marty Hartman has led Mary's Place since its inception in 1999. She is a strong and convincing advocate for women and families experiencing homelessness. Marty is a creative and innovative problem solver who, along with staff, partners, and donors, has secured funding and loaned properties to open and operate five emergency family shelters in King County that provide safe respite for over 700 family members each night, and housing and employment resources each day. Mary's Place also operates a drop-in women's day center that serves over 100 women every day. Marty and her staff work tirelessly to keep the need for family shelter before stakeholders in the community and local government. She never stops thinking about the hundreds of women and families who will sleep outside tonight and how to build partnerships in the community to keep them in their hard-won homes, meet them where they are with the resources they need in cars and tents, or bring them inside, safe and together.



As Regional Director of King County Homeless & Family Services, Jeanice Hardy oversees a wide portfolio of YWCA's housing and homelessness programs in the region, from emergency shelter to eviction prevention.

With more than 25 years of experience delivering critical community services at YWCA, she has helped thousands of low-income women and families overcome barriers to housing stability.

Jeanice is a committed advocate who works in partnership with government agencies, service providers, and community supporters to call for changes to policies and processes that promote racial and gender equity in housing. Previously, she was an entrepreneur who started a company that provided employment services for low-income BIPOC women to build job skills and self-sufficiency.



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Moderator

Previously, Alicia worked at AtWork in Bellevue and prior to that, at the YWCA of King/Snohomish County. Alicia's experience is wide-ranging, including six years as an Executive Director and ten years of corporate and foundation donor relations.

Links related to the speakers:

[Marilyn Morgan was featured in July 2022 in The Seattle Times >>](#)

[Mary's Place was featured on Komo, Family Homelessness a Crisis in King County >>](#)

[YWCA to open a new building to serve families >>](#)

Civic Engagement Opportunities

Our region's civic health depends on each of us getting involved in civic life. Here are some ways you can get engaged.

Donate

- Donate money directly to a local nonprofit that works with women to provide housing and support.
- Donate your time to women-led organizations in the region.
- Create a donation drive with friends, family or colleagues to collect essential items for teens and women in your area.

Employ and/or financial support:

- Shop and/or dine at women-owned establishments.
- Hire and pay women to defeat the gender pay gap. (Overall, women earned about \$0.82 for every dollar that men earned; Hispanic or Latina women earned about \$0.58 and Black women earned about \$0.63 for every dollar that White men earned).

Advocate

- Advocate for equitable gender rights to close the pay gap.
- Attend women-led marches/rallies and listen to their stories.
- Help the women in your life by being an engaged parent, partner, friend, roommate.

Civic Engagement Opportunities (cont.)

Volunteer

- Women's History – An online museum that focuses on the historical impacts that Women have made in America.
- King County 211 Crisis Connections – Comprehensive information on health and human services in King County
- Queer the Land – Housing for LGBTQ+ community members
- REACH – Direct services to people experiencing homelessness
- Real Change News – Provides jobs and news in service to homelessness advocacy
- Recovery Café – Helps people recover from the traumas of homelessness, addiction and mental health challenges

Learn

- Follow the latest news and legislation on gender discrimination.
- Attend courses and open lectures at the local universities on women's history and gender equity or equality.
- Read or listen to books from the public library written by female authors.

Connect

- Connect to an organization like YWCA or Mary's Place on Facebook or Twitter.
- Reach out to local book groups, or set up a book club with friends.
- Engage your social media network by posting/sharing about women's rights, women's history, and homeless issues that impact women.

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