

Homeschool students also gain free access to the Americans All supplemental social studies resources (a \$650 value) when they register. Their school (a nonprofit) can create a free landing page and a revenue-generating tool.

Extensive research confirms that life stories are central to people's sense of self and the social world they inhabit. It also asserts that intergenerational knowledge of one's family history is associated with positive mental health, wholeness, well-being and a sense of belonging. When people belong, they feel emotionally connected and welcomed.

For students, creating and publishing a story helps them develop skills in researching, critical thinking and, especially, writing—skills needed to help them better understand our democracy. It also helps ensure their success in postsecondary institutions and/or the workforce in our increasingly global economy. Moreover, students can use their story to create virtual yearbooks for the landing pages of all the clubs and teams in which they participate.

Businesses and professional service providers pay a membership fee of \$49 every six months to create a marketing-based landing page, and 77 percent of the membership fee goes to a school of their choice. These landing pages can also host the stories of their employees, clients or customers to give these stories greater exposure and to create or expand an affinity group. In addition, local businesses can create and publish stories about themselves on our Heritage Honor Roll to help them better connect with their communities.

Moreover, businesses benefit because stories directly impact emotions, and emotions rather than data change behavior and frequently determine decisions to buy. Good storytelling builds trust and connections. It influences people to believe in the products upon which they depend every day and encourages them to become customers and clients.

Our storytelling tool: Members can create two stories in English and as many as they desire in multiple languages. If students have already created a story, they can repurpose it by adding enhancements and translations. Stories can be autobiographical or written about individuals, groups, or issues/topics (including honoring their family pet and its influence on their life), contain up to 2,000 words of text (1,000 can be password protected), augmented with images, logos, hyperlinks, photographs and audio-video media. A shorter version can also be created and printed in an 8½" x 11" format. Through their point of contact, schools and nonprofits can also create stories. Moreover, we do not share or sell any contact information, do not accept advertising and do not use pop-ups or AI.

Create an online legacy story about an organization or a group

Howard County Historical Society HCHS *Historical Society, American History*



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Sealing our past. Weaving into the future.

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Create a nonprofit Legacy Partner landing page to host stories from our Heritage Honor Roll



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Allen B. Fuller Maryland (February 20, 1942 - ?) Author, Businessman, Gaffer, Inventor, Jeweler, Marketing, Mergers-Acquisitions, Politician, Printer, Social Entrepreneur, Traveler

"His name is Ester Baumgartner. Do you know her? She's a pretty little girl who sings beautifully, and I think she has her own heart here." Allen had posed the question in a streamer mixture of Hebrew and English to whomever would listen and could understand him. Allen had met Ester while on an archaeological dig at Masada in the Negev, Israel, at the time by the time they parted ways he had her name and that she was staying in Tel-Aviv.

Business offer discounts to program members



Contact with the Howard County Procurement Office



Office of Purchasing
10910 Clarksville Pike
Ellicott City, Maryland 21042-6198
(410) 313-6644, fax (410) 313-6789

May 31, 2023

People of America Foundation
Attn: Allan Kullen
7723 Groton Road
Bethesda, MD 20817

Re: Fundraising Application

Dear Vendor:

Thank you for your interest in providing your fundraising services to our schools. I am happy to inform you that your company has been approved to participate in fundraising activities with Howard County Public School System as specified in the Fund-Raising Policy 4020 effective July 1, 2020. A copy of Policy 4020 is attached for your review.

To arrange for fundraising events in the schools, you must contact the school directly. A list of approved fundraiser vendors is accessible by the schools via our website. Your company's name has been added to the approved list of vendors.

Please note that this approval is valid until 6/30/2026 and will need to be renewed at that time.

Sincerely,

Robert Bruce

Robert Bruce
Director of Procurement and Materials Management

Attachment: Policy 4020
cc: File

Contact with the Howard County HCEDA

Hi Allan,

Thanks for sending over this information and for thinking of us to participate in the Americans All program. It certainly looks like an incredible opportunity for the county.

Can you share with us what level of involvement you envision from HCEDA regarding a potential partnership? I'm cc'ing my colleagues, Chuck Bubeck (Exec Director of Maryland Innovation Center, our startup incubator as part of HCEDA) and Doug Holly (Entrepreneur in Residence for the MIC). I believe we are the best contacts for this but will be happy to connect you with others on our team as we determine more details around the potential partnership with HCEDA.

I'm also wondering if this partnership should take place between AA and Howard County Public Schools (HCPSS). Have you been in touch with anyone there? Happy to connect you.

Thanks,

Aphaia Harper
Strategic Engagement Manager
Howard County Economic Development Authority
aharper@hceda.org, 410-313-0573



Re: Update on Americans All

Harper, Aphaia
to me, Chuck

Fri, Jul 21, 2023 at 12:26 PM

Hi Allan,

I understand you've been reaching out via phone this week and have spoken with my colleague Jillian Joseph.

I wanted to reach out to touch base and reiterate our warm congratulations on the progress you have made in the last year for Americans All. We are not looking to set up a profile on the site, but will continue to support informally.

Thank you and take care,

Aphaia

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Contact with the Howard County Partnership Office

Hi Allan,

I heard back from our Curriculum Office and learned that they are not interested in partnering because we already have a program in place that meets similar objectives. The existing program is called Story Strong. When we find that a potential opportunity is not possible, we try to offer other ideas that may be helpful, which is why I listed some plan B thoughts.

PTAs - If you are looking for contact information for high school PTAs, please see this link for the listing of all high school websites - [Schools – HCPSS](#). Once you click on a school's website, scroll down to the bottom of the homepage to see a link to PTA information. For PTAs, they are separate organizations that have their own procedures. They do not typically need to contact our office; however, if they mention the need to reach out to us, you can refer them to me.

Clubs - Certain school clubs may be interested in your program. To get information about the various clubs at each high school, please see this link for the listing of all high school websites (this is the same link as the one listed above) –[Schools – HCPSS](#). Once you click on a school's website, look under Student Life, Activities & Clubs for the listing of clubs. Each club should have a point of contact listed on the school websites. They are typically teachers who are serving as advisors. Those are the contacts you should be reaching out to.

If you find a potential match with a particular extracurricular club or PTA, please reach out to the point of contact directly.

Community News & Programs Page - Nonprofit organizations can distribute information through the school system by requesting that it be posted on the HCPSS [Community News & Programs](#) page. If you would like to share information about your programs with the public, please submit a post by clicking on the *Add your Program* link at the top of the page. For questions about this page, please contact publicinfo@hcpss.org.

HC Historical Society - I encourage you to continue working with the Howard County Historical Society.

HoCoPoLitSo - You may want to look into [HoCoPoLitSo](#) to see if they would be interested in a partnership.

Priscilla Reaver
HCPSS Partnerships Office
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Americans All

Organization

americansall.org

Ages

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Americans All provides a multipurpose storytelling tool that helps leaders improve the mental, social, and economic health of their students. It can support and connect students, community members, nonprofits, schools, and local businesses. The program is nonpartisan and risk-free for all participants.

Students receive a free subscription to our Social Legacy Network until their class graduates, and can get discounts on goods and services from our program's business partners. Schools receive a turnkey fundraising tool, and receive 77% of the revenue generated from our Business Legacy Partner members as unrestricted funds. Schools can publish stories in multiple languages, on themselves, to better connect with their diverse communities.

Location

7723 Groton Road, Bethesda, MD 20817, United States

Cost (if applicable)

The program is free for all high school students until their class graduates and is also free for all schools. It is also free for all community members for one year.

Categories

[Afterschool and Camps](#), [Culture/Diversity](#), [Other](#)

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More Information

<https://www.americansall.org>

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Main Phone: (410) 313-6600

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Contact with the Howard County Historical Society



HCHS Director director@hchsmd.org

Fri, Jul 7, 2023 at 2:56 PM

To: Allan Kullen <allantapco02@gmail.com>

Hi Allan,

Thank you for updating me on your progress with Americans All. As I mentioned in our call, I believe this is an ideal program for the entire county to implement. Our Historical Society provides access to materials that aid in historical exploration, research and discovery for all ages and cultural groups. Continuing to add stories about those who have been instrumental in our county's growth is clearly part of our goal and this initiative would give us another vehicle to engage with students to do so.

I am pleased that your foundation recognizes that life stories are central to one's sense of self, of the social world they inhabit, and that knowledge of one's family history is associated with positive mental health, wholeness, well-being and a sense of belonging. As educators, we all share in that mission, especially in these times where our nation has become divided in so many ways. That environment can be especially troubling to our youth as they recover from the disruption and isolation created by Covid-19. Participating in activities that involve storytelling can help them feel more emotionally connected and welcomed.

By offering another way for our businesses to connect with our schools adds another dimension to the value that Americans All brings to our county. Our schools need access to unrestricted funds and this provides an ongoing way to achieve that goal.

Designing a program that will be owned by the county is a great concept. Let's plan on sitting down soon to discuss the specifics on how we can maximize its value to Howard County and the Howard County Historical Society.

Best wishes and let's talk soon,
Mark



Mark J. Stout, Ph.D.
Executive Director, Howard County Historical Society
Phone: 410-480-3250

<https://hchsmd.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/GoHoCoHS>

To view the pages on our website created by the Historical Society, see below:

Heritage Honor Roll americansall.org/node/564992

Legacy Partner page americansall.org/node/566566

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Howard County Community Service Partnership (CSP) Program

Allan,

October 2, 2023

It was wonderful to meet you today and hear about the work that Americans All is launching in the community. [@Eisenreich, Kimberly A.](#) (Local Children's Board) and [@brooke.mccauley](#) (Howard County Library System), thank you for joining us for this conversation.

I am excited to hear how the pilot rolls out. Thank you for the work you are doing and for engaging us.

Best,

[Megan](#)

Megan Godfrey Jackson, CSP Manager (*she/her*)
Community Service Partnership (CSP) Program
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The Department of Community Resources and Services provides vital human services through its offices of ADA Coordination, Aging and Independence, Children and Families, Community Partnerships, Consumer Protection, Disability Services, Human Trafficking Prevention, the Local Children's Board, and Veterans and Military Families

[Community Service Partnership Program Webpage](#)

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Contact with the Montgomery County Volunteer Center



VOLUNTEER RESPONSE TO COVID-19

https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/agency/detail/?agency_id=77983

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Who We Are

Beginning in 1989, Americans All (AA) was one of the nation's first education nonprofits to provide K-12 schools with multiple-perspective, diversity-based, supplemental social studies [classroom resources](#) as well as activities for English Language Arts programs. After [nine pilot](#) programs, our resources were distributed nationwide to more than 2,000 schools and libraries. However, as our nation became more politically polarized, we needed to offer a program that would be accepted by as many schools and students as possible.

Although many of our resources are still useful in academic areas, especially our [Ellis Island Simulation Workshop](#) and our [Photograph Collection](#), we repurposed two of the major components of Americans All—our [Heritage Honor Roll](#) and [Legacy Partner](#) landing pages, and used our [storytelling tool](#) to create a unique

community activities, and greater audience.

This will allow political data storytelling to commonality citizen, while understanding

Lifetime membership the opportunity legacy stories one-year trial Corporation, and gain future program benefits by subscribing to the optional SLN for only \$4 per month. Members will not be automatically billed and can cancel their subscription at any time and no credit card is required to be put on file for the free trial.

What Volunteers Do

To accomplish this, we are in the pilot phase of implementing the AA program in three Maryland counties and in DC. (We will add PTSAs shortly.) Students participating in non-academic school activities can demonstrate their appreciation for the value of community service, create virtual yearbooks for their clubs and teams, and publish well-written and documented research. They are connected to local businesses through our unique storytelling tool which also produces a turnkey, revenue-generator for their schools and communities. Using lessons learned, we will expand the program to other Maryland counties and then to the nation. We provide students with an opportunity and a vehicle to use storytelling to:

- Learn how to use concise language and enhancing stories with photographs and other media. Students can record important events and memories as well as share their pride in their ethnic and cultural identity.
- Publish a legacy story on our Web-based [Heritage Honor Roll](#) to ensure the significance of a lifetime will not be forgotten and enables students to have a permanent and an accessible social media presence that truly describes who they are.
- Utilize storytelling as a wonderful intergenerational bonding experience that builds empathy, compassion and understanding.
- Help others less skilled in the art of writing and the use of technology to incorporate images and recordings into their legacy stories, a student can earn [service-learning](#) credits.
- Helping others create and enhance a story also demonstrates to prospective employers and postsecondary institutions a student's character and appreciation for how volunteerism benefits a community.

[Click here](#) for tips on "How to create a legacy story."



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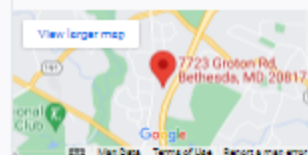
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