



# NBPC 48TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

*Your Labor in the Lord is Not in Vain*

**JUNE 19-21, 2025**

Rev. Dr. Charles Heyward, *President*

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*Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourself fully to the work of the lord, because you know that your labor in the lord is not in vain. | CORINTHIANS 15:58*

# Igniting Faith, Honoring Legacy, Empowering the Future

## *Event Name:*

**48th Biennial National Black Presbyterian Caucus Conference**

## *Event Theme:*

**“Your Labor in the Lord is Not in Vain” – 1 Corinthians 15:58**

## *Event Date:*

**June 19–21, 2025**

## *Event Location:*

**Marriott SouthPark, Charlotte, NC**

### Overview

With hearts full of faith and purpose, we gather once again for a sacred and powerful convening: the 48th Biennial National Black Presbyterian Caucus Conference. Set in the vibrant city of Charlotte, NC, this year's conference boldly proclaims a timeless truth: “*Your Labor in the Lord is Not in Vain*” (1 Corinthians 15:58). This rallying cry calls us to reflect on the eternal significance of our work in ministry, justice, and community.

Together, we will be renewed in spirit, strengthened in purpose, and united in vision as Black Presbyterians from across the nation come together to celebrate, strategize, and soar.

### Branded Themed Logo

Our logo tells a story of solidarity and sacred strength. The expressive faces remind us of the power in truth-telling, the beauty of inclusivity, and the strength in unity. The flowing lines illustrate the divine tension between knowing the destination and trusting God through the unknown. In this shared space, we find direction not only in where we are going, but in who walks with us.

### Who We Are Gathering For

We welcome over 250 expected attendees—clergy, congregants, educators, organizers, youth leaders, and justice seekers—those who labor with love, fueled by faith and committed to collective transformation. This conference is more than a meeting—it is a movement.



## *Our Mission: What We Seek to Accomplish*

- **Spiritual Empowerment** – To uplift every attendee with the reminder that their efforts matter eternally, and their labor is never in vain.
- **Community Engagement** – To deepen our commitment to justice, vitality, and prophetic witness within our churches and neighborhoods.
- **Leadership Development** – To equip a new generation of change-makers and spiritual leaders to lead with courage, vision, and faith.
- **Fellowship and Renewal** – To celebrate the beauty of belonging, of being seen and known, as we worship, laugh, pray, and learn together.
- **Inspired Action** – To ignite a fire for service, activism, and Christ-centered change that lasts far beyond these three days.

## *Voices of Vision: Keynote Speakers and Special Guests*

Throughout the conference, we will be inspired by leading theological minds, prophetic justice advocates, and powerful voices from the Black Presbyterian tradition—leaders who remind us that our work in the Lord reverberates through generations.

## *Dynamic Sessions & Transformative Workshops*

- **The Power of Labor in Christ** – A rich theological dive into 1 Corinthians 15:58 and the call to faithful service.
- **Faith & Social Justice** – Bridging the gospel and the streets: how faith drives real, lasting change.
- **Building Stronger Communities Through Faith** – Equipping churches to be beacons of hope and hubs of transformation.
- **Leadership for the Future** – Nurturing the next generation of prophetic leaders and visionaries.
- **Youth & Young Adult Engagement** – Empowering tomorrow's church with purpose, passion, and possibility.

## *Conference at a Glance*

**Wednesday, June 18 – Arrival & Preparation**

A time of preparation, prayer, and planning as we open our hearts for the journey ahead.

### Thursday, June 19 – Day of Red: Passion & Purpose

- Opening Session & Business Meeting
- Plenary with Jermaine Ross-Allam
- Evening Worship & Juneteenth Celebration – A powerful remembrance of freedom, faith, and resilience with Rev. Dr. Charles Heyward
- Welcome Dessert Reception – Joyful reconnection and celebration.

### Friday, June 20 – Day of Black: Power & Legacy

- Morning Devotion & Prayer
- Inspiring Plenaries & Workshops
- Women of Impact Gala – Honoring the trailblazing women shaping our church and community.

### Saturday, June 21 – Day of Green: Growth & Sending Forth

- Final Business Meeting
- Closing Worship with Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo – A joyful commissioning into continued labor, equipped with renewed vision.

## *Spreading the Word, Building Momentum*

- **#NBPC2025** – Share your reflections and moments of impact across social platforms.
- **Email Updates** – Stay informed and inspired through regular updates.
- **Official Website** – One-stop hub for event details, registration, and speaker info.
- **Community Partnerships** – Join forces with congregations and organizations who share this mission.

## *Investing in Impact*

Every detail of this experience is crafted to honor God and uplift God's people. Your support makes this sacred space of learning, worship, and growth possible.

## *Conclusion*

The 48th Biennial National Black Presbyterian Caucus Conference will be a sanctuary for the soul and a launchpad for justice. Under the banner of “*Your Labor in the Lord is Not in Vain*,” we will rise—empowered by faith, driven by purpose, and united in spirit. This is our moment to be renewed. To lead boldly. To labor on in love.

**Because what we do in the Lord echoes into eternity.**

# National Black Presbyterian Caucus 2025 Biennial Conference

## At-a-Glance



### Thursday, June 19, 2025

**10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

Registration  
*Pre-Function*

**10:00 a.m. – 5:30 p.m.**

Exhibit Hall  
*Rexford A & B*

**11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.**

Lucy Craft Laney Awards Brunch  
Rev. Dr. Mary Newbern-Williams  
Mistress of Ceremony  
*Morrison*

**1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Opening Session NBPC  
Business Meeting  
*Morrison*

#### AGENDA

Approval of Minutes  
President's Report  
Welcome from Charlotte,  
Host Chapter  
Audit Report, Treasurer's  
Budget Report and  
Nominating Committee Report

**1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

Youth Conference  
**SWAY Lounge**  
*Symphony*

**2:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

**Plenary 1 – Jermaine Ross-Allam**  
*Morrison*

**4:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.**

Check-in & FREE-TIME

**6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.**

Opening Worship –*Live Streamed*  
Rev. Dr. Charles C. Heyward,  
NBPC President  
*Morrison*

**8:45 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

Dessert Reception  
*Pre-Function*

### Friday, June 20, 2025

**6:00 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.**

Breakfast on Your Own  
*Hotel Dining Room*

**7:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.**

Registration  
*Pre-Function*

**8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

Morning Devotion  
Rev. Dr. Amantha Barbee  
*Morrison*

**8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

**Plenary 2 – Rev. Dr. Alonzo and  
Rev. Dr. Aisha Brooks Johnson**  
*Morrison*

**8:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Youth Conference  
**SWAY Lounge**  
*Symphony*

**9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

Exhibit Hall  
*Rexford A & B*

**10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Plenary 3**  
Rev. Dr. Perzavia Praylow  
*Morrison*

**12:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**

Youth Conference, Service  
Project, and Lunch  
**SWAY Lounge**  
*Symphony*

**12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

Lunch on Your Own

**12:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**

Lunch & Learn  
Board of Pensions  
*Terrace A*

**12:15 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.**

Additional Lunch & Learns  
*Terrace B*

**12:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.**

National Black Presbyterian  
Women Gathering  
*Morris*

**2:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Panel Discussion  
*Room to Be Announced*

**2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.**

Adult Service Project  
*Terrace A & B*

**5:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

Sponsored Red Carpet Reception  
*Terrace*

**6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.**

Women of Impact Gala  
*Terrace A & B*

**9:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**

Sponsored Dessert Reception  
*Pre-Function Area*

### Saturday, June 21, 2025

**6:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

Breakfast Buffet  
*Terrace A & B*

**8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.**

Morning Devotion  
*Morrison*

**8:30 a.m. – 9:45 a.m.**

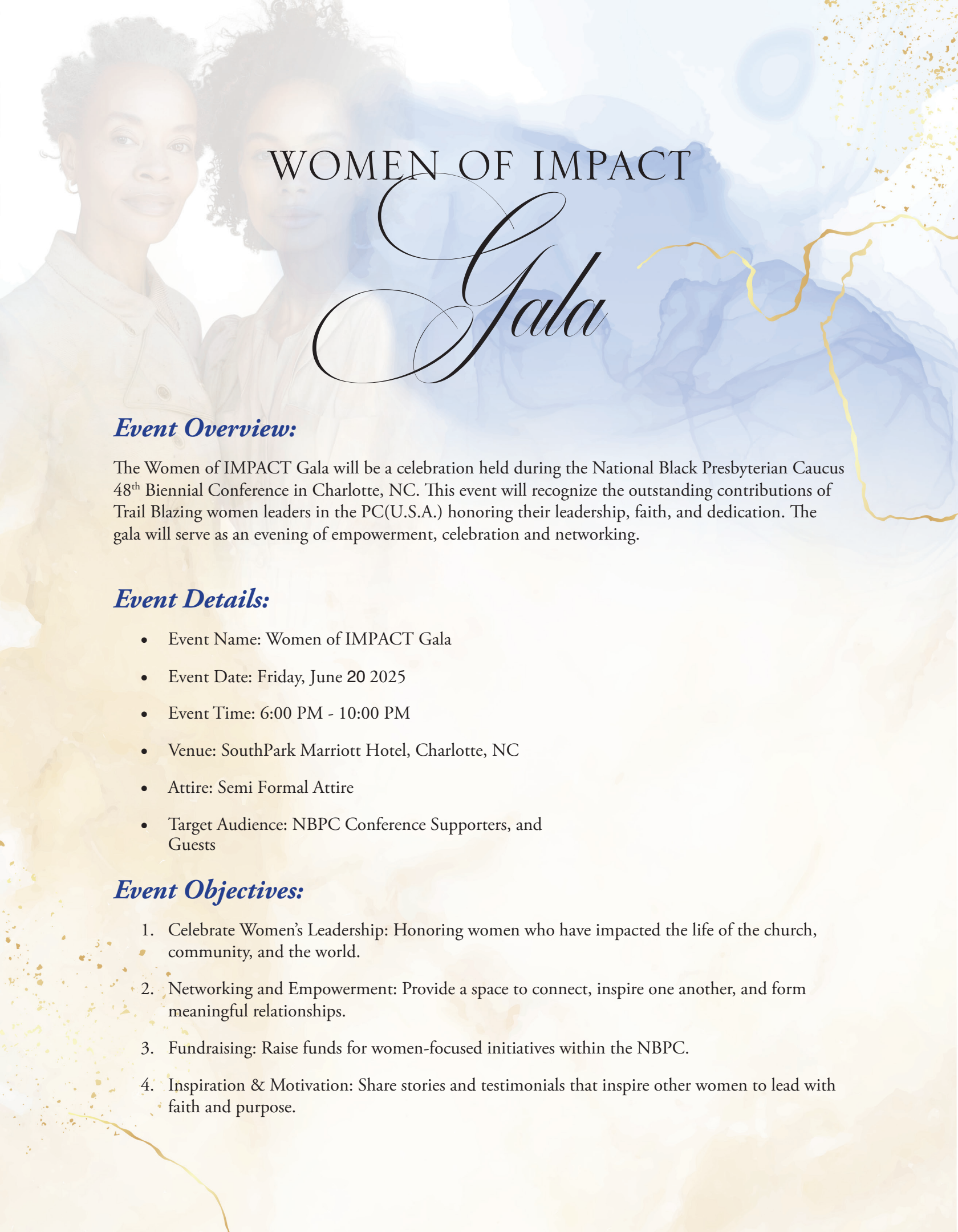
NBPC Business Meeting  
*Morris*

**10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

Exhibit Hall  
*Rexford A & B*

**10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.**

Closing Worship –*Live Streamed*  
Rev. Dr. Victor Aloyo, President,  
Columbia Theological Seminary  
*Morrison*



# WOMEN OF IMPACT

# Gala

## ***Event Overview:***

The Women of IMPACT Gala will be a celebration held during the National Black Presbyterian Caucus 48<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference in Charlotte, NC. This event will recognize the outstanding contributions of Trail Blazing women leaders in the PC(U.S.A.) honoring their leadership, faith, and dedication. The gala will serve as an evening of empowerment, celebration and networking.

## ***Event Details:***

- Event Name: Women of IMPACT Gala
- Event Date: Friday, June 20 2025
- Event Time: 6:00 PM - 10:00 PM
- Venue: SouthPark Marriott Hotel, Charlotte, NC
- Attire: Semi Formal Attire
- Target Audience: NBPC Conference Supporters, and Guests

## ***Event Objectives:***

1. Celebrate Women's Leadership: Honoring women who have impacted the life of the church, community, and the world.
2. Networking and Empowerment: Provide a space to connect, inspire one another, and form meaningful relationships.
3. Fundraising: Raise funds for women-focused initiatives within the NBPC.
4. Inspiration & Motivation: Share stories and testimonials that inspire other women to lead with faith and purpose.

## ***Key Event Components:***

### **1. Gala Program:**

- **Welcome Reception (5:00 PM – 6:00 PM):**
  - o Red Carpet and Photo Opportunity
  - o Background jazz music
  - o Networking and an opportunity for guests to mingle.
- **Opening Remarks (6:00PM – 7:00 PM):**
  - o Welcome from the NBPC Women of IMPACT Committee Chair.
  - o Overview of the Gala's purpose and importance within the conference.
- **Speaker (7:45 PM – 8:15 PM):**
- **Awards Ceremony (8:15 PM – 8:45 PM):**
  - o Presentation of awards to honorees:
    - Women of IMPACT Award (for outstanding service and excellence in leadership)
  - o Video tributes or personal testimonies about honorees.
- **Entertainment (8:45 PM – 9:30 PM):**
  - o Musical performances by local artists or choirs.
  - o A spoken word or dance performance, celebrating Black women in faith.
  - o Brief interlude for guests to enjoy dinner and socialize.
- **Closing Remarks (9:50 PM – 10:00 PM):**
  - o Thank you to the attendees, sponsors, and honorees.
  - o Invitation to continue networking and engage with the NBPC conference.

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The Women of IMPACT Gala will not only celebrate the invaluable contributions of Black women in the church and community but also inspire future generations to continue making a difference and know that their Labor in the Lord is not in Vain.



## 48<sup>th</sup> BIENNIAL PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

### Heritage Partner \$5,000

- Featured Recognition highlighted logo/name during the Convention opening and closing in rotating slides.
- Prominent Heritage Partnership recognition on event signage, printed publications, digital materials, and social media e-blasts.
- Introduction and a pre-recorded commercial speaking opportunity or announcement during the Convention.
- Includes 48th Biennial Convention registration for 15 attendees.
- Full page color ad in the 48th Biennial Virtual Souvenir Journal.

### Hope Partner \$2,500

- Featured Recognition highlighted logo/name during the Convention opening and closing in rotating slides.
- Prominent Hope Partnership recognition on event signage, printed publications, digital materials, and social media e-blasts.
- Introduction and a pre-recorded commercial speaking opportunity or announcements during the Convention.
- Includes 48th Biennial Convention registration for 6 attendees.

### Equity Partner \$1,500

- Featured Recognition highlighted logo/name during the Convention opening and closing in rotating slides.
- Prominent Equity Partnership recognition on event signage, printed publications, digital materials, and social media e-blasts.

### Legacy Youth and Young Adult Summit \$3,000

- Provides a unique opportunity to help develop future leaders by helping underwrite the Youth and Young Adult Summit during the 48th Biennial Virtual Convention.
- Prominent Legacy Partnership recognition on event signage, printed publications, digital materials, and social media e-blasts.

# WOMEN OF IMPACT AWARDS SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

We are excited to offer exclusive sponsorship opportunities for the *Women of Impact Awards Gala*, which will be held Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup> during the highly anticipated National Black Presbyterian Caucus Conference. This gala celebrates the extraordinary contributions of Black women within the Presbyterian church and beyond, honoring their leadership, service, and impact on communities. By becoming a sponsor, your organization will join us in recognizing and empowering these trailblazing women. We offer three dynamic sponsorship levels that provide unparalleled visibility and engagement.

## Platinum Sponsor - \$25,000

- **Exclusive Branding:** Logo placement as the *Presenting Sponsor* on all event materials, including invitations, programs, digital platforms, and signage.
- **Recognition:** Acknowledgment as a Platinum Sponsor during the gala and throughout the conference via event announcements, social media, and the official event website.
- **VIP Access:** Ten (10) VIP tickets to the *Women of Impact Awards Gala* with front-row seating and exclusive access to the VIP reception.
- **Commercial Opportunity:** A 5-minute speaking opportunity at the gala to address attendees and showcase your organization's commitment to empowering women in leadership.
- **Full Page Ad:** One full-page ad in the event program.
- **Prominent Social Media & Website Feature:** Highlight your sponsorship on all social media platforms, including X, Facebook, and Instagram, as well as the event website and email campaigns.
- **Customized Activations:** Opportunity for branded activations at the event to engage with attendees.

## Gold Sponsor - \$15,000

- **Branding:** Logo placement as a Gold Sponsor on event materials, including invitations, programs, digital platforms, and signage.
- **Recognition:** Acknowledgment as a Gold Sponsor during the gala and on the event website and social media platforms.
- **VIP Access:** Six (6) tickets to the *Women of Impact Awards Gala* with preferred seating and access to the VIP reception.
- **Half-Page Ad:** One half-page ad in the event program.
- **Social Media & Website Mention:** Recognition of your sponsorship across social media platforms and event website.

## Silver Sponsor - \$10,000

- **Branding:** Logo placement as a Silver Sponsor on event materials, including invitations, programs, digital platforms, and signage.
- **Recognition:** Acknowledgment as a Silver Sponsor during the gala and on the event website and social media platforms.
- **Commercial Opportunity:** A 5-minute speaking opportunity at the gala to address attendees and showcase your organization's commitment to empowering women in leadership.
- **Standard Access:** Four (4) tickets to the *Women of Impact Awards Gala* with standard seating.
- **Quarter-Page Ad:** One quarter-page ad in the event program.
- **Social Media Mention:** Recognition of your sponsorship across social media platforms and event website.

To Become a NBPC 48th Biennial Conference Partner or Sponsor, Please [Register Here](#):

*For more information, please contact:*

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We look forward to partnering with you to celebrate the amazing women who have shaped and are shaping and the PC(U.S.A.) and the Black Presbyterian community and beyond.

***Together, we can make a lasting impact!***



## **National Black Presbyterian Caucus Vendor and Exhibitor Form**

The National Black Presbyterian Caucus is inviting organizations to participate and share their resources during the 48<sup>th</sup> Biennial Conference held at The SouthPark Marriott Hotel in Charlotte, NC.

The conference will take place June 19-21, 2025, and vendors will be given two passes with their booth fee (this does not include meals or registration). If you would like to participate in the conference you must register and pay the full registration amount. The exhibit hall will consist of tables and two folding chairs only. If electricity or AV/internet access is needed a hotel contact person will be provided once the \$250 registration fee is received.

Organizations wishing to participate, please register here: [Vendor and Exhibitor Registration Form](#) **by May 31st and make your payment of \$250 by Credit Card.**

If you have any questions regarding exhibit space, please e-mail Judy Murphy [jmurphy135@gmail.com](mailto:jmurphy135@gmail.com).