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Stoddard Baptist Nursing Home's Partnership to Restore the District's Waterways and the Chesapeake Bay

Stoddard Baptist Nursing Home was one of the 2021 RiverSmart Communities (RSC) Program Grant awardees from the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS) and the District of Columbia's Department of Energy and Environment (DOEE).

RiverSmart Communities Programs' goal is to improve the cleanliness of our surrounding rivers by reducing stormwater runoff or by slowing the flow of rainwater by increasing greenspace in the watershed where stormwater can soak into the ground by installing projects that filter, capture and reuse stormwater, known as green infrastructure. Examples of green infrastructure projects include green roofs, rain gardens, rain barrels and pervious pavement.

Stoddard's partnership with the DOEE and AWS not only helps to reduce stormwater pollution, but also provides many benefits to the Stoddard Community: a beautiful garden with plantings that are native to the Washington, D.C. area and a garden where the community learns about green infrastructure. It will also be open to the nearby schools so students can learn more about our ecosystem. While planning the garden, considerations were also made to select plants that were representative of the era when Stoddard was first built. This project will also potentially meet Stoddard's responsibility to meet the stormwater mitigation requirements of the CRIAC Non-Profit Relief Program.



Garden area dug up approximately 10 feet to be replaced with 2 feet of gravel and bioretention soil (mixture of sand and topsoil) to act as a big filter.

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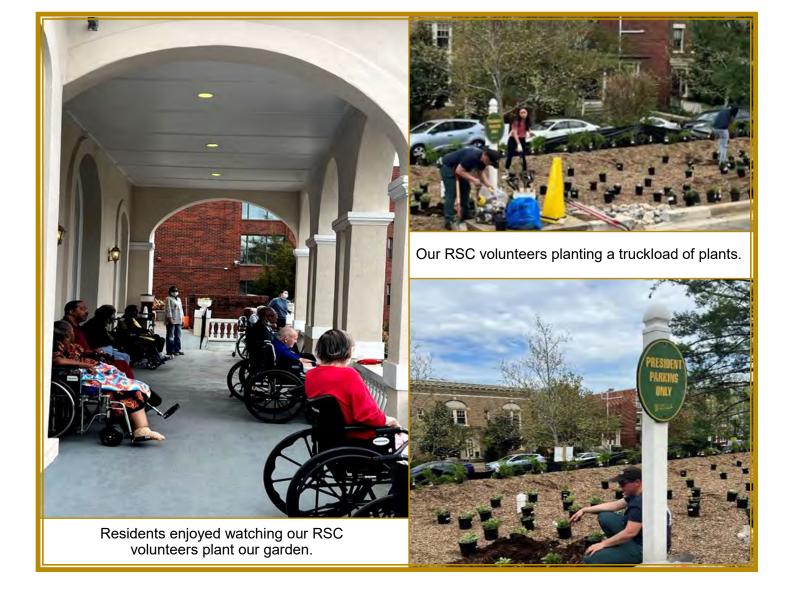
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Restoration of the District's Waterways and Chesapeake Bay cont.

The rain garden has been a long-time project, which started in January 2021 when Stoddard applied for the RSC Grant. Subsequent tasks included a walk around Stoddard's compound to determine the best opportunity to capture stormwater and install best management practices (trees, rain garden, permeable pavement, etc.). In March 2021, Stoddard was granted the award to begin the rain garden project. After the kick-off meeting and series of follow-up meetings, which also included representation from the Historic Preservation Review Board and from the Department of Energy and Environment ensued, we're off!

In January 2023, we finally received full approval and permit for the RSC rain garden at Stoddard. Next steps that followed were pre-construction meetings with the Erosion and Sediment inspectors from DOEE and once approved, First Impressions Landscaping was ready to roll.

Plants have been planted and we are just waiting for our garden to mature!



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Sharing success of programs with our communities in order to encourage confidence in sustaining repetitive support, growth and utilization of services

4 ways to support Stoddard

Pray

For the success of Stoddard, our residents, staff and our operations to achieve our mission

Advocate

Share the great work of Stoddard within your network of friends and family

Participate

Consider volunteering at Stoddard Baptist Home or Stoddard Baptist Global Care, attend our annual special events or host your own event(s) to benefit Stoddard

Donate



Mail donations to: New Address:
Office of Fund Development
4640 Forbes Boulevard
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DONATIONS





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THE COURAGE TO PLANT ...MUSTARD SEEDS AND A **CACTUSI**

contributed by: Keisha M. Clark Director of Development



Dear friends,

For the past month, my son and I have been growing a miniature cactus. We followed the directions exactly; however, I had doubts that from our hands we could "actually" grow a cactus.

One morning, my son yelled, "Mommy, come to the kitchen!" "Look Mom! We have a bud growing! Much to my surprise, he was right! Inside of the sealed and sweaty ziplocked bag, our miniature pot of soil showed a vibrant, green stalk! It worked - we had a growing cactus!

This "experiment" with my son reminded me of a small request of Stoddard. Last year, during Stoddard's "120th Anniversary" Gala, we gifted each attendee with a packet of mustard seeds.

During my speech, I encouraged each person to remain connected and invested in Stoddard's mission of caring for elders in need. These packets were a symbolic gesture; however, they were more than that -- they were a call to action!

Here we are months later, and I have yet to plant my packet of mustard seeds but somehow, I have managed to grow a cactus. A cactus that began with my skepticism. From this process, I was motivated and encouraged to witness that my "hands" have the ability to grow something! But I MUST first remove doubt, believe and have faith.

What have you planted lately? Was it an idea or a dream? Was it a flower? Can you image that Stoddard's 121-year-old mission was birthed from a simple idea to address the needs of elders? What a powerful story and message!

As a friend of Stoddard, your seed of LOVE, HOPE, KINDNESS, FINANCIAL GIFTS and PRAYERS continue to bloom every day. We thank you for planting with courage and confidence in our mission!

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Board Corner

Stoddard's Virtual Annual Meeting

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m.

The Members of the Board Of Directors invite staff, friends and supporters to join and remain connected to Stoddard's mission.

REGISTRATION: www.stoddardbaptistfoundation.org/events



The following Board Members celebrated their birthday during the first quarter of 2023:

Rev. Rodney Ruffin January 18th

Mrs. Melanie Benton-Gobourne January 28th

> Rev. Amaziah Harper February 14th

Deacon Anthony Hood February 25th

> Rev. L. K. Floyd March 6th

Mrs. Carolyn Bowden
March 18th

Rev. Donald Sadler March 29th

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HIGHLIGHTS at STODDARD BAPTIST GLOBAL CARE cont.





Residents and staff attend a **Memorial Service**, conducted by Rev. Jesse Jackson, Chaplain, to honor the residents and staff that transitioned in 2022. May the all rest in peace.

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Resident, Mr. Floyd Scarborough, celebrated his 100th Birthday!

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Employee Spotlight





Board members, staff and residents honor the memory and contributions of Mrs. Denise Riccardo who recently transitioned from this earthly realm to her heavenly home. As the Director of Housekeeping/Laundry Services through our contractor EMS, LLC, Mrs. Riccardo was a faithful employee at Stoddard for over 10 years and she will be greatly missed.

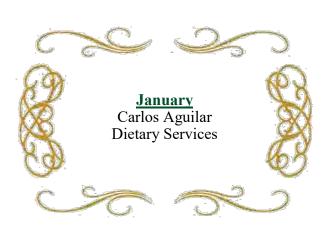
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SBNH CECA Award Winners - January, February and March 2023

The **Ceca Foundation** was established to celebrate caregiver excellence, and promote quality patient care by providing healthcare institutions with the funding, tools and best practices to recognize their outstanding caregivers. Stoddard is honored to have the Ceca Foundation as a partner in our mission.





<u>February</u> - Alaija Cruz Therapeutic Recreation Aide



<u>March</u> - Laqueada Smith Therapeutic Recreation Aide

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SBGC CECA Award Winners - January, February and March 2023



<u>January</u> - Adriann Borum Certified Nursing Assistant



<u>February</u> - Nicole Locks Resident Funds Account Representative



<u>March</u> - Loretta Houston Escort, Transportation Department

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Residents enjoy food, fellowship, fun and games to start the New Year!



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