

In Honor of Ms. Andrea Harris





Ms. Harris demonstrated relentless leadership by continuing to champion and drive change for leveling the playing field of opportunities for HUB vendors. She was a “Legacy Maker.”



“Andrea Harris was a trailblazer who never stopped fighting for social and racial equity in our state. When doors were intentionally shut, she broke through for women and minority-owned businesses to succeed, modeled excellence in advocacy and mentored scores of freedom fighters.”

- Gov. Roy Cooper

The HUB Office stands with many, remembering the fierce warrior and passionate leader who left footprints everywhere she went. She was small in stature, but a giant in the eyes of all she encountered.





A true servant leader, whose passion to fight against poverty and oppression led her to co-found the NC Institute of Minority Economic Development in 1986 and appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council for HUB in 2017. Her actions helped thousands overcome economic barriers.



“She left an indelible impact on North Carolina’s business and African American communities, and she will be missed.”

- Gov. Roy Cooper



“The greatest legacy
Andrea left us is a
compounded legacy,”
“What I mean by that are
the dividends that will be
paid generations from
now.”

- Kevin J. Price
President of NCIMED

“I decided to be
a part of saving
the world,”
- Andrea Harris,
2015





“Being the first to do this or that means you have the responsibility to work in the interest of a second, a seventh, a nine hundredth to follow where you pioneered.”

- Johnetta Cole



“We need to make sure we always have people at the table who are most affected.”

- Andrea Harris, 2019

From the HUB Staff

“A legend that has left a blueprint for “All” to follow” – Alicia Lyon

After numerous conversations with Ms. Harris, she would always say, "Ok, Thank you! I got it from here". Well Ms. Harris, you left a legacy and great instructions, so I am taking a page from your book, "We got it from here". - Traci Herrod

*“Because I must look beyond me, I strive for Thee” This quote embodies the person of Andrea Harris. She was a Champion at rescuing people and building a stronger more inclusive North Carolina. Her fingerprints leave a rich indelible stain, telling the story of North Carolina’s struggles and historical achievements. And God said, *Well Done, My Good and Faithful Servant*. I am better because She lived, - Nicole Gye’Nyame*

Phenomenally, Phenomenal – Andrea Harris, Icon.

From the HUB Staff

Although I am still processing like others, I am truly confident that each life touched is better today than we were before our introduction to this brilliant lady. Always most calm but intentional. The wisdom shared with me will forever be cherished. Our conversations were never elongated, but the result was always the same, “yes ma’am I will take care of it.... yes ma’am I’m on it....yes ma’am I understand the charge andyes ma’am I got it.”

Ms. Harris was extremely proud of the work that all of us are doing. Our biggest cheerleader in our face and behind our back. WE have no choice but to take all that has been learned and put it into immediate action.

I am committed to continuing to fight for equality and access to opportunities for all....it is my hope that you will join me. ~ Tammie Hall

Phenomenally, Phenomenal – Andrea Harris, shero

Rest in Love

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