

RICHMOND COMMUNITY HOSPITAL LEGACY GARDEN

In honor of those who contributed to the Legacy of Richmond Community Hospital

Over a century ago, a group of Black physicians, led by Sarah Garland Jones, M.D., had a mission to bring health care to individuals who were often overlooked. Decades later, while Black hospitals around the nation were struggling due to financial hardships, through wisdom and foresight the women and men we honor today kept Dr. Jones's vision alive. In 1980, their effort and investment rejuvenated and relocated Richmond Community Hospital to its present location at 28th St. and Nine Mile Road in Historic Church Hill. In 1995, these physicians entrusted Bon Secours to steward their rich legacy of healing.

This garden is dedicated in honor of the many Black physician leaders who fought to ensure a legacy of healing for their community. Their portraits serve as a reminder of the critical role that Black hospitals and their physicians have in transforming communities across our country. Like Dr. Jones and the founding physicians of Richmond Community Hospital, these 21 doctors were passionately engaged in the community they served. They provided leadership, education, professional assistance, social connection, and personal financial investment to establish Richmond Community Hospital. These leaders and their stories have shown us what is possible through partnership and caring within the community. We thank these doctors and all who have come before us and will come after them for their dedication to the community and for establishing the foundation by which we are able to continue to provide good help to those in need at Richmond Community Hospital.

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