



Across our communities, health and opportunity are shaped by more than access to care; they are shaped by where we live, learn, and grow.

At JBRF, we center this understanding in **everything** we do. This month, we highlight the people, partnerships, and pathways that are expanding opportunity and strengthening the systems that support community health and wellbeing in Wards 7 and 8.

**JBRF in Action**

**Showing Up Across Our Communities**



This month, our team continued showing up alongside partners, supporting spaces where collaboration and community leadership drive meaningful change.

As part of our commitment to investing in leadership, we are proud to support the **Chief Executive Leadership Ascend Program (CELAP)** in partnership with **JPMorgan Chase** and **CareFirst**. Our team also contributed to the **Cohort 3** selection process, helping uplift leaders advancing impactful work across our communities.

We also remained engaged across the healthcare ecosystem, participating in the **Academy of Hope Adult Public Charter School (AoH) College and Career Fair** at its Ward 5 campus, with a focus on Wards 7 and 8, and supporting moments like the **Medical Ascension White Coat Ceremony**, all grounded in advancing access, equity, and community-informed care.

**JBRF Goals**

**Our Purpose**

**Purpose** only matters if it leads somewhere. At JBRF, our goals are more than statements, they actively shape how we **invest, partner, and show up** for communities. Every decision, collaboration, and initiative is guided by a commitment to expanding health equity and opportunity for **our community**.

If you want to understand how that translates into **real work** and **real outcomes**, take a closer look to our goals [here](#).



**Community Hero Spotlight**

**Leicester Johnson**



This month's **Community Hero Spotlight** highlights [Leicester Johnson](#), whose leadership has helped **expand access to adult education and opportunity across Washington, D.C.** Through her work, she supports individuals in **building the skills and confidence** needed to create **better futures**. Adult education is more than learning, it creates pathways to employment, economic stability, and **stronger communities**.

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