

Westside Future Fund Dovey Roundtree Society



Invest in the Work of Racial Equity & Economic Justice on Atlanta's Historic Westside

When you contribute to the Westside Future Fund, you contribute to the work of breaking down long-standing barriers created by systemic racism. It is work that we carry on from civil rights leaders who dedicated their lives to advancing equity and justice. One such courageous activist is Dovey Mae Johnson Roundtree.

As a student at Spelman College, Roundtree found herself unable to pay her tuition. A professor stepped in to cover the cost, asking only that she pay the generosity forward. She repaid her debt by blazing a trail of achievements in religion, law and civil rights for women and Black people. A Howard Law graduate and student of Justice Thurgood Marshall, she won the pivotal 1955 case that banned segregated bus travel and marked a major civil rights victory. In 1961, she became one of the first women ordained as a minister in the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

We honor her legacy of advocacy and activism, her willingness to erase color and gender lines, by inviting those who contribute significantly to furthering the work of economic and social empowerment of the Black community to join the Roundtree Society.

We believe those who pay it forward, like Roundtree, can change the course of communities like the Historic Westside and bring to bear a reality that some will say is ahead of its time.

Roundtree Society members contribute to dismantling the barriers of systemic racism and erecting opportunities in their place. Today, more than half of Westside residents in this underserved historic neighborhood live below the poverty line, and 40% of all housing is vacant. We believe those residents, empowered through access to quality, affordable housing and cradle-to-career educational opportunities, can once again enjoy as a thriving mixed-income community on the Westside.

By joining the Roundtree Society, you play a significant role in realizing the Westside as a model of racial equity and economic justice and as crucial to the success of our city.



Join the Roundtree Society: Membership is open to individuals, couples and family foundations contributing \$1,000-\$9,999 or more in a calendar year. You can designate your gift for a specific program, or you can make it unrestricted for use in the area of greatest need.

MAKE TODAY HISTORIC

Take this opportunity to disrupt the cycle of poverty and empower the potential of your neighbors on the Westside. Through the Westside Future Fund, you enable a cross-section of business, government, philanthropy and community partnerships to collaborate on the revitalization of the Historic Westside.

With your support, the Westside can be a national model for racial equity and economic justice. Your investment will help us to:

- Empower economic mobility through high-quality, affordable rental housing and pathways to home ownership for legacy residents.
- Enhance opportunity by strengthening cradle-to-career education with academic support and comprehensive wrap-around services.
- Support local business and empower Black entrepreneurs to help drive the Westside's economic development.

JOIN THE ROUNDTREE SOCIETY

Your investment will not only make a meaningful, measurable impact, as a Roundtree Society member you will enjoy:

- An invitation to the annual private Roundtree Society
 Members Breakfast
- Listing in the Westside Future Fund annual report
- Listing on the Donor Wall at the Westside Future Fund 970 Jefferson campus
- A subscription to the Roundtree Society newsletter
- Opportunities to build strong connections with other like-minded donors
- Educational opportunities and bi-annual thought leadership events





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