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**WISER CELEBRATES 25 YEARS OF HELPING WOMEN SECURE THEIR  
FINANCIAL FUTURES**

***The Celebration Features: A Making A Difference Awards Reception  
on October 28, 2021***

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***Awards to 3 Outstanding Partners and 1 Exceptional Partner***

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***6 WISER Irreplaceable Fellows***

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***25+ Capitol Hill Staffers***

October 26, 2021 - The Women's Institute for a Secure Retirement's (WISER) **25th Anniversary Rooftop Celebration** will take place **October 28th at The Terrace at 101 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C (Outdoors - Rooftop Terrace)**

A reception starting at 5:30 to 8pm and the **Making a Difference Awards Reception ceremony begins at 6:00 p.m. The Emcee for the Awards Reception is the Honorable Earl Pomeroy.** This year's awardees include 3 Outstanding Awardees from the Corporate and NonProfit sectors, 1 Exceptional Partner, 6 WISER Fellows and 25+ current and former hill staffers, who demonstrate a strong commitment to WISER's core issues.

The three outstanding partners who will be honored are Susan Neel, ACLI (Outstanding Corporate Partner), Nancy LeaMond, AARP (Outstanding Family Caregiver Advocate and Amy Hinojosa, MANA (Outstanding Community Partner).

This year, we created the Exceptional Partner Award for Dimensional Fund Advisors, who has supported our programs virtually over the last two years during the pandemic.

We will also be honoring **six WISER Fellows** who have a longstanding history with the organization and who help WISER reach the underserved working population who do not have access to financial education about benefits or saving. They are Laurel Beedon, Cheryl Gannon, Judith Kozlowski, Amy Shannon, Linda Stone, and Rusty Toler.

### **HILL STAFF HONOREES: 25+ for 25**

We are proud to have worked with this outstanding group of individuals over the last 25 years and are thrilled to be able to honor them in this way. Our Hill Staff Honorees include: Beth Bell, Bill Benson, Bob Blancato, Charlie Bolton, Katie Campbell, Drew Crouch, Alane Dent, Greg Dean, Kara Getz, Alison Hard, Diann Howland, Kendra Kosko Isaacson, Dave Koshgarian, Michael Kreps, Brian Lindberg, Kevin McDermott, Katherine Monge, Tommy Nguyen, Diane Oakley, Barbara Pate, Lori Prater, Andy Remo, Stacy Sanders, Michael Sinacore, Ron Storhaug, and Patrice Willoughby.

The reception will be followed by the Symposium “25 Years of Improving Women’s Financial Security: Where We Stand: Possibilities & Progress!” on October 29<sup>th</sup> beginning at 11:30am. The event will be virtual and **feature Dr. Mildred Garcia, American Association of State Colleges and Universities** and **Jenny Johnson, Franklin Templeton Investments** as the keynote speakers with three panels of experts discussing the past 25 years and projections for the future.

“WISER is gratified to continue its work with the support of our many partners, from the private, non-profit and public sectors. We look forward to many more years of successful collaborations,” said WISER President Cindy Hounsell.’

[Register](#) for the symposium

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Information for these events is also available at [www.wiserwomen.org](http://www.wiserwomen.org)

*WISER is a nonprofit organization that works to help women, educators and policymakers understand the important issues surrounding women’s retirement income.*