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## Capital Area United Way Announces 2021 Women United Award Recipients

**Baton Rouge, La. (June 24, 2021)** – Capital Area United Way Women United will honor several members of the community during its annual Celebrate the Power of Women celebration on Thursday, August 19th at L’Auberge Hotel and Casino from 7:30 – 9 a.m. The event, sponsored by BASF, will feature guest speaker LSU Ambassador and former LSU Gymnastics Head Coach D-D Breaux.

The following awards will be presented:

- **Excellence in Social & Community Investment** honors an individual in business (profit or non-profit) who strives to positively impact the community, exemplifies a spirit of passion and groundbreaking achievement that leads the way for others through their integrity, compassion, credibility, humility, and empowerment of others. This year’s recipient is **Allison B. Hudson**, Public Information Officer/Crime Victims Investigator, Ascension Parish Sheriff’s Office.
- **Legacy of Service** honors a leader who has had a positive influence on the community and will “leave a legacy” on our 10-parish service area. This individual exemplifies service above self through civic and/or community engagement. This year’s recipient is **Gloria Moncada**, Vice President of Americas Fuels, ExxonMobil.
- **UNITED 40** honors the power of an individual 40 years of age and under that is striving to make a positive and lasting impact in our community. This young ambassador is an up & coming difference maker who is just beginning a lifelong commitment to service. This year’s recipient is **Jessica Trepagnier**, Director of Community Development and Marketing, Aetna.
- **Woman of Inspiration** honors an individual who not only tirelessly fills a vital role of service in our community but demonstrates passion in giving back and advocates for others to join the crusade. This year’s recipient is **Carol M. Patin, M.D.**, General Obstetrics & Gynecology Doctor and Chief Medical Officer, Southeast Community Health Systems.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic cancelling last year’s event, the 2020 Power of Women recipients will also be honored at this event. The list of recipients can be viewed [here](#).

As part of the Gottlieb Society of Capital Area United Way (those who give at a leadership level of \$1,000 or more), Women United seeks to improve the lives of those in the Capital Area with a focus on income stability. Women United is committed to excellence in community service, fundraising, and dedication to the renewal, development, and empowerment of its members.

Tickets are on sale at \$30 per individual or \$250 table and can be purchased at [www.cauw.org/powerofwomen](http://www.cauw.org/powerofwomen). For more information contact Charlene Montelaro, Women United Chair or Amey Shortess Crousillac, Vice President of Resource Development at 225-382-3511 or [ameyc@cauw.org](mailto:ameyc@cauw.org).

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**Capital Area United Way**

For more than 96 years, Capital Area United Way has touched thousands of lives in our 10-parish area. We envision a community where everyone is empowered to reach their full potential. Our mission is to solve our community’s toughest challenges by leveraging partnerships to advance the common good in education, income stability, and healthy living. To learn more visit [www.cauw.org](http://www.cauw.org).