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## **GMAD Program Wins Mayor's Mentoring Alliance Award**



Mayor Lyles and Donna Parker-Tate

On January 17th, the WIE Garinger Mentoring Across
Difference (GMAD) program received the
2019 Grassroots Mentoring Organization of the

**Year Award** presented by the Mayor's Mentoring Alliance.

The Mayor's Mentoring Alliance Awards recognizes the extraordinary impact mentorship has on our community. As some of you may know, the Mayor's Mentoring Alliance educates mentoring organizations about best practices and mentoring standards, ignites impactful and enduring mentor-mentee relationships and connects Charlotte's mentoring community.

WIE Board Chair, Kaniche Bennett, expressed her appreciation, "Thank you to our very own Dorothy (Dot) Counts, Donna Parker-Tate, Tara Hammons, Stephanie

Counts, and Sandra James for the magnificent work done throughout 2018 and we can't wait to see what is in store for 2019! Thanks for your commitment to our mentees and their continued personal and educational development".

Thanks to Mentor Erin Barbee, Director of Mission Advancement at Aldersgate United Methodist Retirement Community for nominating WIE for this recognition.

## GMAD Mentors and Mentees Visit Hezekiah Alexander Museum

To kickoff 2019 on MLK Jr. Day, the mentors and mentees of the WIE GMAD program visited the museum and homesite of Hezekiah Alexander. This Revolutionary War-era home is located on the grounds of the Charlotte Museum



of History. Built in 1774, this two-story stone house is the oldest surviving structure in Mecklenburg County and is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.



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