

FEARLESS TRANSFORMERS

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER



A Letter from the Founder

This month, we center ourselves in one word: **Love.**

Not the performative kind — the courageous kind. The kind that holds people accountable, sets boundaries, protects vision, and still chooses compassion.

At Fearless Transformations, love is our operating system. It guides how we lead, how we serve, and how we protect the next generation.

I've learned that you cannot build from depletion or lead from resentment — love must first be internal. This month, I invite you to embody love, not perform it. Strengthen your boundaries. Extend grace to yourself.

Protect what matters. That is love in action and that is how we build legacy.

With gratitude,

Cleotha Yvonne Elledge
Founder & Executive Director
Fearless Transformations



LOVE

is not performance — it is alignment with who you truly are.

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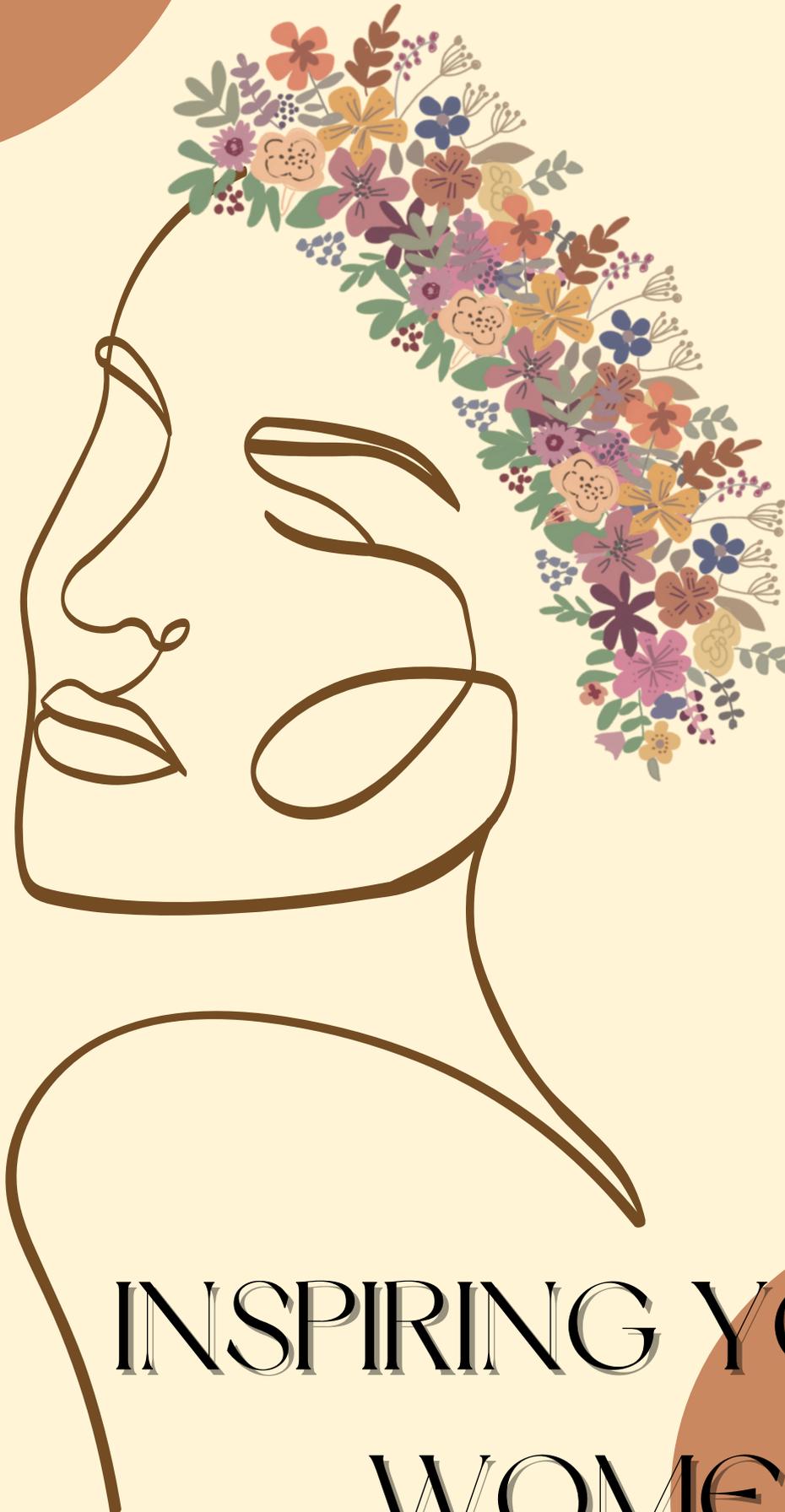


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BLACK HISTORY

INSPIRING YOUNG WOMEN

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FOCUS

Today's culture places enormous pressure on young women to perform, conform, and seek validation externally. Without leadership development, many learn to shrink, silence themselves, or disconnect from their inner power just to belong.

Our mission is to interrupt that pattern.

We focus on leadership because leadership restores ownership. It teaches young women that they are not defined by their environment, their circumstances, or others' expectations. They are defined by their character, their choices, and their willingness to grow.

Leadership teaches emotional intelligence—the ability to regulate emotions, communicate clearly, and respond instead of react. It teaches accountability, resilience, and the courage to make decisions aligned with long-term purpose rather than short-term approval.

Most importantly, leadership teaches responsibility for one's life.

We are not just preparing young women to succeed in school. We are preparing them to navigate life with confidence, clarity, and conviction.

When a young woman learns to lead herself, everything changes.

She no longer waits for permission.

She no longer doubts her worth.

She no longer abandons herself to fit into spaces that were never designed for her.

Instead, she becomes a creator of her future.

Culture does not change on its own. Culture changes when leaders emerge—individuals who are grounded, aware, and courageous enough to live differently.

That is why leadership is our focus.

Because when we develop leaders, we do more than empower individuals. We shift families. We strengthen communities. And we build a generation that is no longer led by fear, but by purpose.

At Fearless Transformations, we are not simply teaching leadership.

We are cultivating young women who will shape the future.

Fearless Love: Mentoring with Purpose”

A Love That Lifts Us: A Valentine’s Message from Fearless Transformations

This February, as we celebrate love in all its beautiful dimensions, let’s also celebrate the kinds of love that transform lives; love that mentors, love that sees potential, love that heals, and love that honors healthy boundaries.

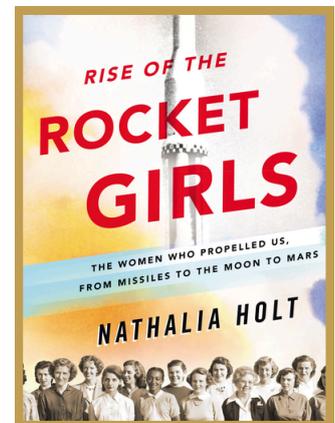
Love for mentoring is the steady, faithful presence that says “I see you, I believe in you, and I will walk with you.” It’s the kind of love that creates safe spaces for Black girls to explore, dream, and rise. Love for girls’ success is rooted in conviction: we uplift brilliance, resilience, and vision, not just in stories of achievement, but in everyday courage. Love for healing and healthy boundaries reminds us that self-respect and self-care are essential building blocks of strength and joy.

Love should bring out the best in us; inspiring generosity of spirit, clarity of purpose, and courage to be our most authentic selves.

This month, we also honor a Black woman in STEM whose life and work align with these themes. Janez Lawson, chemical engineer and trailblazer in space science (born Feb. 22, 1930) was one of the first African-American women to hold a technical position at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory. Her pathbreaking work in engineering and early computing reflects a love of discovery and a tenacity that opened doors for others to follow.

May her story, and the many stories of Black women innovators, encourage us to love deeply, mentor intentionally, and nurture both our inner world and each other.

Happy Valentine’s Month! Here’s to love that empowers, elevates, and transforms.



“In order to be a mentor, and an effective one, one must care. You must care... care about the person you're sharing with.” –

Maya Angelou





Leadership Program



FACILITATORS NEEDED

Fearless Transformations Is Expanding!
And we need YOU to help us pour into the next generation of Detroit's young women.

Because of the overwhelming growth of our Leadership Program, we now have the opportunity to serve even more schools within the Detroit Public Schools Community District for **Afterschool programming**.

Starting January 2026. and throughout the year*

Our curriculum is already built, structured, and ready for facilitators to bring to life – all we need are passionate leaders who want to give back. If you have one hour, you can make a difference. If you feel called to do one session or many, your presence matters.

We invite you to donate your time and help guide our emerging young women through powerful workshops on leadership, confidence, emotional intelligence, and personal growth.

**SIGN
UP**

Sign Up Today
Visit our website and share your interest. We will match you with the school of your choice and walk you through the next steps.

(All facilitators are required to complete a background check)

✨ **One step counts.**
One session counts.
One voice counts.

*will depend on how many facilitators we receive.





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GET INVOLVED! SPEAKER, SPONSOR, DONORS OR VOLUNTEER!

You can be the reason a girl believes in herself.
We're actively seeking:

- Special Guest Speakers for in school events.
- Donors & Sponsors (\$25/month supports 1 girl in the program)
- Swag & Supplies (journals, shirts, snacks, school supplies)

Become a supporter or email us at:
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