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Freedom to Lead. Freedom to Connect. Freedom to Grow.

As we celebrate **Independence Day** and the freedoms we enjoy as Americans, I'm reminded that one of the greatest freedoms we have is the opportunity to build meaningful relationships, lift one another up, and create opportunities that make a lasting impact.

At AWIN, we believe leadership flourishes when people are connected through **encouragement, collaboration, and authentic community**. This month, I hope you find time to celebrate with family and friends, reflect on the blessings around you, and look ahead to the opportunities that await us in the second half of the year.

Thank you for being part of this **incredible network**. Your leadership, engagement, and willingness to invest in others continues to make **AWIN stronger every day**.

- Dr. Rena Hall

Leading the Future Together

One of AWIN's greatest strengths is the remarkable leaders who choose to invest their time, talent, and expertise in our mission. We are honored to welcome three outstanding professionals to AWIN's Leadership Network.



Welcome **Rita Mitchell of Studio Bank** to the **AWIN Advisory Board**. Rita brings tremendous leadership experience, community commitment, and passion for empowering others. We are excited to have her perspective helping shape the future of AWIN.

We are also thrilled to welcome **Nikki Gibson of Dell Technologies** to the **AWIN Advisory Board**. Nikki has long been a champion for leadership development and innovation, and we're grateful for her insight and expertise.





Additionally, we are excited to welcome **Anne Fasone** to the **AWIN Board**. Anne's leadership and perspective will be a valuable addition as we continue advancing AWIN's mission and expanding our impact.

Thank you, Rita, Nikki, and Anne, for your commitment to AWIN and to advancing women in leadership.

Annual Summit

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Planning for our **Annual Leadership Summit** is already underway, and we're inviting organizations to become **sponsors or exhibitors**.

Whether you're looking to **increase your organization's visibility**, **connect with leaders**, or demonstrate your commitment to advancing women in leadership, the **Annual Summit** offers meaningful opportunities to engage.







Sponsorship opportunities provide organizations with valuable recognition while **supporting the leadership development and programming** that empowers women throughout our region.

Not ready to sponsor? **Exhibitor opportunities are also available beginning at just $500**. An exhibit table is an excellent way to showcase your organization, introduce your products or services, and build meaningful connections with Summit attendees.

Ready to Partner with AWIN?

If your organization is interested in becoming a sponsor or exhibitor, I'd love to connect with you. **Contact me today to request the 2026 AWIN Annual Summit Sponsorship & Exhibitor Guide and reserve your opportunity to be part of this premier leadership event.**

Together, we can create an exceptional Summit experience while investing in the next generation of women leaders.

Looking Ahead:

FALL PROGRAMMING BEGINS AUG. 20

We're excited to kick off our fall programming on **August 20** with our **Mental Health Roundtable**.

A sincere thank you to our program sponsors **Wellpath, Meharry,** and **HealthTrust**.

We're especially excited that this event will be offered both in person and via livestream, allowing members to participate **regardless of location**.

Our goal is to livestream the remainder of our programming this year, ensuring that every member has access to the outstanding **leadership conversations and professional development** opportunities AWIN provides. We also hope our members will **invite colleagues and leaders** within their own organizations to experience the value of the AWIN community.

We can't wait to reconnect with everyone this fall.

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From My Desk

Instead of sharing "What I am reading this summer" I thought I'd share **"What I am doing this summer."**

Like many nonprofit leaders, much of my summer is focused on **planning for what's ahead**. Our team is working hard to prepare meaningful programming, strengthen partnerships, and create new opportunities for our members before we launch into an exciting fall season.

On a more personal note, my heart is especially full as our family prepares to **welcome our first grandchild**—a **beautiful granddaughter named Kylin**. This is a milestone our family has been eagerly anticipating, and I couldn't be more excited to step into this new role as "Nana." Alongside program planning, I'm looking forward to slowing down enough to spend quality time with family and friends, embracing this special season, and making memories that will last a lifetime.



I hope you're finding time this summer to **recharge, celebrate, and enjoy** the people who matter most. Thank you for allowing me the **privilege of serving this incredible organization**. I look forward to seeing many of you in August as we begin another inspiring season together.



THANK YOU!

Thank you for your continued commitment to AWIN's mission. Together, we are building a network rooted in support, purpose, and empowerment.

Rena Hall, Ed.D | Executive Director

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