



HONORING

**KATHERINE COLEMAN  
GOBLE JOHNSON**

AT WEST VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY



On August 25, 2018, West Virginia State University was proud to honor distinguished NASA mathematician and WVSU alumna Katherine Johnson (Class of 1937) with the establishment of the Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson Scholarship and the unveiling of a beautiful bronze statue in a newly created plaza adjacent to the quad. More than 300 individuals and organizations contributed to this effort, and the names of those who gave \$1,000 or more are forever inscribed on a plaque near the statue.

As efforts continue to increase the endowed scholarship and enhance the plaza surrounding the statue, gifts of all sizes are welcome and appreciated. Two new naming recognition opportunities are available for those who give at the Moon or Galaxy level before April 30, 2019.

## *Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson*

A native of White Sulphur Springs, W.Va., Katherine graduated from West Virginia State in 1937 at the age of 18, with bachelor's degrees in mathematics and French. Her pioneering work as a "computer" at NASA has been widely recognized following publication of the book, *Hidden Figures*, by Margot



Lee Shetterly, and by the movie of the same name. In 2015, she received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the highest award that can be bestowed upon a civilian.

## *The Statue*

A life-sized bronze statue created by West Virginia sculptor and WVSU alumnus Frederick Hightower now stands on the WVSU campus as a source of inspiration to current and future students of all that is possible through dedication, hard work and perseverance.

## *The Scholarship*

Building upon Katherine Johnson's legacy as a pioneer in mathematics and WVSU's strong track record of education in the sciences, the Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson Scholarship benefits students majoring in STEM fields, with emphasis on assisting talented individuals who are underrepresented in those fields. All future gifts will increase the funds available to support students.

# Gift Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

I will contribute \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to honor Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson and support future students at West Virginia State University.

I wish to Name a Bench (Minimum gift \$5,000. Gift must be fully paid before bench is engraved.)

*Please list name as you wish it to appear on the bench.*  
Limit 50 characters.

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I wish to Name a Brick (Minimum gift \$1,000. Gift must be fully paid before brick is engraved.)

*Please list name as you wish it to appear on the brick.*  
Limit 30 characters.

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## PAYMENT METHOD & SCHEDULE:

Check Enclosed

Payment Plan

\_\_\_\_\_ payments of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be paid in full by April 30, 2019.

Charge my gift to:

Visa    Mastercard    Discover    AMEX

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Sec. Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Print Name as it appears on card:

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***Please make checks payable to*** the WVSU Foundation, P.O. Box 1000, East Hall, Institute, WV 25112.

*Your gift is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*

# Recognition Opportunities

## **GALAXY LEVEL**

Name a Bench \$5,000

Benches will be placed around the statue to provide seating and a comfortable place to reflect on Katherine Johnson's remarkable legacy. A gift of \$5,000 will be recognized with the naming of a bench. All proceeds above the cost of the bench will be contributed to the Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson Scholarship. *A limited number of benches are available.*

## **MOON LEVEL**

Name a Brick \$1,000

Attractive brick pavers will be placed along the sidewalks leading up to the statue from all directions. A gift of \$1,000 will be recognized with the naming of a brick. All proceeds above the cost of the brick will be contributed to the Katherine Coleman Goble Johnson Scholarship.



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## *Information*

For further information about recognition opportunities for contributions to the Katherine Coleman Goble Scholarship and statue, please contact:

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