

# In Honor of Andrea Harris





Ms. Harris demonstrated relentless leadership by continuing to champion and drive change for leveling the playing field of opportunities for HUB vendors. She was a “Legacy Maker.”



“Andrea Harris was a trailblazer who never stopped fighting for social and racial equity in our state. When doors were intentionally shut, she broke through for women and minority-owned businesses to succeed, modeled excellence in advocacy and mentored scores of freedom fighters.”

- Gov. Roy Cooper

The HUB Office stands with many, remembering the fierce warrior and passionate leader who left footprints everywhere she went. She was small in stature, but a giant in the eyes of all she encountered.





A true servant leader, whose passion to fight against poverty and oppression led her to co-found the NC Institute of Minority Economic Development in 1986 and appointed to the Governor's Advisory Council for HUB in 2017. Her actions helped thousands overcome economic barriers.



**“She left an indelible impact on North Carolina’s business and African American communities, and she will be missed.”**

**- Gov. Roy Cooper**



“The greatest legacy  
Andrea left us is a  
compounded legacy,”  
“What I mean by that are  
the dividends that will be  
paid generations from  
now.”

- Kevin J. Price  
President of NCIMED

“I decided to be  
a part of saving  
the world,”  
- Andrea Harris,  
2015





*“Being the first to do this or that means you have the responsibility to work in the interest of a second, a seventh, a nine hundredth to follow where you pioneered.”*

*- Johnetta Cole*



“We need to make sure we always have people at the table who are most affected.”

- Andrea Harris, 2019

# From the HUB Staff

*“A legend that has left a blueprint for “All” to follow” – Alicia Lyon*

*After numerous conversations with Ms. Harris, she would always say, “Ok, Thank you! I got from here”. Well Ms. Harris, you left a legacy and great instructions, so I am taking a page from your book, “We got it from here”. - Traci Herrod*

*“Because I must look beyond me, I strive for Thee” This quote embodies the person of Andrea Harris. She was a Champion at rescuing people and building a stronger more inclusive North Carolina. Her fingerprints leave a rich indelible stain, telling the story of North Carolina’s struggles and historical achievements. And God said, *Well Done, My Good and Faithful Servant*. I am better because She lived, - Nicole Gye’Nyame*

*Phenomenally, Phenomenal – Andrea Harris, Icon.*

*Rest in Love*



The background of the image consists of a dense, repeating pattern of white, almond-shaped objects, possibly almonds or almond shells, arranged in a somewhat circular or spiral pattern. The objects are set against a bright yellow background. The lighting is soft, highlighting the smooth, curved surfaces of the almonds.

**HUB ADVISORY COUNCIL  
LEAD ON**