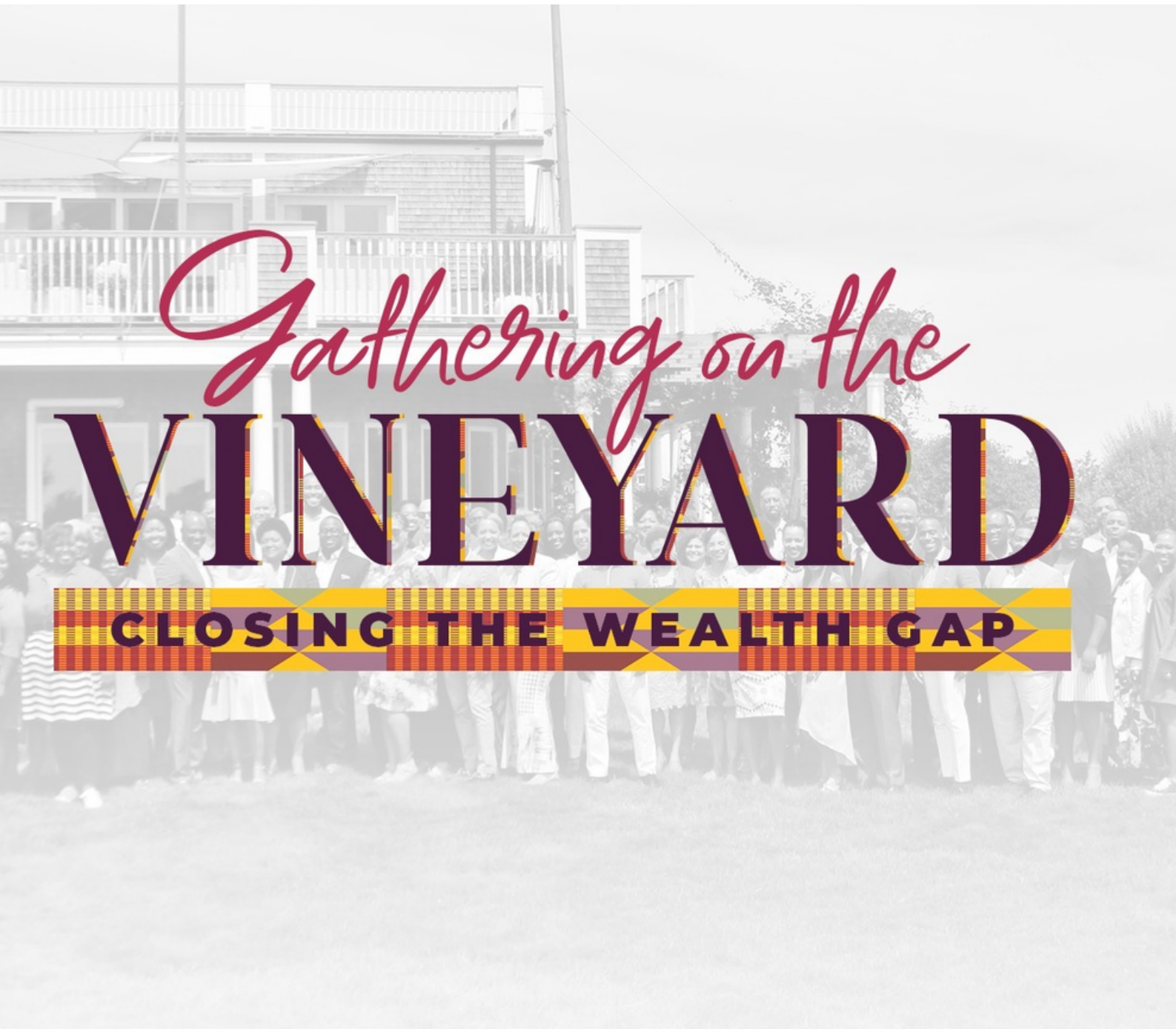


Gathering on The Vineyard



Gathering on the **VINEYARD**

CLOSING THE WEALTH GAP

August 14-16, 2022

Martha's Vineyard

Dedication

This year's Gathering on The Vineyard is dedicated to the late beloved Edward Sewell. His enthusiasm for our work was admirable and an ever present source of inspiration to our Founder.

Message from Founder

Greetings!

As I began thinking about what I wanted our time together to reflect, one thing remained constant, joy! The past couple of years have reminded us of the importance and gift of every moment.

The global pandemic has only heightened our sense of urgency to close stubborn gaps that burden our communities. Dr. King's words are still relevant today. "This is a time for vigorous and positive action." While we should not be anxious we must be intentional. You were invited because you carry the gifts and knowledge that can help our communities pivot toward new and sustainable paths.

I'm so proud of the fact that your support of The Gathering has allowed us to contribute \$150K to black businesses and \$20K to local minority owned businesses.

An extra special thank you to our sponsors-Prudential, JPMorgan Chase & Co., Edward Jones, Surdna Foundation, Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Silicon Valley Bank, LinkedIn, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, SYSCO, BET, Blavity, W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Meta and CultureBanx. Your support has made year 12 possible.

Last but not least, thank you to every participant for your genius and to my team for their tireless efforts.

All the Best,
Christal M. Jackson



We are confronted with the fierce urgency of now. In this unfolding conundrum of life and history, there "is" such a thing as being too late. This is no time for apathy or complacency. This is a time for vigorous and positive action." – Martin Luther King, Jr.

The cohort



Aaron Walton

Cheyney University of PA, President

President Aaron A. Walton, a proven, results-driven leader with 40 years of experience in corporate level management, was appointed as Cheyney University of Pennsylvania's Interim President on May 31, 2017. He and his team are transforming Cheyney University through a compelling vision. They are executing bold strategies centered around student success, financial strength, and the highest standard of excellence, while creating a new model for higher education by forming public-private partnerships which enable career-informed curricula and generate nontraditional sources of income.



Acasia Wilson Feinberg

The 1954 Project, The CAFÉ Founding Executive Director

Acasia launched her career in education as a fifth grade classroom teacher. She then transitioned to the non-profit sector, serving in senior leadership positions in organizations focused on philanthropy, education policy, advocacy, and leadership development. Over the course of her career, Acasia has worked across 15 U.S. cities and abroad to better understand the root causes of educational inequity and drive effective and innovative solutions.



Ada Williams Prince,

Pivotal Ventures,
Director, Program Strategy and Investment

Ada brings over 20 years of experience working on social impact globally and domestically. She began her focus at Pivotal Ventures leading and building the Adolescent Mental Health team and portfolio. Presently as Director of Program Strategy and Investment, Ada leads engagement and strategies to advance social progress in the United States, specifically, in the areas accelerating the power and influence women and girls of color and at the intersection of gender identity and race/ethnicity and class/socioeconomic status.



Adimika Meadows Arthur,

HealthTech for Medicaid (HT4M)
Executive Director

Adimika Meadows Arthur is the Executive Director at HealthTech for Medicaid (HT4M), a national nonprofit dedicated to supporting innovation in Medicaid and further improving the quality, equity and access to care for Medicaid recipients, their families and communities. Arthur is a proven healthcare executive with a strong management track record and over 20 years of experience as a clinical epidemiologist, public health leader and hospital administrator. She is affectionately known as "Madam Medicaid" in social media and has a demonstrated commitment to the country's largest insurance program, Medicaid.



Adrienne Trimble

SYSCO

Vice President & Chief Diversity Culture Officer

In her role, Adrienne Trimble leads and helps accelerate Sysco Corp's global efforts to create a more diverse workforce and equitable and inclusive culture. Houston, Texas-based Sysco is a leading global food service distribution firm. A well-known and respected thought leader and diversity, equity and inclusion strategist, Trimble was most recently President and CEO of the National Minority Supplier Development Council, Inc.



Akobe Sandy

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Impact Investment Officer

Akobe Sandy joined the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) in 2021, bringing his extensive experience in investment management and socially responsible investment to his role as an Impact Investments Officer. His work bridges capital gaps for under-invested people and communities and employs impact capital to advance RWJF's longstanding history of championing solutions that further opportunities for equitable health and well-being.



Aletha Maybank, MD, MPH

AMA Affiliated Groups

Chief Health Equity Officer

Aletha Maybank, MD, MPH currently serves as the Chief Health Equity Officer and Senior Vice President for the American Medical Association (AMA) where she focuses on embedding health equity across all the work of the AMA and leading its Center for Health Equity. She joined the AMA in April 2019 as the association's inaugural chief health equity officer to launch AMA's Center for Health Equity. Prior to this, Dr. Maybank served as the Founding Deputy Commissioner for the Center for Health Equity at the NYC Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.



Alex Knight,

Cooley

Senior Vice President

Alex Knight serves as Senior Vice President of Business Development, leading Cooley's global DEI-driven business development efforts. Passionately committed to seeing a more diverse entrepreneur and venture capital ecosystem, Alex plays a vital role in elevating the Cooley platform to serve the unique challenges and opportunities of underrepresented minority founders, investors and executives. He is a "go-to" adviser and connector to Black, Latinx and other underrepresented founders of high-growth companies – assisting them with targeted introductions to venture capital, executive talent and other high-impact resources that accelerate company growth.



Amelia Williamson

Principal and Chief Strategist
AWA Consults

Amelia Williamson serves as the Senior Advisor to the President and CEO for LeadersUp. Her role is to advise on organizational strategy, development and the Board of Directors.



Anette Hosoi

MIT
Professor

Anette "Peko" Hosoi is the Neil and Jane Pappalardo Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Professor of Mathematics, and a core faculty member of the Institute for Data, Systems and Society. Peko joined the Department of Mechanical Engineering in 2002 as an assistant professor after receiving an AB in physics from Princeton University and an MA and PhD in physics from the University of Chicago. She has received numerous awards including the APS Stanley Corrsin Award, the Bose Award for Excellence in Teaching, and the Jacob P. Den Hartog Distinguished Educator Award.



Anthony Johnson

Edward Jones
Advisor

As an Edward Jones financial advisor, Anthony Johnson enjoys the opportunity to partner with individual investors building strategies that work toward specific goals we design together. Whether it's planning for retirement, saving for college or simply trying to protect the financial future of the ones that you care the most for, he take the time to identify each goal and develop the strategy to address it.



Aulston Taylor

St. Augustine High School
President & CEO

Aulston Taylor is a strategic, passionate and captivating servant leader. Aulston's journey is filled with calculated risk-taking opportunities that have spanned corporate and philanthropic ventures. As President and CEO of St. Augustine High in New Orleans, Aulston is responsible for ensuring that the school fulfills its mission of providing a quality, well-rounded education to 539 young men in the traditions of the Catholic Church. In his role, he leads seventy-eight faculty and staff members and manages an operating budget of 8.4 million.

**Baron Davis**

Baron Davis Enterprises
CEO

Entrepreneur, investor, and two-time NBA All-Star and record-holder, over a thirteen-year career, Baron Davis played for the Charlotte Hornets, the Golden State Warriors, the Los Angeles Clippers, the Cleveland Cavaliers, and the New York Knicks. Known for his electrifying style on the court, Davis was a powerful point guard, who won national acclaim for executing in crucial, high-pressure moments, when his team needed him the most. As a businessman, Baron was one of the original investors for Vitaminwater and helped launch Thrive Market.

**Bobbie Knight**

Miles College
President

Bobbie Knight is the 15th president and first female to head the historic Miles College in Birmingham, AL. Knight came out of retirement, after a 37 plus year career with Alabama Power, a subsidiary of Southern Company. Upon her retirement she was serving as Vice President of the Birmingham Division. Since taking on the top job at Miles, she has increased enrollment, established major corporate and community partnerships, increased fund-raising, all while leading through a pandemic.

**Brandon Andrews**

Inexorable
CEO

Brandon Andrews is co-founder of Gauge; an AI-driven mobile market research platform connecting brands to consumers and influencers to identify opportunities and avoid mistakes. As Senior Consultant at Values Partnerships he leads the company's work on technology and entrepreneurship, including leading a nationwide casting tour focused on bringing more diverse ideas and voices to ABC's, Shark Tank and building inclusive ecosystems. In 2021, he led casting for Bet on Black - a new business show on REVOLT highlighting Black entrepreneurs.

**Bridgid Coulter-Cheadle**

Blackbird House
Founder

Bridgid Coulter Cheadle is a serial entrepreneur and philanthropist. Principal of her eponymous interior design boutique firm with studios in California and Hawaii for exquisite residential and the creative office. Established fifteen years ago, each project is approached as an artistic venture whilst providing the management needed to produce exceptional results. A custom furniture and signature textile collection incorporates personal sketches and paintings, inspired by avid travel and perceptions of nature.

**Bryant McBride**

Burst
CEO

Since 2000, McBride has built seven start-ups all at the intersection of sports and technology. He is aiming to build and invest in opportunities driven by growing markets and technologies that solve problems and unlock value. I have experience in building teams that produce products for the web, mobile, social, the cloud and TV. Burst has also built companies with a focus on professional and college sports media , and the untapped opportunities in youth sports marketing.

**Chandler Malone**

Bootup
CEO

Chandler is a three time entrepreneur who is now building Bootup and investing in early stage companies through Underground Ventures. His journey began as a college student, building an events business that hosted shows for Billboard top 10 artists including the Chainsmokers before launching his first software company, The Moves, which he exited in 2019. Chandler has a passion for helping underrepresented entrepreneurs and using technology to improve quality of life. Chandler serves as an Investor in Residence at Washington University in St. Louis and a board member at Urban Coders Guild.

**Charisse Lillie**

Corporate Director & Queen of The Gathering

Charisse Lillie's consulting practice is focused on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion advising to law firms, corporations and nonprofits. She is a former Board member and Board Chair of The Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia. She also served as SVP of Human Resources of Comcast Cable and VP of HR of Comcast Corporation as well as former President of The Comcast Foundation and former VP of Community Investment of Comcast Corporation. Education: B.A., cum laude, Wesleyan University; J.D., Temple Beasley School of Law; LL.M., Yale Law School.

**Chipó Sachirarwe**

Living Cities
Chief Operating Officer

Chipó is Chief Operating Officer of Living Cities. She brings with her deep experience working in the private sector with large, Fortune 500 companies, small organizations including start-ups, and working with public officials to drive community level initiatives in Jersey City. Chipó served on the Jersey City Office of Diversity & Inclusion (ODI), which was created to ensure equality of economic opportunity for all Jersey City (JC) residents. When it seemed that the school system was not serving all the kids well, she worked as campaign treasurer to bring in a new Mayor and won a seat as a Ward rep to bring radical change to the School Board.

**Christopher Gray**

Scholly
CEO

At a young age, Gray understood that with grit and determination, he could accomplish great things not only for himself but also for others—a lesson he applies as founder and CEO of Scholly, which uses an app and website to make it easier for students to find scholarships. Chris won over \$1.3 million in scholarships, including scholarships from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation, and was able to study finance and entrepreneurship at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

D'Andre Phillips

Association of Black Cardiologists
Development Director

D'Andre A. Phillips is Principal at Phillips Consulting, LLC, a donor and investor advisory firm, Partner at Philanthropy Forward, a web marketplace for non-profit professionals and organizations, and Founder of BlackMen Journal, a mental wellness tool to inspire men to document their legacy through the practice of journaling. Additionally, D'Andre serves as a Venture Partner at Score3 Ventures a venture capital firm creating opportunities to amplify underrepresented founders, board members, limited partners, and fund managers.

**Dale Burnett**

BIG Equity Investors
Managing Director & Co-Founder

Burnett is a seasoned real estate investment professional with over 20 years of experience in acquisitions, restructuring, asset management and property operations in the U.S., Europe, Russia and Asia. Experience spans over \$14B of transactions across all property asset classes and includes oversight of deal structuring, complex underwritings, joint venture negotiations, property business planning and the management of brokers, legal counsel and other third parties.

**Danielle Goonan**

Rockefeller Foundation
Managing Director, Economic Policy

Danielle Goonan is the Managing Director of Economic Policy for The Rockefeller Foundation's U.S. Equity and Economic Opportunity Initiative where she oversees a team investing over \$85million in pro-worker tax and benefit policies. Most recently, Danielle was responsible for a philanthropic portfolio at Walmart that focused on issues of employment technology, place-based systems change and employer practice change, and served as an advisor to Walmart's human resources and policy teams.



Danielle Manning

WETA - TV26
Senior Director



Darlene Motley

Darlene Motley, Ph.D. co-founded the African American Directors Forum (AADF), an organization that seeks to increase African American representation in the board rooms and C-suites of publicly traded companies and enhance the executive talent pipeline.

Darlene is Professor Emeritus and former founding Dean of the School of Arts, Science & Business (SASB) at Chatham University in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Motley was responsible for overseeing 20 graduate programs, 40 undergraduate majors, 160 full and part-time faculty and an annual operating budget in excess of \$10 million.



Darlene L. Wilson

RAMFirm
Managing Principal

Darlene Wilson is a distinct representative of how Birmingham businesses operate given effective and efficient leadership of their organization. She is a member of the Inaugural Small Business Council for the City of Birmingham where she serves as the chair of the City Services Committee for a second term. She was appointed by Mayor Randall Woodfin to Birmingham Airport Authority Board of Directors in 2018 where she now serves as the Chair of the Board in 2021.



Darrah Joy

CPG Brand Partnerships
Account Director

Joy is an experienced Account Director with a demonstrated history of working in the internet industry. Skilled in Sales, Media Buying, Publicity, Social Media, and Digital Media. Strong marketing professional with a Bachelor of Arts (BA) focused in Communication from Queens University of Charlotte.



Darren Isom

Bridgespan

Darren Isom is a partner in The Bridgespan Group's San Francisco office. He first joined the firm as a consultant in 2007, left as a manager in 2014 and returned as a partner in 2019. During his earlier tenure with Bridgespan, Darren was engaged with a diverse array of cases and was consistently lauded for building deep, enduring client relationships, helping clients develop bold yet pragmatic strategies, and his commitment to amplifying community voice and engagement in developing and leading innovative, high-impact youth and community programs, practices, and philanthropy.

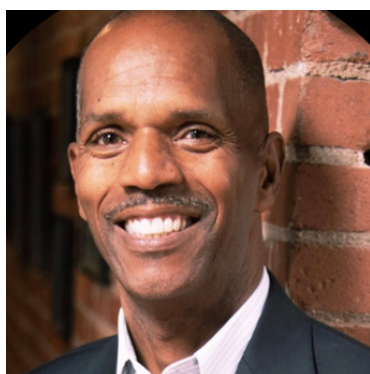


Davina L. Burnett

Shoreline

CEO

Westchester associate, Davina L. Burnett has dedicated her career and volunteer efforts around unraveling the non-essential operational conflicts with clients, students, and consultants in the profit and non-profit arenas to provide strategic performance management in the human resource environments. With more than 20 + years of experience in the field of HR, she serves as Founder and CEO of Shoreline HR, Inc., the first and only HR consulting boutique that serves at expanding the intellectual and social scope for all generations - no exceptions and no exclusions.



David Motley

Black Tech Nation Ventures

General Partner

David is a General Partner with BTN Ventures, a \$50M national venture fund. He serves on multiple public and private company boards and has extensive experience in company formation. David's operational experience includes VP, GM positions with Respiroics (acquired by Philips) and Covidien (acquired by Medtronic) followed by a Senior Managing Director role with Headwaters SC (acquired by EY). Among David's non-profit activities is the African American Directors Forum (www.aadfnational.org) that he co-founded in 2017 and which has become one of the more highly regarded national platforms for board-ready and board-proven African American executives.



Delman Coates

Mt. Ennon Baptist Church

Pastor

Dr. Coates has served as the Senior Pastor of Mt. Ennon Baptist Church in Clinton, MD since 2004. During this time, the congregation has grown to 9,000 members. Dr. Coates has initiated and revitalized ministries, expanded the church's ministry campus and land holdings, and incorporated the Mt. Ennon Development Corporation (MEDC). In October 2009, Outreach Magazine named Mt. Ennon as one of the 100 Fastest Growing Congregations in the U.S.



Demetric Duckett

Living Cities

Managing Director, Capital for the New Majority

Demetric Duckett is a thought-leader in the domestic impact investing field, accelerating the adoption of innovative financing for the benefit of BIPOC and low-income people and the communities in which they live. He joined Living Cities in July 2016 and has led various Living Cities programmatic priorities, including the Integration Initiative, Shared Prosperity Partnership (SP2), and the award-winning Catalyst family of funds.



Devon Henry

Team Henry Enterprises, LLC

President

Devon Henry is a seasoned entrepreneur, managing a portfolio of companies in construction and logistics. With over 20 years leading and building organizations, he is currently the CEO & President of Team Henry Enterprises, LLC, a nationally recognized contracting enterprise within the Mid Atlantic and Southeast territory based in Richmond, VA. Team Henry Enterprises has been featured in national publications such as Fortune, Bloomberg and Inc Magazine.



Edward Dugger, III

Reinventure Capital LP

President & CEO

Edward Dugger III is President of Reinventure Capital and is recognized as an impact investing pioneer. Throughout his career, he has been committed to providing investors with impact rich returns on investment by making a return on inclusion. Ed's VC career began at age 25 and accelerated at age 27 when he became CEO of one of the larger venture capital firms in the nation, backed and mentored by such board directors as the CEO of Morgan Stanley and the Chairman of the Executive Committee of JP Morgan.



Eric Kelly

Overland Tandberg,

Chair & CEO

Chairman and CEO of Overland Tandberg, OT Global Protection, OT Global Technologies, and Bridge 2 Technologies, a multifaceted global technology portfolio, serving over 100+ countries, Mr. Kelly has thirty-five years of experience in complex mergers and acquisitions, international corporate finance, business transformations, and leading the strategic visions of software, cloud, and platform technology companies.

**Erin Horne McKinney**

Howard University

Executive Director, PNC Center for Entrepreneurship

Passionate about financial inclusion, social impact, inclusive innovation, and equitable entrepreneurship, Erin Horne McKinney serves as the inaugural National Executive Director of the PNC National Center for Entrepreneurship at Howard University. The vision for the Center is to create a nationally recognized center for entrepreneurship education, research, resources, and advocacy for Black business owners across the country. The National Center will serve as a leader for Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCUs).

**Erika Brice**

Kresge Foundation

Investment Officer

Erika Brice is an Investment Officer with the Social Investment Practice at The Kresge Foundation. Erika partners with Kresge's national programs to source, structure, and close program-related investments and guarantees to advance Kresge's strategic objectives. In addition to investments Erika also works to advocate for and implement policies and structural changes that advance equity in American communities. She joined the foundation in 2021.

**Evelyn Polcari**

Kayne Anderson Real Estate

Director

Evelyn Polcari is a Director at KA Real Estate, a boutique private equity firm and the Director of Strategic Initiatives at the Headstrong Project, a nonprofit organization bringing free, world-class mental health care to veterans coping with the psychological wounds of war. In 2018, Ms. Polcari was recruited by KA Real Estate's CEO for her quiet leadership, and high regard as a trusted advisor to senior leaders and a passionate advocate for-the-people.

**Felecia Hatcher**

Black Ambition Opportunity Fund

CEO

Felecia Hatcher is on a mission to rid communities of innovation deserts by working with community leaders and government officials to create inclusive and diverse tech/startup ecosystems as the Co-Founder of Code Fever, Black Tech Week and Tribe Cowork and Urban Innovation Lab. Hatcher has raised over 3 million dollars to support Code Fever's work which sits at the intersection of economic development and inclusive innovation.

**Gayle Jennings-O'Byrne**

Wocstar Capital LLC
CEO

With over 30+ years of wall street, technology, philanthropy, and training, Gayle (pronounced: Gay-lä) Jennings-O'Byrne is CEO of Wocstar Capital, and co-founder of the Wocstar Fund, an early-stage investment fund that uses a female arbitrage strategy -- women of color tech entrepreneurs ("WOCstars"). Named "10 Women Changing the Landscape of Leadership" by the New York Times, March 2021, she also co-founded Ally Capital Collab, an initiative with women of color fund managers to address systemic capital raising challenges.

**Greg Gunn**

Lingo Ventures,
Founder

Greg Gunn is a leader in using technology, innovation, and venture capital investing to promote educational and economic opportunity. As co-founder of Lingo Ventures, he makes early-stage investments in education and workforce technologies. In 2000, Greg co-founded Wireless Generation (now called Amplify), a leading educational software company serving millions of students annually with groundbreaking assessment and instruction products.

**Gregory Johnson**

The Rockefeller Foundation,
Managing Director, Equity & Economic Opportunity

Gregory Johnson is the Managing Director of U.S. Equity and Economic Opportunity Initiative at The Rockefeller Foundation. Gregory's career began as a community organizer and lawyer. He worked for the Campaign for Youth Justice in Washington, D.C., before transitioning to liaison between the U.S. Departments of Justice and Education in support of youth programs during the Obama Administration.

**Hassan Smith**

Senior Advisor to John Legend

Hassan K. Smith has served as a critical member of John Legend's Management Team for well over a decade. He began his professional journey with John by providing security services to the Grammy and Oscar winning artist, assuming more responsibilities and myriad roles over time until arriving at his current position as Senior Advisor. Prior to joining Legend's team, he was a young entrepreneur who founded Elite Personal Protection, a private security company which he later sold, but not before developing a passion for business and strategic investment.

**Hassan Hassan**

4.0
CEO

Hassan serves as the CEO of 4.0, a national venture philanthropy that connects, coaches, and invests in 100+ leaders every year to pilot their visions for promising learning models. His journey would not have been possible without the sacrifices of courageous people who worked intentionally to remove barriers and create opportunities for him and many more to thrive. Hassan is a Pahara and Education Pioneer alumnus.

**Haywood Perry**

Mark Cuban Companies
Investor

Haywood Perry, also known as Bridge Builder, Dot Connector, and Ecosystem Creator with a penchant for guiding investments to innovative ideas, diverse people, and resilient communities. Haywood is a fifth generation Washingtonian, Brother of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Graduate of University of Pennsylvania and Yale Divinity School. He is currently investing on behalf of Mark Cuban.

**Houston Smith, III**

Alabama Power
Vice President of Governmental Affairs

Houston Smith serves as Vice President of Governmental Affairs, where he is responsible for all aspects of governmental affairs at the state level. He previously served as director of Corporate Affairs, where he was responsible for working with the Alabama federal delegation, as well as industry and trade groups to address issues affecting Alabama Power customers.

**Isa Ellis**

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Senior Program Officer

Isa Ellis is a Senior Program Officer at the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation focused on increasing access to education and employment pathways that lead to economic opportunity and mobility for learners who have been historically and systemically marginalized. Prior to joining the Gates Foundation, Isa was national Vice President at the Boys & Girls Club of America, launching the organization's first national postsecondary and workforce development strategy to increase access to high quality college & career readiness for Club youth.

**Ivy Taylor**

Rust College
President

Dr. Ivy Taylor is the former Mayor of San Antonio, Texas. She received her academic degrees from Yale University, the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and the University of Pennsylvania. Her dissertation focused on leadership at Historically Black Colleges. Most importantly, she is a brilliant , and thoughtful collaborator, innovator, and leader. She became the President of Rust College in Holly Springs, Mississippi, on June 1, 2020.

**Dr. JaNay Queen Nazaire**

PSG Equity
Senior Advisor

Dr. JaNay Queen Nazaire is building a world where every person has the right to a healthy, abundant and connected life. A facilitator, advisor, investor and researcher, she is actively working to dismantle oppressive systems and restructure power and resources to enable an authentic multiracial democracy for future generations.

**Jasmine Crowe**

Goodr
CEO

Jasmine Crowe is an award-winning social entrepreneur, children's book author, TED Speaker, and determined leader working to make the world a better place one cause at a time. In 2017, after years of feeding people experiencing homelessness from her own kitchen, Jasmine launched Goodr, a sustainable waste management company that leverages technology to combat hunger and reduce food waste. She has been featured on CNBC, Oprah Magazine, Forbes, Fast Co., New York Times, and named by Entrepreneur Magazine as one of the top 100 influential female founders.

**Janice Hale-Harris**

CultureBanx
Co-Founder

A senior organizational development, learning, leadership strategies, and change management leader with over 30 years of experience, Janice Hale-Harris is a seasoned speaker, coach, and facilitator with vast experience helping teams achieve the best in human capital. Beyond her extensive Organizational Development, Learning & Development, and coaching experience, Janice possesses sales, marketing, and general management expertise as a result of her experience as Manager of Microsoft Corporation's retail market segment.

**Jason Wright**

Washington Commanders,
President

As President of the Washington Commanders, Jason Wright is responsible for leading the organization's business divisions, including operations, finance, sales, and marketing. He is the first Black team President in the history of the NFL and currently is the youngest team President in the League. He is the fourth former NFL player to become President of a team. Prior to joining the Washington Commanders, Jason was a partner in McKinsey & Company's Washington DC office.

**Jeffrey Wallace**

LeadersUp
President & CEO

Named one of Fast Company's 100 Most Creative People, Jeffery Wallace is a social impact entrepreneur, engineering solutions to the social, economic, and racial disparities impacting America's most vulnerable workers - young adults of color. As President and CEO of LeadersUp, Jeffery leads a movement to evolve Corporate America's approach to at-risk talent and create an inclusive economic recovery post-COVID-19. Under his leadership, LeadersUp has impacted over 60,000 young adults for an estimated total economic impact of \$956M.

**Jennifer Risher**

#HalfMyDAF
Co-Founder

Jennifer Risher is an author, speaker, philanthropist and investor. Her book, "We Need to Talk: A Memoir About Wealth" explores the impact of wealth on identity, relationships, and sense of place in the world. Over the last two years, she has moved \$20 million through the #HalfMyDAF challenge she co-founded with her husband, has been investing with Black and brown women fund managers, is working with Seed Commons and Possibility Labs to help close the racial wealth gap, and is an advocate for conversation, relationship, and action.

**Jim Casselberry**

Known/4S Bay
CEO/CIO

Jim is the Chief Investment Officer at 4S Bay Partners, LLC, a single family asset management firm, with his primary focus being on market, impact and mission related investing. He also serves on several boards, including the Julian Grace Foundation (and serves on its investment committee) and the Arc Chicago, LLC, the appointed board of Benefit Chicago, a collaboration between The Chicago Community Trust, the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation, and Calvert Foundation. Jim is also the board chair of Los Angeles Cleantech Incubator (LACI).

**Joe Scantlebury**

Living Cities
President/CEO

Joe Scantlebury is the President and CEO of Living Cities, a collaborative of 19 of the world's leading foundations and financial institutions who work together to close racial income and wealth gaps in American cities. Prior to joining Living Cities, Joe Scantlebury served as Vice President for program strategy (places) at the W.K. Kellogg Foundation in Battle Creek, Michigan. He led, designed and implemented strategic programming efforts to improve the lives of vulnerable children and families in the W.K. Kellogg Foundation priority places.

**John Lewis**

The Harbor Bank
President

Prior to working at Harbor, Mr. Lewis founded a financial technology company affiliated with the Emerging Technology Center incubator in Baltimore and a consultancy to Community Development Corporations. He previously held leadership roles in the Global Wealth and Investment Management Division of Merrill Lynch & Co. Inc. As a Director in the Chief Operating Officer Group, he supported global activities with \$2.2 trillion in assets under management.

**John Pierre**

Southern University Law Center
Chancellor

John K. Pierre has been the Chancellor at the Southern University Law Center (SULC) since 2015. SULC is one of six ABA Accredited law schools at an HBCU and one of five higher education institutions that comprise the Southern University System, the only HBCU higher education system in the United States. Pierre has been a legal educator for 32 years and helped SULC achieve unprecedented growth.

**Joy Bentley Phillips**

Academy of Hope
Chief Advancement Officer

Joy Bentley Phillips is a fundraising executive, entrepreneur, and change agent focused on closing the wealth gap in black and brown communities. She has inspired individuals and institutions to invest more than \$15 million in charitable causes in education, medicine, and higher education. She currently serves as Chief Advancement Officer at Academy of Hope- a workforce development and adult education school for adult learners seeking viable pathways toward economic mobility. Joy is also the co-founder of Philanthropy Forward, a marketplace that helps connect non-profit organizations with expert diverse non-profit executive leaders, professionals, and independent contractors.



Kelly Burton

Black Innovation Alliance
CEO

Kelly Burton is a political scientist, serial entrepreneur and change agent who leads with passion, purpose, and vision. She is the CEO of Black Innovation Alliance, a national coalition made up of 65 Black led-organizations which support greater than 300K innovators of color across the country.

She is also the Founder of Nexus Research Group, a social impact firm that works with foundations and large-scale nonprofits to help them catalyze change in local communities and Founders of Color (FOC), a digital platform committed to helping minority entrepreneurs grow and scale their businesses.



Kenya Handy-Hilliard

McDonald Corporation
U.S. Government Relations Manager

Kenya Handy-Hilliard started her 15-year career in government and politics working as a Legislative Aide on Capitol Hill in DC for her local Congresswoman from Brooklyn. She then worked as the Brooklyn Director for Community Affairs for the NYC Comptroller's Office; then the Brooklyn, Queens and Staten Island Director for Intergovernmental Affairs for the NYS Attorney General's Office and the Intergovernmental Affairs Director for the NYC Department of Investigation.

She is now a Manager on the McDonald's U.S. Government Relations team - representing New York, New Jersey, Connecticut and Pennsylvania.



Kerry Bowie

Msaada Partners
Managing Partner

Kerry Bowie is the Managing Partner of Msaada Partners and President and Executive Director of the Majira Project. Msaada is Swahili for "service", and the strategy firm empowers social impact through consulting, coaching, and connecting. Majira is Swahili for "summer", so in a nod to the growing season, the nonprofit accelerator program helps small to medium enterprises and startups grow.



Kerry-Ann Hamilton

KAH Consulting Group
Investor/Social Impact Communicator

Kerry-Ann Hamilton is a purpose-driven communications consultant with deep expertise in crisis management, media relations, brand stewardship and stakeholder engagement. As founder and CEO of KAH Consulting Group - Storytelling for Good. KAH partners with local and global change makers to effectively frame their issue mobilize action and amplify impact.

**Kim Davis**

National Hockey League
Senior Executive Vice President

Kimberly Davis is a trailblazer and change agent, positively disrupting the financial industry and wide world of sports over her illustrious 30+ year career. Well-regarded as a resilient and visionary leader, Davis brings change to life through sound strategic planning and strong organizational development. She is an inspirational storyteller, an architect of coalitions and a culture builder, with a style that empowers others and a belief that successful business contributes to healthy, vibrant communities.

**Kimberly Bryant**

Black Girls Code/Ascend Ventures
Founder/CEO

Kimberly Bryant is the founder of revolutionary nonprofit Black Girls CODE. ASCEND builds upon her trailblazing work by launching innovative programs in Web3 and sustainable entrepreneurship, leadership development, and funding overlooked founders.

**Kimberly Marshall**

Investor

Kimberly Marshall is an investor, advisor and Goldman Sachs' Launch With GS. She works in funding, building and advising high growth companies, products and teams that will change the world, with particular interest in transportation & logistics, future of work, fintech, healthcare and narrowing investing gaps.

**Kofi Appenteng**

AAI
President

Kofi Appenteng is the President and CEO of the Africa-America Institute, a 63 year old organization with a mission of promoting enlightened engagement between Africa and America through education, training and dialogue. With more than 15,000 African alumni from more than 50 African countries, AAI has tremendous reach and is a trusted brand. He has 30 years of domestic and international experience as a corporate lawyer, investment banker and board director. Appenteng is currently the Chair of the Board of the Ford Foundation, a \$12 billion global grant making foundation headquartered in New York City with 10 offices throughout Latin America, Asia and Africa

**Kori Hale**

Culturebanx
CEO & Co-Founder

Kori Hale is the CEO and Co-Founder of CultureBanx, a digital news platform redefining business and tech news for minorities through music. Her online platform delivers high quality content focused on market-driven stories, innovative products and services that culture leads the way in transforming. Prior to starting CultureBanx, Kori was part of the launch team for digital media millennial news company Cheddar. She has the distinct privilege of being the first black woman to anchor a daily news show from the floor of the New York Stock Exchange. Kori is also a leading Forbes contributor, covering the intersection of business and culture.

**Krista Toussant**

Known Holdings

**Lamell McMorris**

Edward Jones
Head of Policy, Regulatory &
Government Relations

Edward Jones Principal Lamell McMorris leads the Regulatory and Government Relations practice as Head of Policy. His team implements an enterprisewide policy capability, through which the firm can develop and drive an affirmative, intentional policy strategy, designed to proactively surface a wide range of policy and legislative issues. He joined the firm in 2021. Prior to Edward Jones, Lamell served as CEO and founder of Washington, D.C.-based consulting firm, Phase 2 Consulting. It is one of D.C.'s top strategic advisory firms, providing expertise for government affairs, corporate social responsibility planning, and public policy advice.

**Lata Reddy**

Prudential Financial, Inc.
Senior Vice President Inclusive Solutions and Chair, The Prudential Foundation.

In these roles, Reddy harnesses the power of capital markets to drive financial and social mobility. By combining diversity strategies, impact investments, philanthropy, corporate contributions, and employee engagement, she helps position Prudential to promote inclusive economic opportunity and sustainable growth. Under Reddy's leadership, Prudential became one of the first institutional investors to grow and manage an impact investing portfolio with \$1 billion in assets under management.



Latanya Mapp Frett

Global Fund For Women
CEO & President

Latanya Mapp Frett is President and CEO of Global Fund for Women and serves on the Board of Directors for Global Fund for Women and Global Fund for Women UK. As a feminist fund, Global Fund for Women offers flexible support to a diverse group of partners – more than 5,000 groups across 175 countries so far – to create meaningful change that will last beyond our lifetimes. An attorney by training, she began her career at the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund in Washington, DC.



Laurin Leonard

R3 Score Technologies
President

Laurin Leonard is the President and CEO of R3 Score Technologies, Inc., an alternative background check and credit score built to better assess people living with records or less than prime credit scores. R3 Score is the second startup that Leonard has co-founded with Teresa Hodge, her mother. Hodge and Leonard co-created Mission: Launch Inc, a nonprofit focused on inclusive entrepreneurship and pathways to ensure families become economically stable after coming in contact with the U.S. legal system.



Leicester Johnson

Academy of Hope
CEO

Leicester Johnson is the Chief Executive Officer of Academy of Hope Adult Public Charter School. Ms. Johnson joined Academy of Hope in 2006. Under her leadership, the organization has grown to two locations with education centers located in Ward 5 and Ward 8. Academy of Hope has also more than doubled the number of individuals graduating with a high school credential, won adult public charter school status and has increased its revenue from \$650,000 in 2006 to now over \$8 million.



Lereca Monik

4.0
Chief of External Affairs

Lereca Monik has worked in various fund development and community relations roles where she provides leadership, strategic planning, and oversight of relationships to secure philanthropic support for many not for profits. After earning both her bachelor's and master's degrees at Texas Southern University, Lereca began a successful decade long career in fund development- securing more than \$100 million in revenue and counting.



Linda Y. Jackson

Huston-Tillotson University
Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Linda Y. Jackson currently serves as Huston-Tillotson University's Vice President for Institutional Advancement. She has a 23-year career with Huston-Tillotson, also serving as the Senior Development Officer, Director of the Center for Civic Engagement and Community Outreach, and Director of University Relations. She is responsible for advancing the overall mission of the University through collaborative, transformational initiatives.



Lisette Nieves

The Fund for the City of New York
President

Lisette Nieves is the President of the Fund for the City of New York (FCNY), an institution charged with developing and helping to implement innovations in policy, programs, practices and technology in order to advance the functioning of government and nonprofit organizations in New York City and beyond.



Lydiah Bosire

8b Education Investments, Inc.
Chief Financial Officer

Dr. Lydiah Kemunto Bosire is the founder and CEO of 8B Education Investments, a fintech enabling African brilliance to have a global impact. 8B is the first education financing marketplace for African students going to study abroad. It connects African students with information on global colleges and universities, the financing options they need to enroll, and the career support they need to succeed, thereby providing colleges and employers access to the world's fastest-growing talent pool. The mission of 8B is enabling African brilliance to have a global impact.



Mattie McFadden Lawson

The MML Group
Founder & President

Mattie McFadden Lawson's work focuses on strategic planning and social impact in the areas of arts and culture, education, politics, and women's leadership. Member of several boards, including Co-Chair of the Los Angeles Regional Council/The Smithsonian Institution, Finance Steering Committee/The National Museum of African American History & Culture, The Dean's Council & The Weiner Center for Social Policy/Harvard Kennedy School, & The Grammy Foundation.



Mayor Sheldon Neeley

City of Flint
Mayor

Sheldon Neeley is a lifelong resident of Flint. He is a father, small business owner, and a man of God with an enduring commitment to serving his neighbors and his community. His commitment to public service started in 2002 when he joined the Flint Civil Service Commission, a board that investigates claims of wrongdoing at City Hall. In 2005, he was elected to the City Council, the first African-American councilperson elected from the 6th Ward, a racially diverse area serving Flint's central west side.



Megan Holston-Alexander

Cultural Leadership Fund Andreessen Horowitz
Partner

Megan Holston-Alexander is a partner at Andreessen Horowitz where she leads the firm's Cultural Leadership Fund (CLF). CLF connects the world's greatest cultural leaders to the best new technology companies and engages, empowers and elevates Black builders and creators on their journey towards excellence in the technology industry.



Mekaelia Davis

Surdna Foundation
Director of Inclusive Economies Fund

After joining the Inclusive Economies Program in 2018, Mekaelia brought vital expertise to her role as Director and advanced the team's refreshed grantmaking strategy to foster the creation of an inclusive and equitable economy in which people of color can maximize their potential as leaders, creators, and innovators across sectors. Mekaelia Davis has nearly fifteen years of experience in planning, strategy and management for a number of national social impact organizations.



Melissa Bradley

1863 Ventures
Founder & General Partner

Melissa L. Bradley is Founder of 1863 Ventures, a business development program that accelerates New Majority entrepreneurs from high potential to high growth. In this role she created a community of over 10,000 New Majority entrepreneurs in three years. Melissa serves as General Partner of 1863 Venture Fund, Venture Partner at NextGen Ventures and serves as an advisor to Reign Ventures, New Voices Foundation, as well as the Halcyon Fund.



Ambassador Michael Lawson (Ret)

The MML Group

President & CEO of the Los Angeles Urban League, who served as a U.S. Ambassador in the Obama administration after three decades as a leading international attorney. Ambassador Lawson has also served on the Boards of Trustees of Morehouse College, Loyola Marymount University, and the Constitutional Rights Foundation.



Michael Blake

Atlas Strategy Group

CEO

Michael Blake is the Founder & CEO of Atlas Strategy Group, Inc. which focuses on Bringing Equity & Justice to Scale for Entrepreneurs of Color and allies who are committed to Conscious Capitalism and Social Justice.

Michael is also the President of Next Level Sports and Entertainment - the only Black owned national TV Sports network in our country's history. It is viewed in 21 million U.S. households and more than 102 million global households.



Michael Smith

AmeriCorps

CEO

Michael D. Smith is the eighth CEO of AmeriCorps, the federal agency for service and volunteerism formerly known as the Corporation for National and Community Service. Smith was nominated by President Biden in June 2021; confirmed by the U.S. Senate in December 2021; and officially started in January 2022. Most recently, he served as Executive Director of the My Brother's Keeper Alliance and director of Youth Opportunity Programs at the Obama Foundation.

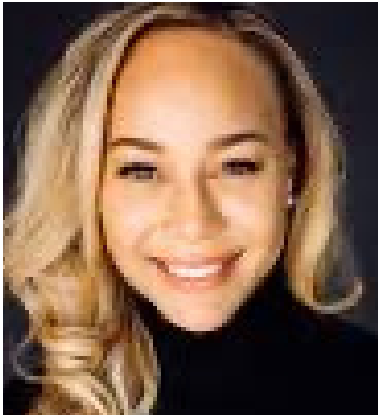


Monica Poulard-Hawkins

Professional Pipeline Development Group

Founder & CEO

Monica Poulard Hawkins is the Founder & CEO of Professional Pipeline Development Group (PPDG), a management consulting firm that houses world-class thought leaders & creators. In serving its client base of Fortune & Global 1000 Corporations and emerging businesses we help business leaders reimagine their organization for the future and build capacity for growth in new ways. A sample list of clients includes the NFL, AARP, Johns Hopkins University & Medical, Johnson & Johnson, Georgetown University, Verizon, Diageo, Mars Chocolate North America, United HealthGroup, The Executive Leadership Council - Designing and Facilitating the Annual CEO Summit.



Morgan DeBaun

Blavity
CEO/Founder

Morgan DeBaun is a serial entrepreneur and corporate advisor. As the Founder & CEO of Blavity Inc., the leading digital media company for Black culture and millennials, Morgan has grown the company into a market leader for Black media, reaching over 100 million readers per month through a growing brand portfolio which includes: Blavity News, 21Ninety, AfroTech, Travel Noire, Shadow & Act, BlavityU and Blavity TV.



Munther Dahleh

MIT
Director of Institute For Data, Systems & Society

Munther A. Dahleh received his Ph.D. degree from Rice University, Houston, TX, in 1987 in Electrical and Computer Engineering. Since then, he has been with the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science (EECS), MIT, Cambridge, MA, where he is now the William A. Coolidge Professor of EECS. He is also a faculty affiliate of the Sloan School of Management. He is the Founding Director of the MIT Institute for Data, Systems, and Society (IDSS).



Natalie Molina-Nino

Known Holdings
CEO

Nathalie Molina Niño is a Co-Founder and Chief Strategy Officer at Known Holdings. She is an investor (Builder Capitalist), author (Leapfrog, Penguin Random House), educator and retired global tech entrepreneur..



Natosha Rice

Habitat for Humanity
Global Diversity Officer

Natosha Rice serves as the Vice President of Global Diversity, Equity and Inclusion for Habitat for Humanity International. Previously, as an Associate General Counsel for Real Estate and Finance for the organization, she managed financing programs and strategies to generate sources of capital that enabled Habitat affiliates to provide decent, affordable housing to families throughout the country. She is a frequent speaker and facilitator for community organizations, churches, colleges and corporate events on topics such as the intersection of faith and justice, race and gender justice, leadership development and community empowerment.

**Nick Jean-Baptiste**

Jacmel Growth Partners
Founder

Nick Jean-Baptiste is Managing Partner of Jacmel Growth Partners. Nick developed the firm's differentiated approach after 15+ years of Wall Street and private equity experience. Founded in 2015, Jacmel is a diverse owned private investment firm targeting family-operated, lower middle market companies, with a focus on combining traditional private equity best practices with low-cost, high-impact strategies that promote growth while also benefiting employees and their communities.

**Nicole Butler**

Prudential Financial Inc.
Vice President of Inclusive Solutions

Significant accomplishments creating corporate development and social responsibility programs and then training, coaching and mentoring executives on how to lead and manage them to successful conclusion. Utilizing educational expertise and leadership skills, designed and implemented management training programs that ensured successful fund development, performance improvement and organizational excellence. Be it through strategy development, change management, board management or relationship building, can deliver results.

**Ollie Howie**

New Community Transformation Fund
Managing Director

Originally from Roanoke, VA, Ollie Howie is Managing Director of the New Community Transformation Fund, a venture capital fund that plans to invest in businesses owned by people of color sees an opportunity to pioneer an initiative for greater economic diversity in West Michigan. The fund will invest in second-stage minority-owned companies in advanced manufacturing, food and agribusiness, e-commerce and information technology, life sciences, and finance technology.

**Patrice Green**

Surdna Foundation
Interim Program Director Inclusive Economies

Patrice R. Green (pronouns she/her) serves as Interim Director of the Inclusive Economies Program overseeing a \$9.2 million grantmaking portfolio seeking to advance the Foundation's social justice mission. Patrice oversees much of the portfolio work on supporting the ecosystem for high-growth entrepreneurs of color and works closely with the Impact Investing program to build a pipeline between grantmaking and investing. Patrice's work aims to actualize racial equity through grantmaking through wealth creation, systems accountability, and democratic participation for communities of color across the nation.



Philip Gaskin

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation
Vice President Entrepreneurship

Philip Gaskin is vice president of Entrepreneurship for the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, where he is responsible for leading the Kauffman Foundation's efforts to build an economy that works for all people by making entrepreneurship an integral component of economic development policies, practices, and programs.



Pier Blake

Jack and Jill Foundation
Executive Director

Pier Blake is the Executive Director for national philanthropic organization. It is the oldest African American philanthropic organization serving African American children and families.

Portia Fields

Prudential Financial Inc.
Vice President Business,



Rakim Brooks

Alliance For Justice
President

Rakim H. D. Brooks is the President of Alliance for Justice and a public interest appellate lawyer. He is committed to a judiciary that reflects America's diversity and the Constitution's promise of a more perfect union.

Brooks garnered an outstanding reputation as an innovative strategist, policy thinker, and legal advocate in his previous role as Campaign Manager for the ACLU's Systemic Equality Campaign. Prior to his work at the ACLU, Brooks was an Associate Attorney at Shaman Godfrey.



Rashad Moore
Score 3 Ventures
Founder

Angel Investor



Rochelle Stewart
Silicon Valley Bank
Director, New Strategy Channels

Rochelle Stewart currently leads the New & Strategic Channels team at Silicon Valley Bank where she is focused on go-to-market and partnerships with strategic markets and client segments. Rochelle and her team work with partners across the ecosystem (emerging managers, angel investors, accelerators) to host community events, deliver relevant content and programming, and unlock valuable resources that can reduce barriers to accessing capital, knowledge, and networks for founders and investors at all stages of their journey.



Roderick Miller
Ascendant Global
CEO

Roderick Miller has emerged as one of the nation's foremost economic development leaders respected globally for his ability to maneuver in complex political and business environments, and craft strategies and structure deals to provide long-term value to communities and investors. Miller is the CEO of Ascendant Global, a boutique economic development firm focused on providing bold growth solutions to help economies sustain themselves and gain jobs and private investment.



Roshawnna Novellus
EnrichHER
Founder

Dr. Roshawnna Novellus is the Founder and CEO of EnrichHER, a proven and trusted FinTech lending platform that makes it easy for retail and institutional funders to deploy capital to pre-qualified revenue-generating businesses led by women and people of color. A nationally recognized financial inclusion advocate and champion of mindfulness, Dr. Novellus is dedicated to deploying working capital to women and people of color to help them grow their businesses.

**Roslynn Artis**

Benedict College President

In June, 2017, Dr. Artis was unanimously elected the 14th President of Benedict College. She is the first-woman President in the 147-year history of the college. Previously, she served as the 13th and first woman President of sister-HBCU, Florida Memorial University. Intentional, professional and thoroughly committed to the proliferation and transformation of colleges and universities that serve underrepresented men and women of color, Dr. Artis brings to Benedict College a depth of knowledge in higher education and enthusiasm for students' success that is unmatched in higher education today.

**Salene Hitchcock-Gear**

Prudential Financial Inc.
President, Individual Life Insurance

Salene Hitchcock-Gear is president of Prudential Individual Life Insurance. Prudential Individual Life Insurance is a business unit of Prudential that offers competitive solutions to meet the needs of consumers through the manufacturing and distribution of a diverse portfolio of life insurance products.

**Sean Mickens**

Comcast NBC Universal
Vice President External Affairs

Sean Mickens is an Associate Vice President of External Affairs at Comcast. In this role, he leads Comcast's government affairs and public policy team's external engagement with civil rights and consumer interest organizations on digital equity and inclusion, broadband, technology, and telecommunications policies. Mr. Mickens has been a contributing author of several research reports focusing on the intersection of technology policy, African Americans, and other historically marginalized communities.

**Shané Harris**

Prudential Financial Inc.
President of the Prudential Foundation

Shané Harris leads Social Responsibility and Partnerships at Prudential and is President of The Prudential Foundation. Her responsibilities include leading the company's philanthropic strategy, overseeing the distribution of over \$62 million in grants and charitable contributions, and managing Prudential's skills-based volunteering and multicultural partnership programs. She is also a member of the senior leadership team for Inclusive Solutions, a Prudential business function that harnesses the power of capital markets to drive financial and social mobility, inclusive economic opportunity and sustainable growth.

**Shane Scott**

Macedonia Baptist Church
Senior Pastor

With a passion for spreading God's word, Reverend Shane B. Scott has served as the senior pastor of the historic Macedonia Baptist Church located in the Watts Community of Los Angeles, California for eleven years. He is credited with turning around a declining church and dramatically increased the size and participation of that congregation. Recognized for his vision and spiritual teachings, he was also the Pastor responsible for revitalizing and delivering the phenomenal growth of the Baptist Church congregation in Fresno California that he led for five years.

Sharon Benson

Sharon Benson
Owner

Sharon Benson is an independent philanthropy advisor with more than 30 years of experience working for educational and social service nonprofits. Sharon helps families and grantors move resources sooner rather than later to under-resourced communities. She coaches families to use money to level playing fields and create opportunities; facilitates philanthropy discussions using a social justice lens and framed within purpose, outcome, and process; and learns from diverse thinkers. Sharon is certified in philanthropy advising by 21/64, a leader in multi-generational philanthropic advising and training.

**Sharon Jarrett**

Professional Pipeline Development Group LLC

Experiential Marketing Strategist & Game Changing Conference Producer | Helping Companies & Organizations Deliver Brand Experiences (Live, Virtual & Hybrid) by engaging consumers in a way that leaves them with a positive impression and builds relationships that impact the bottom line.

**Shawn Escoffery**

Roy and Patricia Disney Foundation
Executive Director

Shawn Escoffery is the Executive Director of the Roy and Patricia Disney Family Foundation, where he leads a team committed to social justice and addressing the historical inequities that plague many lower-income communities. Since joining the Foundation 2018, Shawn has led the organization through a strategy revisioning process, created a fellowship for someone who was system impacted, and launched an Impact Investing portfolio with a 10% carve-out of the endowment.

**Sixto Cancel**

Think of Us
CEO

Sixto Cancel is the Founder and CEO of Think of Us. TOU is an Action Tank driving systematic change in child welfare. He was named as Forbes Top 30 Under 30 Social Entrepreneurs and is on the 2021 Forbes Under30 Lister Board. He has been recognized by the White House as a "Champion of Change," and a "Millennial Maker" by BET, and named "Top 24 Changemakers in Government under 24" by the Campaign for Presidential Youth Council. Sixto and his team are working to ensure that every person has the conditions they need to heal, develop and thrive.

**Stephanie VanPutten**

Visible Figures
President

Stephanie VanPutten, Fortune 40 Under 40 and former downhill ski racer, is the founder & CEO of Blendoor: SF-based, venture-backed, diversity scoring app. Her work has been featured in The Atlantic, MIT Tech Review, NY Times, Fortune, Forbes, and Bloomberg to name a few. Stephanie's career spans 19 years in the tech industry: two software startups, Microsoft, Lockheed, Deloitte, and TripAdvisor. She is vice chair of the Fair Pay Workplace and EIR at venture fund The Equity Alliance. As one of less than 100 Black women in the world to ever raise over \$2M in venture capital, Stephanie founded Visible Figures: the largest network of venture-backed Black women in the world.

Sybil Bost

Prudential
Senior Manager, Inclusive
Solutions

**Talib Graves-Mann**

Partners in Equity Managing Partner

Talib Graves-Manns, Co-Founder/Managing Partner, Partners in Equity (Private Equity Commercial Real Estate Investment Firm). Since 2015, Mr. Graves-Manns has served as Google Entrepreneur-in-Residence (2015-2017) and founded a CDFI-backed HBCU Entrepreneurship Center, Knox Street Studies and Black Wall Street Homecoming. Mr. Graves-Manns' day-to-day responsibilities across his interests are varied and cross-functional, mostly centering on business strategy and driving growth.



Tammy Dowley-Blackman

Blackman Group LLC
CEO

Tammy Dowley-Blackman, a graduate of Oberlin College and Harvard University is an author, entrepreneur, leadership expert, nonprofit executive, philanthropic leader and professor. She is the CEO of Tammy Dowley-Blackman Group, LLC, a certified National Supplier Development Council Minority Business Enterprise (MBE), Small Business Administration (SBA) Woman Owned Small Business (WOSB), and Women's Business Enterprise Network Council (WBENC) woman-owned company, as well as a graduate of the Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Program.



Tara Jaye Frank

TJFCM
Author of the Waymakers

Tara Jaye is, at her core, an advisor. She helps organizations solve culture-based and leadership problems through strategic thinking, creativity, and collaboration. She brings clarity to chaos and life to stagnant situations and professional environments. When leaders understand where they're going, what's expected, why it matters, and how they can get there, everything changes for the better.



Ted Archer

JP Morgan Chase & Co.
Head of Business Partner Diversity

Ted is a business, philanthropy and economic development leader with extensive experience in impact-focused executive roles in the corporate, government, and nonprofit sectors. Solving complex problems, crafting innovative solutions, and forging lasting strategic partnerships with diverse stakeholders is his professional nourishment.



Teresa Younger

Ms. Foundation for Women
President and CEO

Teresa C. Younger is an activist, advocate, renowned public-speaker, organizational strategist, and a proven leader in the philanthropic and policy sectors. Having spent over 20 years on the frontlines of some of the most critical battles for comprehensive equity and the elimination of institutionalized oppression, she now serves as the President and CEO of the Ms. Foundation for Women.

**Thaddeus Fair**

Living Cities

Assistant Director, Fund Manager

Thaddeus currently serves as Assistant Director, Fund Manager for the Living Cities Blended Catalyst Fund. He joined Living Cities in 2019 and leads the investment origination and fund management efforts for impact investments through its Catalyst Family of Funds.

**Thema Bryant**

President Elect American Psychological Association

Author "Homecoming"

Dr. Thema Bryant is the president-elect of the American Psychological Association, the leading scientific and professional organization representing psychology with more than 120,000 members.. Dr. Thema Bryant completed her doctorate in Clinical Psychology at Duke University and her post-doctoral training at Harvard Medical Center's Victims of Violence Program. Upon graduating, she became the Coordinator of the Princeton University SHARE Program, which provides intervention and prevention programming to combat sexual assault, sexual harassment, and harassment based on sexual orientation.

**Tovah McCord**

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Executive Director NICI

Tovah McCord is social Impact Director with diverse experience across public and private sectors in philanthropy, nonprofit leadership, strategic partnerships and marketing strategy. She tracks record of success in grant portfolio management, program development, community engagement, public education and cross-functional team management.

Tracey Dumas Clark

4.0

Chief Program Officer

Tracey (she/her/hers) is a curriculum and instructional specialist, professional developer, researcher, author, teacherpreneur, and most importantly a mother who is determined to leave the planet in better shape than she found it. She is 4.0's Chief Program Officer. In this role she sets the vision, develops strategy, and manages Alumni designed curriculum. For the last 20+ years, Tracey has served in education as a proficient practitioner of both pedagogy and andragogy.

**Tracy Dennis**

JP Morgan Chase & Co.

VP Business Development Global Supplier Diversity

Tracy has spent over 15 years building career expertise as a social impact strategist and business development professional working at the intersection of business and social innovation. As a VP Business Development Manager for Global Supplier Diversity and JPMorgan Chase Tracy helps advance the firm's Racial Equity commitment by increasing the diversity pipeline within the JPMorgan Chase supply chain.

**Ty Moore**

Baron Davis Enterprise

**Vaughn Fauria**

New Corp, Inc.

CEO & President

Vaughn Randolph Fauria is the President & CEO of NewCorp, Inc., a 501 c3 Community Development Financial Institution (CDFI) and Community Housing Development Organization (CHDO). NewCorp's mission is to enhance the quality of life and create wealth for disenfranchised communities of color through access to capital, affordable housing, and self-reliance. For 25 years she has proudly and ambitiously led the provision of capital, counseling, technical assistance, and training to small-to moderate, minority and women owned businesses that have difficulty accessing funds from traditional sources.

**Will Crossley**

Piney Woods School

President & CEO

Will Crossley is the President of The Piney Woods School. Trained in both education and civil rights, in 2013 he was selected as a Senior Executive service appointee by the President of the United States. In that capacity, Will served as Senior Advisor in the Office for Civil Rights at the U.S. Department of Education. Prior to this appointment, Will was Chief Counsel for the Democratic National Committee, where his work included managing voting rights litigation on behalf of the national party. Formerly, he was a senior litigation attorney at WilmerHale.



Willa Seldon

Bridgespan
Partner

Willa is a partner at The Bridgespan Group, a global social impact consulting firm and advisor that works with nonprofit leaders, philanthropists and impact investors. Her clients include Low Income Investment Fund, The Rockefeller Foundation and StriveTogether. She has helped launch initiatives, including Black Ambition and OneTen. Before Bridgespan, Willa served as CEO of the Glide Foundation, a center for social justice, and executive director of the Tides Center, a fiscal sponsor and accelerator for social ventures.



Wilson Lester

Partners in Equity
Managing Partner

Wilson Lester, Co-Founder/Managing Partner Mr. Lester is an accomplished entrepreneur and leader and is widely regarded as a community finance and economic development expert. Mr. Lester previously built and led Piedmont Business Capital, a regional CDFI in North Carolina. He has extensive experience in Federal program management. Throughout his career, Mr. Lester has built and led organizations that focus on solutions that move people and communities forward.



Xevione Baptiste

Goldman Sachs
Vice President Strategy



Jacqueline Jones
LinkedIn
Head of Strategic Partnerships

Jacqueline Jones is the Head of Strategic Partnerships for Diversity, Inclusion and Belonging at LinkedIn. She has held business development and strategy roles across several industries such as Higher Education, Media/Entertainment, Technology, Advertising, Publishing and Consulting. Her experience includes roles at Fortune 500 companies including Clear Channel Communications, Cable and & Wireless, Accenture, Prudential and IBM. Jacqueline holds degrees from Harvard Business School, Wellesley College and is a Fulbright alumni.



Michellene Davis
National Medical Fellowships
CEO

Named among the Top 25 Most Influential Minority Leaders in Healthcare in the nation by Modern Healthcare Magazine, Becker's Hospital Review Top 50 and Top 65 African American's to Know in Healthcare for her public health centered track record of policy successes, Michellene Davis is the new President and Chief Executive Officer of National Medical Fellowships, Inc.,(NMF) Ranked in the Top 10 on the Health Care Power 50 and Top 100 in Business , Ms. Davis has been a top longstanding political influencer in the state of New Jersey as named by business and political publications and heralded was the State of New Jersey's top lobbyist in the healthcare industry.



Mary C. Garvey
Institute for Child Success Chief Equity Officer

Mary is passionate about building equitable systems and fostering social justice through inclusive policy. She currently serves as Chief Equity Officer at the Institute for Child Success (ICS) – a national nonpartisan research and applied policy organization that pursues the success of all young children. In this role, Mary advises on strategies that are in line with the principles of equity, inclusion and anti-racism. Having led the organization's impact investing portfolio for several years, she is a national expert in Pay for Success (PFS) financing models and views impact investing as a promising tool for leveling the playing field in early childhood and beyond



Tracey Jarmon
CapEQ, As Director, Communications, Mobilization and & Partnerships

Tracey is a strategist, project manager and facilitator with a focus on strengthening nonprofit leaders and organizations to effectively serve communities. She has extensive experience in administration, talent development, event planning and project management in the philanthropic and nonprofit arena.



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The agenda

Schedule

Sunday, August 14th

Farm Neck Golf Club 1 Farm Neck Way Oak Bluffs, MA 02557

4:00-6:00 PM Covid Testing & Gallery Walk

6:00-9:00 PM Cocktail Reception & Opening Conversations

Sports and Entertainment: Our Stories & Legacy

The sports and entertainment industries have always played a pivotal role within African American culture and will continue to have social and political impact. The sports and entertainment industries are where African Americans have broken barriers, created legacies, amassed fortunes and through accountability, management, ownership and controlling the narrative, these industries can be a pathway for increased economic equity within the black community. We open with our special guests who are at the center of it all.

schedule

Opening Conversation with Kimberly Davis, NHL and Bryant McBride, Burst

Fireside Chat with Baron Davis, former NBA Player and Entrepreneur and Tyreek Moore, Baron Davis Enterprises

Monday, August 15th

Atria 137 Main Street Edgartown, MA 02539

8:00 AM–9:30AM Covid Testing & Registration
Mosaic Genius Ventures Marketplace-BLACK
(Black Founders, Backed by Black VC's)

Breakfast with Dr. Thema-The Art of Stillness with Dr. Thema Bryant-Davis,
President-Elect, American Psychological Association

In a post-pandemic world, the art of stillness is key. Join us for this special session with world renowned psychologist, Dr. Thema Bryant-Davis as we center, reflect and reset for the work and road ahead.

Schedule

10:00 AM–11:15 AM Opening Session

The Road to Equity through Investing

Investing is betting on the future and the future is increasingly diverse, however diversity is not adequately reflected in our financial system. Of \$82 trillion in assets managed by US fund managers, only 1.4% are managed by diverse firms, even though they tend to outperform. That is inequitable and it is the wrong bet for both investors and society. Diversity is a hedge and can increase opportunity for all. Hear as our panel shares how their work is helping to change the landscape.

Megan Holston-Alexander, Andreessen Horowitz Cultural Leadership Fund, Stephanie Van Putten, Visible Figures and Ollie Howie, New Community Transformation Fund

Moderator - Melissa Bradley, 1863 Ventures

Schedule

11:15 AM-12:15 PM

Closing Equity Gaps through Place Based Strategies

Place based strategies seek to tap into the lived experience of community members who have been held back from opportunity and voice. Successful place based funders form local partnerships that lift up the agency of those closest to the community's challenges and often know best how to solve them. Listen as our panel discusses their successes and lessons learned as place based funders.

Tovah McCord, Nicor Gas, Shané Harris, Vice President, Prudential, Adrienne Trimble, Vice President and Chief Diversity Officer, SYSCO
Moderator-Tara Jaye Frank, Author

Schedule

12:30 PM Luncheon -Black Ambition & Mosaic Genius Prize Presentation

Entrepreneurship can provide one of the best opportunities to build sustainable, long term wealth. The median net worth for Black business owners was 12 times higher than for Black non-business owners and black owned companies have created over 1 million jobs and generated over \$165 billion around them. Join us as we announce our Entrepreneurship prize competition winners and as our panel discusses how they support black and brown entrepreneurs.

Chat with Felecia Hatcher, Black Ambition, Patrice Green, Surdna Foundation and Haywood Perry, III, Mark Cuban Companies

Moderator - Demetric Duckett, Living Cities, Managing Director

Schedule

1:45 PM-2:45 PM

The Role of Philanthropy in Closing the Wealth Gap

The past few years have seen a radical shift in philanthropy from an approach of solely grantmaking to strategies that honestly tackle and close racial wealth gaps. This means deploying reparative capital and trusting black and brown people on the ground doing the work. Listen as our panelists share their approaches to this work.

Isa Ellis, Gates Foundation, Joe Scantelbury, Living Cities, Ada Williams Prince, Pivotal Ventures
Moderator - Dorian Burton, Southern Reconstruction Fund

Schedule

3:00 PM- 3:45 PM

Mapping our Success through Systems Change

So many of the systems that run through our lives bear responsibility for perpetuating racial health, economic and educational disparities. Working collectively through public/private partnerships can change the way these systems work, improve outcomes and narrow racial wealth disparities that have unequally impacted Black and Brown communities. Join us for this conversation as our panelists share strategies to help navigate and change these systems.

Lydia Bosire, 8B Education Investments, Michael Smith, Americorps, Rakim Brooks, Alliance For Justice

Moderator - Michellene Davis

Schedule

4:00 PM - 4:30 PM

Mosaic Genius Exchange Office Hours (Atria - TBD)

Peer to Peer small group session for Diverse Fund Managers and VC's

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM Cocktail Reception and Legacy Building Dinner

The racial wealth gap represents the accumulated effects of four centuries of institutional and systemic racism and bears major responsibility for disparities in income, health, education and opportunity that continue to this day. Our panel will share how corporate and private investment are playing a role in helping to dismantle barriers and narrow the gap.

Lata Reddy, Prudential, Jim Casselberry, Known Holdings/4SBay Partners and Anthony Johnson, Edward Jones

Moderated by: Ambassador, Michael A. Lawson (Retired)

Conversation with Eric Bénét & Manuela Tetstolini

Eric Bénét in Concert & Dancing

Schedule

8:30 AM–10:00 AM Roundtable Sessions

Entrepreneurs -JPMorgan Breakfast Roundtable with Ted Archer Black Joy

Join this special session with JPMorgan Chase & Co for a lively discussion about the importance of supporting entrepreneurs with access to capital, opportunities and technical assistance.

Diverse Fund Managers & Venture Capitalists- (Atria Main Dining Room) Ed Dugger III & Gayle Jennings O'Byrne

Join this session with your peers to share best practices and key strategies for success.

Schedule

Directors & Executives - (Atria Upstairs Dining Room)- Kofi Appenteng & David Motley

Join this discussion on the importance of increasing representation in the board room, C-Suite and executive talent pipeline as well as ensuring support systems are put in place for sustainability.

HBCU Presidents-Bobbie Knight, Facilitator (Atria - TBD)

HBCU's have been the bedrock of producing some of the most successful and influential contributors to society. Join this powerful conversation with fellow HBCU Presidents and Trustees on strategies for long term growth and sustainability of these vital institutions.

Schedule

Tech 3.0 & Innovation Economy -Blavity & Silicon Valley Bank-Morgan DeBaun & Rochelle Stewart (Atria - TBD)

Web 3.0 is the third generation of the internet where information is processed through smart technologies and data is interconnected in a decentralized way and the innovation economy is based on the idea that knowledge, entrepreneurship, technology and collaboration fuel economic growth. Join us for this session as we share ideas on what it will take to bring black and brown communities up to speed and learn from leaders in this space that are paving the way.

Networking Break/Transition

10:00 AM - 10:30 AM

Mosaic Genius Exchange Office Hours - (Atria - TBD)

Coaching/Mentoring small group session for Founders/Entrepreneurs

Please RSVP and come prepared with questions on how to pitch and help take your businesses to the next level.

Schedule

10:30 AM-11:15 AM

**The Intersectionality of Business and Community
(Atria - TBD)**

This session will focus on the intersectionality and power of business across sectors to impact community and drive systemic change.

Devon Henry, Team Henry Enterprises, LLC Nick
Jean Baptiste, Jacmel Growth Partners and Hassan
Smith, Senior Advisor to John Legend
Moderator - Erskine "Chuck" Faush

**11:30 AM- 12:00 PM Closing Luncheon &
Conversation**

Our Cities & Our Communities

Listen as Mayor Neely discusses his journey and approach for working alongside community to restore trust and help move the City of Flint forward.

Fireside Chat with the Mayor of Flint, Michigan,
Sheldon Neeley and Gregory Johnson

Schedule

12:30 PM- 1:00 PM

HBCU Presidents- Bobbie Knight and Ivy Taylor in conversation with Christal Jackson

Join us and hear from two dynamic HBCU Presidents as they share their keen insights and keys to success.

1:00 PM- 3:30 PM

BET HBCU Event

Private reception hosted by BET celebrating HBCU Alums and Presidents with a toast

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Things to know

COVID Protocols-It is very important that you are responsive to requests from Shared Harvest. We have made special provisions to help keep everyone safe and healthy.

Transportation-Getting around on the island in August can be tricky. We will provide shuttle service up-island to the Legacy Dinner on Monday evening. Additional details will be provided on Monday morning.

Attire-Summer chic/business casual is the standard attire. Feel free to change into something more festive for the Legacy Dinner, it is a celebration of our journey.

Things to know

Conduct-We are non-judgemental community that respects difference in ideas. Therefore, we will be kind and respectful to all.

Our sessions are closed and recording conversations are prohibited unless instructed otherwise.

Thank you in advance for being cooperative, flexible and patient over the next couple of days.

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