

National Newsletter

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"Our vision is to see black women and girls live in a world where socio-economic inequity does not exist."

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Message from our President, Virginia W. Harris



Greetings Coalition Sisters,

I am pleased to present the first edition of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Newsletter. The Newsletter is a resource available to members that will share the Coalition's news and information. The newsletter will be provided Bi-Annually to members and stored in the Current Members section of the Website.

I encourage you to share the great works that your chapters are doing. This is an excellent opportunity to Spotlight your members and programs. National

programs exemplify the core values and mission of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc.

The Chapter programs should be designed and implemented to be transformative and address current issues, concerns, and needs that impact the lives of a target population within the Black community. Our programs are designed and implemented in response to critical national issues that affect the African American community: such as our crisis in education, health, economic empowerment and public policy.

We are making incredible progress in our advocacy work and I look forward to continued success.

Respectfully,

Virginia Mr. Harris

Virginia W. Harris, MPA, CIA CGFM
National President – National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc.

Are you ready to LEAD?

The **LEAD** Academy is training Future Leaders.

LEAD Academy

"Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence and making sure that impact lasts in your absence."

- Sheryl Sandberg. COO, Facebook

The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., NCBW 100 LEAD Academy Leadership Development Program is a 15-month sequence of learning that includes a combination of on-site sessions at various locations, virtual learning opportunities (webinars, conference calls, etc.) taught by experts in the fields of leadership development, financial management, public policy and similar projects, and a class project.

LEAD Academy Application Form

The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., makes no promise or guarantee that completion of the program will result in being elected or appointed in a leadership position at the chapter or national level.

NCBW will receive chapter's and member's combined tuition payment of \$600 by May 1, 2018. If the participant misses more than one (1) session during the 15-month program period, fails to attend the 2018 and 2019 Leadership Retreats, fails to attend 2019 Biennial Conference, and/or fails to complete course work as determined by the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., she will not graduate from the program and will not be due any refund.

Additionally, NCBW will not hold in reserve any tuition paid by participants who voluntarily or involuntarily withdraw from the Academy. Tuition will be refunded/not refunded based on the Cancellation, Refund and Forfeiture Policy.

Cancellations must be made in writing and received by National Headquarters by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time, on the dates specified. Cancellations on or before May 25, 2018 will be refunded \$500. NCBW will retain \$100 to cover costs associated with processing participant's application. Cancellations on May 26, 2018 and after will not be given a refund. Participants who miss the 2018 Leadership Retreat and/or who do not submit written notification of cancellation by the dates prescribed, will be dropped from the Academy and forfeit the full \$600.

Get Ready to **LEAD**.

Membership Campaign

May 15, 2018 - September 30, 2018

Effective May 15th the National Coalition of 100 Black Women Inc., will begin a National Membership Campaign. The goal of the Campaign is to Recruit, Retain and Reclaim the most talented advocates.

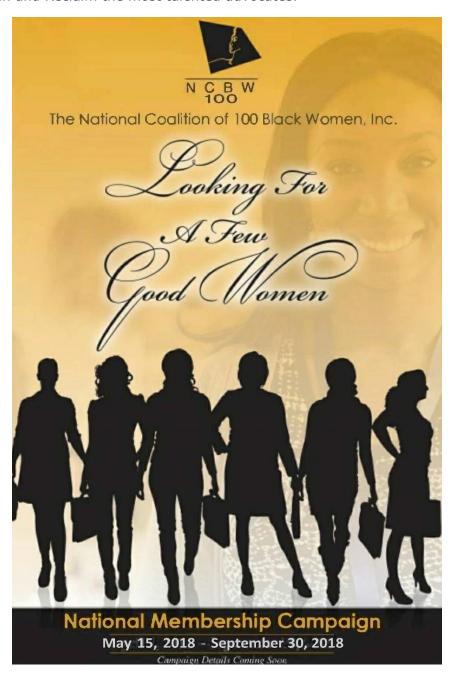




"Reclaim"



"Retain"



Remember the Code

National Code of Conduct

The National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., Chapter ("NCBW") Code of Conduct was developed to ensure a friendly and respectful environment for NCBW members to gather and work in a spirit of cooperation, service, and goodwill. To ensure the Code of Conduct is administered in a fair and equitable manner for all members of the NCBW, an Ethics Committee consisting of five (5) members was approved as the arbiter of any and all infractions.

Giving Campaign

"The NCBW call to action!"



Giving Campaign

- Individual Giving
- Charitable Giving
- Planned Giving

There are a number of opportunities to give back and invest in the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. Below are some of the ways that you can help support our organization.

Individual Giving Campaign

- United Way
- AmazonSmile

Charitable Giving Campaign

Annual Gifts— (up to \$999)

Unrestricted, immediate cash gifts provided to NCBW annually. Annual Gifts demonstrate the donor's engagement and commitment to investing in the programs, advocacy work and future of the Coalition, and provides much needed discretionary funds.

President's Circle— (\$300-\$1,000)

The mission of the President's Circle is to increase income revenue streams and to provide programming that will positively impact the lives of black women and girls.

The President's Circle is a committed and compassionate group of NCBW leaders who care deeply about advocacy for Black women and girls — and act together on that shared passion to support the national work, projects and initiatives or the organization.

Annually, each President's Circle member gives a minimum donation of \$300-\$1,000 with many members giving much more. These annual gifts are pooled and used to fund specific programs and projects of the Coalition that make a profound difference in our efforts to advocate nationally for health, education and economic development for black women and girls.

President's Circle members do much more than give financially. President's Circle members are among the first to know of pivotal news and strategic decisions impacting NCBW 100 and are apprised of current national initiatives and priorities through periodic communications, showcase events, and exclusive activities.

Major Gifts— (\$2,000+)

Major gift donors may make restricted and/or unrestricted gifts utilizing cash, stocks and other appreciated assets. Your gift absolutely entitles you to membership in the President's Circle!

Corporate/Foundation Gifts and Relations

Partnerships are essential to NCBW's advocacy and programming to create equity for Black women and girls.

NCBW encourages corporations and organizations to work with us to identify opportunities for collaboration, scholarship and developing programs of



interest that serve Black women and girls and communities of color on a national level.

Through a corporate gift or a workplace giving program, which allows your employees to make donations to NCBW utilizing payroll deduction, your company is able to increase employee morale, establish a corporate culture of philanthropy, and provide an opportunity for individual donations to have a larger impact based on the cumulative total. Your corporate gift also demonstrates your commitment to community engagement.

NCBW helps organizations identify opportunities for collaboration, find and develop programs of interest in areas including STEM, health, and entrepreneurism, and provides a seamless transition from conversation to funded community partnerships.

Planned Giving— (Estate gifts of any amount)

A gift, made in lifetime or at death as part of a donor's overall financial and/or estate planning.

Planned Giving involves guiding a donor through a series of emotional decisions, formalized in a logical plan, created by a professional advisory team and communicated among family members to optimally ensure the considered feelings, beliefs and goals of the donor and the donor's family.

Planned gifts include a range of deferred giving vehicles including charitable trusts, gift annuities, charitable bequests (wills), insurance, real estate, stock options, bonds, mutual funds, retirement benefits, collectibles (artwork, auto collections etc.) and complex assets.

A planned gift allows a donor to utilize an estate vehicle today to make a deferred gift to NCBW 100. The gift vehicle selected will allow the donor to minimize her income, gift and estate taxes while supporting the mission, vision and programs of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. today and long after you're gone. Planned gifts will be celebrated and recognized through NCBW's *Legacy Society*. All planned gifts must be structured to comply with the Internal Revenue Code.



Interested in being featured in the National Newsletter? Submit your request to the Technology Committee via the link below.

https://form.jotform.com/ncbwnationaltech/newsletter-article

"I raise up my voice—not so I can shout, but so that those without a voice can be heard...we cannot succeed when half of us are held back." —Malala Yousafzai

National Program Initiatives

- National Education & Mentoring Initiative
- National STEM Initiative
- National Childhood Obesity Initiative
- Metabolic Syndrome Initiative
- Breast Cancer
- Economic Empowerment



National Priorities



NATIONAL COALITION OF 100 BLACK WOMEN, INC.

ADVOCACY PRIORITIES

HEALTH

- Eliminate Disparities
- Prevention/Decrease Mortality
- Improve Health Outcomes
- Access to Affordable Health Care

- Culturally Competent Research on Chronic Disease adversely impacting Afican American Women

- Quality of Life - Public Safety and Crime

STRATEGIC ALLIANCES

- Government
- Corporate
- Non-Profit
- Faith Based International

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

- Pay Equity

- African American Women Owned Business Growth - Livable Wage Employment Opportunities

EDUCATION

- Eliminate Disparities
- Improved Outcomes of Graduation Rates
 - Vocational/College Preparation
 - STEM Education
 - HBCU Supports
 - Access Affordability

CIVIC ENGAGEMENT LEGISLATION ON SUPPORTING ADVOCACY AGENDA

- Voter : Education/Reg/Rights
- Increase Women Candidates running for political office
 - Issue Timely Policy Alerts
 - Issue Position Papers on PP Platform Issues



"Advocacy is an action intended to result in large scale impact such as equal pay for equal work for ALL women. We will use our influence to affect change."

How to Become a Model Chapter

Chapter Standards reporting is an opportunity for chapters to summarize their annual performance and share their stories of accomplishments in programing, advocacy, leadership development and chapter/member development.

"Empower yourself with a good education, then get out there and use that education to build a country worthy of your boundless promise." --Michelle Obama At the end of each fiscal year, chapters will receive an evaluation from the National Standards Committee which will consist of the following members: National Vice President of Programs; National Vice President of Membership and Chapter Development; National Financial Secretary; National Chair of Policies and Procedures Committee and two appointees of the National President. Chapters will achieve an annual performance rating based on the annual submission of the requested information.

Report format guidelines:

Submit report in PowerPoint or WORD PDF file. Submit in sequential category order (3 points will be deducted if out of sequence). Submit no more than 50 pages. Submit no more than 2 to 3 photos per activity. Photos should clearly illustrate the activity. Submit description with each photo. Follow the written instructions.

Scoring guidelines:

There will be an established grading card used to calculate a numerical standing for each chapter in good standing for the fiscal year prior to the report submission. The evaluation levels of the rating scale are:

Chapters with scores below 69 will be referred to the National Membership Committee for review with a request to provide technical assistance to the chapter. Working with the chapter, the committee will develop a plan to assist the chapter in improving its score. Failure to achieve "minimal" rating may result in further action by the National Board of Directors.

Refer to the Member Section of the Website for more Details...



Calendar of Events

Upcoming Programs

- Leadership Retreat 2018
- Leadership Retreat 2019
- > 19th Biennial Conf. 2019
- Get Out to Vote Campaign in Partnership with 100 Black Men Inc.- Goal is to Register 100,000 Voters



April 16-17, 2018 - Washington, DC - Completed

National Legislative Days 2018

Hyatt House, Washington DC/The Wharf 725 Wharf Street SW Washington, DC 20024

Event began Monday at 12 noon sharp. All were asked to stay until Tuesday at 5:00pm ET. The attire for Monday was



Business and Tuesday was Black Business (dress, suits pant or skirt) with Pearls and Comfortable Shoes.

LEAD 2018

Altering the Discourse: Black Women and The Power of Voting

As long as poverty, injustice and gross inequality persist in our world, none of us can truly Rest." -Nelson Mandela

On April 17, 2018, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., (NCBW) hosted our Annual Legislative Day in the Capitol Visitors Center Senate Side - SVC-209-08. Members from a large range of our 59 NCBW chapters spent the day raising awareness about issues and proposed solutions that directly impact the well-being of black women and girls. Madam President presented The Honorable Maxine M. Waters, *U.S. Representative*, (D-CA-43) with NCBW's inaugural "Pioneer for Progress" Award and The Honorable John R. Lewis, *U. S. Representative*, (D-GA-5) with NCBW's inaugural "People's Champion Lifetime Achievement" Award.

View the Program Videos

You can see more on our Youtube Page. Click Here



The Honorable Maxine Waters



The Honorable John R. Lewis



The Honorable Marilyn Mosby



Ms. Patrice Willoughby, Partner Invariant Government Relations

National Legislative Day 2018 Photos

Below are a few photos for your enjoyment. Follow us on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter to enjoy more great pictures from Legislative Day in Washington, DC.











June 6-9, 2018 - Dallas, TX

Leadership Retreat 2018



We are extremely pleased to open registration for the 2018 Leadership Retreat. This event will prove to be an impactful and exciting time for us as we come together to be equipped, empowered and energized to continue to build upon the great legacy of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. We have the pleasure of being joined by a few of the most dynamic women in our community and gleaning from their wisdom and experiences.

Our Destiny is to **LEAD** – Positive Changes for Our Communities

In addition, for the first time ever, we will charter a new chapter during our Leadership Retreat. Our Dallas organizing group is very excited. This special Chartering Ceremony will take place on Saturday, June 9, from 11am to 1pm. All Leadership Retreat attendees are asked to participate in this historic event. Each NCBW member attending the Chartering Ceremony must wear uninterrupted black dresses or suits, black shoes, and pearl jewelry. There will be lots of picture taking following the ceremony. You don't want to miss this so be sure to arrange your travel schedule to depart Dallas late Saturday evening or Sunday morning.

Dress attire for the Retreat is business.

Please take a few minutes to thoroughly read through the information presented below and be sure to register early. Space is limited and we are sure to reach capacity.

Registration Rate:

Early Bird \$275.00 End Date – April 25, 2018 (ends at 11:59pm EDT)

Late \$300.00 End Date – May 15, 2018 (received by 11:59pm EDT)

*Payment is required at time of registration (either on-line or by mail). Your registration is not complete until payment is received.

Note: All registration will end at such time that full capacity is reached. Each member is encouraged to register early to guarantee your space.

There is no on-site registration.

Register for the Leadership Retreat by clicking the link below or visiting the NCBW Website at www.ncbw.org.

Click Here to Register for the Retreat

Click Here for the 2018 Leadership Retreat Tentative Agenda

Hotel Information

Reservations by attendees must be received on or before Wednesday, May 16th, 2018 (the "Cutoff Date").

Hotel room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes, currently 15.26% (6% state, 7% city, 2% taxable Tourism Public Improvement Fee), in effect at the time of check-out.

Marriott City Center Dallas

650 N Pearl St, Dallas, TX 75201

Phone: (214) 979-9000

	Standard
Rates	\$149.00

** Reservations for lodging must be made by individual attendees directly by contacting Marriott Reservations at 1.800.228.9290 or by clicking the link below.

Member Spotlights

Congratulations to the Women of the Coalition...

National President, Virginia W. Harris

Phenomenal Women of the Coalition!

Phenomenal Woman

By Maya Angelou

Pretty women wonder where my secret lies.

I'm not cute or built to suit a fashion model's size

But when I start to tell them,
They think I'm telling lies.
I say,
It's in the reach of my arms,
The span of my hips,
The stride of my step,
The curl of my lips.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman, That's me.



Purchase Your Tickets Today at www.wodatlanta.org

501(c)3 Nonprofit

National President, Virginia W. Harris will be recognized as "Woman of the Year" by The Women of Distinction, Sunday, June 24, 2018, 1:00pm at 103 West Paces Ferry Road, Atlanta, GA 30305.

The Women of Distinction (WOD) are catalysts for positive community social change. WOD has a passion for social change in the nature of social institutions, social behavior, social relations of a society, and community of people. They are a group of individuals that have shared values and characteristics.

Congratulations Madam President!

I walk into a room
Just as cool as you please,
 And to a man,
 The fellows stand or
Fall down on their knees.
Then they swarm around me,
 A hive of honey bees.
 I say,
 It's the fire in my eyes,
And the flash of my teeth,
 The swing in my waist,
 And the joy in my feet.
 I'm a woman

Phenomenal woman, That's me.

Phenomenally.

2018 Women of Excellence Recipient National President, Virginia W. Harris

Atlanta Tribune: The Magazine continues their tradition of celebrating Superwomen in business by partnering with AtlantaDailyWorld.com in hosting the Women of Excellence Recognition Reception. The awards reception celebrates local African American women who inspire others through their vision, leadership, exceptional achievements, and participation in community service.

Congratulations to National President, Virginia W. Harris, 2018 **Women of Excellence Recipient.**



Men themselves have wondered
What they see in me.
They try so much
But they can't touch
My inner mystery.
When I try to show them,
They say they still can't see.
I say,
It's in the arch of my back,
The sun of my smile,
The ride of my breasts,
The grace of my style.
I'm a woman
Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman, That's me.

National 1st Vice President of Programs, Seretha S. Tinsley

Congratulations to National 1st Vice President of Programs, Seretha S. Tinsley honored during this year's Women's History Month March 9, 2018 in the Congressional House session by Rep. Darren Soto, D-Florida, 9th District, for her Business and Community Service Leadership. *Click on the link to watch the clip.*



https://www.c-span.org/video/?c4718111/womens-history-month-recognizing-seretha-tinsley

Congratulations 1st Vice President, Seretha Tinsley!

Now you understand Just why my head's not bowed. I don't shout or jump about Or have to talk real loud. When you see me passing, It ought to make you proud. I say, It's in the click of my heels, The bend of my hair, the palm of my hand, The need for my care. 'Cause I'm a woman Phenomenally.

Phenomenal woman, That's me.

NCBW Decatur-DeKalb Chapter President, Delois Grizzle



On Saturday, February 24, 2018, the Women's Empowerment Ministry of Global Leadership Christian Center in Lithonia, Georgia honored NCBW Decatur DeKalb Chapter President, Delois Grizzle, with the **Community Service Organization Award** at its first annual "Red Dress Brunch". The Women's Empowerment Ministry recognized women in the community of the metro Atlanta area who have been influential in the empowerment of women in their communities and emerged as leaders based

on their outstanding accomplishments and character.

NCBW President Grizzle along with thirteen other women pastors, business leaders, entrepreneurs and entertainment personalities received their awards from the Chairwoman and Executive Pastor of the Women's Empowerment Ministry, Eleshia V. Cash, during the mid-morning brunch. The Keynote Speaker for the event was DeKalb County School Board District 5, Mrs. Vickie B. Turner. While over 200 individuals attended the event, Delois was personally supported by over thirty-chapter members,

church members, friends and family. The brunch was followed a week later with a radio talk show on "Women's Empowerment" with five of the award recipients, which included President Grizzle on 1380 WAOK.

President Delois Grizzle states, "We look forward to every opportunity to support any activities that empower women and align with the initiatives of NCBW, and I am Proud to serve the Decatur DeKalb Community and lead women with the same mindset."

Congratulations Chapter President, Delois Grizzle!





National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc Tidewater Chapter P.O. Box 22

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he Tisdewater Chapter of NCBW hosted its 17th Annual Jazz Lincheon on standay, January 70, 2018. This is our greener event for the year, slightlepting women of colors in our community who have advocated for lack women and gails. Five outstanding women were recognized at this women. The financial proceeds from this event final our scholarships for high school sensors in the Tidewater area for 2018. Our program highlighted the 017 scholarship recipients.

The event was well attended by at least 280 guests. Jazz music serenaded or supporters. Vendors provided the best in fashion and personal care.

As a result of the Jazz Luncheon, we will be able to provide scholarships of \$500 to 8 young ladies pursuing higher education. This continues to be a usuccessful event, providing the necessary funds for the educational needs of young black women who need assistance in paying for college.

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Chapter Programs Spotlights

Programs/Scholarships

Tidewater VA, Chapter

"Tidewater Chapter, Honors 5 Advocates at the 17th Annual Jazz Scholarship Luncheon"

Chapter President, Sheila Williams

The Tidewater Chapter of NCBW hosted its 17th Annual Jazz Luncheon on Saturday, January 20, 2018. Highlighting women of color in the community who have advocated for black women and girls. Five outstanding women were recognized at this event. The financial proceeds from this event fund scholarships for high school seniors in the Tidewater area for 2018. The program highlighted the 2017 scholarship recipients.

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Education

Metropolitan Atlanta Chapter & Decatur/DeKalb, Chapter

Deliver a Double Dose of "ADVOCACY The 100 Way: Empowering Tomorrow's LEADers Today for the Future"

Chapter Presidents: Minnie Miller (MAC), Delois Grizzle (DDC)

On Saturday, March 10, 2018, 11:00 am – 3:00 pm, the Metropolitan Atlanta Chapter (MAC) in collaboration with the Decatur/Dekalb Chapter, came together to deliver a double dose of Advocacy the 100 Way, to host more than 200 youth and parents during the Eighth Annual Teen Summit event entitled "Turn Up for Teens"! The tagline that ignited the day for this jammed packed event was, "It's Time to Get L.I.T. (Leadership Initiative for Teens) and Fit"!

The day-long Teen Summit experience empowered youth to learn sound financial literacy, interactively participate in the fitness sessions – Hip Hop Dance Sessions, tasting and sampling of prepared food items by junior chefs, demonstrations of healthy cooking, presentation on teen mental health, and college preparedness.

The Best Defense is an Offense, which fueled the Coalition's commitment to advocate for teens in five primary focus areas for practicing good behaviors and decision-making involving: teen nutrition/physical fitness, teen mental health, social media safety, college readiness and financial literacy. The day-long Teen Summit event provided students with the opportunity to participate interactively, apply what they had learned and receive the ongoing support of community sponsors and partners, who





TELETHEM WE ARE RISING

THE STOW OF BLACK COLLEGES

A UNIVERSITIES

You are invited to attend the #HBCURISING Movie Screening hosted by The National Coalition of 100 Black Women. Inc. - Metropolitan St. Louis Chapter and Harris-Stowe State University. This film is directed by award-winning documentarian Stanley Nelson. An audience discussion will occur after the movie.

HARRIS-STOWE STATE UNIVERSITY EMERSON PERFORMANCE CENTER 3026 LACLEDE AVE. ST. LOUIS, MO 63103

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 2018

600 PM. 900 PM.

Be sure to RSVP no later than February 20th at http://thww.224.eventblree.com

Free and open to the public HARRIS-STOWE

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consisted of: Allstate Insurance Company, The Atlanta Housing Authority, Radio One – Atlanta/HOT 107.9 and Nordstrom.

Other features of the Teen Summit consisted of Free lunch and snacks, prizes, swag bags, on-site voter registration of eligible senior students and a DYNAMIC Parents-only session. The shared outcomes show how healthy eating, fitness and cooking are attainable; how mental health is not taboo; and how healthy financial habits fuel a prosperous life. Behavioral changes noted by the teens as a result of attending the Summit consisted of: "Be more careful about social media", "Plan for college earlier" and "Not to text and drive, make wise decisions.

The Parents-only session provided an expert panel of notable thought-leaders and experts spearheading a think tank addressing "Winning the Fight Against Family Obesity". Disparities and unhealthy habits among African Americans were identified and actionable solutions were discussed by the group. Additionally, parents eagerly engaged with an annual favorite presentation on communicating/having "The Talk" with your teen. Feedback from the parent participants on increased knowledge or changed behaviors as a result of the Parents-only sessions and Teen Summit as a whole, consisted of: "Nutrition is vital. Education is important", "Research how food we eat and how we cook affect our health" and "Strategies to use to connect with my child better".

Studies have shown that youth summit experiences inspire youth to disseminate what they have learned and they share the outcomes of the summit with their families, peers and their community, garnering inspired youth who have a higher chance of graduating from high school, college or trade school, and go on to lead productive lives. **Advocacy The 100 Way – Inspire, Empower, Lead!**

Education

Metropolitan St. Louis Chapter:

Tell Them We are Rising Movie Screening and Panel Discussion

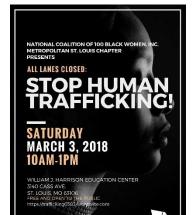
Chapter President: Katrina Kerr

The Metropolitan St. Louis Chapter hosted Tell Them We Are Rising Movie Screening and Panel Discussion on Saturday, February 24, 2018, 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM in a partnership with Harris Stowe State University (HSSU).

The audience watched the documentary about HBCUs first; which told the history of Historically Black Colleges & Universities (HBCU). The event's goal was to raise awareness about HBCU and to support HBCUs. Keli Singleton, Founder of the St. Louis HBCU Alumni Association served as the moderator. Panelists were: Reid Chunn, a junior at HSSU, Nakira Wash, a junior at HSSU, Duncan McFarlene, HSSU alumni, Amber Redmond, Jackson State University Alumni, and Stephanie Hill, Tennessee State University alumni.

The panel discussed HBCU misconceptions, the importance of HBCUs, and how to increase awareness about HBCUs in the community. The alumni panelists let the audience know that your connection to your alma mater does not stop after graduation, the importance of staying connected by

being active and making financial contributions to your university. We have to educate our youth about the rich tradition of HBCUs and these schools are an option. There was also a Q&A from the audience to the panelists. This event had a great turnout and was very impactful. **#HBCUrising**







Public Policy

Metropolitan St. Louis Chapter:

All Lanes Closed: Stop Human Trafficking

Chapter President: Katrina Kerr

The Metropolitan St. Louis Chapter hosted All Lanes Closed: Stop Human Trafficking on Saturday, March 4, 2018, 10:00 AM – 1:00 PM. Our newly inducted members planned this program to help and encourage participants to know the red flags indicators of human trafficking, a potential victim, and other resources available for victim recovery.

Panelists Jessica Wilkins from Covering House, Cindy Punzalan from Safe Connections, Katie Rhoades from Healing Actions, and Carmen Guynn from Coalition Against Trafficking and Exploitation discussed how their organizations are working to combat human trafficking and answering questions.

This program's goal was to help attendees understand the resources available and their role in advocating for the prevention of human trafficking. Saint Louis is listed as a major hub for human trafficking. Our new members realized the importance of empowering the community with the knowledge, resources, and tools to comprehensively address this often-convoluted form of severe exploitation. Panelists were: reported that the favorite part of the program was getting to hear the personal story from a survivor of Humana Trafficking. We plan to continue having programs that may include reaching out to local high schools to increase awareness in local high schools. We will continue to advocate to put an end to this startling trend that is affecting our young women and men.



Public Policy





Georgia Chapters:

2018 Legislative Day at the Georgia State Capitol

Chapter Presidents: Marian Woods (MECCA), Minnie Miller (MAC), Delois Grizzle (DDC), Iteeah Pounds (NWGA), (Stone Mountain-Lithonia)

The 2018 Georgia Legislative Day at the Capitol was mutually informative and engaging for NCBW members, and the Georgia State Senators and House Representatives. The Georgia Chapters of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc., held its Legislative Day at the Capitol on Thursday, February 22, 2018. The NCBW, Inc. chapters in Georgia are Decatur-DeKalb, MECCA, Metropolitan Atlanta, Northwest Georgia, and Stone Mountain – Lithonia.

The Northwest Georgia Chapter was at the helm of the 2018 Legislative Day planning for this year. The planning committee consisted of chapter presidents, public policy chairs and co-chairs from the five chapters.

The day began with a continental breakfast where we were delighted to have our National President, Virginia W. Harris, join us. Madame President was with us throughout the Day. Senator Michael "Doc" Rhett was our Legislative Liaison for this year's event. The day's schedule consisted of an enlightening legislative forum with a question and answer session, and with panel members from the Georgia General Assembly who discussed topics that are of particular concern to our organization. The topics discussed were economic empowerment, human trafficking, and education. House participants were Representatives Kimberly Alexander and Roger Bruce. State Senate participants were Donzella James and Michael Rhett. Additional members of the assembly joined us in the room during the panel discussion.

The Georgia chapters left behind four white papers addressing our position on; "Economic Empowerment for Women" and "Human Trafficking Industry in Georgia" (both composed by the Metropolitan Atlanta Chapter), "Diabetes Education and Prevention" (composed by the NWGA chapter), and "STEM" (composed by the Decatur-DeKalb Chapter).

Georgia NCBW Chapter members, its presidents, and our National President were recognized, with rousing applause, as a Resolution in our honor was read from the Senate Chamber floor. Our day ended with a group picture in the Capitol's rotunda and an enjoyable lunch time spent with NCBW Sisters.

Another successful day of advocacy for the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Incorporated.

Public Policy



2018 Legislative Day at the California State Capitol

Chapter President, Evelyn Frazier

On Monday, March 12, 2018, SacNCBW hosted the 3rd NCBW100 Legislative Day at the California State Capitol. Almost 40 NCBW100 Sisters representing all six Chapters throughout California heard from Legislators, thought leaders, scholars and subject matter experts in the areas of Education, Homelessness and the current Housing Crisis.

Assemblywomen Dr. Shirley Weber, Autumn Burke and Margaret G. Fortune, President and CEO of Fortune Schools, presented a compelling case for legislation that will assist African American students, AB2365: Add African American Students to the Local Control Funding Formula to Increase Performance of all African American Students - Closing the Achievement Gap.

Legislative Day conferees engaged with a variety of speakers regarding issues and solutions in the area of Homelessness as well as Safe and Affordable Housing Strategies to combat the current Housing Crisis:

Homelessness - The Problem and Solutions

- Michelle Steeb, Executive Director St John's Program for Real Change
- Joan Burke, Director of Advocacy, Loaves and Fishes
- Tyffanie Wedding, VP, Black Women Organized for Political Action

Housing Crisis - Safe and Affordable Housing Strategies/Issues and Solutions

- Scott Syphax, CEO Syphax Strategic, Inc. (Moderator)
- Honorable City Councilmember Allen Warren, District 2
- Vedika Ahuja, Economic Equity Sr Program Mgr, Greenlining Institute
- LaShelle Dozier, Executive Director- Sacramento Housing and Redevelopment Agency (SHRA)
- Tia Boatman Patterson, Executive Director, California Housing Finance Agency

Members visited the offices of various Legislators. The event concluded with the introduction of California NCBW100 Chapter Presidents on the floor of the California State Senate by the Honorable Senator Holly J. Mitchell.















Economic Empowerment

Pennsylvania Chapter:

NC100BW-PA 32nd Annual Madam CJ Walker Luncheon

Chapter President, Linda Watson

One thousand women honored Black-women owned businesses at the 32nd Annual Madam CJ Walker awards luncheon and economic empowerment seminar, hosted by the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Inc. – Pennsylvania Chapter on Saturday, March 20, 2018.

Seven women, including business owners and students from the community, received honors or scholarships for their educational and entrepreneurial spirits and work in the community.

"The Madam CJ Walker luncheon is held in March to celebrate Women's History Month and to recognize African American female entrepreneurs who have demonstrated excellence in their respective fields and local communities," said Coalition President Linda B. Watson. "Our goal...is to honor women who chose to follow Madam CJ Walker's path of entrepreneurship, and to encourage more women to do the same."

A powerful keynote address by Deesha Dyer, co-founder and executive director of BeGirl.World and former social secretary for the Obama White House, advised the women to take care of themselves before looking out for others.

"I'ma need you to pray and do some work," she said. "I have been hospitalized twice for not taking care of myself. Why do we want to go to battle saving the world when we have not prepared ourselves? Illequipped ... we go into battles with good intentions and walk out bruised. I love us too much to continue to watch us lose ourselves over and over again. This happens right now."

Member Resources

National Position Paper

March 2018 Public Policy Letter - Johnson

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