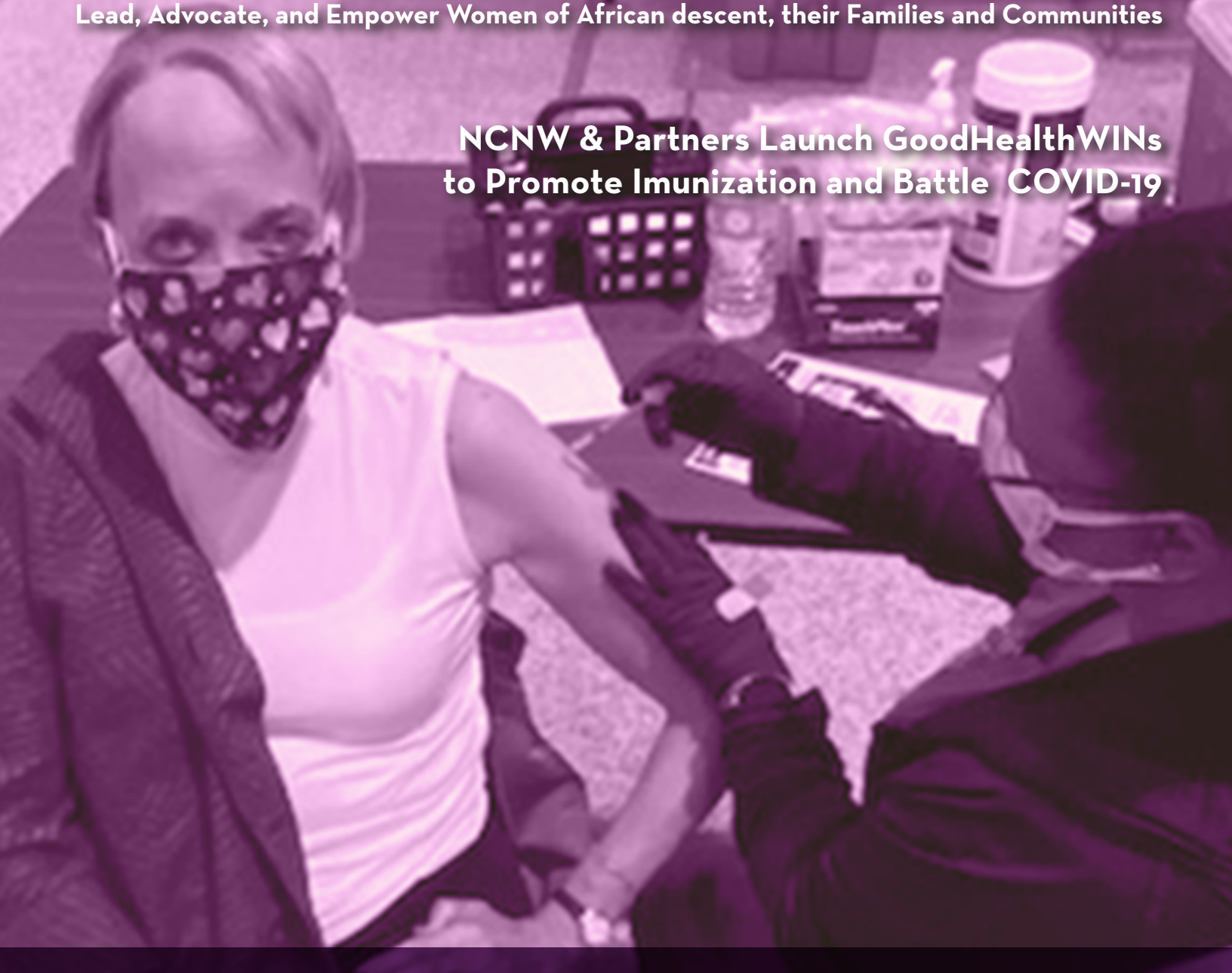


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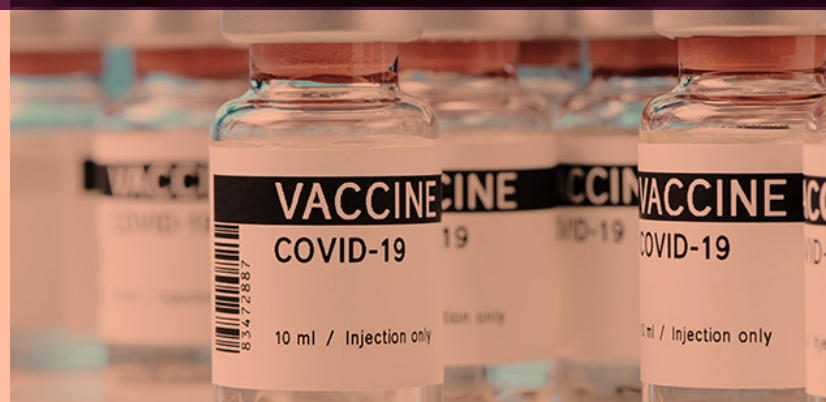
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WHAT KAMALA HARRIS' VP NOMINATION MEANS TO US

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By Minal Bopaiah and Johnnetta Betsch Cole, Ph.D.

America has been given a gift in Kamala Harris.

We do not mean to imply that she is a savior or a saint. Or that she, with her formidable intelligence and talent, will leave our country breathless and hungry for more (though we expect she will).

No, what we mean is that Sen. Harris, through her intersectional identity, her Jamaican ancestry and Indian heritage, her HBCU bona fides, and her experience in criminal justice, is a living embodiment of the American experience. And in her, we finally have a way of talking about the America of Black and Brown folk; the folks descended from enslaved people and the folks descended from immigrants.

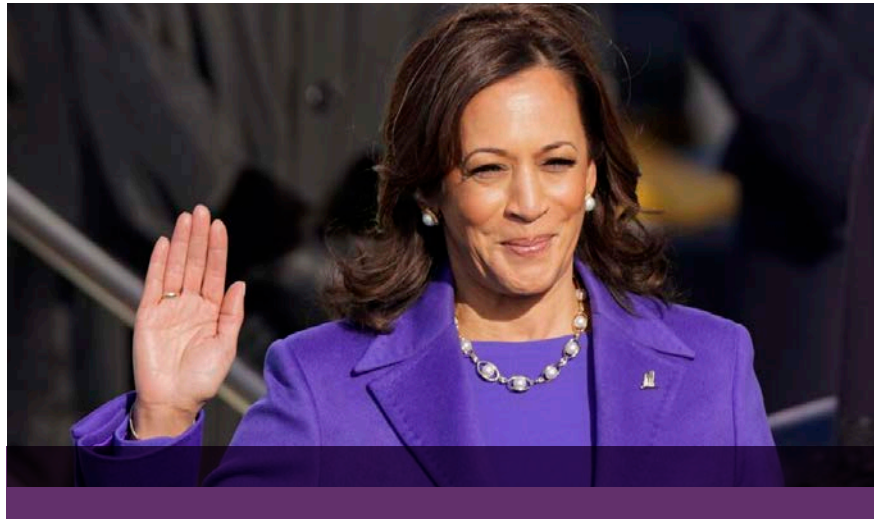
The two of us represent those identities. Johnnetta Betsch Cole became the first African American President of Spelman College, a Historically Black college in 1987. She grew up in the Jim Crow South as the descendant of enslaved African people and the great-granddaughter of Florida's first Black millionaire. She's been a lifelong activist for women's rights and civil rights. She has lived to see an African American man serve as President of the United States and now, a Black woman as the presumptive Vice President nominee of a major political party.

Minal Bopaiah is the daughter of two Indian immigrants, both of whom are retired physicians. When she was a teenager in the 1990s, a family friend would insist she and her brother were American simply because they were born here. Minal was too young to verbalize the gap between fact and feeling like you belonged, but her brother quipped, "The President of the United States is not thinking about people like me when he thinks about Americans." Minal never imagined she would live to see the day when an Indian American woman would be on a Presidential ticket. It is sweeter for this lifelong progressive that the ticket falls to the left than to the right.

The two of us, Dr. Cole and Ms. Bopaiah, have been collaborating on a book for three years and have formed a deep enough bond that we now refer to each other in kinship terms – Auntie J and Niecey. And so, it was especially meaningful and poignant to call each other recently to celebrate a candidate that we could both identify with racially.

As women, we can speak about our experience from a gender lens, which is important. But as women of color, we also have a mighty lot to say about our experience from a racial lens. So often, women of color have had to fight and prove that we are twice as good to get half as far. Senator Harris gets this.

But we also know that Brown and Black people can have very different experiences in our country. One thing to have your ancestors enslaved and brought here against their will, as Dr. Cole's were (or in Senator Harris' case, brought to Jamaica). It is quite another to have parents who arrived with advanced education, thanks to the socialized education system of another country, as Ms. Bopaiah's did and Senator Harris' mother did.



But Kamala Harris offers even more intersectionality of experience. As the granddaughter of Tamilian Brahmins, she is familiar with being a part of the elite in the Indian diaspora. At the same time, simultaneously, as a Black American, she knows the experience of marginalization by race, the United States' version of caste, as Isabel Wilkerson, so eloquently elucidates in her new book *Caste: The Origins of Our Discontents*.

To know privilege and marginalization is a universal experience, though the proportions may vary. Unfortunately, knowing victimization does not make one an instant ally to all other marginalized identities.

We are both aware of the anti-Blackness that can pervade the Indian diaspora. We are also both aware of the insularism that can occur in Black culture. We are aware of the anti-Muslim sentiment among some Hindus and the opposition to LGBTQ+ rights by some Black Americans. And as women with family ties to law enforcement (Ms. Bopaiah's husband was a police officer many years ago and Dr. Cole's youngest son is currently a police sergeant), we both understand the tension

and pragmatism required for reforming America's criminal justice system so that it no longer breeds a culture of brutality against Black and Brown bodies.

What our sister Sen. Harris does for our country is to give us an embodiment of unity in diversity. So many of the cultures and experiences she represents have been both victimized and victimizer. But she, with all her embodied complexity, represents the opportunity to create a system that works for all of us. She is the best of what our country can be when we choose not to ignore or minimize our differences, but to harmonize them. She is a song from the American songbook – a Hip Hop remix of the Star-Spangled Banner and Lift Every Voice and Sing dropped over a bhangra beat – and so many of us now have the joy of hearing our hymns for justice echoing from a national stage.

We would all do well to listen. The ancestors are singing through Kamala Harris, calling us all home to our unified, diverse selves. Like her, we can embrace our complexity with vigor and verve, and fearlessly push our country forward with music in our souls.



PLANNING FOR YOUR LEGACY

In an uncertain world, planning for the future is paramount.

By Roslyn Hannibal-Booker

PLANNING FOR YOUR LEGACY

Setting up your wishes for your estate is the last and lasting gift to your loved ones and beloved causes

“I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver.” --- Maya Angelou

Maya Angelou referred to the greatest kind of treasure – the act of helping others. Knowing that your generosity has benefited another is a satisfaction that can't be measured in dollars and cents and is therefore very precious. Better still, you will have the satisfaction of knowing that you truly have the heartfelt thanks of those you have helped.

As you contemplate the future, you consider ways of ensuring that your legacy represents you – your interests, passions, and dreams. One of the ways to accomplish this is through a planned gift. Planned gifts provide a variety of giving options, allows donors to make a substantial gift to their favorite charity, and contribute to the future security of the organization.

They are fairly simple to give, usually requiring the donor to name a nonprofit as the beneficiary of part of their estate or retirement accounts.

Bequests are one of the simplest, most impactful, and popular ways to make a planned gift.

To make a charitable bequest, a donor has to allocate a portion of their estate to a nonprofit in their will. They are usually allocated in three ways:

1. A specific amount of cash;
2. A percentage of the donor's total estate; or
3. The remaining value of the estate after all other bequests have been paid.
4. This is a valid way of making a planned gift, but designating a beneficiary for retirement plan or life insurance is not a charitable bequest.

Donors can name a nonprofit as the beneficiary of their life insurance policies or unused retirement assets. These can include individual retirement accounts (IRAs), 401(k) s, 403(b) s, or pensions. Because these gifts are often larger than a donor could give during their lifetime, they can have a huge impact on a nonprofit.

These types of planned gifts are a good option for donors who have paid up policies or retirement accounts that they won't use up. If a donor has a large estate, gifting retirement accounts and life insurance policies can help their heirs avoid income and estate taxes.

It's always best to consult an accountant or estate lawyer when planning your estate.

If you have any questions about making a gift to NCNW, please email Roslyn Hannibal-Booker at rbooker@ncnw.org



A BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION FOR DR. DOROTHY IRENE HEIGHT

Dr. Dorothy Irene Height was a creative, compassionate, and visionary leader. Her scholarship, travels and experiences shaped her understanding of power and how to navigate it with competence and kindness. Through the programs and initiatives she developed, she used her power to empower women and girls around the world. During the early Civil Rights Movement when women worked behind the scenes, her quiet power brought wisdom and a social worker's perspective to deliberations and strategies of the "Big Six" civil rights leaders. With an understanding of the importance of power of location, she purchased a building in Washington, D.C. between the White House and the Capitol, the only African American owned building along that corridor of power. For decades, her political power was put to use serving as an advisor to five U.S. presidents. She led some of the largest and most influential women's organizations in American history, including her beloved National Council of Negro Women. And she achieved these accomplishments always wearing fabulous hats and an engaging smile.

This year we celebrated her birthday and her legacy which she passed on to us; her daughters, her sisters, and her friends. The joy she shared, we shared with one another, in a parade of hats. The Honorable Alexis Herman shared with us some of her favorites and some for special occasions. It was a moment to reflect on how the torch passes and how it will pass still from roots to wings as we forge forward our collective mission to secure a future, for the culture, and for every woman of African descent, their families, and communities.



The six hats that have been pulled from her archives at the Smithsonian Institute.

- *The red, white, and blue hat that she wore in 2008 at the Democratic National Convention applauding Senator Barack Obama receiving the Democratic Nomination for President.*
- *The baby blue hat she wore on her birthday, March 24, 2004 to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor.*
- *The all white hat she wore in her meeting with First Lady Eleanor Roosevelt.*
- *Then gold hat she wore at Easter and as a tribute our affiliate Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.*
- *The pink hat she wore to the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. National Boule when she was invited to speak.*
- *The red hat, worn by the Honorable Alexis Herman, was one of the many hats Dr. Height chose to wear to the national conventions of her sorority, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.*

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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A DAY MAKES

By Dr. Julianne Malveaux

It took only one day, one inauguration, for the shift between pessimism and optimism. Just one day to anticipate new opportunities, new possibilities. The skies opened up on the day that President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris were inaugurated, allowing the sunlight of truth to shine through.

I had a mixtape running through my brain. The Fifth Dimension, Let The Sun Shine In; Nina Simone, Here Comes the Sun; Nina Simone, Young Gifted and Black; McFadden and Whitehead, Ain't No Stopping Us Now. You could not have wiped the grin off my face if you had a Brillo pad. The inauguration met my expectations. Biden spoke hope and reconciliation. Harris spoke history and healing. The highlight of the inauguration for me, though, was young Amanda Gorman, the Poet Laureate, at 22, the youngest poet laureate ever.

There have been many times in the last few years when I wished that Dr. Maya Angelou was alive. Sometimes it's personal - I'd like her advice, her words, her soothing. Sometimes it's political - I'd like to know what she thinks. But on Inauguration Day, I wanted her to see a brilliant young lady stand on her shoulders, to watch Amanda Gorman recite her poem *The Hill We Climb*. It is a complex, hopeful, alliterative, and aspirational poem that declared that our country "is not broken but unfinished." What shone through her appearance was not only her bold words but also her shining presence. Nina Simone. *To Be Young Gifted and Black*.

While the substance of inauguration was most important, those of us who are fashionistas had plenty of eye candy. Jill Biden's light blue outfit. Kamala's purple (a combination of blue and red), Michelle Obama's bold maroon with a striking belt, and the monochromatic look that many of the women rocked. The presence of women, especially Black women, was also notable. Minnesota senator Amy Klobuchar was part of the Presidential Inauguration Committee (PIC) and opened the ceremony. Firefighter Andrea Hall spoke and signed the Pledge of Allegiance. Black girl magic was in the house. My mixtape is running through my head.

The symbolism was stunning, but it was far more critical that President Biden hit the ground running, and he did. He signed 17 executive orders, reversing some of the most onerous declarations of his predecessor. He dissolved the 1776 Commission, an odious truth-erasing propaganda body charged with developing "patriotic education." Replete with lies, peppered with quotes by Dr. Martin Luther King and Abraham Lincoln, neither of whom would have cosigned the report, the previous administration had the utter audacity to release this madness on Dr. Martin Luther King's birthday holiday. One of the final slaps in the face from the deranged "leader."

Hours before Biden offered his stirring and hopeful speech, the previous president, who defied precedent and declined to attend his successor's inauguration, slunk out of Washington, signaling his departure with a 21 gun salute and an exit on Air Force One. It was a pitiful party, sparsely attended and suffused with gloomy moods. The former president's deputy press secretary, Hogan Gidley, described the departing ceremony as "a funeral" and said, "In many ways, the country died." No, Hogan, the country was reborn with hope and joy, and a commitment to turn the hope and enjoyment of the inauguration into a reality.

What a difference a day makes. We have gone from a history-denying administration into a history-affirming one. We have moved from an administration that attacked workers and the environment to an administration that fights for them. To be sure, the Biden-Harris administration is walking a legislatively narrow tightrope, with a narrow margin in the House of Representatives and just a one-vote margin in the Senate. Suppose Biden can work the bipartisan magic he promised to attempt. In that case, there will be more vaccines into arms and more relief for those whose economic status has been impacted by the coronavirus pandemic.

These early days of the Biden-Harris administration are hopeful, inspirational days. They must also be workdays. There is much that must be done, many obstacles to clear. The previous administration did

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GOOD HEALTH W.I.N.s WITH FACTS & TRUSTED VOICES

NCNW, Inc., CDC & Vaccinate Your Family on the road to Immunization Awareness

By Kayla Allen



The word “vaccine” has been commonly used these days by people all around the world due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Health experts have emphasized the importance of the COVID-19 vaccine as a safer way to help build protection. The National Council of Negro Women, Inc. is on the road to raising immunization awareness. In February, 2021, NCNW announced a partnership between Vaccinate Your Family (VYF), NCNW state organizations and NCNW Affiliates to provide reliable information about the COVID-19 vaccines to communities being devastated by the pandemic. Additionally, the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases CDC granted financial support to NCNW's efforts to increase coverage for adults in racial and/or ethnic populations experiencing disparities in vaccination rates.

During a virtual news conference on February 10th, NCNW announced their partnership with Vaccinate Your Family (VYF). VYF is one of the nation's foremost immunization advocacy nonprofits. Together, VYF and NCNW launched Good Health WINs (Women's Immunization Networks) to raise awareness of the impact of timely immunizations for people of all ages and protect families and individuals from vaccine-preventable diseases. “The concept for Good Health WINs came to us from the brilliant mind of strategist, Synovia Moss, who is a consultant member of the Wisconsin Vaccination Network,” Executive Director of NCNW, Janice Mathis, Esq. stated during the conference. Good Health WINs will produce resources such as: surveys, tool kits, direct messaging, contact tracing, outdoor ads, expert briefings and whatever it takes to produce good and respectful information on immunizations.

“For today to be the day that it becomes a reality, it's such great news.” Amy Pisani, VYF Executive director began express during the

announcement. “Not just for VYF, but for your networks, because coming together we have so much power and we're really going to save lives,” Pisani concluded. NCNW and VYF are not working alone on their Good Health WINs launch. NCNW has assembled a world class team of experts and volunteers to shepherd Good Health WINs, including several of our 32 national membership organization affiliates, faith-based organizations, civic engagement specialists, healthcare providers and communications professionals to assure that project goals are met.

Dr. Kimberly Jeffries Leonard, 17th National President of The Links, Inc., Dr. Gus Reyes, COO of National Hispanic Christian Leadership Conference, President Hollingsworth Baker, President of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. and Teri Jackson, Executive Director of the Women's National Basketball Players Association (WNBA) were among the collaborating organizations that attended the Good Health WINs launch announcement.

Teri Jackson indicated her excitement about the WNBPA commitments which include scheduling a series of educational Zooms for their members and WNBA players so they can learn more about COVID-19 and the vaccines from nationally recognized experts in medicine and public health. Dr. Kimberly Jefferies Leonard concluded her remarks with a phrase that is more than just a slogan “Good health really does WIN”, highlighting the importance of timely immunization protecting families.

Good Health WINs is moving toward the goal of empowering vaccine confident individuals. Notable immunization experts, including Dr. Valerie Montgomery Rice, Kizzmekia Corbett and Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith presented facts and findings during the health equity segment of the 85th Anniversary Critical IDEAs Symposium. Dr. Johnnetta Bestch Cole, current chair & 7th national President of NCNW, expressed her gratitude during the news conference with these words: “We are so grateful to the Center of Disease Control for providing the funding that will allow this mighty coalition of women’s organizations to do good work.”

NCNW’s grant from the CDC will help with the plan to build on the evidence base of effective interventions to improve vaccination coverage and to identify and implement strategies to reduce racial and/or ethnic disparities in adult vaccination coverage. Benefits of vaccination are not realized equally across the population of the United States. Adult vaccination coverage remains low nationally and significant racial and ethnic disparities exist. The groups experiencing disparities are also disproportionately affected by COVID 19, at risk for serious illness from COVID 19, and/or at high risk for complications from influenza infection.

The National Council of Negro Women has a great deal of ongoing work planned ahead to spread immunization awareness and fight the racial disparities effecting vaccination coverage. With our world class team, NCNW will ensure that the benefits of the vaccination is reached equally across the population of the United States. In the words from a proverb stated by Dr. Cole: “When sleeping women awake, mountains move.” “My sistas, we have some mountains to move.”



GOOD HEALTH WINs

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC. & VACCINATE YOUR FAMILY



ZETA PHI BETA SORORITY, INC.

Affiliate Spotlight: A Community-Conscious, Action-Oriented Organization

Founded on January 16, 1920, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was born out of the simple belief that sorority elitism should not overshadow the real mission for progressive organizations to address societal ills, prejudices, poverty, and health concerns of the day. Zeta began as an idea conceived by five coeds at Howard University in Washington, D.C., predicated on the precepts of Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood.

Today these ideals are reflected in each member's desire to engage the underrepresented, serve where they are most needed, and advocate for change. For over 100 years Zeta Phi Beta Sorority has been a pioneering trailblazer. Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was the first organization under the National Pan-Hellenic Council to have a national headquarters for all operations, the first to charter a chapter in Africa (Monrovia, Liberia), the first and only to be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Incorporated, and the first to form auxiliary groups.

Archonettes are high school-aged young ladies who demonstrate an interest in the goals and the ideals of scholarship, sisterly love, and community service.

Amicettes are girls 9 to 13 years of age who are willing to strive toward the high ideals of Zeta Phi Beta and who demonstrate the potential for leadership in service to the community.

Pearlettes are girls under 9 years old who are mentored by members to become outstanding leaders. Providing community service and they learn and grow.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is led by its dynamic 25th International President Valerie Hollingsworth Baker. Ms. Hollingsworth Baker, who was elected in July 2018, is a diamond-life member. Scholarship and service are principles Ms. Hollingsworth Baker



Valerie Hollingsworth Baker
25th International President

holds dear. She learned the importance of service by watching her mother, who was a grassroots volunteer in their Brooklyn, NY community. Valerie graduated from York institute as the class valedictorian at the age of fourteen and received a Bachelor of Arts degree with honors from Fordham University. The International President noted, "I chose Zeta because the principles aligned with my personal beliefs." During the sorority's Centennial Celebration in January 2020 in Washington, DC, members collected and packaged over 12,000 bundles of blankets, hats, gloves, and socks. The packages were dropped off at homeless shelters and police stations. Even during a time of celebration, Zeta members served the community.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority is a community-conscious, action-oriented organization. Zetas Helping Other People Excel (Z-HOPE) is the national service program of the sorority that provides education and awareness programs and activities to help people and their communities make positive lifestyle choices across the life-span. Z-HOPE focuses on five demographic areas: women, men, seniors, youth, and international women of color. Z-HOPE has a proven track record of being implemented in communities worldwide.

In addition to being an Affiliate of NCNW, Zeta has partnerships with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to engage urban youth in outdoor recreation, biological sciences, and healthful activity in nature.

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Zeta Phi Beta honors veterans, active duty, National Guardsmen and Reservists who honorably serve our nation in an annual National Military Appreciation Week with Women Veterans ROCK.

Stork's Nest is a partnership between Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and the March of Dimes. Stork's Nest is a community-based prenatal health promotion program for low-income pregnant women. The program is designed to promote prenatal care participation and healthy behaviors during pregnancy through two components: incentives and education. Thousands of women are serviced at Stork's Nest all over the world. The Zeta Prematurity Awareness Program (ZPAP) occurs annually in November in support of the March of Dimes and World Prematurity Day. Since 2003 Zeta chapters and auxiliaries reach out to over 300 houses of worship annually across

the county and distribute information on prematurity awareness, causes of prematurity, and the importance of seeking prenatal care to decrease infant mortality and the number of low birth weight babies.

Undergirding the important work of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is the Zeta National Educational Foundation, Inc. (ZNEF), which was created to operate exclusively for charitable and educational purposes.

ZNEF primary objective is financial support to needy students for higher education through its scholarships. Scholarships are rewarded annually for both undergraduate and graduate study and are processed through the Foundation's Scholarship Committee. In honor of the sorority's 100th celebration in 2020, the Arizona Cleaver Stemons Centennial Scholarship was established in recognition of its founder. Ms. Cayla

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Scholarship, Service, Sisterhood, and Finer Womanhood

Withers of Kannapolis, NC, was the recipient of this inaugural \$100,000 scholarship. Zeta continues to strive to provide life-changing support to deserving students. This year, the sorority will award a \$125,000 scholarship in honor of founder Pearl Anna Neal. Valerie Hollingsworth Baker noted, “Our goal is to remove the burden of finances for education so that a young scholar may attend any school they choose. These scholarships, along with the others we provide, are investments in the future – the next president, astronaut, or supreme court judge”.

Zeta is proud to have a list of many “firsts”. We are the first organization under the National Pan-Hellenic Council to have a national headquarters

for all operations, the first and only NPHC organization to be constitutionally bound to a fraternity, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., the first sorority in the National Pan-Hellenic to organize an auxiliary group.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. is proud to be an NCNW affiliate. Zeta and NCNW are like-minded organizations – with similar principles. The collaboration expands our mission to help and serve. We work together to build a stronger voice, a stronger force, and to work to improve our communities.

85th ANNIVERSARY CRITICAL I.D.E.A.s SYMPOSIUM

NCNW convened their 85th Anniversary Symposium on February 26th, 2021. The 85th Symposium was inspired by NCNW Executive Director Janice Mathis' desire to see leaders in civil rights, health care, business and the faith community come together to craft an action agenda for inclusion, diversity, equity and accessibility. The goal was to hold democratic institutions and commercial systems accountable for persistent and unconscionable gaps in wealth, health, civil rights and criminal justice. The action agenda includes a plan to assure that community leaders are involved in the local, county, state and national policy making bodies that define how health care is distributed, how public funds are allocated and how leaders in business and government respond to the clear will of the people.

In a day-long symposium in observance of its 85th Anniversary, NCNW brought together health care luminaries, including Dr. Valerie Montgomery Rice, Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, Dr. Toni Hoover, Dr. Reed Tuckson and Dr. Marcella Nunez-Smith, and Colleen Payne-Nabors, all of whom underscored the importance of equity in health care. They emphasized the safety and efficacy of modern vaccines, the continuing testing that is occurring and the continuing need to respect and follow recommended public health practices. Experts united in laying out a campaign to involve and unite communities of color in a campaign for equity, democracy and justice. Those involved include 23rd Secretary of Labor, Hon. Alexis Herman; Ms. Helen Butler, Executive Director of the Georgia Coalition for the People's Agenda and one of the architects of the 2021 electoral mobilization in Georgia, and Barbara Arnwine, founder of the Transformative Justice Coalition.

Addressing this nation's frequent history of violent, racial hostility requires an acknowledgment of past and current inequities along with policies that advance systemic reforms rooted in transparency and accountability. There is a very long history of systemic racism against Black women, men and children by individual white supremacists and by state-sanctioned acts that began during the years of enslavement and continued during the period of

“The principle of justice is fundamental and must be exercised if the peoples of this country are to rise to the highest and best for there can be neither freedom, peace, true democracy or real development without justice.”

reconstruction and Jim Crowism. Such violence continues to plague our communities. Today, there are clear and irrefutable acts of police violence, insurrection, voter suppression, educational neglect and health inequity that require urgent and necessary action. And that is what we are determined to do, to act.

It is time that we made a serious effort to eliminate the injustice of child poverty and invest in a demand-side program of education, training and investments to lift the most vulnerable communities no matter where they are and who lives in them. As Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune wrote six decades ago, “The principle of justice is fundamental and must be exercised if the peoples of this country are to rise to the highest and best for there can be neither freedom, peace, true democracy or real development without justice.” Dr. Bethune founded NCNW in 1935, to give Black women a stronger voice in civic affairs. One of the issues of great concern at that time was the pandemic of lynching. Today it is Black Lives Matter. We recall and focus on Dr. Bethune's words so that we can learn the lessons of history. The NCNW Action Agenda called for cultivating allies across lines of color, race, geography and class in the firm belief that most Americans favor fair and equitable treatment of all people.

HEALTH EQUITY COMMITTEE, MOVING ONWARD!

During our recent national convention, our beloved National Chair, and my mentor, Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole blessed me with the distinct opportunity of appointing me as the National Chair of the Health Equity Committee for NCNW. To say this is an honor, is an understatement. After discussing the direction of this committee, we collectively decided to focus on six health initiatives. These include breast cancer, affordable health care, HIV/AIDS, maternal health, mental health and COVID-19. It was gratifying to receive a great response from so many amazing NCNW members across the United States. The superior qualifications of applicants made the final committee selection process a challenge. So many of you are committed to providing opportunities of advocacy, education, and service for health equity in your communities, and are more than qualified to serve.

To everyone who applied, thank you for your support and interest to push this committee forward. It was difficult selecting a committee as there was an abundance of professional and more than qualified candidates to serve. Lack of health equity affects our communities in every disease category. I see the six focus areas as an expansion of NCNW's long-standing interest in reducing health disparities that will continue for years to come. The goals of this committee are to organize and implement activities and advocate for policy positions

Sharah N. Denton,
National Health Equity Chair

that advance equal access to high-quality affordable health care for every person as a human right.

NCNW is grateful to these talented and dedicated leaders in health care who have graciously consented to serve as expert advisors to the NCNW Health Equity Committee: Hyedia Broadbent - National HIV-AIDS Activist

- Nakeitra Burse - Owner & CEO Six Dimensions, LLC
- Benita Harris-McBride - Senior Public Health Advisor, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Karen Eubanks Jackson - Founder/CEO of Sisters Network® Inc
- Dr. Kathleen B. Kennedy - Dean of the Xavier University College of Pharmacy
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It will allow you to put a face to the email and voice!



Kayla J. Allen
Communications

Kayla Allen was born in Washington, D.C and raised in Bowie, Maryland. She refers to herself as a “Jamerican” because her parents and siblings were born and raised in Jamaica. Growing up, Kayla spent a lot of her time in Jamaica and has truly adopted her family’s culture. She attended a small Christian high school in Maryland where she began to hone her creative talents. Playing the piano, soccer, and public speaking were her greatest skills, and she received several awards for them.

Kayla attended North Carolina A&T University during her freshman year of college. However, she decided it was best for her to complete her studies in D.C., where she received her Bachelors in Sociology from the George Washington University. Kayla was always told that she had a great “radio/tv” voice and presence. As a child, she always dreamed of becoming a news reporter. But her family members have very demanding and diverse careers (i.e. lawyers or medical doctors), so she was constantly unsure and pulled towards different career paths. Kayla attempted a career in medicine, animals, journalism, etc. all at once... so she has tried it all!

Kayla believed that fear was stopping her from pursuing what she enjoyed. She eventually overcame her fear and took steps towards her future. Recently, she received her Masters in journalism from the University of Miami. When not working for NCNW, Kayla is working as a freelance voiceover artist, journalist and fashion retailer. She voices audiobooks, tv/radio commercials, podcasts and animations. Additionally, she covers local newsworthy events and sells clothes online. People describe Kayla as a fashionable, free-spirit, and creative person with a great sense of humor...so you can count on her for a quick laugh! In the future, Kayla aspires to continue working in all aspects of the communications field as well as starting a voiceover company.



Jocelyn Koon
Administration

Jocelyn Koon is a seasoned administrative professional with a Bachelor’s in psychology and over 10 years experience in both property management and commercial real estate in Class A properties in New York City. Jocelyn decided to switch gears and look to find a more meaningful professional career. She relocated to the DMV in 2018 with aspirations of joining an organization whose mission aligned with her values of giving back and empowering the African American community. Throughout her life, Jocelyn has always been an advocate for Black women’s progress and empowerment. Upon moving to the DMV, she started a group for young BLack women professionals were also recent transplants to the DMV and were looking to connect with likeminded women with similar goals and aspirations. As the group grew in numbers, Jocelyn knew she wanted to pursue these values and initiatives in her professional life as well and was beyond enthusiastic when presented with the opportunity to work at the historical National Council of Negro Women as the Executive Assistant

MEET THE STAFF *Continued*

to Chief Administrative Officer, Krystal Ramseur. In her current role, Jocelyn helps oversee administration for the finance, human resources and operations departments. Jocelyn comes to the National Council of Negro Women with a passion for giving back to those in need, a great activist spirit and an a positive go-getter personality which she knows will help bring the National Council of Negro Women to the next level of excellence while under great leadership of the Executive team and colleagues.

Dreanna Perkins Administration



Dreanna Perkins is the Executive Assistant to the Executive Director at the National Council of Negro Women (NCNW). She brings over five years of administrative assistant experience to the table, with expertise in scheduling and project coordination. Dreanna joined the National Headquarters staff in March 2020 and started her service to NCNW all from home.

Dreanna is a 2015 graduate of Virginia Commonwealth University with a Bachelor's of Science in Biomedical Engineering and is a native of the DMV area. After graduation, Dreanna joined the nonprofit sector undertaking a broad range of secretarial and administrative roles and duties.

Currently reporting directly to Janice L. Mathis Esq., the NCNW Executive Director, she hopes to continue to propel NCNW forward in its mission to lead, empower and advocate for women of African descent, their families and communities.



Dreanna enjoys fitness especially going to classes at OrangeTheory, doing puzzles and Sunday Brunch (pre-COVID) and is a professional member of the National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE). She recently started a foodstagram page on IG @tasty_ish where she shares delicious foods she has tried at restaurants around the country.



CLASS OF



CONGRATS GRADUATES!

NCNW is sending a warm and hearty congratulations to our 2021 graduates. As a member of NCNW, you have demonstrated your commitment to being of service to Black women, our families and our communities. You have reached the summit, and we are mighty proud of you!

Please submit your graduation information by Friday, April 30, 2021 - <http://bit.ly/ncnwgrad2021>
Questions? Email: dperkins@ncnw.org

BREATHE AIR INTO YOUR SECTION

*Every Section has the Opportunity to Grow
for We Thrive in Adversity*

By David Glenn, Jr.
Director of Membership

What is the current status of your Section?...Is it active...Is it growing in number of Members...Do you have successful fund-raising events...Do you have a noted cross-generational membership...Are you implementing programmatic work under the National Program Thrusts (Four for the Future)?

If you answered no to any of the questions above, then here are some proven ways to breathe AIR (Action Impact Relevance) into your section.

First things first, we must get back to the founding ideology and work of the local councils, now called sections. In 1935, Mrs. Bethune had an idea to bring together women from national membership organizations to harness the same type of collective and cooperative efforts to effect change as had been experienced by the working together of the national leaders. From this base, she and other NCNW members reached out to others who were affiliated and not affiliated with national organizations to join NCNW. Thus, membership became open to ALL women under Mrs. Bethune's mindset of "leave no one behind."

Just as they did in the 1930's, sections need to make a conscious decision to take action against the issues facing Black families and communities today. They need to advocate for health equity, fair and affordable housing, civil and police violence reformation, stable and gainful employment and equal pay, sentencing and prison reform. Establish leadership and mentoring platforms for girls and young women. Promote the importance of both, primary and secondary education with a focus on STEM and Arts Education. Teach wealth building and encourage entrepreneurship. Nurture and foster a sense of civic responsibility and engagement.

"How do you begin to do this?" Here are a few suggestions:

1. Implement NCNW's national Four for the Future. Establish effective programs in entrepreneurship, mentoring, STEAM education, HIV/AIDS, estate planning, values, and civic engagement.



2. Stop meeting to meet. Too many meetings are held where nothing gets done outside of "talking about the meeting." Begin the meetings with the business of minutes, votes, adoptions, and committee reports, etc. The rest of the time can be spent carrying out one of your programs or new member orientation.
3. Harness the power of your community's youth and young adults. NCNW must do more to attract and retain younger members beyond the college years. Younger women may be unfamiliar with NCNW's rich legacy, history, mission and purpose.
 - Dispel the myth that the young do not care and are not interested in bettering their lives and communities.
 - Create opportunities in your section for young women to work on planning and standing committees.
 - Form individual mentor/mentee partnerships—they learn best when they can see what they want to be.
 - Recognize that younger members have as much to give as they have to learn. Provide substantive opportunities for meaningful participation, input and growth.
 - Get involved with your neighboring secondary schools, colleges and universities.
 - Establish a Civic Engagement Committee if you have not done so already. This is an area where the young can excel and get excited about.
 - I heard someone say, "the young are gifts—let them give! Use their technology skills, hunger and energy. Hear their ideas about strategies and directions.
4. Increase the Section's access, visibility and reach. This too, will attract more prospective members across the local areas.
5. Design a website/webpage and create social media pages and accounts to promote the section's programs, events, meeting dates and times, etc. (i.e. Facebook, Instagram,

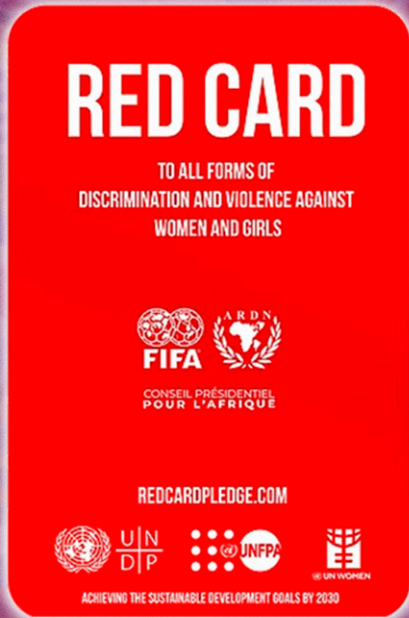
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NCNW NATIONAL SOCIAL MEDIA



- Follow NCNW's Social Media for Up to Date Information
- TAG US on your Social Media to Promote Your Section
- Join Us on the **Clubhouse** app for Group Discussions
- **Help Us to get 50K in followers by the end of 2021!**

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 Support women all over the world by putting an end to all forms of discrimination and violence against women and girls.



AFRICAN RENAISSANCE AND DIASPORA NETWORK

HELP US REACH 1 MILLION SIGNATURES

PARTNERING IN THE TIME OF COVID 19

Prince George's County Section – Connecting Our Roots and Our Wings

By Dr. Linda Hunt

No one would question that this past year has been a trying time – shifting how we manage our lives and forcing us all to rethink how we can carry out our responsibilities. Within the National Council of Negro Women, our local sections and affiliate organizations have been forced to rethink how we do business to continue to meet the needs of the communities we serve. Our lines and means of communications have shifted dramatically, yet the critical need to stay in touch and work together is unchanged. The onset of Covid-19 restrictions has halted our ability to meet in person and enjoy fellowship and share experiences.

Our leader, Dr. Johnnetta Betsch Cole has repeatedly reminded us that we MUST adopt strategies that promote the viability of both “our roots and our wings”. She defines our “roots” as our wisdom and history, and our “wings” as our ability to soar to new heights with continuous improvement and refinement of our goals and processes. While the initial attention focused on strengthening the intergenerational nature of our membership, those key principles can also be applied to ensuring that we consider not only age differences among our members, but also varied educational backgrounds, life stage differences, career experiences and other considerations. These factors impact how we communicate and share our talents to meet our collective commitment to serve our nation and our local communities.

Prince George's County Section has adopted a new strategy to ensure that our members continue to build the bonds of “roots” and “wings”; working together and staying connected. Our Program Committee traditionally plans activities for our in person monthly meeting where local leaders from various sections of the community – governmental services, civil engagement, local business such as book stores, non-profit service organizations, etc. present information to our membership. Beginning in December 2020 we decided to focus our attention internally. Who are we and what do we individually bring to the communal table?

Each of the 100+ members were partnered – new members with those having sustained longer term membership; younger members with older members; Section leaders with those who recently joined; technologically knowledgeable with novice technology users. The initial goal was to keep in touch via phone or email to ensure that the “partner” was physically ok and to determine if there were any specific needs that warranted individual or collective attention. We

wanted to ensure that during these non-contact times all members experienced the bond of sisterhood and friendship that brought us to NCNW - an organization that promotes bonding sometimes dissimilar individuals to address common needs and interests.

The results have far exceeded the initial plan! Members who initially were uncertain of the benefits of the effort found that making one-on-one contact was both informative and fun. We did not make any specific demands for their engagement - leaving the method and timing of the contact up to each team. A few teams are asked to report their connections during Section meetings or to provide short articles for the monthly newsletter. Feedback from a few of the partners included the following:

- “My partner and I were in the same ski club years ago. We knew the same people but didn't know each other. This is a small world. We do plan to have lunch together when we are able to do that.”
- “Unbeknownst to us, my partner and I share the joy of working in ministry. This was evidenced by her many speaking engagements and my writing spiritual poetry”. I would not have had a chance to learn about this without partnering.
- “My partner and I share words of encouragement with one another due to the issues we both are currently facing. We also send cards and emails to one another”

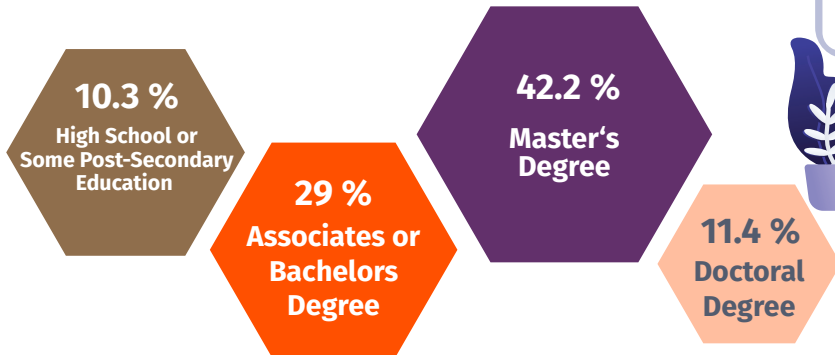
We will pose specific questions for all partners to address during upcoming months. Questions for Women's History Month (in March) is: “How does each partner view Dr. Cole's focus on roots and wings and how does that emphasis impact how they view their partner and what will they jointly will contribute to the Section as a whole”.

Based on the results so far, we plan to continue partnering even after Covid 19 restrictions are lifted. It has proven to be a beneficial, informal way to connect members, and appreciate our differences as we celebrate our joint commitment to the principles of our National and local organization. Consider “Partnering”, it is a viable way to support one another as we continue the important work of bonding our roots and wings and strengthening our organization.



Education

From the living rooms of our houses, we have managed to continue our education and press onward!

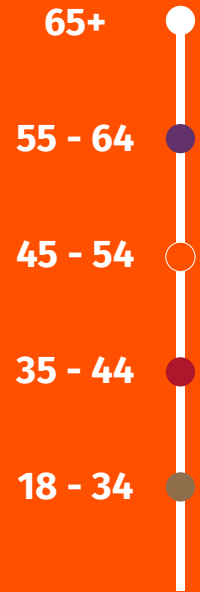


320 Section
in 32 States



Membership Age

We have increased our membership and created programming that appeals to intergenerational and learn from our responses of 800 members.



TOP 10 INDUSTRIES OF NCNW MEMBERS

While a number of members worked in the industries of Arts/Entertainment/Performing Arts, Broadcast Media/Film/Media Production, Hospitality and Tourism, Marketing/PR/Print Media, Real Estate, and Retail/ Restaurant/Food Services the majority of members work in the following industries.

Accounting / Banking / Finance	7.4%
Administrative and Support Services	18.0%
Business - Corporate	8.6%
Consumer or Professional Services	5.0%
Digital Media, Software, and IT	4.6%
Education / Training	34.9%
Government / Military / Law Enforcement	17.7%
Non-profit	15.0%
Legal / Insurance	5.0%
Other	28.2%

Social Media

FaceBook **7.9K**

Instagram **6.7K**

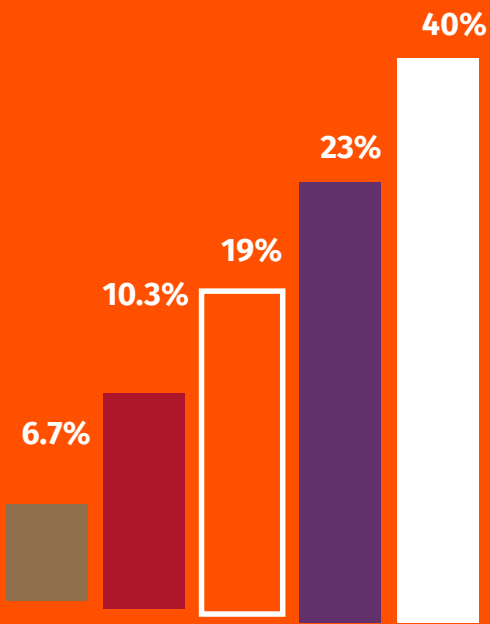
98% of Members Registered to Vote.



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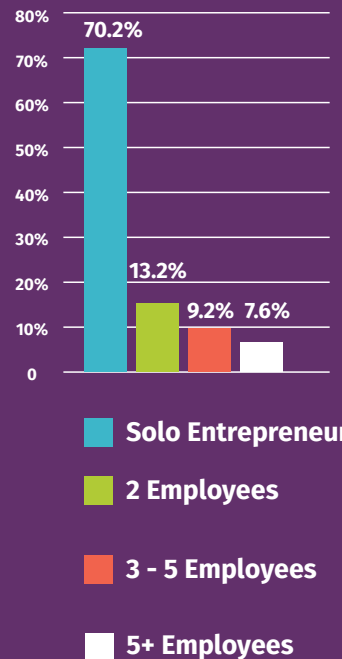
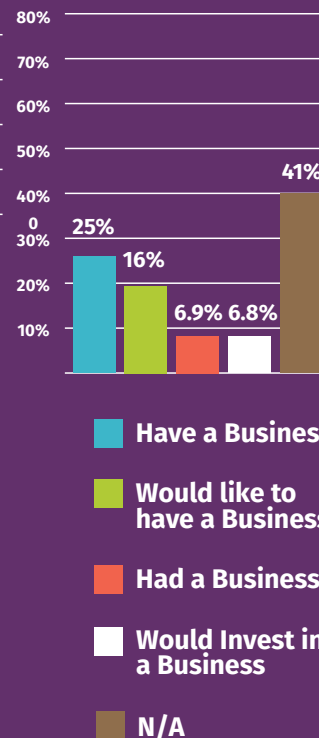
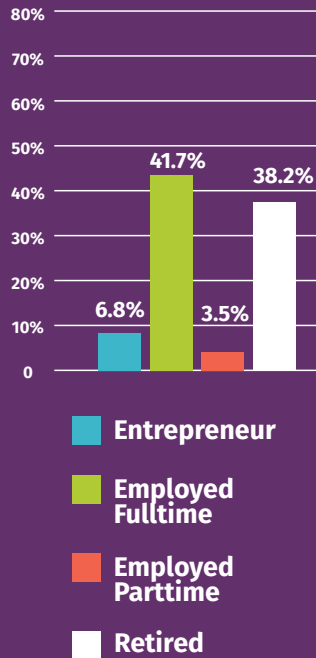
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Business

Some of us chose the path of employment while other chose to chart their own path. NCNW members utilize the webinars that have been provided over the past several years to help them grow in whichever path they choose.



1.9K

LinkedIn

4.7K

Twitter

s up with social media trends and order inform its members and to attract o issues concerning the membership. We w tools, like Clubhouse and Tiktok, to members. Our goal is to have 50K n all platforms by the end of the year. Join

Active Membership

Welcome new members and thank you continuing members.

18.4 %

28.8 %

17.3 %

18 %

15.1 %



- 1 Year



1 - 4 Years



5 - 9 Years



10 - 20 Years



20 +

NCNW STATE & SECTION NEWS

ALTON SECTION

The Alton Section announces its Hazel Killion Scholarship. This is a \$1,000 academic scholarship to a graduate of Alton High School, Marquette Catholic High School or Mississippi Valley, to matriculate as a full-time student at an institution of higher learning in Illinois.

On March 20, 2021, in honor of our Past National President, Dorothy I. Height, the Alton Section wore hats and pearls to our March Membership Meeting.



If you are interested in joining our sisterhood, please join us on the 3rd Thursday of each month. Email: altonsection@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/Altoninc/

BREVARD COUNTY SECTION

The National Council of Negro Women Inc. Brevard County (Florida) Section is celebrating its one-year anniversary as a Section. The Section was chartered on March 27, 2020 with 43 members, under the leadership of Florida State Coalition President, Ms. Tee Solomon.

As an interest group, the members sprang into action participating in community service projects:

- Stone Magnet Middle School: their Family STEAM Night and Gopher Market Donation drive.
- Red Ribbon Campaign Brevard County drug prevention program for teens.
- Virtual voter education workshop in partnership with the League of Women Voters in the Space Coast, providing information on upcoming Florida ballot amendments.
- “Health is Wealth” virtual challenge, tasking the community to walk/run and post their pictures on social media, showcasing healthy habits and activities.



Throughout the pandemic, the Section continues to identify creative ways to keep Dr. Bethune’s vision lifted. Through virtual meetings, events, and social media challenges, NCNW Brevard is continually establishing its presence in Florida’s Space Coast.

– Sister Khalilah Escalera

BROOKLYN SECTION

On Saturday, December 5, 2020, the Brooklyn Section sponsored a Founder's Day event via Zoom. Special guest, Richarda Abrams, actress, singer and playwright, performed an excerpt from her one-woman play: *First by Faith: The Life of Mary McLeod Bethune*.

In December 2020, the Brooklyn Section donated toys to the Good Shepherd Services foster care agency and to All About Kids Special Needs Initiative.

On February 6, 2021, in conjunction with the Delta Sigma Theta Brooklyn Alumnae Chapter and Bridge Street A.M.E. Church, the Brooklyn Section sponsored "Go Red for Healthy Hearts & Minds," an interactive journey to make smart choices. Several health professionals spoke and provided comprehensive information on maintaining good heart health.

The Youth Section had their installation ceremony in February 2021. They are extremely proud of their executive board and appreciate them for taking on the task of leading the youth.



Brooklyn Section's Cultural Arts Committee sponsored their Black History Program in February with the theme: Heritage & Hope. The speakers were from the entertainment world, news casting profession and their very own youth section.

CLARK COUNTY SPRINGFIELD, OH SECTION

The Clark County, Ohio Section was founded in 1941 under the leadership of the late Sadie Glanton. The Springfield Section has carried on the legacy of their founding sisters: "Leaving No One Behind", fulfilling their pledge to make a lasting contribution to all that is finest and best in America. The Springfield Section realized that a lot of families were in need of food because of COVID-19. For this reason they started an initiative to ensure families in need had food on the table during the holiday season. They not only wanted to make sure that food was on the table, but they wanted to ensure that each family could actually take pride in preparing the meal themselves.

In conjunction with their community partners: Omega Psi Phi Incorporated, Mu Chi Chapter, The Honey Baked Ham Company Springfield, Bon Secours Mercy Health

Partners, Chris Miller, The Springfield Foundation, Alice Bell, Dole Fresh Vegetables Co. and The L, they were able to give away 45 baskets of food. Their combined efforts allowed 187 men, women, and children to prepare a home cooked meal for themselves and their families.

Baskets were put together, delivered or picked up a few days before Christmas. Each family received a whole rotisserie chicken, potatoes, green beans, macaroni and cheese, dinner rolls, cake mix, eggs, butter, fresh fruit, fajita vegetable mix, milk, cereal and a few families received a whole ham.

As our section moves forward into our new reality, we know this single endeavor has not solved the issue of food insecurity or food deserts in underserved communities; however, working together can make things better in local communities one family at a time.

NCNW State & Section News *(continued)*

CHICAGO CENTRAL SECTION

The Chicago Central Section has continued to serve and celebrate the spirit of Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune through the pandemic. In October, 2020, the section celebrated ten years as a section and installed their fifth administration. The highlight of the event was the attendance of all previous presidents and the current president.

Despite COVID-19, our members continued to serve safely by:

- Supporting poll workers by delivering water and snacks to the early voting polls sites in the Chicagoland area.
- Adopting a Catholic Charities shelter for women and children – the section donated blankets, mattress covers, twin sheets, coats, hats and gloves, and new winter boots for all of the women.

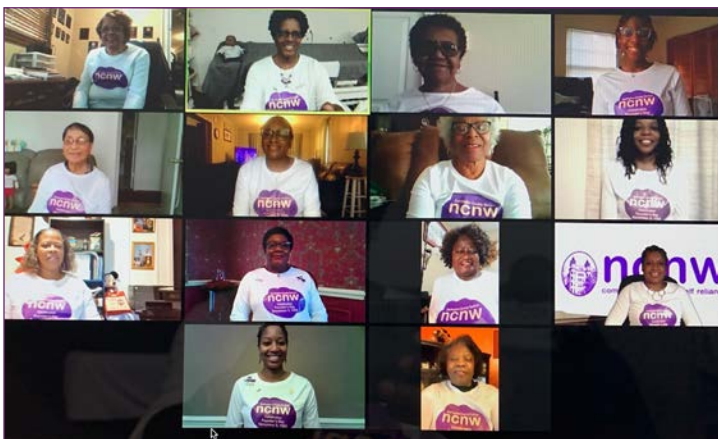
In the New Year, the section continued to support the community by:



- Adopting a community hospital unit for the Dr. King holiday – a boxed lunch was delivered to the unit as a thank you and a gesture of appreciation for their service to the community.
- Supporting and sharing their LOVE by donating 150 Valentine gift bags filled with candy, cards, inspirational bookmarkers and motivational wristlets to support a senior citizen center in Chicago.

They look forward to continuing to serve the community.

DARLINGTON COUNTY SECTION



The Darlington County (South Carolina) Section of NCNW hosted a Founders Day Program via zoom on December 6, 2020. The program was successful and well attended by friends, family and section members.

Guests were introduced to NCNW's rich history and heritage through activities such as NCNW trivia games, and prizes. An informative slideshow about Mary McLeod Bethune's legacy was viewed by our guests.

Founders Day presented an opportunity for new members to join and get a seat at the table to become a part of the organization of organizations!

All members wore Darlington County Section shirts for this program.

Founders Day was an enjoyable occasion for All who attended.

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CO-OP CITY SECTION, BRONX NY

On Saturday, Jan 30, 2021 the Co-op City Section Health Committee sponsored a very timely COVID-19 community event. The Topic was “COVID-19: Facts, Fears, Fiction and Myths—A Coronavirus Immunization Community Conversation” via Zoom. The goal of this event was to provide a forum to educate our community about the different COVID-19 immunizations available.

Dynamic guest speakers, Tamara K. Wallace, MD and Dr. Natalia Cineas, DNP discussed the state of the Corona-virus Pandemic, COVID-19 immunizations, the current vaccination program, and effectiveness of the vaccine in order to dispel any fears and myths regarding administration. Participants were educated about vaccine facts to assist in making an informed decision regarding taking the vaccine.

The Co-op City Section is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. A “Kick off Celebration” commenced during their General Meeting on Sunday, February 4, 2021. The first meeting of the Co-op City Section was held in the Community Protestant Church on February 14, 1971, under the sponsorship of Mrs. Daisy George and Mrs. Maggie Alston, members of the Committee of Four

The poster is purple with white and gold text. At the top, it reads 'NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN, INC. CO-OP CITY SECTION HEALTH COMMITTEE PRESENTS'. Below that, the title is 'COVID-19 FACTS, FEARS, FICTIONS & MYTHS' with a subtitle 'A Coronavirus Immunization Community Conversation'. There are two images of a person in a blue protective suit. The event details are: DATE JAN 30, 2021, TIME 4PM-6PM EST, PLACE ZOOM Event. The guest speakers are Tamara K. Marshall, MD and Dr. Natalia Cineas, DNP, RN, NEA-BC. The poster also includes the meeting ID (827 7419 8764), the passcode (Vaccine), and the email address for questions: homecoopcotyHEALTH@gmail.com. The NCNW logo is at the bottom right.

Hundred, National Council of Negro Women, Inc. Roberta Boozé, Lillian Dean, Jessie Profit, Dorothy Edwards and Evelyn Garner. They were the pioneers who paved the way.

Sheila Richburg, President

DeKALB SECTION

Derrica Williams, DeKalb Section President and one of the Founders of the Stone Mountain Action Coalition (SMAC), is working tirelessly to remove all confederate memorials from Georgia, specifically, Stone Mountain Park located in DeKalb County Georgia. Confederate memorials represent hate and are a shrine to white supremacy and this park has the largest confederate monument in the world. Georgia State Representative Billy Mitchell invited Derrica to join him at a press conference on February 3, 2021, where he announced the filing of HB237 and HB238, legislation that will strike down the racist Georgia laws that require the park to serve as an official memorial to the confederacy. Derrica stated



“Stone Mountain Park has the largest confederate monument in the world, our world, our country, our state, MY county! I keep using words like “your”, “our” and “my” because that’s exactly what this fight has always been about – making this world a better place for WE,

THE PEOPLE! We are determined to do everything we can to make Stone Mountain Park, which is a public park owned by the State of Georgia, an inclusive and welcoming place that no longer celebrates the darkest period in the history of this country.”



NCNW State & Section News (continued)

COLUMBUS (GA) AREA SECTION

6th Annual Chugs Signature Service Project Is A Big Success!

Coats, Hats, Underwear, Gloves, Socks (CHUGS) is NCNW Columbus (GA) Area Section's signature community service project. In October 2015, Dr. Kimberly Scott (2017-2020 Section President) turned her birthday

celebration into a Christmas giveaway event, when she collected HUGS to give to children in our community in lieu of birthday gifts for herself. HUGS expanded to CHUGS in 2016, when members of First African Baptist Church donated coats during the Section's 2nd Annual Drive.



Over the past five years, the NCNW Columbus (GA) Area Section has donated hundreds of CHUGS items each year to children at the Dorothy I. Height Elementary School. In December 2020, under the leadership of 2020-2022 Section President Dr. Deborah Davis-Jones, the section collected over 700 clothing items, outfitted more than 40 families, with enough left over for emergencies and collected \$600 from the community for the children at the Dorothy I. Height Elementary School.

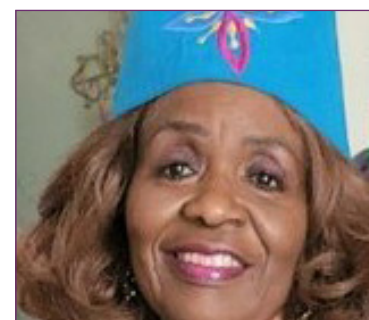
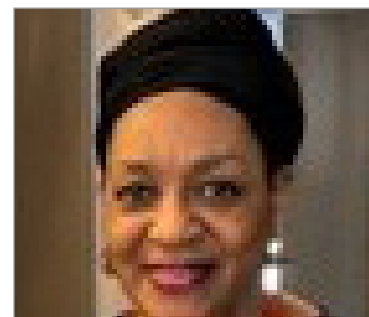
COLUMBUS (OH) SECTION

Embracing Our Brand as Black Women

To think of Black History Month is to reflect on the past and the future. The collective legacy of Black women is filled with accomplishments that positively impact the nation and the world. Yet, no matter what the social climate, the Columbus OH Section still moves forward – even in the face of adversity. We have an unquenchable spirit with innovators creating out of sheer determination!

To illustrate, for their observance, they highlighted the lives of Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune and 12 other known and lesser known women who were the first in civil rights, politics, science, business, entertainment, medicine education.

From the words of the Columbus Ohio Section: “This is who we are! We have greatness in our DNA. When we show up as our authentic selves, we can accomplish anything. Some believe we are the most imitated women on the planet: our ideas, speech, hairstyles and melanin, to list a few.”



The Sisters in the Columbus OH Section are “Embracing Our Brand as Black Women”.

DAYTON (OH) SECTION

Annual Teddy Bear Round Up Quarantine Style



The Dayton Section NCNW remains a great example of giving and showing love to children in need in Montgomery County Ohio. They do so each year through their annual Teddy Bear Round Up community outreach project, chaired by Mrs. Sherri Walton. Due to COVID-19 pandemic restrictions, this year's love was given Quarantine Style. The pandemic did not stop them from showing love and bringing smiles to the children's faces.

Their 17th Annual Teddy Bear Round Up was held in February. 300 teddy bears were delivered to Montgomery County Children Services Haines Children's Center and the bears were bagged in quarantine style instead of

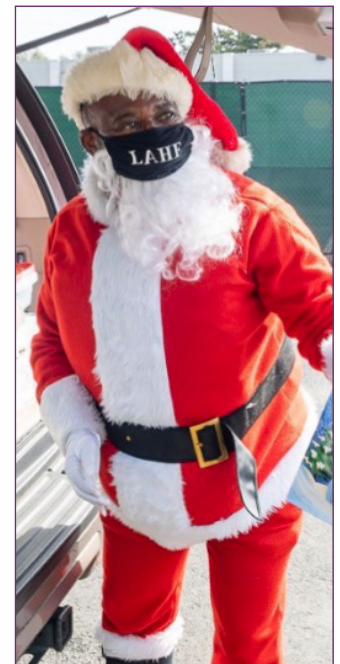
assembled openly where children would normally see them, enjoy them and choose one as their own.

An adorable highlight of this year's delivery was the talking bear that wore a mask in compliance with the COVID-19 pandemic requirements. It helped with understanding the extra precautions to take in order to remain healthy and safe during this pandemic. The County Commission President and Commissioner presented a proclamation to NCNW for continuing to make a difference in the lives of children through the teddy bear round up project. Dayton Section president, Dr. Carmela Daniels shared, "NCNW's mission is to continue to serve the community during the pandemic the best way we can."

EAST BAY AREA SECTION

East Bay Area Section of Northern California ended the 4th Quarter partnering with The Lend A Hand Foundation, by providing brand new warm coats for the 21st Annual Joy of Giving Program. The coats were donated to disadvantaged children in the Oakland East Bay Area. COVID-19 made it more important than ever to donate many service hours to those in need.

Also featured was guest speaker and member of the East Bay Area Section, Dr. Carolyn Williams, who facilitated a COVID-19 lecture and presentation for their general membership meeting. Many questions and concerns were addressed and answered. Every one left the presentation with more awareness of COVID-19.



NCNW State & Section News (continued)



FLORENCE SC SECTION

Florence Section NCNW gave donations to help others including items to the Boys & Girls Club of the Pee Dee; clothing, shoes, and toys to those in need and to Caring Hearts Shelter. Donations of carry-out plates and utensils were also given to My Brother's Keeper Shelter in care of Trinity Baptist Church (Florence, SC). They were very glad they could lend a helping hand to continue enhancing their community. "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." (Luke 6:38)



Chapter President
Mrs. Modestine Samuel

GOLDEN GATE SECTION

The Golden Gate (California) Section is proud to celebrate their members as part of the NCNW R.E.A.C.H. Campaign during the month of January, which was designated as the Month of Honor. Their longest member in service is Ellen Carr, who was in the Junior NCNW Section in the 50s and became the first NCNW International Debutante on the west coast in 1961. She became a Life member 1969. *-Patricia Montgomery, President*



Ellen Carr is to the right of Dr. Height at a Regional Conference

GOLDEN GATE SECTION HONOREES

50 Years of Service

Ellen Carr

35 Years of Service

Bradford

30 Years of Service

Thelma Bridges
Dorothy J. Levine

25 Years of Service

Ridwana Bentley
Shirley Harris
Mae Huff

Cora McCoy
Kathryn Summers
Shirley Williams

20 Years of Service

Karen Newhouse

15 Years of Service

Leona Bridges
Norma C. Brown
Mary Crenshaw
DeLores Jefferson

Corrine Quinn

Shirley V. Ray

Helen Redwood

Margaret Rowley

Johnnie Wright

10 Years of Service

Helen Davenport

Elizabeth Farmer

Rev. Juana Francis

Linda Hall

Victoria Jones

Karen McCoy

Minyon Robinson

Associate Member (15 yrs.)

Raymond Brown

5 Years of Service

Lee-Ellen Bowlegs

Sheila Hannah

Clara McDaniel

Clarissa McDaniel

Patricia Montgomery

Rev. Portia Osborne

GREATER BOSTON SECTION Honors Outstanding Leaders

The Greater Boston Section of the National Council of Negro Women (GBS NCNW) honored outstanding leaders for their volunteerism in the Boston community during an awards program in October. The Annual Women of Courage and Conviction Awards Program was held on a virtual platform.

Awardees included:

- **Framingham Mayor Yvonne M. Spicer**, the first African-American woman to be the popularly-elected mayor in Massachusetts.



- **Marcia Kimm-Jackson**, a certified Senior Human Resources Specialist and community activist.
- **Dr. Jeanette Adele Callahan**, an assistant professor at Harvard Medical School, for her global commitment to under-resourced communities.
- **Claudine Bruff-Lopes**, a registered nurse and a co-founder of Black Nurses Rock New England.
- **Brenda Thompson Stuckey** is the Director of Employment, Diversion & Inclusion, for Atrius Health, for helping bridge gaps in employment opportunities.

GREENVILLE-PITT COUNTY SECTION Honors Outstanding Leaders HER-Story Made

The Greenville-Pitt County Area Section (GPCAS) of NCNW made her-story in 2020, through the recruitment of 26 Life Memberships and one Legacy Life Membership, all during the global pandemic. This action is a testament to the commitment of the Greenville-Pitt County Area Section to uphold the mission and vision of NCNW.

GPCAS celebrated its 4th Chartering Anniversary on March 23, 2021, (virtual program on March 27th), to honor and highlight its brief history of existence within NCNW.

Life Members, in partnership with Annual Section Members, devote their time throughout the year participating in several community outreach initiatives.

GPCAS salutes 2020 Life Members - Allyson Baxter, Courtney Berryhill,



Barbara Ann Campbell, Alice Carr, Jessica Chadwick, Jennifer Congleton, Pamela Dail, Mildred Daniels, Sheila Edwards, Minerva D. Freeman, Valaida Gerald-Grimes, Emma Haggins, Sheila Jones, Barbara A. Lee, Ethel Lytle, Dorothy Meeks McGirt, Janice Mullins, Shirley Payne, Addie Russell, Mary Simmons, Denese Tyson, Charetta Walls, Margie Ward, Darlyn White, Theresa Williams, Ruth Worsley; and 2020 Legacy Life Member - Alanna Pierce, for their commitment.

GPCAS is very proud of these women for making the promise and pledge that for life they will lead, empower, educate, and advocate for women of African descent, their families and communities.

- Mia Eley

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GULFPORT (MS) SECTION

Election Day Pearls! Stop the Spread of COVID-19

The Gulfport Section NCNW wore pearls in support of Vice President Elect Kamala Harris on Election Day, November 3rd. They also offered facial masks at the polling precincts to stop the spread of COVID-19 and bottled water as the citizens waited in lines to vote.

Other activities included:

- Members joined with other organizations to work at the **Seniors to the Polls** event
- Nonperishable items were collected for the **Gulf Coast Center for Nonviolence** during the Thanksgiving Season.
- The Gulfport Section donated to the MSABC **Gulf Coast Hunt for a Cure (Breast Cancer) Virtual Walk/Run**.

- Victoria Sharpe



GWINNETT COUNTY (GA) SECTION

Impacting our Communities

NCNW Gwinnett County Section has dedicated numerous volunteer hours to serve our communities, including: (1) Alzheimer's walk; (2) HBCU Hungry for Education Volunteering; (3) Establishment of Gwinnett Jewels – programs to enrich the lives for middle school girls; (4) partnership with NCNW Affiliate, TLOD, Inc.; (5) Purple Talk-Mental Health and Wellness Forum; and (6)

entrepreneur workshop featuring vendors from around the country, including Gwinnett Section's own President Jennifer Eichelberger, author of "Self-Care: The Vital Art of Nurturing You."

Future community engagements include: Little Big Change, a book discussion on systemic inequality; a spiritual series, beginning with Divine Passion and Purpose; and our new partnership with GRIP (Gwinnett

Reentry Intervention Program), which will focus on assisting incarcerated women with tools to transition from incarceration to mainstream. Finally, all eyes were focused on pivotal Gwinnett County during the 2020/2021 election and we were equipped to provide awareness of voting rights to our community.

- Jennifer Eichelberger, President
News Contributors: Sharon Alsto and
Alline Clancy



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JACKSONVILLE SECTION



The Jacksonville Section had “boots on the ground” during the November 2020 election season. Through the dynamic partnership and grant funding from Black Voters Matter, the section participated in non-partisan Get Out to Vote rallies, Census completion and voter restoration. The Public Policy/Social Action co-chairs coordinated activities that showed promise of combating voter

suppression, getting souls to the polls, and informing citizens of the amendments that were placed on the ballot. Through the Collective Voices partnership with local civic organizations, voters in Duval County, Florida elected candidates of their choice.



MANHATTAN SECTION

The Manhattan Section of New York has partnered with the New York Branch, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), National Action Network (NAN) Youth Huddle, Strategy for Black Lives, and Educated Voter to host a series of virtual forums, called the Greater Harlem Unite: Next Gen: Candidates Forum. February 9th kicked off the first mayoral forum with 13 candidates and February 16th with eight more candidates. The success of the event was attributed to a youth-led spotlight, moderators Ayana Harry, PIX 11 News Myles Miller (investigative reporter), NBC 4 NY, and from Urban World NYC, three New York City Youth Poet Laureate Ambassadors, performed spoken word pieces. The two combined forums generated over 23,000 views online through Zoom and Facebook streaming.

goal of the series is to empower the Harlem community in the election process. Join us by registering at: <https://bit.ly/HarlemUnite2021>

The series will continue through May 2021 with forums for the following positions: Public Advocate, NYC Comptroller, Manhattan District Attorney, Manhattan Borough President and City Council Seat 7, 8 and 9. The

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METROPOLITAN DADE COUNTY SECTION

The Metropolitan Dade County Section has continued to serve the Miami-Dade Community and promote the programs of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. during COVID-19. We hosted a virtual webinar entitled “Melanin Therapy 101: How Racism Impacts Our Mental Health”. This event was held to provide our community with the opportunity to speak with mental health professionals on how to encourage healthy living, while facing the burden of racism. The panel spoke in detail on how socioeconomic factors associated with racism can continue to pose risks to both our mental and physical health. Mental health resources were also provided.

In February, the Metropolitan Dade County Section held its 8th Annual HBCU College Forum. During this virtual event, students had the opportunity to learn about the history of HBCUs and the impact that these amazing institutions have had on our society. Several HBCU Representatives spoke with the students about their



prospective institutions, along with a presentation on financial aid and college readiness.

METROPOLITAN WOMEN'S NETWORK SECTION

The Metropolitan Women's Network Section, in Rochester NY, conducted a five-part virtual series that was held in lieu of their annual Young Women's Conference. Despite the COVID-19 restrictions, we were still able to connect with our young women, as well as the

rest of the community, in such a trying time. The series entitled, “This is Black America” focused each month on a pertinent issue in the Black community. From October to February, the focus was on voting, COVID-19, depression and mental health. The February focus was on Women

and Racism in America. The guest speaker was Superintendent Dr. Lesli Myers-Small, Rochester City School District. A very open and candid conversation was held via ZOOM about how we as Black Women experience racism in America in 2021. Our experiences were one in the same. We gained strength and strategies to use in our everyday living from each other, whether it be in the workplace or a trip to the store. What a powerful discussion!



NATCHEZ (MS) SECTION

Evelyn H. Smith and Lillian Clark Edney, members of the Natchez Section, recently partnered with Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Chapter, Zeta Delta Omega – to which they are life members and golden members (50 plus years) – to make pillowcase dresses for girls in Haiti, which was an international project the sorority was involved.

Lillian and Evelyn spearheaded the idea to do something worthwhile during the COVID-19 pandemic. Both cancer survivors were sheltered in, because there were no vaccines authorized, at that time. Lillian is a 21-year survivor and Evelyn 34 years. They both are retired educators, who normally are very busy volunteering. Having so much time on their hands, the idea came to them on how to continue to be of service by being dressmakers. Eleven other golden members assisted by purchasing fabrics, pillowcases, and notions (thread,

elastic, lace, etc.) in order to make 212 dresses. Lillian made 175 and considered it a labor of love!

Lillian also made over 300 face masks for family and friends.



NORTH FULTON AREA (GA) SECTION

North Fulton Area Section Supports Four for the Future – North Fulton Area Section conducted a STEAM Workshop on Feb 20, 2021 for high school students. The theme for the event was: “Imagining the Possible Through STEAM Careers.” Students gained valuable information and an understanding from a diverse panel of professionals representing STEAM careers, such as current employment trends within the fields of STEAM and college scholarship opportunities, focused on these fields of study.

Understanding Alzheimer’s Disease – In recognition of Alzheimer’s Awareness Month, our section members supported the **State Coalition of Georgia Warming Hearts and Homes Initiative** by reading *The Wide Circumference of Love* by Marita Golden.

North Fulton Area Section Celebrates

First Anniversary – On November 9, 2020, North Fulton Area Section was showered with congratulations and words of encouragement from the National Council of Negro Women, Inc., national and state leaders in recognition of our first anniversary. We were honored to have the sisterly support of Dr. A. Lois Keith, Diane Larche’, Paulette Norvel Lewis, Ariana Brazier, and

Sharah Denton; as well as collegiate and community-based section Presidents.

The North Fulton Area Section of NCNW endeavors to improve the lives of Black women, children and families in the North Fulton Area, through programs that address their economic, health, education and public policy needs.

STEAM WORKSHOP
Science Technology Engineering Arts Mathematics
FEBRUARY 20, 2021
11AM-1PM
THIS IS A FREE VIRTUAL EVENT FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS
“Imagining the Possible through STEAM Careers”
✓ Interact with panelists from different STEAM Professions
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NORTHERN VIRGINIA (NOVA) SECTION

The NOVA section has been recharged with spectacular results. Throughout the year, the community service committee provided food, coats and time to the local homeless and victims of domestic violence. This has been phenomenal.

On World AIDS Day (12/01/20), we partnered with Chapters of Delta Sigma Sorority, Inc., Alexandria Commission on HIV/AIDS and Alexandria Health Department, to put on the “Rock The Ribbon” Program. The guest speaker, Psychologist, Anthony Gutierrez, presented “the Evolution of HIV/AIDS.”

Our International Affairs Committee booked the newly created United Nations Virtual

tour, which sold out the same week. Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune helped to draft the United Nations charter. Each participant received a beautiful passport gift.



Membership committee members rang in 2021 by offering line dance classes on Wednesday evenings. The Health and Nutrition Committee kicked off Black History Month with a Yoga and COVID-19 Vaccination Update. The Nova Scholarship Committee introduced the “Atmospheric Pressure and The Social Normality of Today” program. This free event was held on Saturday, February 21, 2021. A fundraiser will be held on April 3, 2021 with performances by powerhouse jazz singer, Maysa.

PA DELAWARE VALLEY SECTION

The NCNW PA Delaware Valley Section is On N’ PoppiN’!

Within less than 60 days of its installation on December 19, 2020, the Executive Committee of the PA Delaware Valley Section, under the leadership of President Juanita M. Jenkins, has truly empowered its members to serve their communities! This Section has conducted an Executive Leadership Retreat; partnered with The Philadelphia Commission for Women to celebrate the inauguration of Kamala Harris as Vice President; collaborated with the National Day of Service committee and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated’s Rho Theta Omega Chapter to host “Fifty Years After King” – a virtual intergenerational conversation on Dr. King’s radical approach to social justice; and raised over \$20,000 in our first virtual fundraiser to support the community outreach initiatives. As active participants in the NCNW 85th Anniversary

Symposium: Critical I.D.E.A.s, members of the Section also secured top placement on the WHOVA Conferencing leaderboard for building critical content and connections with sisters across the country. The PA Delaware Valley Section’s Public Policy and Legislative Committee is currently working with State Senator Art Haywood (D-PA) on the “End Campus Racism” initiative, which aims to dismantle alleged structural racism in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) universities.

The PA Delaware Valley Section, located in the Greater Philadelphia Metro Area, serves five counties (Bucks, Chester, Delaware, Montgomery, and Philadelphia), and boasts an ever-growing membership of over 170 members, 26 of whom are Life Members. Stay tuned for more updates, because the NCNW PA Delaware Valley Section is on the move!

– Laura S. Reddick
Media Relations & Community Outreach Chair

PHILADELPHIA SECTION

Salutations from the Philadelphia PA Section. We closed out 2020 and rang in the New Year with their Stay-At-Home Tea fundraiser. Members and supporters were implored to think of the dynamic and panoramic life of Dr. Bethune. Funds were raised in lieu of our annual Founder's Day Awards & Luncheon and we are still counting the generous donations from those in the Philadelphia area, near and far.

For Black History Month, we had a visit during our virtual monthly meeting from LaValle Warren, Sickle Cell Account Manger of the American Red Cross of Southeastern Pennsylvania. In her presentation, Ms. Warren covered

the history of and continued health disparities in the African-American community. She noted Blacks who made strides in medicine, from Dr. Charles Drew to Dr. Kizzmekia Corbett, who helped create the COVID-19 vaccine. She discussed the support of our own Dr. Mary McLeod Bethune's help in establishing a relationship of the Red Cross with the Black community. Ms. Warren also spoke of sickle cell anemia, ethnic matching for blood donations, and suggestions for what we can do to improve our own health in the present.



PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY SECTION

Partnering in the Time of COVID 19 - Connecting Our Roots and Our Wings

Prince George's County Maryland Section has adopted a new strategy to ensure that their members continue to build the bonds of "roots" and "wings"; working together and staying connected. Beginning in December 2020 they decided to focus their attention internally. Who are they and what do they individually bring to the communal table?

Each of the 100+ members were partnered with another - new members with those having sustained longer term membership; younger members with older members; Section leaders with those who recently joined; technologically knowledgeable with novice technology users. They wanted to ensure that during these non-contact times all members experienced the bond of sisterhood and friendship that brought them to NCNW. The results have far exceeded the initial plan! Members who initially were uncertain of the benefits of the

effort found that making contact one-on-one was both informative and fun.

They plan to continue partnering even after COVID-19 restrictions are lifted. It has proven to be a wonderful, informal way to connect members, expand and appreciate their differences while they celebrate their joint commitment to the principles of our National and local organization.

Consider "Partnering", it is a viable way to support one another as members continue the important work of bonding our roots and wings, and strengthening the organization.



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SAVANNAH SECTION

National Council of Negro Women, Savannah (Georgia) Section Contributes Water to Thirsty Voters on October 28, 2020

Though we are social distancing, members of the Savannah Section of the National Council of Negro Women chose to participate in a face-to-face essential activity. These amazing sisters transported 18 cases of water from Sam's Wholesale to those voters standing in line at the Savannah Chatham County Election Board on Eisenhower Drive.

Water is much appreciated in the warm temperatures that Savannah is famous for. Sister Deborah Adams, Public Relations/Historian, and Sister Annette Mitchell, First Vice-President, led the task while Section President, Dr. Brenda Logan and Treasurer, Sister Annette Thomas were there to aid in lifting the heavy cases of water. All the sisters of the



National Council of Negro Women, Savannah Section were proud to call them their sisters.

Photo-Left to Right: Sister Debra Adams, Sister Annette Thomas, President of Section, Dr. Brenda Logan, and Sister Annette Mitchell

– Dr. Brenda Logan, President

STATEN ISLAND NY SECTION

Senior citizens on Staten Island are getting an extra boost of cheer, thanks to the Uncle Chase Foundation (UCF). The new initiative is the Project Senior Outreach Program (PSOP), and is in partnership with the Staten Island National Council of Negro Women Section.

Staten Island children made Valentine's Day cards just in time for Valentine's Day. This is PSOP's inaugural event. Future events will partner with additional organizations. 322 residents of Silver Lake Specialized Care Center and The Brielle At Seaview will receive Valentine's cards, Bombas socks, and sweet treats made with love by student volunteers. The cards were

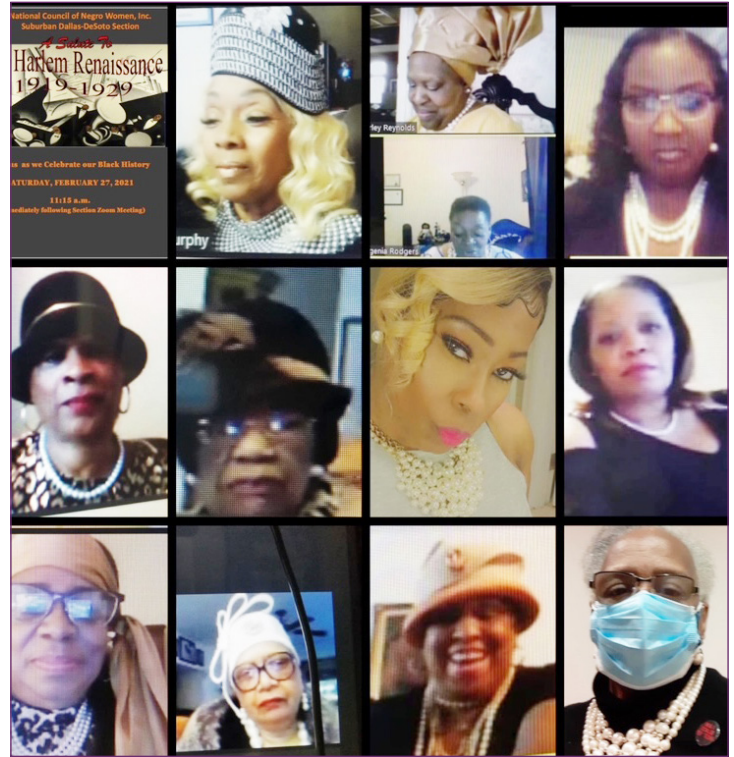


created by children who attend the UAU Mariners Harbor Cornerstone Community Center, WIZ Kidz Academy, Ms. Daisy's Play House, and Bright Minds Academy, P.S. 74, P.S. 78, P.S. 18, P.S. 59, Girl Scout Troop 5121, P.S. 78, Lil' Wonders Of The World Day Care, and the Ferrer family. Through their acts of kindness we were able to create hundreds of beautiful Valentine's Day cards with gifts which helped put smiles on so many faces.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, normal social activities such as meals, wellness classes, and other group activities, along with in-person visits with family and friends have been halted, said Melissa Johnson, a spokesperson for the UCF.

SUBURBAN DALLAS DESOTO SECTION

The Suburban Dallas (Texas) Desoto Section of NCNW found ways during the pandemic to stay interactive with their community and each other. During this time, they were able to have their yearly President's Retreat, a voter registration drive and a Thanksgiving Basket giveaway. Sixty plus families received Thanksgiving Dinner. They weren't able to have their Annual Bethune Recognition & Awards Gala, but were able to have a virtual Scholarship Program. There were three recipients. Each recipient received a \$1,200 scholarship. To start the 2021 the section's Black History Program paid tribute to The Harlem Renaissance.



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- Invest in signage and brochures to be posted and handed out in community centers, streets near the meeting venue, libraries, surrounding schools, colleges and universities.
 - Challenge each member to invite at least five younger people to join NCNW each year.
 - Partner or exhibit with other organizations in your community when possible for like-minded causes.
 - Recognize and acknowledge members for outstanding work and service.
 - Hold membership drives in your communities. Make every opportunity a membership opportunity. Be prepared—you never know where you will meet your next new member.
 - Learn better ways of planning and hosting effective fund-raising events. To many times we fall short in raising money from our efforts and sometimes we even lose money. Remember, the purpose is to support your programs and giving, not to just have fun.
 - If in doubt about what to do to breathe AIR into your

section, feel free to contact your national membership chair, national staff directors, and state leaders for guidance and support as needed.

I think you would agree that your section, like life, needs AIR to breathe, survive and grow!

Remember, ALL members are important and vital to the success of NCNW's Mission in both, the local section and as a national organization!

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lots to cement their gains with last-minute executive orders and appointments. Many of these obstacles can be removed. The Biden-Harris team has, so far, been productive and resilient. They must continue that relentlessness moving forward. What a difference a day makes! Oh, happy day.

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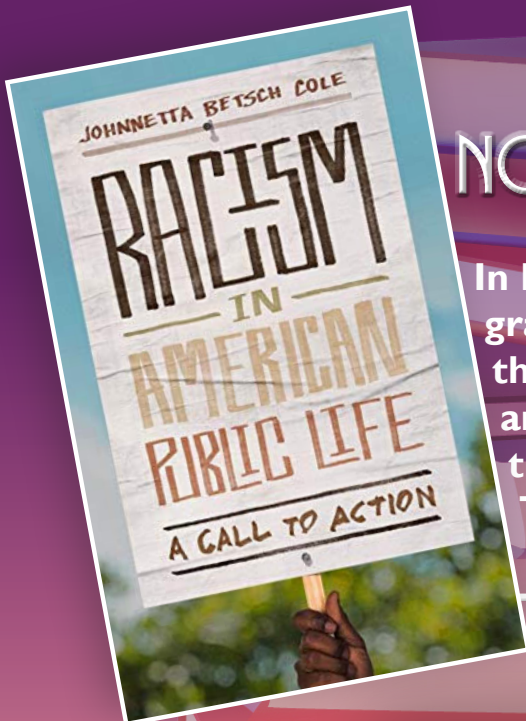
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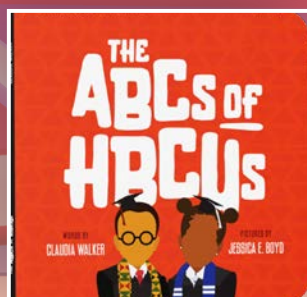
AKA Global Impact Day Observance	April 9, 2021
81st National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa Eastern Region Virtual Conference	June 19, 2021
Bethune Statue installation - US Capitol Building	July 10
Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary- Supreme Assembly Virtual Conclave	July 18, 2021
73rd National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa Eastern Region VIRTUAL Youth Leadership Conference	April 23-24, 2021
National Association of Black Nurses 49th Annual Conference	August 3, 2021 - August 8, 2021
Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary- Supereme Chapter Virtual Conclave	July 16-July 18 2021
98th National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa Anniversary Conclave	July 20-22, 2021
The Delta Authors on Tour (Virtual)	Mar 13 - May 22
Alpha Kappa Alpha Inc., International Regional Conference	May 21, 2021 - May 23, 2021
CHUMS Inc., Enclave	October 21 - 24, 2021
The Links Inc 26th Annual Walk-a-thon	Sept 25, 2021
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BETTIE NEDD TONEY, affectionately known as “Mrs. Toney” or “Grandma”, entered into eternal rest on February 24, 2021 in Stockbridge, GA. Mrs. Toney embodied her personal motto “As servants of God, we are responsible to do the best we can for everyone we can, each and every day.”

Born in Lee County and educated in the Lee County Public Schools, Mrs. Toney was an advocate for education. She was a foster grandparent with Save the Children; member of the NAACP; matron of the Order of Eastern Stars; member of the Rural School and Community Trust Grassroots Committee; and a prolific storyteller. Mrs. Toney was a member of the Sandy Bluff United Methodist Church, where she served as a certified Lay person, Lay Leader, and sang on the Senior Choir.

Mrs. Toney was a Charter Member and Life Member of the Lee County Section of NCNW. She was the 6th president of the Lee County Section, from 2008-2012, and in that capacity, she was instrumental in providing leadership and guidance. The handiwork and evidence of her efforts are visible throughout the buildings and grounds of the Mary McLeod Bethune Park and Birth Site located in Mayesville, SC. Mrs. Toney was elated when the members of the National Headquarters took the time to visit the Bethune Memorial Park in South Carolina. Sharing with Dr. Cole the history of the Park and the process of securing the land to erect the Birthplace Replica was a personal joy.



“Mrs. Toney’s impressive persona and stunning gray hair were some of my initial memories. Her passion for Mary McLeod Bethune and the work her section was doing in Lee County were a few of her favorite topics. She was always thought provoking, creative, and a very proud quilter” remembered Mrs. Andrea CJ Casey, former SC State Mechanism President.

Mrs. Toney always shared words of wisdom and they would bring comfort like a warm quilt. The South Carolina State Mechanism of NCNW will truly miss Mrs. Bettie Toney’s guidance, support, wisdom and infectious smile.

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Sisterhood isn't a trend; it's a force that endures and helps move messages forward. Toyota Motor North America honors the National Council of Negro Women for 85 years of dedicated work on its mission to lead, advocate for, and empower women of African descent, their families, and communities. Big changes to many lives have occurred because NCNW was bold enough to help girls and women achieve goals and break barriers.



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