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42nd ANNUAL
MLK
DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
VIRTUAL LUNCHEON

JANUARY 17, 2022
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42nd Annual
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon

Welcome
Christina Lewis & Jaden Morgan

Masters of Ceremony
Mr. Marcus Washington

Opening Prayer
Eli Phifer

Negro National Hymn & Poem You So Black

Presentations
ServiceNow | Alpha Phi Alpha | Comcast | Decolonization of Wealth (Reparations) | Governor of the State of California, Gavin Newsom | Attorney General of State of California, Rob Bonta | Senator Alex Padilla | Mayor Sam Liccardo

Acknowledgement of Officials, Community Leaders, and Presentations
Linda Alexander & Beverly “Bev” Waithaka

Presentation of Honorees
Milan R. Balinton

Champion of Change Award
Tyler Gordon
Artist, Activist, Speech Advocate, & Author

Introduction of Guest Speaker
Ezra Feleke

Acknowledgements / Closing Remarks / Presentation
Marcus Washington, Daric Jackson, Board Chair, & Milan R. Balinton, Executive Director

Vendor Presentations
United Christian Fellowship of Silicon Valley Ken & Tressa Williams | State Farm Insurance Ken & Teresa Williams | Bling Auntie Melodi Masaniai | Queen Ann Peninsula View | Unlimited Fashions Samantha Walls

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Christina Lewis & Anita Gage
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Dear Attendees:

We are all gathered to celebrate the legacy of the late Reverend, Civil Rights Leader Dr. King, and to honor those that created the MLK luncheon forty years ago. This is our time to encourage our guests, honorees, and attendees to reflect on the Dream.

This will be a day, we gather to celebrate Dr. King’s courage, acknowledge his dream --- noting the glimpses we witness today as carried on by all of us, and most of all remember that the journey is not yet complete. It is up to us as a people to continue to break away the barriers that shield us from progressing as a community, a city, a county, a state, and a nation free of racism, segregation and inequality.

I’d like to acknowledge the 42nd MLK luncheon committee for their unfailing efforts, the AACSA staff and Board of Directors for their relentless determination to foresee the success of this event, all of our sponsors, volunteers, and each of you in attendance: without your support this event would not be possible, and a very humbling appreciation goes to this year’s honorees.

The Silicon Valley African American Community Service Agency is committed to the well-being of families in the community. As we celebrate 44 years in service this year, we are seeking your involvement and contribution. This is a great opportunity for us to unite as one. We invite you to become involved through membership with AACSA. Membership is available to all; residents, local business and establishments, corporations, and governance.

Help us reach more and continue to be the driving force in Silicon Valley, and beyond by partnering with us throughout the year on the numerous programs and activities we do to address social injustices within the community. Our target is under-served and marginalized populations and making the commitment to build brighter futures.

AACSA is an agency that continually strives to perpetuate “Strength and Unity” as the basis for CHANGE.

Strength in Unity,

MILAN R. BALINTON
Executive Director

It is our honor to welcome you to our 42nd Annual MLK Luncheon. We want to thank everyone whose contributions have made this event a success from our corporate and community sponsors to the wonderful volunteers and our MLK committee on our MLK committee. We would also like to take this opportunity to extend congratulations to this year’s awardees.

Dr. King once said, ‘whatever you do you have to keep moving forward.’ The theme of this year’s luncheon, ‘In The Presence of Justice’ speaks to Dr. King’s endless pursuit of justice and equality in the world which has continued to inspire us all over the past 66 years. We hope that each one of you enjoy this year’s luncheon and take this time to connect with someone new because when we are all united together, we are powerful and unstoppable and truly embrace our ‘Strength in Unity!’

Strength in Unity,

CHRISTINA LEWIS & ANEITA GAGE
Marcus Washington anchors “Today In The Bay” and ‘NBC Bay Area News at 1’ alongside Laura Garcia.

Before joining NBC Bay Area, Marcus served as anchor and reporter at WJZ (CBS) in Baltimore, Maryland. While working in “Charm City,” he covered a broad range of stories, but his life and approach to reporting were most deeply impacted by Freddie Gray’s death and its aftermath. In the midst of Gray’s funeral, explosive unrest in the city, the political fallout, and community rebuilding, Marcus was there reporting live from the front lines and continued the months following. David Zurawik with the Baltimore Sun writes, “Marcus Washington again did solid and authoritative reporting for WJZ from Penn and North avenues, the epicenter of protests following the funeral of Gray last year.” His careful and caring coverage of the unrest earned him an Emmy nomination.

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JUDGE LA DORIS CORDELL (RET.)
CONVERSATION MODERATOR, LEGAL COMMENTATOR

Judith Ladoris Hazard Cordell is a legal commentator and police reform advocate, who is a frequent commentator on news outlets including NPR, CNN, and MSNBC. A graduate of Stanford Law School, she became the first African American woman jurist in Northern California, a position she held from 1982 to 2001. Prior to her time on the bench, she was the first lawyer to open a private practice in East Palo Alto, CA, a low-income community of color, and was an Assistant Dean of Stanford Law School where she implemented a highly successful minority admissions program. Following her retirement from the bench, she was a Vice Provost at Stanford University and, in 2010, was appointed the Independent Police Auditor for the City of San Jose. Judge Cordell’s public service record spans decades, during which time she has overseen commissions that investigated violence and mental health care in the jail system, as well as accounts of racism in the San Francisco police department.

She has received numerous awards, including Silicon Valley NAACP’s William E.B. Dubois Award, the Iola Williams Public Service Award, the National Council of Negro Women’s Public Service Award, the Social Justice Award from Legal Advocates for Children & Youth, and the Rose Bird Memorial Award from the California Women Lawyers. Judge Cordell founded the African American Donor Task Force to increase black participation in the national bone marrow registry. She is the co-founder of the African American Composer Initiative and CA Parks for All. An artist and pianist, she resides in California with her partner and is the proud mother of two daughters.

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Rev. Dr. Barber is also architect of the Moral Movement, which began with weekly Moral Monday protests at the North Carolina General Assembly in 2013 and revived under the banner of the Poor People’s Campaign. In 2018, Rev. Dr. Barber helped relaunch the Poor People’s Campaign—which was begun by Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and others in 1968—with an historic wave of protests in state capitals and in Washington, D.C., calling for a moral agenda and a moral budget. Rev. Dr. Barber has been arrested 17 times for nonviolent civil disobedience. Millions of Americans have participated in Poor People’s Campaign events over the past three years.

A highly sought-after speaker, Rev. Dr. Barber has given keynote addresses at hundreds of national and state conferences, including the 2016 Democratic National Convention. He has spoken to a wide variety of audiences including national unions, fraternities and sororities, drug dealer redemption conferences, women’s groups, economic policy groups, voting rights organizations, LGBTQ equality and justice groups, environmental and criminal justice groups, small organizing committees of domestic workers, fast food workers, and national gatherings of Christians, Muslims, Jews, and other people of faith. Rev. Dr. Barber gave the homily at the 59th Inaugural Prayer Service for President Joe Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris. He spoke at the Vatican in 2017 in response to Pope Francis’sencyclical “Laudato Si’: On Care for Our Common Home,” and he was invited again to speak at the Vatican in 2021, at a conference hosted by the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences. On June 18, 2018, Rev. Dr. Barber spoke before the 5th Uni Global Union World Congress to more than 25 countries and was added to the Black Achievers Wall in the International Slavery Museum in Liverpool, England. He has had 10 honorary degrees conferred upon him:

Rev. Dr. Barber served as president of the North Carolina NAACP, the largest state conference in the South, from 2006-2017 and served on the National NAACP Board of Directors from 2008-2020. A former Mel King Fellow at MIT, he is currently Visiting Professor of Public Theology and Activism at Union Theological Seminary and Senior Fellow at Auburn Seminary. Rev. Dr. Barber is regularly featured in media outlets such as MSNBC, TIME, CNN, New York Times, Washington Post, and The Nation Magazine. Rev. Dr. Barber was named one of BET’s 100 Entertainers and Innovators in 2020, and he is a 2019 recipient of the North Carolina Award, the state’s highest civilian honor. Rev. Dr. Barber has also received the MacArthur Foundation Genius Award, the Franklin D. Roosevelt Four Freedoms Award, the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center’s Beloved Community Award, and the Puffin Award.
A few years before Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday became a National Holiday, a few individuals from IBM, in the South Bay region of California, began to have lunch in his honor to celebrate his life and legacy. A community event since 1980, the annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon has been an important part of the celebration of the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday in the South Bay. The MLK Luncheon unites a combination of community and trade organizations, corporations, philanthropists, and students for a one-of-a-kind affair. The luncheon is inspirational, edgy, and serves as a constant reminder that, “the arc of the moral universe is long, but it bends toward justice,” as Dr. King noted in one of his famous speeches. The annual event has continued to ignite the flame for service unto one another; AACSA has developed the luncheon into one of the must-attend events for the observation of the holiday.

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Lesley Slaton Brown has over 20 years of experience in the technology industry. Lesley has a unique ability to inspire and drive senior leaders to embed diversity, equity, and inclusion strategies across organizations and demonstrate impact from the boardroom to the business.

Lesley strongly believes ‘the time for talk is over, the time for action is now’. She operates with a growth mindset, is a problem solver and builder and disarms leaders to have the difficult conversations around DEI and racial equality and social justice. She has led key efforts to address the digital divide and build sustainable enterprise in Senegal, West Africa and is passionate about social impact and humanity.

Lesley served as the Principal Investigator for the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering (NACME) Computing Project and is Co-founder of Curated Pathways to Innovation (CPI), a collective impact solution focused on broadening participation and access for minorities and women in STEM education and careers. In addition, Lesley serves as a Board Advisor to Black ComputerHER.

Lesley was recently named to the Most Powerful Women in Corporate Diversity list by Black Enterprise, Business Insider’s Diversity Officers “Changing the Country”, and has earned numerous industry accolades from Woman of the Year in Technology by Girls in Tech, Savoy Magazine’s Top Influential Woman in Corporate America and has served on the Board of Trustees and Chair of the Nominations Committee. He is a highly recognized social entrepreneur and leader in youth violence prevention and redirection. He has been featured in notable media outlets such as Forbes Magazine and The Huffington Post.

Danny Sanchez is the author of Post Traumatic Quest, a memoir of his quest to transcend trauma, turn his pain into purpose and find peace.

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Danny Sanchez is a San Jose, California native with deep roots in the local community. He created the volunteer crisis response chaplaincy program in Silicon Valley and is the Founder of The City Peace Project non-profit organization and the owner of Post Traumatic Quest LLC, all where he works as a passionate advocate for students and schools through his coaching, mentoring, and conflict resolution.

He and his wife, Abigail, are blessed with a blended family, which includes three adult children and two little ones. Danny enjoys skateboarding in his free time.

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Tyler Gordon

Tyler Gordon was left with a severe stutter that many of his peers used as ammunition to taunt and bully him. Later Tyler found himself facing another setback as he was left wheelchair bound for two years due to a vitamin deficiency.

But Tyler never let those circumstances define him and today he is a bonafide, artistic prodigy with his work being seen on a litany of outlets and platforms including the Today Show, Good Morning America, MSNBC, USA Today, CBS Nightly News, Essence Magazine, Steve Harvey’s Little Big Shots and much more. Recently Tyler became a media phenom after he painted a photo of Vice President-elect Kamala Harris that quickly went viral being retweeted by a host of influencers including Chelsea Clinton and eventually resulting in VP Harris calling Tyler to personally thank him for creating the portrait in her honor (View here and here). Tyler’s star also rose higher having been named a runner up in TIME Magazine’s Kid of the Year awards, while also painting the cover photo for the publication’s Athlete of the Year issue featuring Lebron James.

Today, Tyler’s work has been featured in a host of galleries including being on display in Beverly Hills, California as part of the ‘Heirs To The Throne’ art gallery exhibit presented by The Lost Warhols Museum as well as his outdoor art gallery exhibition in Tribeca, New York which was a media and consumer success. He has recently executed national campaigns with the likes of Crayola, Nickelodeon, Michaels, Disney, Nike, T-Mobile, and Foot Locker to name a select few while also contributing to the inauguration of President Joe Biden through his art.

In September 2021, Tyler released his first book, “We Can: Portraits of Powers” FSG/MacMillan to great fanfare and accolades, landing on several bestsellers lists and garnering rave reviews.
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1970s - Scholarships
1980s – Project Olympus
1990s - Project Alpha, Project Unity (smoking cessation)
2000s – Project Alpha, Rites of Passage, Oak Grove High School, EMBODI

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Thank you to the African American Community Service Agency for your community leadership, and helping all of us say We Are Here for each other.

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We know that you will continue to do GREAT things in our community.
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The Journey Begins with You...
It’s time to make the next step. Celebrating MLK Day while the economic strength of the African American community is getting weaker is cause for alarm.

Our business communities have been devastated by the continued barriers of institutional racism compounded by the Covid 19 pandemic.

Most major public agencies and private firms have Diversity, Equity and Inclusion departments, many of them headed by African American managers.

In Silicon Valley alone, there are projects worth over $95 billion, in different stages of development – some in progress, some shovel ready and some in design phase. Among these projects are Google, VTA BART Phase II, Valley Water, Santa Clara Related, Santa Clara County projects and others.

With a true commitment to Diversity, Equity and Inclusion a 25% goal for minority businesses would bring more than $23 billion into the diverse business communities. This could change the economic trajectory of minority business communities forever.

The African American business community has never recovered from the ravages of Jim Crow. Black Wall Street, Hayti District – Durham, North Carolina, Harlem, Fillmore District in San Francisco all gone... There are historical plaques on street corners celebrating the pre-civil rights economic power of the African American businesses.

As we celebrate the work of the African American Community Services Agency, Minority Business Consortium is asking that we work together to push our agencies, our companies, our political leaders toward a real commitment to DIVERSITY, EQUITY AND INCLUSION.

No excuses... We’ve waited long enough... It is time to make the next step.
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The Santa Clara County Alliance of Black Educators is dedicated to the success and wellness of Black educators to ensure Black children thrive throughout their educational experience.

Please Join Us...

May 1, 2022
for our virtual
33rd Annual Student Recognition Program

As we recognize the achievements of students of African Ancestry promoting from elementary, middle and high schools in Santa Clara County in seven award categories
The Application Process opens in February.
For more information and to nominate deserving students, please visit our website: www.sccabe.org

Parent Circles
Parent Circles have been initiated and supported by SCCABE to “take care” of our African Ancestry (AA) families; to assist in the provision of input on policies and programs where African Ancestry students are matriculating. Within the circle, there is a safe space for parents to voice opinions, improve capacity to partner with schools, increase confidence about the value of their school involvement, and evaluate activities which build trust and respectful relationships with families. SCCABE members provide knowledge, experience, expertise, and cultural connectivity, in partnership with districts, to empower AA parents and youth participating in a Black Student Union (BSU).
For more information, please email SCCABE: sccabe2014@gmail.com

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The Alexander-Green News & Documentary Award recipients are Jan Batiste Adkins & Ricki Stevenson
This honor is awarded to those journalists, historians, photojournalists, documentarians, editors, and community people who recorded local black community history & events, as well as the broader community and world events - those individuals who kept the community informed and documented significant events that have enhanced the quality of life in the Black Community

The Banks-Gage Education Award recipients are Mary E. Noel & Steve Pinkston
This honor is awarded to individuals who had outstanding careers as teachers, administrators, and policymakers, who had a significant impact on the quality of educational services for the community, and who enhanced the lives of people in the Black Community.

The Brown-Gross Public Service Award recipient is Frank J. Omowale Satterwhite
This honor is awarded to those public service employees who provided for the health and safety of the broader community and enhanced the quality of life of people in the Black Community.

Community Sports & Leadership Award recipient is Millard Hampton
This honor is awarded to the individual who has nurtured, mentored, developed young boys and girls through the various sports and athletic orientated activities. To whom would excel in athletics, become leaders in the community, and enhance the quality of life for African Americans in Silicon Valley and beyond.

The Clay-Williams Business & Entrepreneur Award recipient is Earlene B. Sweet *
This honor is awarded to those business owners and entrepreneurs who created successful businesses or services in the community and used their success to enhance people’s lives in the Black Community.

The Dean-Greene S.T.E.M Award recipients are Paul Byrd * & Errol "Doc" Holiday, Sr.
This honor is awarded to those individuals who helped produce, enhance, and improve today’s social network and were instrumental in landmark changes in S.T.E.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) to enhance and improve the general public’s lives, people in the Black Community.

The English-Higgins Health & Medicine Award recipient is Dr. Paul M. Jackson, MD *
This honor is awarded to those doctors, nurses, and health practitioners who provided healthcare to people in the broader community and enhanced the lives of people in the Black Community.

The Hardeman-Sweet Law & Justice Award recipient is Rodney Moore
This honor is awarded to those lawyers, judges, and legal representatives who defended the law and the constitution and enhanced the lives of people in the Black Community

The Harris-Washington Spiritual Award recipient is Minister Barry Houston
This honor is awarded to those members of the faith-based communities who have led Congregations and Mosques in prayer for peace and salvation and have enhanced people’s lives in the Black Community.

The Joyner-Stroughter Community Service Award recipients are Haymon Talib Jahi *, Marietta Millions *, Helen Grays-Jones & Helen Sims
This honor is awarded to business people and volunteers who created and/or volunteered for non-profit agencies that provided essential services to enhance the quality of life for people in the Black Community

The Piper-Whye Art/Theater/Music Award recipients are Clifford Coulter * & Prince Damons
This honor is awarded to individuals who have distinguished themselves and have had outstanding careers in art, theater, television, or movies and have used their influence to enhance people’s lives in the Black Community.

Community Organization Award recipients are:
- Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Eta Sigma Lambda Chapter
- Mayfair Neighborhood Council/Community Center
- San Jose Chapter of The Links Incorporated
- Santa Clara County Alliance of Black Educators

This honor is awarded to the Community Organization Award is awarded to black organizations who have served the African American community and enhanced the lives of people in the Black Community and the Silicon Valley

* These awards are being bestowed posthumously

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