

New Mexico Office of African American Affairs 2017 Executive Year End Report



“We study, identify, and provide solutions to issues of concern relevant to the African American community.”

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Policy and Advocacy

Lea county, “State of Black New Mexico”-Town Hall, with county leaders, city elected officials and state legislators.



Community Development

Former State Treasurer James B. Lewis, Dean Alfred Mathewson and Director Yvette Bell during a Community Unity Forum in Albuquerque.



Education Advancement

28 Days A Hero in Carlsbad celebrating New Mexico's individuals who have dedicated themselves to improving education outcomes.



Health Care Advocacy

OAAA supports UNM Health Science Center Summer STEM program for high school students.



Economic Empowerment

Small Business Development Workshop

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2017 Brief Overview

- ⇒ In 2017 the New Mexico Office of African American Affairs (OAAA) touched 14 New Mexico counties with resources, services, and reached over 10,000 individuals in collaborative efforts. The agency has also worked diligently with over 50 collaborating organizations to positively affect the quality of life for African Americans and communities of color.
- ⇒ There are 11 New Mexico Counties with 1000 or more African American residents: Sandoval, Santa Fe, Bernalillo, Dona Ana, Otero, Chaves, Curry, Lea, San Juan, Otero, McKinley (2015 U.S. Census Survey)
- ⇒ OAAA reached 14 counties in 2017; San Juan, Santa Fe, Dona Ana, Chaves, Curry, Lea, Valencia, Sandoval, Bernalillo, Socorro, Roosevelt, Taos, Otero, Eddy

<u>Agency Specific Programs</u>	<u># NM Counties Reached</u>	<u>Est. # of Individuals Reached</u>
Economic Empowerment	14	6301
Education Advancement	14	6269
Healthcare Advocacy	14	6804
Recognition Programs	14	7269

Brief Highlights of Activity During July 1, 2016 — June 30, 2017

- ⇒ NEW - Due to increased program implementation, volume of work and higher demand of agency presence and partnership, the budget analyst position was reclassified to chief financial officer. For the first time in agency history, the CFO is not the executive director.
- ⇒ NEW - State of Black New Mexico Data Hub launched with University of New Mexico Center for Education Policy and Research. Readily available data on the NM African American community to show population, economics, education, health and incarceration is hosted on the agency website.
- ⇒ Economics and health policy briefs published with Robert Wood Johnson Foundation to assist agency and elected officials with advocacy and policy efforts.
- ⇒ 5 County Town Halls - "The State of Black New Mexico" facilitated to introduce data hub, support community organization advocacy efforts, connect with elected officials.
- ⇒ Zambia trade delegation advocacy meetings facilitated with Albuquerque Sister Cities and government officials.
- ⇒ NEW - 28 Days A Hero traveling recognition program honors educators from around the state for their dedication and contributions to education advancement.
- ⇒ NEW - The Loan Fund joins with OAAA to insure Black owned businesses have access to capital. Agency provides step by step support for business owners and entrepreneurs in assisting with resources for business start-up/improvement.
- ⇒ NEW - Agency staff set an agency record for representation on more than 50 boards, commissions and committees in one fiscal year.



Policy & Advocacy

STATE OF BLACK NEW MEXICO TOWN HALLS

April - May 2017

- County:** Bernalillo, Sandoval, Curry, Lea, Dona Ana
- Attendance:** 200
- Purpose:** To launch interactive data hub and share Robert Wood Foundation policy briefs related to data.
- Outcome:** Participants discovered data related to African Americans in economics, education, health and incarceration, learned how the data can assist with targeted intervention strategies in their work, and how to utilize the data hub in funding proposals and presentations related to disparity in New Mexico's minority communities.



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New Mexico, March 6, 2017 - Governor Susana Martinez and the New Mexico Office of African American Affairs (OAAA) release a historic look at the "State of Black New Mexico", through a data hub designed to give a greater advocacy voice to the 3.1% (64,448) Black population. The OAAA contracted the University of New Mexico Center for Education Policy Research to assist in the creation of an interactive online visualization depicting the disproportionate disparities Blacks face in our state.

The on-line data resource provides a single location for more than 50 different health, education, economic and socio-demographic indicators, providing users the means to extensively and quantitatively measure Black communities throughout New Mexico. Data made available is integrated and can be viewed for comparison across various national, state, county, district, and school level perspective. A wide range of data sources utilized are made publicly available by state and federal agencies, including the U.S. Census Bureau, Office of Civil Rights, New Mexico Public Education Department, New Mexico Department of Health, New Mexico Corrections Department and the National Center for Education Statistics.

The "State of Black New Mexico" data hub will assist the governor's administration, advocacy groups, direct service industries, state agencies and elected officials with increased awareness and understanding surrounding multi-dimensional issues facing this underserved population. "Where it has been previously difficult to obtain data, without searching multiple sources, the dash hub will provide statistics needed for targeted intervention strategies for African Americans in New Mexico. The data hub will assist in the ongoing establishment of approaches that will strengthen collaborative networks and policy action, yielding sustainable, continuous initiatives." – Yvette Kaufman-Bell, OAAA Executive Director.

The data hub will also allow the user to make comparisons between the Black population and other racial and ethnic sub-groups to identify potential gaps in services and resources among regional communities. Dr. Kathy Powers and student fellows of the RWJF Center for Health and Policy are working with the OAAA to release policy briefs that will help the agency determine further course of action.

For more information on the "State of Black New Mexico" Data Hub, contact the New Mexico Office of African American Affairs at (505) 383-6222 (OAAA) or visit the hub housed on the agency website at <http://www.oaaa.state.nm.us/dashboards.aspx>.



Education Advancement

SUMMER LITERACY ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

July - August 2016

County: Bernalillo, Sandoval

Attendance: 60+

Collaborators: Tomasita Elementary School and Thomas Bell Community Center, Brenda Hollingsworth-Marley (NM Storyteller)

Goal: Join with Governor Susana Martinez's Summer Reading Challenge to promote the development of language, literacy, listening and reading comprehension and oral and written expression through a forum for children and parents by interacting in the rich cultural context of folktales and other cultural stories.

Outcome: 60+ youth from low income households were able to lower the summer learning loss percentile by interaction with rich folktales and cultural stories. Participants were encouraged to utilize their local library and obtain a library card. Participants engaged in word games, musical instrument exploration, create-a-book activities, and other learning projects. Reading sessions were provided twice a week in 2 centers. Books were provided for children to take home at the end of the program to encourage an increased individual love of reading.

Many African American community leaders were able to share their stories of how their contributions to communities have made a significant progress locally as well as for the State of New Mexico.



Education Advancement cont.

28 DAYS A HERO

February 2017

Counties: Bernalillo, Sandoval, Otero, Dona Ana, Chaves, Eddy, Roosevelt, San Juan, Grant, Lea

Attendance: 250

Collaborators: NONE

Goal: 28 Days A Hero is a program designed to recognize African Americans across the State of New Mexico that are making great contributions in their community through education.

Outcome: Recognitions were presented to 28 individuals in their communities, 10 counties, for contributions and dedication to significant progress in education outcomes locally and statewide. Their stories of direct impact in their communities were shared in public venues among co-workers and friends.



FAFSA WORKSHOP

February 2017

County: Bernalillo, Sandoval

Attendance: 25

Collaborators: APS College & Career Resource Department, NM Educational Assistance Foundation

Goal: Bring awareness to parents and students on the financial aid resources and application process, including deadlines, grants, scholarships, work study programs and how to fill out the FAFSA application.

Outcome: After parents and students successfully completed a FAFSA workshop, they attended a completion workshop to complete the FAFSA application with experts who assisted them in the process. FAFSA staff assisted participants in searching for scholarships and completion of applications.

Education Advancement cont.

INNER BEAUTY CONFERENCE

“TOTAL ME...GIRLS ON THE RISE”

March 2017

County: Bernalillo

Attendance: 200

Collaborators: APS Office of Equity and Engagement, YDI (Youth Development, Inc.), LINKS, Young Women's Christian Association, Master's Touch Cathedral Church, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Delta Sigma Theta, Southwest Women's Law Center, NM State Martin Luther King Jr. Commission

Goal: At risk middle school girls of color will gain a greater appreciation of their worth, both inside and out, to improve their future, become a positive influence among peers, and develop positive relationships with friends and family.

Outcome: Nine middle schools, 140 students, in the high school clusters of Highland, Manzano, and Del Norte attended 7 sessions focused on how to become a woman with dignity, grace and education. The sessions were facilitated by leading professional women from the community.

Follow-up sessions were conducted with school mentors to support as students transition to high school.



Education Advancement cont.

SUMMER STEAM PROGRAM

June 2017

- County:** Bernalillo, Sandoval
- Attendance:** 30
- Collaborators:** STEM-H, Sandia Vista Distributing Inc, The KJ Effect, Famous Hip Hop Radio
- Goal:** That student would experience the development steps of broadcasting language, which will teach programming, computer literacy, listening and reading comprehension.
- Outcome:** Youth from low income families, ages 5-16, learned how a radio DJ hosts a live broadcast, while learning how circuits work with force, pressure and distance. Participants assembled desktop catapults and circuits utilizing wires, light bulbs, switches and batteries. The program allowed students to interact with audio broadcasting, work a broadcasting unit, become a radio DJ host, learn music history and learn broadcasting vocabulary.

Community Development

2nd ANNUAL NM OAAA FATHER'S DAY/MALE MENTOR INITIATIVE

June 2017

- County:** Bernalillo
- Attendance:** 89 participants
- Collaborators:** Thomas Bell Community Center, Athlete's Ready, Cliff's Amusement Park
- Goal:** To honor and encourage African American fathers/male mentors figures for the vital role they play in children's lives. As so many African American kids grow up without their biological fathers or male mentors, it is important to acknowledge the father figures who do play an active, positive role.
- Outcomes:** Fathers/male mentors and children participated in fun, active, team building activities. Families learned to work together and build listening skills as children and parents had a safe space to express their experiences and appreciation of the importance of a positive father figure or male mentor in life, especially a child.



Community Development cont.

NEW MEXICO BLACK EXPO

“Empowering Our Community!”

August 2016

- Counties:** San Juan, Santa Fe, Dona Ana, Chaves, Curry, Lea, Valencia, Sandoval, Bernalillo, Socorro, Roosevelt, Taos, Otero, Eddy
- Attendance:** 2500
- Collaborators:** City of Albuquerque, McCune Foundation, Corley’s Albuquerque Lincoln/Volvo, NM Work Force Connection, DSD, American Tent Rentals, The YMCA of Central New Mexico, Famous Hip Hop Radio, 99.9 The Beat, Nexus Brewery, Yo! 101.3 Classic Radio, NM True
- Goal:** The New Mexico Black Expo (NMBE) celebrates the history and legacy of the Black cultural experience, while providing resources in the areas of economics, education, healthcare and advocacy to improve the quality of life in the African American community.
- Outcome:** Over 110 statewide volunteers worked with agency staff to produce the below aspects of the expo to provide resources to the statewide Black community.

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

Career Fair - Under partnership with the New Mexico Workforce Connections, 43 employers and 3 resource exhibitors were present to offer available positions and recruit minority leadership talent from among the 325+ attendees.

Economic Luncheon - Over 250 participants attended the Ed Corley Sr. Corporate luncheon where participants witnessed a panel discussion related to Black business impact in New Mexico’s economy.

Hair Battle - 7 licensed beauticians and barbers, with over 20+ years experience each, battled for over \$1000 cash and prizes and garnered numerous new appointments due to their appearance at the NMBE.

HEALTH AWARENESS

A collaboration of 30 agencies offered over 125 free health screenings and education information (vision, flu shots, blood pressure, diabetes checks), demonstrations and healthy living information designed to help individuals to live healthy lives. On-site consultations were conducted with the 39 participants who showed abnormal diabetes and blood pressure testing.

EXHIBITORS AND SMALL BUSINESS

178 exhibitors consisting of health, economic, community organizations, educational, children programming, and small business owners.





Empowering Our Community

NMBLACKEXPO! A Cultural Experience for ALL!

505-383- 6222 TTY 711 | NMBlackExpo.com



THURSDAY, AUGUST 25
CAREER FAIR (FREE)
 African American Performing Arts Center
 310 San Pedro NE | 10-2pm | Lunch Included
 Build Your Resume Workshops from 8-10am

FRIDAY, AUGUST 26
ED CORLEY SR. CORPORATE LUNCHEON
 Embassy Suites | \$30 | Noon

Panel Discussion Moderated By Gene Grant (Host of NM Focus)

Register at NMBlackExpo.com



SATURDAY, AUGUST 27
CULTURAL EXTRAVAGANZA (FREE)
 Albuquerque Civic Plaza | 3-9pm

Fantasy Hair Battle | Gospel Showcase | Step Show
 Health Fair | Trade Show | Cultural Foods
 African Village | Children's Corner | Greek Row



featuring the Dazz Band "Let It Whip"



The Walls Group



Health Care Advocacy

90 DAY HEALTHY BODY CHALLENGE

February - March 2017

Counties: Bernalillo, Sandoval, Santa Fe

Attendance: 50 in person, 600 Facebook Live

Collaborators: Presbyterian Healthcare, Blue Cross Blue Shield Mobile Van, Kitchen Creations, Presbyterian Community Partners, Bobbi's Homestyle Cooking, Home Instead, Isshin Ryu, E.R.E.A.D, and a diverse host of facilitators across broad areas of expertise.

Goal: To provide educational and experiential workshops on exercise, recreational fitness, cooking & nutrition, disease & weight management, healthcare technology, physical activity and self-advocacy that will increase participants' awareness of healthy living options.

Outcome: Participants reported weight loss, a reduction in prescription medication use, healthier water and food consumption as well as improved health measures (e.g., blood sugar, blood pressure, energy levels, etc.).

Participants also reported that the workshops helped them make healthier food choices, develop their own personal exercise programs, and engage their healthcare providers.

Over 50 90-Day Challenge packets were distributed as an educational tool. Packets contained:

1. Healthier soul food recipe guide
2. Health journal
3. Schedule of weekly workshops and exercise classes with activity for up to 6 days per week
4. Diabetes educational materials
5. Breast and prostate cancer educational materials
6. Tobacco abuse cessation information
7. Health Data on African Americans from the NM OAAA Website Data Hub

As additional incentives for attendance and dedication to personal positive health outcomes, prizes were provided by Home Instead and Kitchen Creations including kitchen housewares, cutlery, dinnerware, spa gift certificates, and Magic Bullet smoothie juicing appliances.



Economic Empowerment

SMALL BUSINESS PLAN WORKSHOP

November 2016

- Counties:** Bernalillo
- Attendance:** 21
- Collaborators:** SBDC, WESST, SBA, Score Albuquerque
- Goal:** Present the basics of the business plan, legal structures, loans, marketing, registration, licensing of a business and present readily available resources for small businesses.
- Outcome:** Attendees became more aware of the resources available to them while expressing a deeper understanding of the work of the agency. Many said the workshop was informative about the business plan process, where to get help, and how to improve their business. 10 participants were women and 47% African American.

“TALK MONEY TO ME” WORKSHOP

February 2017

- Counties:** Dona Ana
- Attendance:** 45
- Collaborators:** New Mexico State University Black Programs
- Goal:** Educate students about the basics of finance including budgets, savings, and various investment vehicles.
- Outcome:** Two sessions were conducted, with students attending from 4 universities and colleges in the southwest region. Topics addressed were credit management, how to create then modify a budget, and the many different ways to save that can lead to growing and protecting generational wealth. Students asked questions regarding personal experiences with student loans, stock purchasing, life insurance, home ownership, and much more.

Financial trends among the national Black population, compared to New Mexico, were discussed utilizing the agencies data hub research points.



Economic Empowerment

REAL ESTATE PANEL DISCUSSION

February 2017

Counties: Bernalillo

Attendance: 20

Collaborators: New Mexico Black History Organizing Committee, Homestart

Goal: Bring professionals together with the community to discuss the advantages of real estate, in an effort to address dismal homeownership rates among Blacks in New Mexico.

Outcome: A 90 minute panel discussion with 4 real estate professionals facilitated addressing:
1. why people invest in real estate and what the different benefits and risks are to owning property, 2. the differences in commercial and residential real estate, and how both vehicles can be used as investments, 3. explore the diverse financing options that are available to the community, 4. various counseling services and resources for home ownership, and 5. the process of being licensed as a broker and the potential timeline for income generation.

BUSINESS FUNDING BASICS AND ALTERNATIVES WORKSHOP

March 2017

Counties: Bernalillo

Attendance: 10

Collaborators: SCORE Albuquerque

Goal: Educate small business owners in the various ways they can fund their business.

Outcome: During a two and a half hour presentation, participants learned: 1. where to find money for businesses through creative funding strategies for small businesses and real estate, 2. the steps business owners need to take in order to acquire business funding, 3. what small business lenders look for in an optimal loan package and addressed the question about whether business owners need a business plan, 4. alternative funding methods and sources, such as micro lenders, equity investors, factoring, and crowdfunding, and 5. advantages and drawbacks of various funding options.

Attendees noted the workshop helped increase their awareness of OAAA activities regardless if they had prior knowledge of our office or not.



Economic Empowerment

HOW YOUR MINDSET CAN INSPIRE FREEDOM

April 2017

- Counties:** Bernalillo, Valencia
- Attendance:** 30
- Collaborators:** The KJ Effect, R. Mims World Group
- Goal:** Encourage participants to achieve dreams and live the life desired with a positive mindset conducive to progress.
- Outcome:** Attendees who desired to start their own business learned good mental practices to ready themselves for the commitment.

YOUTH ENGAGEMENT ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

April - May, 2017

- Counties:** Bernalillo
- Attendance:** 41
- Collaborators:** Warehouse 508, US Eagle, Albuquerque's poet laureate, Manuel Gonzalez
- Goal:** To engage youth in an interactive, unique manner teaching financial literacy and creative entrepreneurship concepts, help youth identify different skills they possess and highlight the inherent worth of each skill.

It's even more important to help our youth discover that many skills are transferrable. While something may be done "just for fun" or society may label it as a "worthless," there are many ways to channel our hobbies, passions, and underused skills in an economically tangible manner.

- Outcome:** During 5 workshops youth participated in active learning while: 1. preparing a budget to discover if their desired profession would produce the finance needed to support their desired future lifestyle, 2. discussing social justice topics such as race, class, gender, sexuality, ability, 3. discovering how t-shirt printing works by producing their own printed t-shirts, while learning concepts of entrepreneurship, 4. learned that participating in fun active activities, such as hip-hop, can lead to positive health outcomes, and 5. developing creative expression through poetry writing and presentation.

African American Recognitions

14th ANNUAL OUTSTANDING SERVICE AWARDS

June 2017

- Theme:** "The Preservation of Black New Mexico"
- County:** Dona Ana, Santa Fe, San Juan, Bernalillo, Sandoval, Curry, Lea, Valencia, Taos, Chaves
- Attendance:** 230
- Goal:** To honor individuals whom have tirelessly worked to improve the quality of life for African American communities around our state.
- Outcome:** 30 individuals and organizations throughout New Mexico recognized for proven work in the areas of Community Development, Education Advancement, Economic Empowerment, and Health Care Advocacy.

STATEWIDE FOCUS MAGAZINE

Quarterly

- County:** Otero, Eddy, Curry, Bernalillo, Valencia, Chaves, Roosevelt, Lea, Dona Ana, San Juan, Santa Fe, Cibola, Sandoval
- Est. in Print:** 3200 (also available via web-site)
- Collaborators:** NONE
- Goal:** To increase awareness of African American presence and contributions made toward the improvement of quality of life statewide.
- Outcome:** Increased awareness and visibility of African American presence and contributions to the state of New Mexico.



Juneteenth Celebration Fund

June 2017

- County:** Bernalillo, Curry, Sandoval, Eddy
- Est. Attendance:** 1,000+
- Fund Recipients:** Clovis Branch NAACP, Rio Rancho NAACP, NM Jazz Festival, Albuquerque Ministerial Alliance, Eddy County NAACP
- Goal:** Insure celebration and preservation of the historical significance of the Juneteenth Celebration as it ties into voter advocacy, minority business, literacy (essay contests), cultural preservation, and health care advocacy.
- In 2006, legislation was passed making New Mexico the 19th state to recognize Juneteenth as a celebration the state should consider. With the passage of House Bill 226, sponsored by Majority Whip Sheryl Williams Stapleton, “Juneteenth Freedom Day” was honored.
- Outcome:** Funding proposals were submitted and awarded based upon community collaborations and target audience to assist with the facilitation of celebrations statewide.



Community Support/Participation/Collaboration

BRIEF LISTING OF PROGRAM SPONSORSHIP

NAACP State Conference
Grant Chapel AME Annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Breakfast
Southern Christian Leadership Council Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Luncheon
Tuskegee Airmen Aviation Youth Summer Camp
New Mexico Black History Month Festival
Hobbs Black History Month Celebration
Afreeka: Santa Fe Cultural Fair
151th Celebration of Juneteenth (Statewide)

EVENT PARTICIPATION AND COLLABORATION

July 2016

UNM Graduation Ceremony
Manual School Advisory Board Meeting
Los Alamos STEM Program
Clovis/Curry Ethnic Fair
Manual School Luncheon
UNDIOS Project Summer Convening and Planning
NMASA Conference
John Lewis Celebration

August 2016

High School Graduation Network
UNM Welcome Back
NM Higher Education Department Summit

September 2016

Mission Graduate Conference
Black Community Networking Summit
AARP CEO Summit
Governor's Summit on Higher Education
NAACP 2nd Annual Civil Rights and Diversity Conference
Albuquerque Economic Development Luncheon
Retail and Franchise Workshop
3rd Annual End Hunger in NM Summit
NTL FAFSA Awareness Launch Day

October 2016

Becoming an Agile Agency Training
Hobbs African American Chamber of Commerce Pink Ball
NM Homeless Veterans Stand Down Resource Event
A discussion on Crime with Mayor Richard Barry
Haiti Hurricane Relief Program
UNM Men of Color Initiative: Minority Male Summit for High School Students
UNM School of Law: The Importance of Access to Justice and the Judiciary
First Friday Happy Hour Networking



Community Support/Participation/Collaboration cont.

October 2016 cont.

Courageous Motorist: African Pioneers on Rt. 66
Black Lives Matter: UNM Campus Climate
Community Relationship Building: Community Policing
Male Summit and Healing Circle
Albuquerque Hispanic Chamber of Commerce
NM Rising ESSA – Every Student Succeed Act
Innovators Virtual Tech Day
WESST Pop Up Shop
Accessing Capital in New Mexico
AED Current Investor's Building

November 2016

Social Media Training
Clovis Youth Day
UNDIOS Project
Student Forum with Secretary Barbara Damron, NM Higher Education Department
Perseverance and Leadership
NM Lions Club Diabetes Awareness Program
Ethnic and Identity Studies Summit
UNM Board of Regents Meeting
Statewide Victims Needs Assessment Survey and Stakeholder Input
Black Lives Matter at UNM
Business Network Meeting
AHCC Networking
NM Prays Leaders and Pastors Prayer Breakfast
Buffalo Soldiers Museum at Fort Bayard

December 2016

Black Lives Matter – UNM
Creative Entrepreneurs Informational Meeting
Zambian Business Leaders
Jefferson Middle School Boys Group
SBA Resource/Services
Albuquerque Ministerial Alliance Officer Installment

January 2017

Pathways to Freedom
Policy Committee Meeting
Wacinqe Business Pitch Event
Business Funding Basics and Alternatives
UNM Black History Month Kickoff Brunch
Rural Communities Discussion
ABQ Connect Now
AED Ambassadors

Community Support/Participation/Collaboration cont.

January 2017 cont.

ABQ National Marketing Premiere
My Brothers Keeper School Discipline
Mission Graduate All Network Meeting
Mayor Richard Berry Pastors and Clergy Appreciation Breakfast
SCLC Annual MLK Jr. Memorial Luncheon
Grant Chapel AME Church Annual MLK Jr. Memorial Breakfast
Anti-Racism Day at the State Legislator
NM Martin Luther King Jr. Commission Annual Memorial Parade and Indoor Track Meet
Governors Legislative Prayer Breakfast
Zambia Delegation Advocacy Meetings with Government Officials

February 2017

Know Your Business and Why
Spring Into Health Black History Celebration – Hobbs
Ethnic Studies Bill at the Legislation
African American Day at New Mexico State Legislator
Success is the New Black – New Mexico State University Conference
Shakers and Stirrers Meet and Greet
ABQ Connect Now
UNM Men of Color Initiative - The Unconscious Bias and Micro Aggressions
Albuquerque Ministerial Alliance Banquet
NM BHMC Asante Awards—Honoring Ron Wallace
Network of Intel African Americans Black History Month Program
Military and Veterans Day at the State Legislator
6th Annual Coaches, Advisors and Counselors Collaborative
Afro-Centric Health and Wellness Fair

March 2017

AED Quarterly Investors Luncheon
African American Collaboration for Education and Support
Farmington Black History Month Program
Debt Free New Mexico Launch Training
My Brothers Keeper School Discipline Meeting
500 Cities Project: Local Data for Better Health Webinar
Southwest Women’s Law Center Celebrating Women's Stories Celebration
NM Prays Breakfast

April 2017

UNM Anderson School of Business: Small Business Institute Lunch
How Your Mindset Can Inspire Freedom
Women Investor’s Network
Creative Start Ups Ideas Showcase
VIA Youth Summit
“Buy Local” Joint Procurement Fair
Group Talk at Jefferson Middle School – “Respect of Women”
B.O.S.S. Program
UNM Graduation of AA Students – Africana Studies
AARP Age Friendly Livable Communities



Community Support/Participation/Collaboration cont.

May 2017

“RESPECT” Workshop Hoover Middle School
The Color of Wealth Workshop
NM College Signing Day at Albuquerque High School
AED Ambassador Training
Rites of Passage BSU
Corporate Breakfast – AHCC
Opioid Prevention and Education Networking Summit
TAZA – AHCC
Black Veterans – Economic Positioning in New Mexico
The Seeds of Rural Resilience: Summit on Community Food Sovereignty
TUPAC Youth Tobacco Presentation

June 2017

AED Quarterly Investors Luncheon
Young Black Professional Networking
Statewide NM Higher Education Master Plan Summit
Meet and Greet Young African Leaders Institute
AED Networking
APS District Equity and Engagement Meeting
NM Martin Luther King Jr. Youth Conference
UNM Institute for Ethics Long-term Care Conference
NM Department of Health State Diabetes Prevention Summit
NM Voices for Children Annual Kids Count Conference

2017 Committee Participation & Membership

New Mexico Office of African American Affairs
Executive Advisory Committee
Health Advisory Committee
Education Advisory Committee
Economic Advisory Committee
New Mexico Black Expo Steering Committee
New Mexico Higher Education Strategic Planning Committee
ABC Community Schools—Albuquerque, New Mexico
NM Afterschool Alliance Board
Albuquerque Public Schools
Equity & Engagement Advisory Council
Hispanic/Latino Academic Achievement Council (HLAAC)
Curriculum Development Committee
American Graduate/Mission Graduate
University of New Mexico Presidents Diversity Council
Department of Health Chronic Disease Prevention Council
Families United for Education
Latino and People of Color Education Task Force
New Mexico Diabetes Awareness Council
New Mexico State Tribal Liaison
University of New Mexico—UNIDOS
Zambian Sister Cities Foreign Alliance Committee
Con Alma Health Foundation
Manual High School - African American Scholarship Advisory Committee
Million Hearts Association
SAC-Expectant and Parenting Teen
My Brothers Keeper Initiative
Albuquerque Economic Development
NM Black Chamber of Commerce
Hobbs Black Chamber of Commerce
Hispano Chamber of Commerce
NM Breast Cancer Coalition
School Health and Wellness Bureau of NM PED
Bernalillo County Community Health Council
Deconstructing Racism Committee
Council of Disease Control (CDC)
Mission Graduate
Small Business Administration (SBA)
The Loan Fund
Albuquerque Economic Development
New Mexico Black History Organizing Committee
CYFD Pull Together
New Mexico Martin Luther King Jr. Commission Indoor Track and Field Committee
GLSEN – Gay Lesbian Straight Education Network
United State of Women Committee
UNM HS Black History Month Planning Committee
New Mexico African American Artists' Guild
Community Relationship Building– Community Policing Planning Committee
Community Health Charities African American Network
PED Teen Pregnancy
NM Public Health Association
Community Health Workers Association
TUPAC Community Advisory Committee



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Executive Advisory Committee

Sandra Taylor-Sawyer, Clovis: Chair, Director, Small Business Development Center, City Commissioner
Wanda Padilla, Santa Fe: Vice-Chair, Co-Owner Padilla Industries, Inc.
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