2016 RACE TO EQUITY SUMMIT
OCTOBER 7-8, 2016
WEST PALM BEACH, FLORIDA

Bridging the Opportunity Gap for Boys and Young Men of Color
Your financial investment will:

1) Assist the United Way of Palm Beach County’s Mentor Center to improve educational supports and employment pathways for boys and young men of color; and

2) Support the My Brother’s Keeper Network’s effort to develop local talent by creating an environment where youth are equipped with the knowledge, skills and opportunities needed to foster the economic growth and success of our community.

DEAR FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES OF MY BROTHER’S KEEPER NETWORK OF PALM BEACH COUNTY:

The My Brother’s Keeper Network (MBKN) of Palm Beach County invites you to sponsor and attend the 2016 MBK Race to Equity Summit on October 7-8, 2016 in West Palm Beach, Florida. The theme for this year’s summit is Bridging the Opportunity Gap for Boys and Young Men of Color.

MBKN of Palm Beach County is a coalition of more than 200 public and private entities that work together to improve life outcomes for boys and young men of color by promoting mentoring, internal agency policy review, and the creation of employment opportunities. Your involvement in this conference will help us to gain a better perspective on issues involving racial equity and will strengthen our local collective efforts to improve outcomes for this targeted population.

In Palm Beach County, thousands of youth face persistent “opportunity gaps” that prevent them from reaching their potential. This not only affects the individual young people and their families, but it also prevents them from contributing fully to the community and the economy – thus impacting us all.

In order for us to successfully compete in a 21st-century global economy, all of Palm Beach County’s youth must have the opportunity to be safe, healthy, educated, and prepared to succeed in their lives and careers. We are all responsible for the success of our community.

Coming together is the beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success!

James Green
My Brother’s Keeper PBC
Task Force Leader
Advancing Racial Equity through Institutional Policy and Practice

The Palm Beach County (PBC) government, school district and several of the major local funders of social programs have taken significant steps to promote racial equity within the education, criminal justice, healthcare and labor/employment systems. This is evident by the collective impact efforts underway to alleviate hunger, improve education, promote physical health, and enhance mental health supports for residents throughout the county.

Racially charged incidents that have occurred nationally and locally have challenged our community to consider our role in creating opportunities for all county residents. It is in our shared commitment to racial justice and equity for all that we find ways to move our county forward.

To this end, this workshop, led by nationally prominent leaders of the Governmental Alliance on Race and Equity and the National League of Cities’ Race, Equity and Leadership (REAL) initiative will support us in building and sustaining our collective impact efforts while keeping the principles of inclusive opportunity development and racial equity at the forefront.

Through this three-hour interactive workshop, participants will:

- Identify the role and opportunity for government and local community-based agencies to promote racial equity through national best practices
- Recognize ways to normalize racial equity by developing a shared understanding and establishing common definitions
- Implement racial equity objectives through the use of a Racial Equity Tool and data
- Discuss community engagement techniques to advance racial equity by building internal infrastructure and working in partnership with other institutions and community
- Develop and implement strategies to keep racial equity at the core of collective impact efforts
SUMMIT AT A GLANCE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2016 (Welcome Reception)
5:30pm-6:15pm  Reception
6:15pm-6:30pm  Welcome
6:30pm-6:35pm  Introduction of Guest Speaker
6:35pm-7:15pm  Keynote Speaker
Tim Wise, Author and Activist
7:15pm-8:30pm  Panel Discussion
8:30pm-8:45pm  Closing Remarks & Next Steps

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2016 (Conference)
8:00am-8:30am  Registration
8:30am-8:45am  Welcome
8:45am-8:50am  Introduction of Speaker
8:50am-9:15am  Plenary (Speaker)
Michael Smith, MBK Chair President’s Cabinet
9:15am-10:00am  Panel Discussion
10:00am-2:00pm  Business and Career Expo
10:00am   Transition to workshops
10:15am-11:30am  Workshops
11:45am-12:15pm  Lunch
12:30pm-1:30pm  Panel Discussion
1:45pm-3:00pm  Workshops
3:15pm-4:45pm  Workshops
4:45pm-5:00pm  Closing Remarks

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Friday's featured speakers include:

Alcee Hastings  US Congressman
Joe Scantlebury  Vice President for Program Strategy, Kellogg Foundation
Julie Nelson  Executive Director, Governmental Alliance on Racial Equity (GARE)
Damon Hewitt  Executive Director, Executives’ Alliance for Boys and Men of Color
Sarita Turner  Associate Director, PolicyLink
Kayla Reed  Organizer, The Organization for Black Struggle
Timothy Evans  Senior Associate, Boys and Men of Color, Racial Equity and Leadership (REAL) National League of Cities
Trabian Shorters  Chief Executive Officer, BMe Foundation
E. Bomani Johnson  CEO, Emergent Pathways
Steve Vassor  CEO, Amped Strategies
Rev. Dr. R. Joaquin Willis  Church of Open Door, Collective Empowerment Group of South Florida

Saturday's featured speakers include:

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Dr. Eddy Regnier  Psychologist, Chairman of Florida Council on the Social Status of Black Males
Dr. Ischaji Robertson  Psychologist, President of ABPsi, Miami-Dade Economic Advocacy Trust (MDEAT) Black Male Mental Health Conference
Derrick Williams  Workforce Analyst, United States Department of Labor
Gary Hartfield  President and CEO, Serenity Village, Inc.
April Young  Principal, New Equity Partners, Inc.
Jose Enriques, PhD  Founder and Executive Director, Latinos in Action
Sarah M. Gray  Senior Policy and Program Associate, Center for Global Policy Solutions
Angela Austin  CEO/Organizer, One Love Global/MBK Michigan Alliance
Deena Hayes-Greene  Managing Director, Racial Equity Institute
Michael Smith  Special Assistant to the President & Senior Director of Cabinet Affairs for My Brother’s Keeper, The White House

REGISTER ONLINE AT:
www.pbcgov.com/youthservices/mbk_summit.htm
Creating Economic Opportunity for Boys and Men of Color
This workshop will address important and successful strategies community leaders are employing locally and throughout the nation to secure living wage, workforce development opportunities, entrepreneurship and careers for these boys and young men.

A Time For Healing: Improving Supports for Communities of Color Traumatized by Violence
In this session, community advocates and mental health professionals will discuss alternatives to traditional mental health support that foster personal healing and supports community development.

Boosting Black Male Achievement Through Policy Reform
In this workshop, education experts and advocates will discuss the ongoing work to implement supportive, inclusive disciplinary policies that hold students accountable and improve school climate and safety for all members of the school and larger community.

Creating and Sustaining an Equity-Driven Collective Impact Model
As this framework of social action evolves, equity must be front and center. In this workshop, collective impact leaders will share their experiences and lessons learned from incorporating equity as an essential element in ongoing community impact efforts.

Supporting Second Chances: Integrated Reentry and Employment Strategies for Boys and Young Men of Color
This session will discuss successful strategies and programs to reintegrate youth into their local schools and communities.

Using Local Data and Evidence-based Practices to Promote Policy and Systems Change
This workshop will discuss the ways in which our communities, large and small, are collecting, analyzing, and applying local data on racial disparities to employ evidence-based programs and to advance policy changes that foster racial equity and inclusion.

Reducing Harm to Boys and Young Men of Color Through Mentoring
This workshop focuses on identifying best practices for mentoring, collaborations and resources mentors and mentoring programs need to “pull” young men of color into achievement.

Grantmakers Take the Lead on Advancing Racial Equity
At a time when it is essential for foundations, grant makers, and philanthropists to be in alignment with the national conversation on racial justice, this session provides the critical space and expertise for defining examples of racial equity philanthropy, reviewing foundation-based strategies, and charting the future of this growing field.

Improving College Access and College Retention Through Mentoring
This session will present applied research findings on the most effective mentoring support program designed to help students prepare and persist in college and will discuss tools that improves hope, engagement, and well-being in school and beyond.

Faith Leaders Chartering a Course Towards Racial Equity
In this session, panelists will discuss the importance of building equity-focused leaders within faith communities, and will make the case for the continued power and expanding potency of interfaith efforts in the fight for greater racial equity and economic inclusion.

Achieving Equity in Health
This workshop will summarize what is known about health and health care disparities locally and nationally, discuss recent efforts to close the gaps, and enumerate best practices and policy recommendations for moving the needle locally.

Sustaining Community-Led Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Reform
In this workshop, policy experts and activists will share their experiences advocating for police reform and discuss best practices and recommendations as per the successes and challenges within their communities, with a special emphasis on current ideas and strategies that have the potential to become major forces in the growing movement to end the school to prison pipeline and the mass-incarceration crisis.

OTHER SPEAKERS & PRESENTERS

Abigail Goodwin  Vice President, Grants & Community Investments, Palm Healthcare Foundation
Andrea Stephenson  Executive Director, Heath Council of Southeast Florida
Chuck Ridley  Community Organizer, UNIFY
Deandre Poole  President, Coalition of Black Student Achievement
Debra Robinson, MD  School District of PBC Board Member
Dr. Alina Alonso  Director, Palm Beach County Health Department
Dr. Cory King  Vice President of Student Affairs, Florida Atlantic University
Dr. Eddie Ruiz  Equity and Access Officer, School District of PBC
Dr. Maria Gallardo-Cooper  ESE Specialist, School Psychological Services, PBC School District
Earnie Ellison  Board Chair, United Way of PBC
Gary Graham, Sr.  Director, United Way Mentor Center
Jane Tierney, President  President, Catalyst for Justice
JoQuan Garcia  President, Hispanic Education Coalition of PBC
Kevin Jones  Assistant to the Mayor, City of West Palm Beach and VP of PEACE Organization
Kimba Williams  President, CollegePath
Lisa Williams-Taylor  Chief Executive Officer, Children’s Services Council
Michelle Dryer  Director, Partnerships and Strategic Innovations, CareerSource PBC
Marsha Guthrie  Community Planning and Partnership Officer, Children’s Services Council
Nicholas O’neal  President, Ministerial Alliance
Patrick Franklin  President & CEO, Urban League of PBC
Priscilla Taylor  Palm Beach County Commissioner
Ricky Aiken  Founder, Inner City Innovators
Seth Bernstein  Psy.D., Director of Community Engagement and Psychologist, Boys Town South Florida
Shahzia Jackson  Senior Criminal Justice Analyst, Juvenile ReEntry, PBC Public Safety Department
Suzette Harvey  President & CEO, Prime Time Palm Beach County
Tamika Cooley  Coordinator, PREPARE Program, CareerSource PBC
Tammy Fields  Director, PBC Youth Services Department
Verdenia Baker  Palm Beach County Administrator
REGISTRATION

To pre-register online, visit:
www.pbcgov.com/youthservices/mbk_summit.htm

Onsite Registration: $150

REGISTRATION INCLUDES:
• Welcome Reception
• 1 Breakfast
• 1 Lunch
• 1 Snack

HOST HOTEL:
Hilton West Palm Beach
600 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33401

Out-of-town guests can reserve a room at the Hilton Hotel for $194/night. The address is 600 Okeechobee Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33401. The Hotel is adjacent to the PBC Convention Center where the conference will take place.

The Hilton provides complimentary shuttle from the airport to both the host and alternate hotel.

Participants may park for free at the convention center on Friday evening.

Free parking will be available at 810 Datura Street located two blocks north of the Convention Center on Saturday. A shuttle will be available to transport conference participants to and from the convention center.

Alternate hotel:
Doubletree (West Palm Beach Airport)
$119 per night
1808 S. Australian Ave, West Palm Beach, FL
(561) 689-6888

If you are interested in sponsoring this event, please visit:
www.pbcgov.com/youthservices/mbk_summit.htm

For more information, please contact 561-242-5702.
## Sponsorship Opportunities

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SPECIAL SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP

Send 10 kids to the conference.
Your logo and text will be included on the Youth Scholarship signage and listed in the Program Guide as Youth Scholarship sponsor.

10 Opportunities | $1,500

RECEPTION

The reception offers attendees a networking opportunity that includes appetizers and a cash bar.
Your logo will be included on signage and listed in the Program Guide as the reception sponsor.
You are also entitled to a complimentary exhibitor table and complimentary registration for 5 attendees.

1 Opportunity | $10,000

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