Black Women’s Roundtable
3rd Annual Women of Power National Summit!
“Investing In Our Communities, Investing in Ourselves”
March 27 – 29, 2014

AGENDA**

Thursday, March 27th  BWR DAY ON CAPITOL HILL

8:00 am – 5:00 pm  Site Registration
Hilton Crystal City (near DCA Airport)
2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA

7:15 am – 7:30 am  Meet in Hilton Crystal City Lobby

7:30 am – 9:00 am  Transportation to Capitol Hill

9:00 am – 11:30 am  Visits to Congressional Offices
USA Capitol - Rm H-144
Washington, DC

12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  Legislative Briefing & Release BWR Report on Black Women in the U. S.
Hosted at Dorothy L. Height Building
National Council of Negro Women Headquarters
633 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, DC

Welcome
Melanie L. Campbell, President & CEO, National Coalition on Black Civic Participation and Convener, Black Women’s Roundtable

Invocation and Greetings
Rev. Alyce Walker Johnson, MPA, MDiv., Chief Administrative Officer, National Council of Negro Women

Introduce Speakers
Pierette “Petty” Talley, Convener, Ohio Unity Coalition and Secretary-Treasurer, OH AFL-CIO
Tamika Mallory, Member, BWR Public Policy Network & Former National Executive Director, NAN

SPEAKERS
Congresswoman Yvette Clarke, 9th Dist.-NY
Congresswoman Donna Edwards, 4th Dist.-MD
Congresswoman Marcia Fudge, Chair, Congressional Black Caucus, 11th District-OH
FCC Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Remarks
Heather J. Foster, Public Engagement Advisor, White House Office of Public Engagement

Release of BWR Report Black Women in the United States: Progress & Challenges 50 Years After the War on Poverty, the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and 60 Years After Brown v. Board of Education

Remarks & Introduce Contributors
Melanie Campbell
Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever, President & CEO, Incite Unlimited, LLC

Report Contributors
Waikinya Clanton, Executive Director, National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women (N.O.B.E.L. Women)
Felicia Davis, Director, Building Green Network
Chanelle Hardy, Sr. Vice President for Policy and Executive Director, National Urban League Policy Institute
Letetia Daniels Jackson, Program Manager, Groundswell Fund
Carol Joyner, Director, Labor Project for Working Families
Edna Kane-Williams, Vice President, Multicultural Markets, AARP
L. Toni Lewis, MD, Chair, SEIU Healthcare, Physician Chair, SEIU Healthcare, International Vice President, SEIU
Elsie Scott, Founding Director, PhD, Ronald W. Walters Leadership & Public Policy Center, Howard University
Joycelyn Tate, Host, Telecom Talk
Makani Themba, Executive Director, The Praxis Project
Robin Williams, Associate Director, Civil Rights & Community Action Department, UFCW
Rev. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Co-Founder & President, Skinner Leadership Institute

Q & A

Wrap-Up

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
Visits to Congressional Offices & Youth Tour for Girls
US Capitol - Rm H-144
Washington, DC

4:30 pm – 7:30 pm
Travel Back to Host Hotel – Hilton Crystal City

Dinner on Your Own
Thursday, March 27th  CELEBRATING WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH
Hilton Crystal City @ DCA Airport, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm  Girls Night In!
*Bring It! Screening & A Conversation with Ms. Dee*
Sponsored by A & E and Lifetime

7:30 pm – 9:30 pm  SISTARS Awards Reception

Welcome
*The Honorable Sheila D. Tyson*, Councilwoman, Birmingham City Council
& Convener, Alabama BWR & Advisor, Alabama Coalition on Black Civic Participation

Invocation
*Rev. Dr. Judith C. Moore*, Pastor, Greater A.M.E. Church, Pittsburgh, PA
Executive Director, Sisters Saving Ourselves Now/Girls Excel On Purpose

Greetings
*Melanie L. Campbell*, President & CEO and Convener, Black Women’s Roundtable, NCBCP

Celebrity Host
*Meshelle*, *The Indie Mom of Comedy*

SISTARS Awards Presentations

SISTARS (Honorees)

*Monifa Bandele*, Sr. Campaign Manager, MomsRising
*Erin Byrd*, Executive Director, Blueprint North Carolina
*Reagan Flowers, Ph.D.*, Founder & CEO, C-STEM Teacher & Student Support Services
*Janaye Ingram*, Interim National Executive Director, National Action Network
*Carol Joyner*, Director, Labor Project for Working Families
*L. Toni Lewis, MD*, Chair, SEIU Healthcare, Physician Chair, SEIU Healthcare,
International Vice President, SEIU

Musical Interlude

SISTARS Awards Presentations

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*The Honorable Stephanie Moore*, Commissioner, Kalamazoo City Commission
& Convener, BWR Kalamazoo, MI
*Deborah Robinson*, Co-Convener, MS Coalition on Black Civic Participation & Convener, MS Black Women’s Roundtable
*Rita Jackson Samuels*, Co-Founder & President, Women Flying High, Founder & President, Georgia Coalition for Black Women
*Ellie Smeal*, President, Feminist Majority Foundation
*Debra J. Speed*, Director, Public Policy and Strategic Alliances, Verizon
*Augusta Y. Thomas*, National Vice President, Women and Fair Practices,
American Federation of Government Employees
Friday, March 28th

**Healthy, Wealthy & Wise**
**ORGANIZING & TRAINING DAY**
Hilton Crystal City @ DCA Airport, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA

6:30 am – 7:00 am  **Love You More! Morning Exercise by FlairFitness**
7:30 am – 8:30 am  Continental Breakfast
8:00 am – 1:00 pm  Site Registration

8:00 am – 9:45 am  **Faith & Social Justice Plenary & Morning Inspiration**

- **Welcome**
  Melanie L. Campbell, President & CEO and Convener, Black Women’s Roundtable, NCBCP

- **Moderator**
  Dr. Barbara Williams-Skinner, Co-Chair, National African American Clergy Network

- **Opening Prayer**
  Rev. Alyce Walker Johnson, MPA, MDiv., Chief Administrative Officer, National Council of Negro Women

- **Inspiration**
  Debra Robinson, Gospel Singer, Convener, Mississippi Coalition on Black Civic Participation

- **Greetings**
  Rubie G. Coles, Associate Director/Program Director, Economic Justice, The Moriah Fund

- **Opening Remarks**
  Latifa Lyles, Director, Women’s Bureau, U. S. Department of Labor
  Jocelyn Frye, Senior Fellow, Center for American Progress

**PANEL**
**Income Inequality, Healthcare & Stand Your Ground Laws**

- **Panelists**
  L. Toni Lewis, MD, Chair, SEIU Healthcare, Physician Chair, SEIU Healthcare, International Vice President, SEIU

  Lucia McBath, Mother of Jordan Davis and National Spokesperson, Mom’s Demand Action for Gun Sense in America

  Augusta Thomas, National Vice President, Women and Fair Practices, American Federation of Government Employees

  Minister Leslie Watson Malachi, Director, African American Ministers Leadership Council, People for the American Way Foundation
9:45 am – 10:00 am  WELLNESS BREAK

Friday, March 28th  Healthy, Wealthy & Wise
ORGANIZING & TRAINING DAY

10:00 am – 11:00 am  Healthy, Wealthy & Wise Empowerment Sessions

Health & Wellness Track
Health & Nutrition: Taking Care of Me

Moderator
The Honorable Stephanie Moore, Commissioner, Kalamazoo City Commission & Convener, BWR Kalamazoo, MI

Presenters
Vanessa Collins, MD, Vice President for External Medical Affairs, Planned Parenthood Federation of America

Daemon Jones, ND, Owner, Healthy Daes
Sandra Owens-Lawson, PhD, Retired, CRP

Wealthy Track
Retirement Security: The Power is In Your Hands
Sponsored by AARP

Moderator
Felicia Davis, Director, Building Green, Clark-Atlanta University

Presenters
Felicia Brown, Foundation Grants Coordinator, AARP
Tangela D. Richardson, M.A., National Public Affairs Specialist, Social Security Administration
Aimee D Griffin, Esq, The Griffin Firm, PLLC
Carmen Watkins, Convener, Texas Coalition on Black Civic Participation

Wisdom Track
Common Core Curriculum: Understanding the New Education System

Moderator
Kelly Denson, Director of Education Policy and Government Affairs, Discovery Education

Presenters
Brenda Girton-Mitchell, Director, Faith & Neighborhood Initiatives, U. S. Department of Education
Amara Pinnock, Second Grade Teacher, Orr Elementary School- DC, Fellow @ Urban Teacher Center
Dr. Linda Stelly, Deputy Director, Educational Issues, American Federation of Teachers
Donna Harris-Aikens, Director of Education Policy & Practice, National Education Association
11:00 am – 11:15 am  WELLNESS BREAK

Friday, March 28th  Healthy, Wealthy & Wise
ORGANIZING & TRAINING DAY

11:15 am – 12:15 pm  Healthy, Wealthy & Wise Empowerment Sessions

**Health & Wellness Track**
*Ending Violence Against Women & Girls is a Public Health Issue*

**Moderator**
Janaye Ingram, Interim National Executive Director, National Action Network

**Presenters**
Karma Cottman, Executive Director, DC Coalition Against Domestic Violence (DCCADV)
Sheila Hankins, Co-Director, Institute on Domestic Violence in the African American Community, University of Minnesota
Gaylynn Burroughs, Policy Director, Feminist Majority Foundation
Tricia Bent-Goodley, Ph.D., LICSW, Professor and Director, Howard University Interpersonal Violence Prevention Program
Darlene Johnson, Associate Director, Office on Violence Against Women, U.S. Department of Justice

**Wealthy Track**
*Entrepreneurship: Building Multiple Streams of Income to Build Your Financial Freedom*

**Moderator**

**Presenters**
Rene Redwood, CEO, Redwood Enterprises, LLC
Darlene Bullock, SDB Program Officer/WOSB Advocate, Small & Disadvantaged Businesses, Homeland Security
Cynthia Harrison, Small Business Program Coordinator, Operation Hope
Suzanne Burks, President, The Burks Companies, Inc.
Rosa Maymi, Project Advisor, Consumer & Work Issues, AARP

**Wisdom Track**
*Human Trafficking: Impacting Women & Girls in the US & Abroad*

**Moderator**
Eboney Rice, Associate Director, International Black Women's Public Policy Institute

**Lead Discussants**
Lisa Ashe, DO, Medical Director, Clinical Decisions Unit, Doctors Community Hospital

Helen Butler, Executive Director, Georgia Coalition for the Peoples Agenda, Convener, Atlanta BWR

Nicole Lee, President, TransAfrica

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Melanie L. Campbell

Greetings
Debra Speed, Executive Director, Public Policy & Strategic Alliances, Verizon Communications

Winifred Watson-Florence, President and Founder of Language Learning Connection and Consultant, AARP

Musical Tribute
Latosha "Love" Brown, Performer & Cultural Artist, Recipient, White House Champion of Change, Advisor, ACBCP

Keynote Speaker
Susan L. Taylor, Founder, National CARES Mentoring Movement, Editor-In-Chief Emeritus, ESSENCE

PANEL

Moderator
Dr. Avis Jones-DeWeever, President & CEO, Incite Unlimited

Panelists
Rev. Marcia Dyson, Founder & CEO, Women’s Global Initiative, M & M Dyson

Reagan Flowers, PhD, President and CEO
C-STEM Teacher & Student Support Services, Inc.

Zakiya Carr Johnson, Director, Race, Ethnicity, and Social Inclusion in the Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs, U. S. Department of State

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm  **WELLNESS BREAK**

2:30 pm – 4:00 pm  **Organizing & Training Sessions (Strategy Sessions)**
Creating a 21st Century Health Care Work Force through ACA and Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM)

Facilitator
Tekisha Everette, PhD, Managing Director, Federal Government Affairs, America Diabetes Association

Lead Discussants
Ashley Allison, J.D., M.Ed., National Director of Partner Engagement and Outreach, Enroll America

Dr. Claire Nelson, President & CEO, Institute for Caribbean Studies

L. Toni Lewis, MD, Chair, SEIU Healthcare, Physician Chair, SEIU Healthcare, International Vice President, SEIU

The Movement for An Economic Women's Agenda Has Begun! Join the Movement for Minimum Wage, Paid Sick Days, Paid Leave and Equal Pay

Facilitator
Carol Joyner, Director, Labor Project for Working Families

Lead Discussants
Wendy Chun-Hoon, DC Director, Family Values @ Work

Danielle Atkinson, Director, Mothering Justice & Convener, Detroit BWR

Power of Sister Vote! Issues Will Drive the Election of 2014: Minimum Wage, Voting Rights, Reproductive Rights & Justice, Stand Your Ground, Workers' Rights to Name a Few

Facilitator
Letetia Daniels Jackson, Program Manager, Groundswell Fund

Lead Discussants
Monifa Bandele, Sr. Campaign Manager, MomsRising

Lisa Fager Bediako, Senior Advisor, Black Youth Vote, NCBCP

Tanya Clay House, Public Policy Director, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law

Ifeoma Ike, Esq., Founder and Chief Problem Solver at Ike Professionals LLC

Carol McDonald, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Planned Parenthood Action Fund

Making College Affordable for the Next Generation
Mobilizing parents and students to ensure financial equity for educational access

Facilitator
Sonia Jarvis, Esq., Distinguished Lecturer, School of Public Affairs, Baruch College

Lead Discussants
Edith Bartley, Vice President of Government Relations, Thurgood Marshall Scholarship Fund

Illai Kenney, Howard University Student/Black Youth Vote Representative

Zakiya Smith, Strategy Director, Lumina Foundation

4:15 pm – 5:30 pm  Sister Circle Closing Session

Moderator
Salandra Benton, Convener, Florida Coalition on Black Civic Participation and FL BWR and State Field Director, FL AFL-CIO

Organizing Session Report Outs

Closing Speaker
Dee Marshall, Founder, Girlfriends Pray, Principal, Raising the Bar, LLC, Certified Coach, International Speaker, TV Lifestyle Personality

5:30 pm – Until  Free Night to Enjoy the City

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Site Registration

8:30 am – 9:30 am  
**Faith & Social Justice Opening Session**

Welcome  
Faith Bynoe, BWR Resource Development & BWR Summit Coordinator

Facilitators  
**Melissa Princess Best**, Executive Director, R.O.Y.A.L. (Readying Our Young Aspiring  
**Charneice Fox-Richardson**, Founding Partner and Creative Director, Straight No Chaser Productions

9:30 am – 9:45 am  
WELLNESS BREAK

9:45 am – 10:45 am  
**Wealthy Track**  
Entrepreneurship: Building Your Own Business

Facilitator  
**Melissa Princess Best**, Executive Director, R.O.Y.A.L. (Readying Our Young Aspiring Leaders

Presenter  
DeAnna Mayo, Founder & Owner of My Sweet Tooth, LLC (a cookie company)

10:45 am – 11:00 am  
WELLNESS BREAK

11:00 am – 12 Noon  
**Wise Track**  
Girls Technology/STEM Education  
**Kimberly C Gaines**, Creative Director, Sondai Expressions  
**Lystranne Maynard-Smith**, PhD, Howard University, Department of Chemistry

12 Noon – 12:30 pm  
WELLNESS BREAK

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm  
Women & Girls Global Empowerment & Business Lunch Plenary

2:30 pm – 3:30 pm  
**Health and Wellness Track**  
Girls Health & Wellness: Sexual Health & Technology

Facilitator  
**Charneice Fox-Richardson**, Founding Partner and Creative Director, Straight No Chaser Productions

3:30 pm – 5:00 pm  
**Girls Rap Session**