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a message from the *CBCF Chair*



Dear Friends,

Welcome to Washington, DC and our 36th Annual Legislative Conference (ALC).

Our theme this year, *Changing Course, Confronting Crises, Continuing the Legacy*, aptly characterizes the challenges ahead of us and the adjustments we must make in our rapidly changing nation. We have scheduled events, braintrusts and issue forums that reflect the diverse interests and needs of our community. You will find many educational opportunities, as well as the chance to meet and share ideas with thousands of business, professional, government and community leaders from across the country.

I also encourage you to take advantage of our Exhibit Hall and visit with our many sponsors and vendors. Like you, they help to make the ALC the CBCF's signature fundraising event of the year, supporting our fellowship and internship programs and the CBC Spouses scholarship programs that help develop new generations of leaders.

So, plan on actively participating in as many events as you can. We want your experience to be a good one. I hope that when you leave Washington, you will be equipped with new ideas and information and be inspired with a newfound sense of purpose and commitment, knowing that each of us can make a difference in the world.

Thank you for joining us at the 2006 ALC and most especially, I thank you for your continued support of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation.

Sincerely,

Kendrick B. Meek
Member of Congress
Chair, Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc.

36th Annual Legislative Conference

Schedule at a Glance

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 2006

8:00 am - 7:00 pm	Registration/Ticketing	East Registration Hall
9:00 am - 10:30 am	CPAR Future Focus Series	Room 207-A
10:30 am	Opening Press Conference	L Street Bridge
10:30 am - 12:30 am	CPAR Future Focus Series	Room 202-A
2:00 am - 5:00 pm	CPAR Future Focus Series	Room 202-A
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Welcome Ceremony	Ballroom A
7:30 pm	CBC Spouses Celebration of Leadership: The Visual and Performing Arts*	National Museum of Women in the Arts
9:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Exhibitors Reception (invitation only)	indebleu Restaurant & Lounge

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2006

7:00 am	CBC Spouses Community Breakfast	So Others Might Eat – 71 O Street, NW
8:00 am - 8:00 pm	Registration/Ticketing	East Registration Hall
9:30 am - 11:45 am	National Town Hall Meeting	Ballroom A
12:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Grand Opening	Hall E
12:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Issue Forums/Emerging Leaders Series/ Spouses Forum	See schedule on p. 28
7:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Closes	
7:00 pm	Jazz Forum & Concert	Ballroom C
8:00 pm	CBC Chair's Reception (invitation only)	Union Station
8:00 pm	Gospel Extravaganza	Ballroom A
9:00 pm - 1:00 am	The Black Party*	H2O Restaurant & Lounge

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2006

8:00 am - 9:30 am	Homeownership Breakfast (invitation only)	Room 206
8:00 am - 6:00 pm	Registration/Ticketing	East Registration Hall
10:00 am - 6:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Showcase	Hall E
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Issue Forums & Braintrusts	See schedule on p. 31
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm	CBCF Chair's Reception (invitation only)	Ballroom C

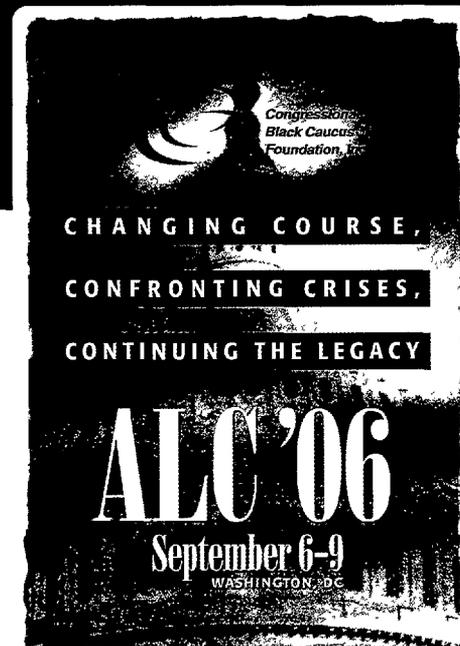
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2006

7:00 am - 4:00 pm	Registration/Ticketing	East Registration Hall
7:30 am - 10:00 am	Prayer Breakfast*	Hall D
9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Exhibit Hall Showcase	Hall E
10:00 am - 3:00 pm	Issue Forums/Emerging Leaders Series	See schedule on p. 34
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	VIP Reception (invitation only)	Hall D Concourse
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* Ticketed events

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a message from the *CBC Chair*



Dear Friends,

The members of the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) welcome you to the 36th Annual Legislative Conference. This year's theme, *Changing Course, Confronting Crises, Continuing the Legacy*, inspires a fresh approach to assessing the progress African Americans have made in closing disparities and achieving equality in all areas of life. Over the next several days, we will delve into these critical issues in numerous sessions and will collaborate on ways to achieve our mutual objectives.

The Annual Legislative Conference's objective (and the CBC's role) is to provide information about important issues, discuss viable reform proposals and replace impractical or ineffective policies with policies that have productive results for our communities. We trust that your attendance at the Annual Legislative Conference reflects a willingness on your part to help the CBC play our role more effectively.

We hope that you will share the insights and ideas you gain at this Conference with others in your workplaces, churches and communities. By doing so, you become a critical link between the CBC and your local communities and help to mobilize the grassroots efforts that complement our work in Congress.

Thank you for attending this year's Annual Legislative Conference and for the critical work you do to keep us moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melvin L. Watt". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

Melvin L. Watt
Member of Congress
Chair, Congressional Black Caucus

a message from the *ALC Co-Chairs*



Greetings,

Welcome to the District of Columbia! We would like to thank you for joining us for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's 36th Annual Legislative Conference.

Our theme, *Changing Course, Confronting Crises, Continuing the Legacy*, reflects our efforts to redirect our energies, resolve our issues, and renew our commitment to keep moving Black America forward. This is a defining moment. The way we guarantee our legacy continues is to motivate and guide the next generation of leaders. In recognition of the tremendous legacy they have inherited, this year we have invited young leaders age 21 to 40 to participate in our forums and programs.

We will explore several issues that directly impact our ability to achieve success in America and throughout the world. Our discussions about topics such as education, economics, energy, health care and foreign policy are designed to help us elevate our families and community to a position of power and prosperity. As you participate in these events and sessions, we hope you will be moved and inspired to exchange information and ideas, embrace new partnerships and alliances, and engage and encourage our young people.

We are honored to serve as Co-Chairs of the 36th Annual Legislative Conference. We appreciate your attendance and are grateful for your support of the Congressional Black Caucus and the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. We look forward to working with you as we chart a new course for our future.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn C. Kilpatrick" with "M.C." written in smaller letters below the name.

Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick
Member of Congress
Co-Chair, ALC

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Barbara Lee".

Barbara Lee
Member of Congress
Co-Chair, ALC

a message from the *President and CEO*



Greetings:

Welcome to the 2006 Annual Legislative Conference (ALC)! Each September, community leaders and citizens converge on the Washington Convention Center to exchange ideas and brainstorm solutions at over 70 stimulating panel discussions.

The ALC Co-Chairs, Reps. Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick and Barbara Lee selected the theme, *Changing Course, Confronting Crises, and Continuing the Legacy*, for this year's event. As we think about novel approaches to addressing 21st Century challenges, it is important that we involve our next generation of leaders in such discussions. We have, therefore, made an extra effort to make the Conference appealing to our Emerging Leaders. We took special care to create an upbeat schedule for students and young professionals that will once again include the popular Instant Apprentice Luncheon and Emerging Leaders Empowerment Series.

There are a few other important ALC highlights I would like to bring to your attention. On Wednesday, our new Virtual Library, *Avoice*, will be unveiled at the Opening Press Conference. Funded by Dell, this one-of-a-kind online repository houses rare legislative documents, photos and historic information about Congressional Black Caucus members. Economic and health issues will be the focal point of the Future Focus sessions, and the evening schedule will offer the Welcome Ceremony, the CBC Spouses Celebration of Leadership and the CBC Spouses Fashion Show. Over the ensuing three days, you will be treated to the National Town Hall Meeting, Prayer Breakfast and Annual Awards Dinner.

I wish to thank the ALC Co-Chairs, CBCF Chairman, Rep. Kendrick Meek, the Congressional Black Caucus and the CBC Spouses for presenting such a diverse range of informative sessions and events. We are also indebted to our moderators, panelists and distinguished keynote speakers. I offer a special thank you to the dedicated staff of the CBCF who mainly labor in the background with little recognition and to the ALC volunteers, including CBC members' staff, for working with the CBCF staff to make this an enjoyable and educational conference. Finally, I want to thank our corporate sponsors and exhibitors, without whom we would not be able to offer the broad array of forums and social activities. I urge you to visit our vendors in the Exhibit Hall to let them know you value their participation.

Enjoy the Conference and continue to support the ALC and other programs of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation.

Sincerely,

Elsie Scott, Ph.D.
Interim President & CEO
Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc.



a message from the *CBC Spouses Chair*



Dear Friends,

On behalf of the CBC Spouses, I want to welcome you to the 36th Annual Legislative Conference. I am very excited about the events we have in store for ALC participants and I hope you will take time to learn more about the important work the CBC Spouses are doing through our Educational Scholarship Fund.

In 1988, the CBC Spouses established a scholarship fund to provide financial assistance to needy college and university students across the country. To date, the CBC Spouses Education Scholarship Program has awarded over \$8 million in scholarships.

Unfortunately, with skyrocketing college costs and a declining federal commitment toward financial aid, more and more students are being left with fewer educational opportunities, harming the potential of our next generation of leaders. This is what makes the CBC Spouses Educational Scholarship Program so critical to our communities.

One of our annual signature events, the Golf & Tennis Classic held June 25-26, 2006, was again a tremendous success. All proceeds from CBC Spouses events go to our scholarship programs and I want to thank our donors for their consistent and generous support of our events.

On behalf of my colleagues, I want to extend my deepest gratitude to our corporate partners, the CBC Members, our staff and volunteers, the CBCF Board of Directors, the CBCF Corporate Advisory Council, and to all of you for making this year such a success.

Thank you again for your support of the CBCF and the CBC Spouses. Again, welcome to Washington, DC.

Sincerely,

Leslie A. Meek
Chair, Congressional Black Caucus Spouses





Welcome

THE CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION

ANNUAL LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE

"Changing Course, Confronting Crises, Continuing the Legacy"

September 6 - 9, 2006

As Mayor of the District of Columbia, I am pleased to extend a warm welcome to the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, on the occasion of your Annual Legislative Conference.



As you gather to celebrate the rich legislative legacy of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, this conference will feature informative forums regarding issues that affect the Black community, as well as focusing on and highlighting the mission and objectives of the organization. I would like to take this opportunity and extend an invitation for you to visit some of our famous historical monuments, museums and many diverse and thriving residential neighborhoods, all of which make this city unique and our nation's capital.

On behalf of all the residents of the District of Columbia, you have my best wishes for a successful and productive event.

Anthony A. Williams

Anthony A. Williams
Mayor, District of Columbia

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CPAR FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

presented by the CBCF

Center for Policy Analysis and Research

Wednesday, September 6, 2006

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

This year's Annual Legislative Conference begins with a full day of high-powered symposiums focused on improving the economic conditions of black America. The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's research arm, the Center for Policy Analysis and Research (CPAR), has organized a very dynamic day of sessions focused on expanding the financial capacity of black businesses, increasing the participation and influence that residents and black businesses have over the development of their communities, and a Poverty, Race and Policy roundtable that will showcase the work conducted by policy experts on advancing a policy agenda dedicated to the needs of working families.

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

Doing It For Ourselves: Creating Financially Viable Black Businesses (Forum)

Room 207-A

Moderator: Kelvin Boston, *Moneywise with Kelvin Boston*

Panelists: Robert Wallace; Jewell Daniels

Synopsis: The state of black entrepreneurship has improved tremendously. According to the Survey of Business Owners, between 1997 and 2002 the number of black-owned businesses in the United States rose 45 percent, heightening the total number of firms to 1.2 million. Collectively, the revenue stream from these firms equals \$88.8 billion annually, an economy greater than many small countries. Despite these accomplishments, black businesses still languish behind businesses owned by whites and some immigrants. Given the state of black businesses, it is important that owners fortify and expand their capacity to take on larger contracts and reinvest in meaningful ways. This Future Focus forum will raise awareness about the outstanding challenges black businesses face regarding financial viability and capacity building, and will provide context as to exactly where the state of black entrepreneurship rests and what that means to the economic stability of black communities as a whole.

10:30 AM – 12:30PM

One Block At A Time: The Importance of African Americans Reinvesting in Their Communities

Room 202-A

Moderator: George Fraser, FraserNet

Panelists: Joe Brook, PolicyLink; Lance Freeman, There Goes the 'Hood: Views of Gentrification from the Ground Up; Ephren Taylor, Amoro Corporation; Vaughn Irons, Freddie Mac

Synopsis: Investment in black communities by blacks will ignite redevelopment and stimulate economic growth and prosperity that is sustainable without losing the fabric of the community. Escalating housing costs have fueled America's renewed interest in some of the most economically deprived cities in the

nation, the likes of which some urban areas have not seen since World War II. Although these highly concentrated minority neighborhoods are in dire need of the economic resources that are poured into gentrifying communities, residents are taken advantage of because they are not fully engaged in the process to benefit significantly. Using community investment resources is key as individuals focus on holding on to and improving property to better serve the needs of traditionally black urban communities. This panel will raise awareness about these resources, provide a platform for those that have engaged in the process to tell their stories and generate a tangible blueprint for reinvestment in black communities.

2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

Poverty, Race and Policy: Advancing the Economic Conditions of Working Families

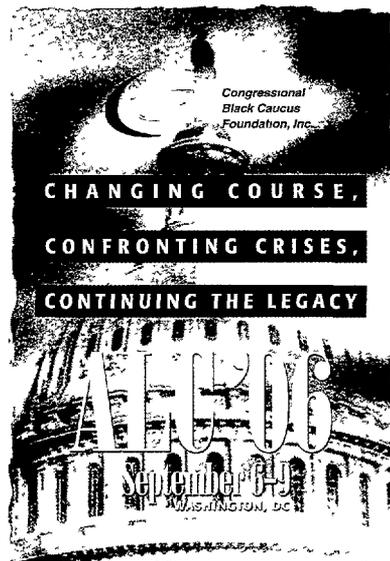
Room 202-A

Moderator: Ed Gordon, *Ed Gordon & Friends*

Panelists: Dr. Nikol Alexander-Floyd, Virginia Tech; Dr. Susan Gooden, Virginia Commonwealth University; Dr. Cheryl Miller, University of Maryland; Melvin Oliver; Dr. Myron Orfield, University of Minnesota Law School; Dr. John A. Powell, Ohio State University; Dr. Michael Stoll, UCLA; Dr. Ronald Walters, University of Maryland; Dr. Malik Watkins, Savannah State University

Synopsis: According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, from 2002 to 2003 there were 1.3 million more people who crossed into poverty. A total of 35.9 million people were in poverty in 2003 equating over 12 percent of the population. In 2003, 7.4 million people were classified as the "working poor," overlapping 4.2 million families. These families bring home wages that are not adequate to buy decent housing, build nest eggs for future plans or save money for their children's education. Black leaders must discuss these issues and develop mechanisms to expand opportunity to this group more directly. The purpose of this panel is to release and further explore important policy prescriptions that surfaced during extensive debates about the condition of the working poor at the CBCF policy roundtable held last year.

Welcome Ceremony



Wednesday, September 6, 2006

6:00 PM

Washington Convention Center
Ballroom A

Keynote Address by
Reverend Al



Sharpton

Reverend Al Sharpton, one of America's most-renowned civil rights leaders, is the President of the National Action Network (NAN). Whether it was his noteworthy run for President of the United States in 2004 or his use of passive resistance and non-violent civil disobedience, Rev. Sharpton has had an irrefutable impact on national politics because of his strong commitment to equality and progressive politics. He has been applauded by both supporters and non-supporters for challenging the American political establishment to be inclusive of all people regardless of race, gender, class or beliefs.

Rev. Sharpton preached his first sermon at the early age of four and later became a licensed minister at the age of nine. He likewise started his civil rights career very young. At age 13, he was appointed, by Reverends Jesse Jackson and William Jones, the youth director of New York's SCLC Operation Breadbasket (founded by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.). At age 16, Sharpton founded the National Youth Movement, Inc. and organized young people around the country, promoting voter registration, cultural awareness and job training programs.

Ever since his surrogate father, the Godfather of Soul, James Brown, told him, "you can't set your sights on nothing little...you got to go for the whole hog," Rev. Sharpton has been doing just that. In 1991, Sharpton founded the

National Action Network, a broad-based, progressive civil rights organization that has over forty chapters and affiliates across the United States. From 1994 to 1998, Rev. Sharpton served as Director of the Ministers Division for the National Rainbow Push Coalition under Rev. Jesse Jackson while still serving as the head of NAN.

Rev. Sharpton's platforms against racial profiling and police brutality have reached an international audience, and his work on human rights issues has taken him to Sudan, Israel, Europe and further, where he has formed alliances with international peace activists across the world.

Rev. Sharpton was educated in public schools in New York and attended Brooklyn College. He was later presented with an honorary degree from A.P. Clay Bible College. Rev. Sharpton says his religious convictions are the basis for his life. He is a member of Bethany Baptist Church in his native Brooklyn neighborhood and still preaches throughout the United States and abroad averaging eighty formal sermons a year. In addition to continuing to run NAN, Rev. Sharpton hosts a talk show on Syndication One that broadcasts in thirty markets, five days a week, and he hosts "Sharp Talk" on TV One — a national cable show based in a barber shop setting.

Rev. Al and Kathy Jordan Sharpton have two daughters, Dominique and Ashley.

NATIONAL TOWN HALL MEETING

Thursday, September 7, 2006
9:30 AM – 11:45 AM
Washington Convention Center, Ballroom A

Presented each year during the Annual Legislative Conference, the National Town Hall Meeting convenes a diverse panel of prominent voices to explore timely and relevant issues. ALC Co-Chairs, Reps. Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick and Barbara Lee are convening this year's panel to discuss the theme, *Confronting Crises: Achieving Energy Independence*.

"America is addicted to oil," was the tagline of this year's State of the Union Address delivered by President Bush on January 31, 2006. Americans continue to hear rhetoric with no real solutions to lower gas and home heating fuel prices, nor strategies to wean the American economy off oil. For this reason, the town hall discussion will examine the current energy challenges and opportunities facing America. Panelists will discuss challenges facing American families and communities with regard to home heating needs, gasoline prices, and alternative energy strategies that must be implemented to reach the goal of energy independence. Attendees will also hear about the great environmental and entrepreneurial opportunities our energy transition will create for Americans. We anticipate a lively discussion and active audience participation.

Moderator: Ed Gordon



Host of Ed Gordon & Friends

featuring



Hazel O'Leary
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Jerome Ringo
Board Chairman, National Wildlife Federation
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Please join us in Hall E for the Grand Opening of the Exhibit Showcase immediately following the National Town Hall Meeting.

EMERGING LEADERS

EMPOWERMENT SERIES @ ALC



The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation is committed to developing new generations of leaders. Through the Emerging Leaders Empowerment Series (ELS), CBCF provides the means for young leaders to engage in discussions about public policy issues, learn how to

actively participate in the nation's democratic and political processes, dialogue with both established and other emerging leaders, and obtain critical development tools. By offering the powerful combination of expert information and access to decision makers, the ELS prepares participants to achieve their goals.

The interactive sessions in this series will feature practical information on leadership development, career advancement, education and skill building, civic engagement and improving relationships. A power lunch, training sessions, a resource-filled Empowerment Toolkit, and a networking party form a custom experience that equips ELS participants to achieve the next level of success.

Thursday, September 7, 2006

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

The Instant Apprentice: Make Every Moment Count

Room 202-AB

Synopsis: Emerging leaders will have lunch with African American executives and leaders in business, government, education, sports and nonprofit organizations. Participants will sit face-to-face with executives at each table. During this high-energy event, emerging leaders will have access to powerbrokers by becoming their "instant apprentice." Industry leaders will give advice on how to gain the competitive advantage in today's job market, tap into the entrepreneurial spirit, enhance leadership skills, share lessons that have helped them become successful.

Moderator: Dr. Randall Pinkett, NBC's *The Apprentice*

9:00 PM – 1:00 AM

THE BLACK PARTY

Hosted by Dougie Fresh

H2O on the Waterfront, 800 Water Street, SW, Washington, DC

The Black Party is the premier networking and entertainment nexus for emerging and established leaders. Guests can connect with notables in entertainment, sports, business, and politics in a relaxed atmosphere. The evening includes a live performance by **Lyfe Jennings**.

Tickets can be purchased in the ALC Registration area—\$50 for general and \$100 for VIP admission

Friday, September 8, 2006

9:00 AM – 10:50 AM

Changing Course: Preparing to Transition into Leadership Positions
Room 207-B

Synopsis: From entrepreneurship to elected office, emerging leaders have begun to make a positive impact on society. This panel explores strategies for emerging leaders to transition into leadership positions in politics, business, grass-roots activism, and media.

Moderator: Donna Brazile, Brazile & Associates

Panelist(s): Rep. Alisha Thomas, Georgia State House of Representatives; Dr. Joe Leonard, Black Leadership Forum

Saturday, September 9, 2006

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

Overcoming Barriers to Success

Synopsis: Separate male and female panels will focus on empowering young men and women to overcome relationship and psychological barriers that could impede upon success. Panelists will lead the audience in not just problem identification, but also in developing gender-specific strategies and solutions.

Overcoming Barriers to Success: Strategies for Males
Room 145-A

Panelist(s): Hill Harper, Actor; Dr. Ronald B. Mincy, Columbia University; Dr. Ivory Toldson, Howard University

Overcoming Barriers to Success: Strategies for Females
Room 145-B

Moderator: Blanche Williams, Greatness by Design

Panelist(s): Kathryn Wilson-Duprey, Life Leadership Unlimited; BerNadette Stanis, Situations 101 On Relationships: The Good The Bad And The Ugly; Sandra Yancey, eWomenNetwork

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Continuing the Legacy: The African American Freedom Struggle Today
Room 145-A

Synopsis: A seasoned leader will challenge the panel of emerging leaders to continue the legacy of civic engagement, activism and community involvement set by those who came before them. The emerging leaders will respond by addressing contemporary issues and the role that young members of the audience and their peers can play in continuing the African American freedom struggle legacy. The discussion will focus on the state of black leadership and what type of leadership is needed in the 21st Century.

Moderator: Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr.

Panelist(s): Rep. Juan LaFonta, Louisiana House of Representatives; Rukia Lumumba, Katrina on the Ground; Stephanie Brown, NAACP Youth & College Division

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Wednesday, September 6, 2006

9:00 AM – 10:30 AM

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

Doing It for Ourselves: Creating Financially Viable Black Businesses
– Forum

Room 207-A

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FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

One Block at a Time: The Importance of African Americans
Reinvesting in Their Communities

Room 202-A

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2:00 PM – 5:00 PM

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

Poverty, Race and Policy: Advancing the Economic Conditions of
Working Families

Room 202-A

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6:00 PM

WELCOME CEREMONY featuring Rev. Al Sharpton

Ballroom A

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Thursday, September 7, 2006

8:00 AM – 10:00 AM

The 21st Century Abolitionist Movement to End Modern Day
Slavery

Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald

Rayburn House Office Building

Room 2160

Synopsis: Human trafficking is a lay product of globalization and needs a multifaceted solution to the problem. What are the roles of the United Nations and other international organizations in pouncing a 21st century abolitionist movement to fight human trafficking?

Panelist: Simone Monasetsian, United Nations Office on Drug & Crime

9:30 AM – 11:45 PM

NATIONAL TOWN HALL MEETING

Ballroom A

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11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

State Legislators Luncheon (invitation only)

Hosted by the Congressional Black Caucus

Room 206

12:30 PM – 2:00 PM

EMERGING LEADERS EMPOWERMENT SERIES

Instant Apprentice Luncheon

Room 202-AB

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1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Civil Rights Movement of the 40's, 50's, and 60's: Continuing the
Progress and Recognizing the Leadership

Congressional Black Caucus Spouses Essay Contest Issue Forum

Room 209-C

Synopsis: This discussion centers on how we continue the progress gained, while highlighting men and women viewed as a part of the modern day fight for civil rights.

Panelists: Simone Marie Meeks (Issue Forum Chair); Dr. Barbara Williams Skinner, Skinner Leadership Institute (moderator); Rep. John Lewis, U.S. House of Representatives; Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr., U.S. House of Representatives; LaKimba Desidera Walker, National Black Caucus of State Legislators; G. Derek Musgrove, University of the District of Columbia; Stephanie Valencia, House Democratic Caucus Vice-Chair's Office

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Annual Auto Safety Forum w/COMTO

Rep. Elijah Cummings

Room 144-A

Panelists: Janice Mathis, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition; Shirley DeLibero, COMTO; John Spearman, University of MD Shock Trauma; Nicole Mason, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration; Ken Cole, General Motors; Mary Wilson, The Supremes

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

The New COINTELPRO

Rep. Cynthia McKinney

Room 143-C

Synopsis: The rise of excessive secrecy, surveillance, illegal gatherings of intelligence, focus on dissent, curbing of civil liberties, national security fortress state and abandonment of posse comitatus, bill of rights, and international law creates a dual legal system and renews the COINTELPRO abuses.

Panelists: Dick Gregory, Author of Callus on My Soul; C. William Michaels, Author of No Great Threat, The USA Patriot Act and The Rise of the National Security State; Kate Martin, Center for National Security Studies; Lillie Coney, Electronic Privacy Information Center; Marshall Eddie Conway, former Black Panther; Patrick Radden Keefe, Author of Chatter (NSA Surveillance); J.E. McNeil, Center on Conscience and War

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1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Truth in Advertising: How You Are Affected by the Practices of Advertising Agencies and Their Clients
Rep. Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick
Room 140-A

Synopsis: The discussion will examine recent developments in the effort to bring fairness and equity into the advertising arena. Topics covered will include the recent request for a CAO study on federal advertising contracts to the recent investigation by the New York City Commission on Human Rights and the upcoming hearings of the New York City Council Committed on Civil Rights.

Panelists: Larry Seabrook, NY City Council; Patricia Gatley; Adonis Hoffman

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

A Frank Discussion Between Sisters and Brothers on the State of the Race, Marriage and Families
Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton
Room 140-B

Synopsis: This session will feature a candid discussion with a panel of black men and women on issues such as the decline of marriage, the difficulties women face raising children alone, particularly black boys, and the collective future of the community.

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Father, Will You Help Me? Can Black Men Mobilize to Save Our Sons?
Rep. Kendrick Meek
Room 209-B

Synopsis: Are third grade achievement scores a pre-cursor to the growing rate of Black male contact with the criminal justice system, homelessness, and unemployment? Who is responsible for facilitating the personal and intellectual growth of Black male children? This session will address each of these questions, while challenging the biases Black men have about their own children and remind them of the transformative possibilities of the human spirit.

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

One-Half Century after Brown v. Board: Challenges, Inequities, and Prospects
Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald
Room 143-B

Synopsis: The forum will discuss how and why the U.S. education system is unequal. How many African American children are falling through the cracks? Are schools adequately equipped to deal with the issues that a changing demographic presents?

Panelists: Ashley Osment, UNC Center for Civil Rights; Reginald M. Felton, National School Boards Association; Warlene Gary, National PTA

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Katrina Contracting – Missed Opportunities
Rep. Bennie Thompson
Room 143-A

Synopsis: In this workshop, small and minority businesses will learn how to get on the General Services Administration's (GSA) schedule of vendors. The GSA schedule is the main purchaser of goods and services in the federal government. Not only does the GSA purchase goods for itself, but it also allows all other federal agencies to use its list of vendors for their purchasing decisions.

Panelist: Christy L. Jackiewicz, GSA's Office of Small Business Utilization

1:00 PM – 3:25 PM

**Financial Literacy Workshop
With Ownership, Wealth (WOW) & HSBC**
Room 209-A

Synopsis: Recognizing the importance of financial education, particularly for people of color, this workshop was designed to help individuals understand and manage credit as well as how to manage their money appropriately.

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

**HIV/AIDS BRAINTRUST
HIV/AIDS at 25: A Generation of Unmet Challenges**
Rep. Barbara Lee
Room 209-B

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Exploring the Legacy of African American History through the Lens of History
Rep. John Lewis
Room 201

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Judiciary
Rep. Maxine Waters
Room 140-A

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

Images of Black Youth through the Media & Sports...The Good, The Bad and The Ugly
Rep. Diane Watson
Room 144-BC

Synopsis: Discussion will focus on the themes of "The Glamorization of Drugs", "Rising Methamphetamine Use in Black Culture", "Steroid Use in Professional Sports", and "Images in the Media".

Panelists: Benjamin Chavis, Ph.D.; Ms. Anita DeFrantz; Winston Price, M.D.; and Dwayne Proctor, Ph.D.

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2:00 PM – 5:50 PM

The Struggle to Protect Pensions and Health Care Benefits

Rep. Major Owens & Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones
Room 145-A

Synopsis: We anticipate a lively discussion at this year's labor forum, featuring prominent national and international labor leaders from around the country, focusing primarily on pension benefits and worker protections. Panelists will discuss union member control and leadership in pension programs, the advantages and disadvantages of public vs. private employee pension programs and the current climate in relations between organized labor and employers. In addition to pensions, this panel will also cover retirement security, health care benefits, and planning for long-term care.

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Crime in the Cities: America's Mayors Fight Back

Rep. Charlie Rangel
Room 144-A

Panelists: Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, New York, NY; Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick, Detroit, MI

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Evolution of the Black Church and African American Politics

Rep. Emmanuel Cleaver, II
Room 201

Synopsis: In this session we will provide an assessment of the evolution of the Black church and its role in African American politics, especially the new role of mega churches.

Panelist: Bishop T.D. Jakes

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Haiti Under Constitutional Rule: A Return to Democracy, A Return to Hope

Rep. John Conyers
Room 209-B

Synopsis: This forward looking issue forum will discuss Haiti's prospects for capitalization on the newly elected, democratic government; the abundance of international goodwill; and the aspirations for success among its people. While challenges in Haiti do exist, panelists will focus on the current period of strong domestic and international support and the great potential for lasting, positive change.

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

High Quality Teaching in Urban Classrooms: Recruiting and Retaining the Best Teachers in High-Need Schools

Rep. Chaka Fattah
Room 209-C

Synopsis: This session will explore the most important questions in ensuring quality teaching: How do we prepare and retain excellent teachers? How do we measure teacher effectiveness? How do we ensure that teaching talent is equitably distributed? What are the consequences of ineffective teachers? This discussion will include a description of the Ruth Hayre Urban Teaching Initiative, a program formed in partnership with Congressman Fattah that recruits and prepares educators of color to teach in high-need urban schools.

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Epidemic of Violence Against Our Children

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee
Room 145-B

Synopsis: This session will evaluate the success and effectiveness of the current tools, policies and processes that federal agencies, states, and local governments use to rescue, heal, and protect our children. Panelists will also describe specific challenges that prevent effective enforcement of the law and will discuss plausible legislative solutions. Topics to be discussed include foster care, child exploitation, juvenile justice, online pornography, and others.

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Hip Hop Powershop

Rep. Cynthia McKinney
Room 144-BC

Synopsis: The panel will focus on issues relevant to our youth and the emerging political role of the hip hop generation. Themes include gangs, peace and war, urban survival, hip hop art and music, and the real meaning and message of youth culture arising from African Americans.

Panelist: Reverend Yearwood, Hip Hop Caucus

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Africa: The 21st Century

Senator Barack Obama
Room 140-B

Synopsis: A panel of experts discusses the challenges and promise of the African continent.

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Economic Development in the Wake of a Disaster

Rep. William Jefferson
Room 143-A

4:30 PM – 5:50 PM

Reinvention and Transformation of African Americans in the Media and Entertainment Industries

Rep. Donald M. Payne
Room 143-C

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Synopsis: This issue forum will focus on how African Americans have progressed through the media and entertainment industries by making their own rules and accomplishing their projects.

Panelists: George Moore, Brownstone Digital Television Network; James Makawa, African Channel Network; Chris Williams, Actor and Producer; Lisa Payne, New Breed Film Productions; Kae Thompson, Media World Productions

4:30 PM – 6:25 PM

Supplier Business Initiative Workshop
With Ownership, Wealth (WOW) & GlaxoSmithKline
Room 209-A

Synopsis: The growth and development of minority small businesses are inextricably linked to the economic growth and development of minority communities. Programs such as the Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Certification Program are designed to increase the viability and competitiveness of minority small businesses. This session discusses the challenges that prohibit these companies from being competitive in today's global economy.

Friday, September 8, 2006

8:00 AM – 11:50 AM

EDUCATION BRAINTRUST
Education Partners Ensuring America's Competitiveness, Part I: Innovate or Abdicate America's Competitive Edge
Rep. Major Owens
Rayburn House Office Building, Capitol Hill
Room 2175

Synopsis: This braintrust will cover the following topics: "Ensuring Digital Opportunities: The New Telecommunications Act"; "Opening the STEM Education Pipeline: A National Imperative"; and "Constructing and Modernizing Schools and Communities."

8:00 AM – 4:50 PM

HEALTH BRAINTRUST
African American Health – In Need of Intensive Care: Renewing and Expanding the Call for State of Emergency
Rep. Christensen
Room 202-B

8:30 AM – 12:50 PM

VETERANS BRAINTRUST
Part One: Causes and Cures for Health Disparities in Black Civil War Soldiers
Part Two: Grappling with Environmental Exposures and Health Disparities – A Continuing Dilemma
Rep. Corrine Brown & Rep. Sanford Bishop
Room 144-BC

Keynote Speaker: Togo West, Jr., Joint Center for Political and Economic Studies

Panelists: Frank Smith, Ph.D., Creating the Historical Context (moderator); Heather M. Butts, JD, MPH; Margaret Humphreys, The Health of Black Soldiers in the Civil War; Donald R. Shaffer, An Ambiguous Victory: Black Veterans from a National Perspective; Richard M. Reid, Government Policy, Prejudice & the Experience of Black Civil War Soldiers & Their Families

8:30 AM – 1:30 PM

CHILD WELFARE BRAINTRUST
Child Welfare and Adolescent Health
Rep. Danny K. Davis
Room 145-B

Synopsis: We will discuss how schools, families, community based organizations, funders and the federal government can partner to support positive health outcomes for both male and female adolescents.

Panelists: Addie Hudson, Illinois Department of Children & Family Services (moderator); Margaret Davis, 7th Congressional District of Child Welfare Task Force (moderator); William C. Bell, Casey Family Programs; Mildred Hunter, Office of Minority Health; Mavia Fletcher, USDA Food & Nutritional Service; Terry Mason, Chicago Department of Health; Eric Whitaker, Illinois Department of Public Health; Annetta Wilson, 7th Congressional District Child Welfare Task Force; Salim Al-Nurridin, Healthcare Consortium of Illinois; Ed Bickham, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative; Frances Wooley, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative; Marisa Manker, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative; Rosie Hicks Patton, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative; Dennette Derezotes, Race Matters Consortium; Kathy Huges, Cook County State's Attorney's Office; Jeffery Trimbath, FYSB; Patrice Ball Reed, SSCI; Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee, U.S. House of Representatives; Mercedes Evan, Office of Civil Rights Compliance Diversity; Sharon Starks, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative; Diedra Wilson, Sankofa Safe Child Initiative

9:00 AM – 10:50 AM

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Changing Course: Preparing to Transition into Leadership Positions
Room 207-B
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9:00 AM – 10:50 AM

Opportunities of Cooperation and Partnership in Fighting Poverty
Rep. G.K. Butterfield
Room 209-A

Synopsis: This session will focus on the opportunities for effective partnerships that can help to eradicate the growing poverty and hunger in the world's wealthiest nation. While urban and rural areas have shared similar ups and downs over time, the poverty rate in rural areas has exceeded that of urban areas every year since poverty was first officially measured in the 1960s. As efforts are made to eradicate poverty everywhere in America, these strategies must recognize the differences in the nature of rural and urban poverty.

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9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Public Health, Environment and Transportation: In Search of Livable Communities

Rep. Julia Carson
Room 140-B

Synopsis: This session explores the way in which planning decisions ultimately affect public health. Panelists will discuss smart growth principles that support healthier communities, improve public health by reducing air pollution and associated respiratory ailments, and promote environmentally friendly transportation choices.

Panelists: Dr. Howard Frumkin, National Center for Environmental Health Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; Mr. Gil Holmes, Indianapolis Public Transit Corporation; Carolyn Coleman, B&D Sagamore Consultants; Geoffrey Anderson, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

9:00 AM – 4:50 PM

JUDICIARY BRAINTRUST

Rep. John Conyers
Room 201

9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

Akeelah and the Bee: Creating a Culture of Achievement

Rep. Chaka Fattah
Room 140-A

Synopsis: This forum will spotlight the visionaries who have fostered a culture of achievement for scores of students many presumed would never succeed. Join us in recognizing and learning from these individuals how best to create a culture of achievement in our own communities.

Panelists: Marma Winton, I Have a Dream Foundation; Oral Lee Brown, Oral Lee Brown Foundation; Kyle Bowser, Producer; Iyanla Vanzant, Author/Motivational Speaker; Jackin Leatherman, Student; Wayne Nesbit, Student; Sandra Dungee Glenn, American Cities Foundation

9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

The Iraq War: What Went Wrong?

Rep. Charles Rangel
Room 145-A

9:00 AM – 11:50 AM

SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY BRAINTRUST

Closing the Achievement Gap: Increasing Participation, Encouraging Excellence, and Fostering Quality Instruction

Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson
Room 207-A

Synopsis: Panelists will explore issues pertinent to math, science and education. This forum will provide students and teachers with an excellent opportunity to learn and discuss important issues for tomorrow's generation of minority scientists, engineers and math professionals.

9:00 AM – 12:50 PM

FOREIGN AFFAIRS BRAINTRUST ON AFRICA

Rep. Donald M. Payne
Room 202-A

Synopsis: Part I of the session will address pressing issues and current crises in the Africa region. We will revisit the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), taking stock of progress made in reaching them, and discuss how to engage African Americans in Africa's development. Part II of the session commemorates South Africa's three landmark anniversaries (thirty years after Soweto, twenty years since the Comprehensive Anti-Apartheid Act and ten years since democratic transition) and will aim to link achievements and lessons of the past to today's South Africa, as well as pressing issues elsewhere in Africa.

Panelists: Dr. Jeffrey Sachs, Earth Institute at Columbia University; Isaiah Washington, Actor

9:00 AM – 2:50 PM

Action to Eliminate Racial Disparities in Substance Abuse Policies

Rep. Elijah Cummings
Room 144-A

Synopsis: Urgently seeking alternatives to drug policies such as those that make it more likely for an African American man to be in prison than college, leaders of the nation's premier African American professional organizations have united to take action to change the nation's drug policies, which have a disparate impact on African Americans.

Panelists: Hon. Lee Brown, National African American Drug Policy Coalition; Hon. Arthur Burnett, National African American Drug Policy Coalition; Dr. Nora Volkow, National Institute on Drug Abuse; Hon. Martha Lynn Sherrod; Patricia Jessaway; Linnes Finney, National Bar Association; Clarence Edwards, National Organization of Black Law Enforcement Executives; Vincent Peter Hayden, National Black Alcoholism and Addictions Council; Dr. William Lawson, Howard University Hospital; Dr. Beny Primm, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment; Karen Freeman-Wilson, National Association of Drug Court Professionals; Hon. Robert Russell, Drug Court Judge; Wanda Moore, Thurgood Marshall Action Coalition; Malika Saada Saar, The Rebecca Project

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE BRAINTRUST

Securing Our Energy Future: From Farm to Fuel

Rep. James E. Clyburn
Room 209-C

Synopsis: Our energy can be American grown. The United States does not have to rely on oil to drive our economy and quality of life. We can replace our reliance on oil with alternative fuel options, including bio-fuels from plant materials grown by the American farmer. These fuels will allow us to invest our energy dollars at home.

Panelists: Dr. G. Todd Wright, Savannah River National Laboratory; Dr. Georges Benjamin, American Public Health Association; H. Heath Hill, Independent Farmer from South Carolina; Mr. Larry Mitchell; Dr. Napoleon Moses, Alcorn State University

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11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

The Fragile State of the Black Middle Class

Rep. Artur Davis
Room 143-C

Synopsis: Despite modest gains in homeownership, educational attainment, and business development, the black middle class maintains an uneasy balance between prosperity and financial dire straits. Record debt loads, racial gaps in home values, and lack of access to quality municipal services are all undermining gains made by the black middle class. This panel will examine the factors that contribute to the debt, asset, and economic development disparities in our communities.

Panelist: Marc Morial, National Urban League; Melvin L. Oliver, University of California-Santa Barbara; Monifa Thomas, Chicago Sun Times

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

Bringing Back New Orleans One Voter at a Time: The Voting Rights Act Reauthorization

Rep. William J. Jefferson
Room 143-A

Synopsis: This session features a discussion on the voting rights and the black electorate in a post-Katrina New Orleans.

Panelists: Hon. Cleo Fields, Louisiana State Senate; Professor Charles Ogletree, Harvard Law School; Alama Beverly, NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund; Gary Flowers, Rainbow/PUSH Coalition

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

Health Information Technology: Challenges for Medically Underserved Communities

Rep. Edolphus Towns
Room 143-B

Synopsis: Advances in technology have made it possible to link critical health resources, making it possible to more easily serve minority communities. Panelists will discuss their experiences as entrepreneurs, health advocates, and medical experts.

Panelists: Kimberly Ellison Taylor, Oracle USA; Dr. Monica Sweeney, Bedford Stuyvesant Community Health Center; Joseph Eaglin, Community Services Network; Dr. Desmond Jordan, New York Presbyterian Hospital; Dr. David Kibble, American Academy of Family Physicians

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

Financial Services

Rep. Maxine Waters
Room 143-A

12:00 PM – 1:50 PM

They're Stealing Your Social Security

Rep. Robert Scott
Room 209-A

Synopsis: This forum will focus on the Federal deficit and the impending danger to social security.

12:30 PM – 3:50 PM

EDUCATION BRAINTRUST

Education Partners Ensuring America's Competitiveness, Part II: Education to Ensure National Security – Lessons from 911 & Katrina

Rep. Major Owens
Room 207-B

1:00 PM – 2:50 PM

How Congress Works and How to Work Congress

Rep. Kendrick Meek
Room 207-A

1:30 PM – 4:50 PM

YOUNG, GIFTED & BLACK BRAINTRUST

Rep. Maxine Waters
Room 202-A

1:30 PM – 4:50 PM

All the Right Stuff: How Women in Politics Can Go for the Big Job

Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr.
Room 143-C

Synopsis: This interactive panel discussion and workshop focuses on issues women need to consider and skills they should hone in order to take their political careers to the next level. Women who hold or are considering running for elected office are encouraged to attend to receive a wealth of information and training in an entertaining and enlightening session.

Panelists: Sandra Finley, League of Black Women; Sandra Jackson, Democratic National Committee; Gwen Moore, The Future PAC; Robin Read, National Foundation for Women Legislators

2:00 PM – 4:50 PM

Energy, A National Security Crisis - Power at the Pump

Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee
Room 209-A

Synopsis: This session provides a look at different ways of using energy during this energy crisis period.

2:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Blacks and Hotel Ownership

Rep. Gregory Meeks
Room 144-A

Synopsis: Attendees will be provided with information about the benefits and opportunities in hotel ownership.

Panelists: Andy Ingraham, NABHOOD (moderator); Mike Roberts, Roberts Hotels, Inc.; Ernest Murphy, Hospitality Development; James

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Guillory, Centerpointe Hotels; Floyd Pitts, Hilton Hotels; Norman Jenkins, Marriott International

2:00 PM – 4:50 PM

Managing Your Money and Credit – The Path to Homeownership

Rep. William Lacy Clay
Room 145-A

Synopsis: This session will focus on managing one's money to prepare for major purchases and credit management (getting favorable scores) to put one in position to purchase a home. This will include the perspectives of realtors.

Panelists: Dion Spencer, HSBC; Fred Underwood, National Association of Realtors

2:00 PM – 3:50 PM

Is There A Rebirth of Lawful Racial Segregation?

Rep. Al Green
Room 140-A

2:30 PM – 4:30 PM

The Voting Rights Act: Extension and Beyond

Rep. Mel Watt
Room 144-BC

3:00 PM – 4:50 PM

Black Love III: Keys to a Successful Relationship - Mating, Marriage, & Money

Rep. Bobby Rush
Room 145-B

Synopsis: Back by popular demand, Part III of the Black Love series will continue to address the social and cultural issues in relationships and the state of African American marriage in the 21st century. The forum will explore the social, economic, racial and historical factors that have intensified male-female relationships beyond those experienced by majority couples. Specifically, our expert panelists will focus on issues and solutions that effect overly stressed male-female relationships.

3:00 PM – 4:50 PM

The State of African American History in Public Schools - Progress and Challenges

Rep. Donald M. Payne
Room 209-B

Synopsis: This issue forum will bring together educators and policy-makers who will lead a discussion on the progress and challenges of infusing African American history into the social studies curriculum in our nations' public schools.

Panelists: Assemblyman William D. Payne, New Jersey State General Assembly-29th Legislative District; Dr. Lillie Johnson, Drew University; Dr. Colin Palmer, Princeton University; Stephanie Wilson, Amistad Commission

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Underground Railroad: Education - Passport to Freedom, Moving Beyond a Legacy of Slavery

Rep. Corrine Brown
Room 143-A

Synopsis: This session will highlight the Pen or Pencil Movement addressing the "cradle to the jailhouse syndrome."

4:00 PM – 5:50 PM

Community Health Centers

Rep. Danny Davis and Rep. Alcee Hastings
Room 143-B

7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Jazz Issue Forum & Concert

Ballroom C
Rep. John Conyers, Jr.

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9:00 AM – 3:50 PM

Ex-Offenders Job Fair

Rep. Danny K. Davis, Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald, Rep. Gwen Moore, and Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones
Room 140-AB

10:00 AM – 3:50 PM

Ex-Offenders Issue Forum

Rep. Danny K. Davis, Rep. Juanita Millender-McDonald, Rep. Gwen Moore, and Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones
Room 143-AB

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM

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Community Economic Development: Revitalization Without Gentrification

Rep. Gwen Moore

Room 143-C

Synopsis: Far too often, economic development initiatives have the

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intention of uplifting underserved communities, but in fact end up displacing current residents. How can we revitalize our communities without this unintended consequence? How can we ensure responsible economic development? Learn about strategies and practices used to spur real economic development activities in urban communities.

11:00 AM – 12:50 PM
“America Blackout” (Film)
 Rep. Cynthia McKinney
 Room 144-A

Synopsis: This award-winning documentary details the systematic disenfranchisement of African American voters in both national elections and an election in Georgia.

Panelist: Ian Inaba, Film Director

12:00 PM – 2:00 PM
Ministers Roundtable
 Hosted by the Congressional Black Caucus
 Room 206

1:00 PM – 2:30 PM
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2:00 PM – 3:50 PM
“Sir! No sir!” (Film)
 Rep. Cynthia McKinney
 Room 144-A

Synopsis: This award-winning documentary details the history of the GI and veterans war resistance movement that ended the war in Vietnam as told by the organizers and participants. Many lessons and insights to the current period and exposure of hidden history that counters media myths can be seen in this film.

Panelists: Sgt. Kevin Benderman, Gulf War Veteran & Iraq War CO; Monica Benderman, Activist; David Cline, Vietnam Veterans Against the War; Greg Payton, Vietnam Veteran

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Authors Pavilion

DAY 1 - Thursday, September 7 (Store Hours 12:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.)

11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Jabari Asim Daddy Goes to Work	Joseph C. Phillips He Talk Like a White Boy	Alvin Chea Basslines	LaDawn Black Stripped Bare: The 12 Truths for Landing the Very Best Black Man	BernNadette Stanis Situations 101 on Relationships: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly
2:30 pm - 4:00 pm	Donna Walker-Kuhne Invitation to the Party: Building Bridges to the Arts, Culture and Community	Paul Robeson, Jr. A Black Way of Seeing	Lyah Beth LeFlore Last Night A DJ Saved My Life	Rev. Dr. Barbara Reynolds No, I Won't Shut Up!	Rev. Yvonne Majett Cooper God of Our Silent Tears
4:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Nina Foxx Just Short of Crazy	Vanessa Craddock The Promise Box	Angela Floyd Daddy, Can I Tell You Something?: Black Daughters Speak To Their	Rev. Louise Battle No Longer Depressed, Oppressed And In A Mess!	

DAY 2 - Friday, September 8 (Store Hours 10:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.)

10:30 am - 12:30 pm	Yaba Baker Princess Briana Lance Freeman There Goes the Hood: Views of Gentrification from the Ground Up	Barbara Summers Open the Unusual Door: True Life Stories of Challenge...	Kim McLarin Jump at the Sun	Dennis Watlington Chasing America: Notes from a Rock 'n' Soul Integrationist	Ms. Michelle Is That Man Your Husband?
1 00 pm - 2:30 pm	Professor Charles Ogletree From Lynch Mobs to the Killing State	Imani Afryka African American Homebuyer's Guide	Yasmin Shiraz Privacy	Lonnae O'Neal Parker I'm Every Woman: Remixed Stories of Marriage, Motherhood, and Work	
3:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Sistah Joy Lord, I'm Dancin' As Fast As I Can	Celia Ford, Theresa Allen, Pamela Simonson Pearls of Wisdom From Three Generations	David Baldwin Underground Chronicles. The Payment	Spencer Overton Stealing Democracy: The New Politics of Voter Suppression	Achebe Toldson Black Sheep: When the American Dream Becomes a Black Man's Nightmare

Day 3 - Saturday, September 9 (Store Hours 9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.)

11:00 am - 1:00 pm	Ty Adams Single, Saved and Having Sex Foreword by Myles Monroe	Craig Thompson The ABCs of Black History: A Children's Guide Frances Berry My Face is Black is True	Lynnette Khalfani Your First Million Charisse Carney-Nunes Nappy	Ronald Walters Freedom is Not Enough: Black Voters, Black Candidates and American Presidential Politics	<u>DIVINE LITERARY TOUR:</u> Toschia Moffett You Wrong for That Professor Anthony Wilbon The Enigma of Njama D. Lee Hatchett The Black Angel Trilogy
1:30 pm - 3:30 pm	Jason Miccolo Johnson Soul Sanctuary Image of the African American Worship Experience	Hill Harper Letters to a Young Brother Michelle Singletary Your Money Your Man	Rique Johnson Whispers from a Troubled Heart and Every Woman's Man	Dr. Ronald B. Mincy Black Males Left Behind BernNadette Stanis Situations 101 on Relationships: The Good, The Bad and The Ugly	Dr. Lillian Beard Salt in Your Sock and Other Tried-and-True Home Remedies

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History of the CBC

Excerpted from former Congressman William L. Clay's best-selling book, Just Permanent Interests: Black Americans in Congress 1870-1991

The watershed of increased black representation grew out of the civil rights movement and the efforts of black activists...White America found its status of privilege and advantage crumbling under the weight of massive and disruptive protests on one hand, and legislated away by enactment of new laws that abolished preferential treatment on the other. Frederick Douglass had forewarned the nation of this possibility in 1886 when he said at the twenty-fourth anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, "Where justice is denied, where poverty is enforced, where ignorance prevails and where one class is made to feel that society is an organized conspiracy to oppress, rob and degrade them, neither persons nor property will be safe..."



History was made in mainstream politics on January 2, 1969, when the House Speaker asked Shirley Chisholm of New York, Louis Stokes of Ohio and Bill Clay of Missouri to swear the oath of office and join already sitting black Congressmen: William Dawson of Chicago, Adam Clayton Powell, Jr. of New York, Charles Diggs of Detroit, Robert Nix of Philadelphia, Augustus Hawkins of Los Angeles and John Conyers, Jr. of Detroit... We met periodically as a loose-knit group called the Democratic Select Committee, formed under the leadership of Charles Diggs. Our numbers increased with the swearing-in of George Collins of Illinois, Ronald Dellums of California, Ralph Metcalfe of Illinois, Parren Mitchell of Maryland, Charles Rangel of New York who replaced Adam Clayton Powell as Metcalfe replaced Dawson, and Walter E. Fauntroy, in the newly created position of non-voting delegate for the District of Columbia...With the increased number of black House members, Diggs called a meeting to consider authorizing formal election of officers, naming an executive committee, and establishing subcommittees, also under consideration was an appropriate name for the group. Some wanted an all-inclusive nomenclature so Chicano, Puerto Rican, and Jewish members could join... The February 2, 1971 minutes reflect that it was unanimously agreed that the Caucus be composed of only black members and that the word 'black' remain in the name. Mr. Rangel reiterated his suggestion for the name Congressional Black Caucus, and it was agreed.

The road of the black race's struggle for justice and equality is littered with disheartened groups and individuals coining slogans and proclaiming mandates for the birth of new movements. This time, it was different. Blacks in legislative bodies, including those in the United States Congress, were rising "phoenix-like." The thirteen black members of Congress were uniquely situated and sharply primed to lead an all-out assault on the institution of racism.

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**The Honorable
Sanford D. Bishop, Jr.
(GA-2)**

Representative Sanford Bishop was first elected to Congress in 1992, after serving in the Georgia House of Representatives from 1977 to 1990 and in the Georgia Senate from 1991 to 1992. He serves on the powerful House Appropriations Committee. The Congressman also serves as Vice-Chair of the Defense and Military Personnel Task Force and is a member of the Homeland Security Task Force.



**The Honorable
Julia M. Carson
(IN-10)**

In 1996, Representative Julia Carson became the first woman and the first African American elected to the U.S. House of Representatives by the people of Indianapolis. In 1972, Representative Carson successfully ran for the Indiana House of Representatives. She was elected to the Indiana Senate in 1976. Presently, she serves on the Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.



**The Honorable
Corrine Brown
(FL-3)**

Elected to Congress in 1992, Representative Corrine Brown became the first African American to represent Florida in Congress since Reconstruction. Representative Brown serves on the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and is the ranking member on the Railroad Subcommittee. She is a member of the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs and serves on the Subcommittee on Health. The Congresswoman also serves as First Vice-Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus.



**The Honorable
Donna M. Christensen (VI)**

Delegate to Congress, Donna Christensen is the first female physician to serve in the U.S. Congress; the first woman to represent an offshore Territory; and the first woman Delegate from the U. S. Virgin Islands. Congresswoman Christensen is a member of the House Committee on Small Business, the Committee on Homeland Security and the Committee on Resources, where she serves as the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on National Parks. She also chairs the Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust.



**The Honorable
G. K. Butterfield, Jr.
(NC-1)**

A native of eastern North Carolina, Representative G.K. Butterfield served as a Resident Superior Court Judge for twelve years before being appointed to the Supreme Court of North Carolina. He was subsequently appointed a Special Superior Court Judge where he served until 2004. In July 2004, Representative Butterfield was elected to Congress. He serves as a member of the House Committee on Agriculture and the House Committee on Armed Services.



**The Honorable
William Lacy Clay, Jr.
(MO-1)**

In 2000, Representative William Clay was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives and served as the President of the Democratic freshman class. He is currently a member of the Committee on Government Reform and the Financial Services Committee. Prior to becoming a member of the U.S. Congress, the Congressman served seventeen years in the Missouri House and Senate.

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**The Honorable
Emanuel Cleaver, II
(MO-5)**

Representing Missouri's 5th Congressional District, Representative Emanuel Cleaver, II is serving his first term in Congress. First elected to public office in 1979, Representative Cleaver was elected Mayor of Kansas City in 1991 and became the first African American to hold that office. Representative Cleaver sits on the exclusive House Financial Services Committee and is assigned to the Subcommittees on Oversight and Investigations and on Housing. Representative Cleaver has dedicated his public service to economic development and social concerns.



**The Honorable
Elijah E. Cummings
(MD-7)**

Representing Maryland's 7th Congressional District, Representative Elijah Cummings was elected to Congress in 1996. Representative Cummings serves on the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, the House Committee on Government Reform and the Joint Economic Committee. He also serves as the CBC Religious, Faith and Policy Task Force Chair. He is a former Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus. Previously, the Congressman served in the Maryland House of Delegates for 16 years.



**The Honorable
James E. Clyburn
(SC-6)**

Representative James Clyburn is a seven-term Democrat from South Carolina. He is the Chair of the House Democratic Caucus and also serves on the House Committee on Appropriations. He is a former Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus and the first African American elected to Congress from South Carolina since Reconstruction. He is currently the highest-ranking African American in the House of Representatives.



**The Honorable
Artur Davis
(AL-7)**

On January 7, 2003, Representative Artur Davis was sworn into office as the representative for Alabama's 7th Congressional District. After just two terms in Congress, Representative Davis has sponsored and worked to pass legislation on a range of issues including restoring millions of dollars to HBCUs, developing a cord blood stem cell network and restoring funding to the national HOPE VI housing program.



**The Honorable
John Conyers, Jr.
(MI-14)**

In 2004, Representative John Conyers, Jr. began his 20th term in Congress. He is the second most senior member of the House and is the first African American Democratic Leader of the House Committee on the Judiciary. Representative Conyers is a founding member and Dean of the Congressional Black Caucus. Representative Conyers is the only member of the Judiciary Committee to have served on both the 1974 Nixon and the 1998 Clinton impeachment panels.



**The Honorable
Danny K. Davis
(IL-7)**

On November 5, 1996, the people of the 7th Congressional District of Illinois chose Representative Danny K. Davis as their congressional representative. Representative Davis currently serves on the Government Reform, the Education and the Workforce and the Small Business Committees. He also serves as the Congressional Black Caucus Secretary, the CBC Child Welfare Brantrust Chairman, the House Postal Caucus Chairman and the Community Health Center Caucus Co-Chair.

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**The Honorable
Chaka Fattah
(PA-2)**

Representative Chaka Fattah is an experienced lawmaker in his sixth term representing the 2nd Congressional District of Pennsylvania. The Congressman serves on the important House Appropriations Committee. Experienced in all levels of government — local, state and federal — Representative Fattah spent twelve years in the Pennsylvania legislature, where he served six years as State Representative and six years as State Senator.



**The Honorable
Alcee L. Hastings
(FL-23)**

Representative Alcee Hastings was elected to Congress in 1992. He is a Senior Democratic Whip, member of the House Rules Committee and a senior member of the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence (HPSCI). Representative Hastings represents the U.S. Congress in the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe's Parliamentary Assembly. In 2004, Representative Hastings was elected President of the Assembly and recently was re-elected to a second term.



**The Honorable
Harold E. Ford, Jr.
(TN-9)**

In his fifth term, Representative Harold Ford, Jr. puts solutions before partisan politics, focusing on making government work for people. He is working to make our country independent of Middle East oil, wants a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution, and is sponsoring the ASPIRE Act to provide an investment account for every child born in America. He serves on the Budget and Financial Services committees.



**The Honorable
Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.
(IL-2)**

Representative Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. began serving in the United States House of Representatives in 1995. He sits on the House Appropriations Committee. In 2001, his leadership created the National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities at the National Institutes of Health and he secured funding for the 2002 Institute of Medicine report on health disparities, *Unequal Treatment*. In 2005, Representative Jackson secured additional funding to help combat the humanitarian crisis in Sudan.



**The Honorable
Al Green
(TX-9)**

Representative Al Green was elected to the 109th Congress and represents the 9th Congressional District of Texas. Representative Green currently serves on the Financial Services and Science and Technology Committees. Wanting to ensure that all Houstonians were afforded the opportunity to share in the city's growing economy, Representative Green co-founded the Houston Fair Share program and the Black and Brown Coalition.



**The Honorable
Sheila Jackson Lee
(TX-18)**

Representative Sheila Jackson Lee is serving her sixth term in Congress and represents the 18th Congressional District of Texas. Representative Jackson Lee serves on the influential Democratic Steering and Policy Committee and as an Assistant to the Democratic Whip. She is the ranking Democrat on the House Judiciary Subcommittee on Immigration, Border Security, and Claims; and sits on the Full Committees on Judiciary, Science, and Homeland Security.

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**The Honorable
William J. Jefferson
(LA-2)**

Representative William Jefferson is serving his eighth term as a member of the U.S. House of Representatives. The Congressman is an active member of the powerful Committee on Ways and Means. Throughout his tenure in the U.S. House of Representatives, Representative Jefferson has been recognized for his continued efforts in economic development, trade and tax reform.



**The Honorable
Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick
(MI-13)**

Now in her fifth term, Representative Carolyn Cheeks Kilpatrick proudly represents Michigan's 13th Congressional District. A member of the powerful House Appropriations Committee, she is the first African American member of Congress to serve on the Air Force Academy Board. Representative Kilpatrick, the first woman to serve as Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus' (CBC) Political Action Committee, is Second Vice Chair of the CBC and Chair of its Community Outreach Committee. She is also Co-Chair of this year's Annual Legislative Conference.



**The Honorable
Eddie Bernice Johnson
(TX-30)**

Representative Eddie Bernice Johnson is the first woman and the first African American to represent the 30th Congressional District of Texas. Now in her seventh term, she sits on the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and the Committee on Science. She serves as Senior Whip and is the Ranking Democratic Member on the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment. Representative Johnson is Chair of the Texas Democratic Delegation and also a former past Chair of the Congressional Black Caucus.



**The Honorable
Barbara Lee
(CA-9)**

Representative Barbara Lee was elected to the House of Representatives in 1998. She is the senior woman Democrat on the House International Relations Committee and also serves on the House Financial Services Committee. Representative Lee is the Whip of the Congressional Black Caucus, Chair of the CBC Task Force on Global HIV/AIDS, Co-Chair of the CBC Haiti Task Force, Co-Chair of the Congressional Progressive Caucus and a Senior Democratic Whip. This year, she serves as Co-Chair of the Annual Legislative Conference.



**The Honorable
Stephanie Tubbs Jones
(OH-11)**

Representative Stephanie Tubbs Jones, now serving her fourth term, is the first African American woman elected to Congress from Ohio. Prior to being elected to Congress, she served as the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor. Representative Tubbs Jones, a strong advocate for many issues, champions wealth building, economic development, quality health care and a quality education for all children. Her committee assignments include Ways and Means and Standards of Official Conduct (Ethics).



**The Honorable
John Lewis
(GA-5)**

Representative John Lewis was elected to Congress in 1986 and is currently serving his tenth term in office. In the 109th Congress, Representative Lewis is a member of the House Ways and Means Committee and the Health Budget Committee. Representative Lewis is also Senior Chief Deputy Democratic Whip and has often been referred to as the "conscience" of the Congress.

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**The Honorable
Cynthia McKinney
(GA-4)**

The first African American Congresswoman elected from Georgia in 1992, Representative McKinney gained international renown as a tireless advocate for human and voting rights, and holding government accountable. She promotes the rights of seniors, students, the disabled, minorities, veterans and workers. No stranger to controversial issues, she has challenged the findings of the 9/11 Commission, worked to assist Katrina survivors, exposed COIN-TELPRO, and called for the release of all files on Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and Tupac Shakur. She is a member of the Congressional Black, Progressive and Tri-Caucuses.



**The Honorable
Juanita Millender-McDonald
(CA-37)**

Representative Juanita Millender-McDonald is the first African American woman to hold the distinguished position of Ranking Member of the Committee on House Administration, which has oversight over federal elections. She is a senior member of the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee and a Ranking Member of the Small Business Subcommittee on Tax, Finance and Exports. Recently, Representative Millender-McDonald was cited as one of the five most effective Members of Congress in passing bipartisan legislation.



**The Honorable
Kendrick Meek
(FL-17)**

Representative Kendrick B. Meek is Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. A former state trooper and experienced Florida legislator, Meek was elected to Congress in 2002. He serves as the Ranking Member on the House Homeland Security Committee's Subcommittee on Management, Integration and Oversight and is also a member of the House Armed Services Committee. Representative Meek is past Co-Chair of the Annual Legislative Conference and has served on the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Board of Directors since 2004.



**The Honorable
Gwen Moore (WI-4)**

Representative Moore was sworn into the U.S. House of Representatives in January 2005. Moore serves on the prestigious House Committee on Financial Services, as well as the House Committee on Small Business. Prior to becoming the first African American to represent Wisconsin in the U.S. House, Representative Moore served in the Wisconsin State Senate from 1993 to 2005, and in the Wisconsin State Assembly from 1989 to 1993.



**The Honorable
Gregory W. Meeks
(NY-6)**

Representative Gregory W. Meeks represents the 6th Congressional District of New York. In 1998, he was elected to office in a special election to fill the vacated seat of retiring member, Representative Floyd H. Flake. Representative Meeks serves on the Financial Services Committee. In addition, he serves on the International Relations Committee including the Subcommittees on Africa and the Western Hemisphere. Representative Meeks is a former Whip of the Congressional Black Caucus.



**The Honorable
Eleanor Holmes Norton
(DC)**

Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton is now in her eighth term representing the people of the District of Columbia in the U.S. Congress. Her success in drafting and enacting legislation has made her one of the most effective leaders in the U.S. House of Representatives. She serves on the Committee on Homeland Security, the Government Reform Committee and the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee.

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**The Honorable
Barack Obama (IL)**

Senator Barack Obama has dedicated his life to public service as a community organizer, civil rights attorney, and leader in the Illinois State Senate. Now in his first term as a U.S. Senator, Barack Obama has fought to help Illinois veterans get the disability pay they were promised, worked to make America energy independent by promoting renewable fuels and higher fuel standards, and fought to keep weapons of mass destruction out of terrorist hands through a new generation of non-proliferation efforts. Senator Obama continues to speak out on the issues that will define America in the 21st century.



**The Honorable
Charles B. Rangel
(NY-15)**

Elected to Congress in 1970, Representative Charles B. Rangel is now serving his eighteenth term. He is the Ranking Member on the Committee on Ways and Means and a member of the Joint Committee on Taxation. He is Dean of the New York State Congressional Delegation. Representative Rangel is a founding member of the Congressional Black Caucus.



**The Honorable
Major R. Owens
(NY-11)**

Representative Owens was first elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1982. He is passionately committed to the education of America's children and is respectfully known as the "Education Congressman." Representative Owens serves on the Government Reform Committee and is a member of the critically important Education and the Workforce Committee, where he is the Ranking Democrat on the Subcommittee for Workforce Protections.



**The Honorable
Bobby L. Rush
(IL-1)**

Representative Bobby Rush was elected to Congress in 1992. He is a member of the influential House Committee on Energy and Commerce. He serves as Regional Whip and as an Assistant Democratic Whip, as well as the Co-Chair of the Congressional Biotechnology Caucus. Prior to becoming a member of Congress, Representative Rush was an alderman in the Chicago City Council. He currently serves as Pastor of the Beloved Community Christian Church in Chicago, Illinois.



**The Honorable
Donald M. Payne
(NJ-10)**

In 1988, Representative Donald M. Payne became New Jersey's first African American Congressman. In 2004, he was elected to a ninth term. Representative Payne serves on the Democratic Steering Committee, the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, the International Relations Committee and is the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee on Africa, Global Human Rights and International Relations. A past Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, he is a member of the Democratic Whip Organization and has served as a member of the House Democratic Leadership Advisory Group. He was selected as one of two Congressional Delegates to the United Nations.



**The Honorable
David Scott
(GA-13)**

Representative David Scott represents the 13th Congressional District of Georgia. Representative Scott is a member of the influential Financial Services Committee, the Capital Markets and Housing Subcommittees and the Agriculture Committee. He is also the Co-Chairman of the Democratic Group on National Security. Before coming to Congress, Representative Scott served twenty years as a Georgia State Senator and eight years as a Georgia State Representative.

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**The Honorable
Robert C. Scott
(VA-3)**

Representative Scott began his seventh term as a member of Congress on January 4, 2005. This year marks his twenty-ninth year of public service. Representative Scott serves on the House Judiciary Committee where he is the lead Democrat on the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security and is also a member of the Constitution Subcommittee. Representative Scott also serves on the House Committee on Education and the Workforce where he serves on the Subcommittee on Education Reform and the 21st Century Competitiveness Subcommittee.



**The Honorable
Maxine Waters
(CA-35)**

Representative Maxine Waters is serving her eighth term in Congress. Since the 106th Congress, she has been the Chief Deputy Whip of the Democratic Party and is Co-Chair of the powerful House Democratic Steering Committee. Representative Waters is a member of the House Committee on Financial Services and the Committee on the Judiciary.



**The Honorable
Diane E. Watson
(CA-33)**

Representative Diane E. Watson was elected in 2001, filling the seat once held by the late Representative Julian Dixon. Representative Watson serves on the International Relations Committee and the Government Reform Committee. She is a Regional Whip for the Democratic Caucus and is a member of the Democratic National Committee.



**The Honorable
Bennie G. Thompson
(MS-2)**

Representative Bennie G. Thompson was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives by special election in April 1993. He is now serving his seventh term as the Democratic Congressman from Mississippi's 2nd District. Representative Thompson is the Ranking Member of the Homeland Security Committee. Previously, Representative Thompson served as Alderman and Mayor in his hometown, Bolton, Mississippi. He later served thirteen years as the Hinds County Supervisor before being elected to Congress.



**The Honorable
Melvin L. Watt
(NC-12)**

CBC Chair, Representative Melvin Watt, was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1992 and became one of two African American North Carolinians elected to Congress since 1901. Representative Watt serves on the Financial Services Committee and the Judiciary Committee. A former litigator in a prominent civil rights firm, Representative Watt was instrumental in shaping the bipartisan, bicameral legislation to reauthorize the landmark Voting Rights Act of 1965.



**The Honorable
Edolphus Towns
(NY-10)**

Representative Edolphus "Ed" Towns is currently serving his twelfth term in the U.S. House of Representatives. He is a member of the Energy and Commerce Committee and the Government Reform Committee. Throughout his tenure in Congress, Representative Towns has been actively involved in promoting education, telecommunications, healthcare, financial services and environmental legislation.



**The Honorable
Albert R. Wynn
(MD-4)**

Now in his seventh term, Representative Albert R. Wynn serves on the powerful Energy and Commerce Committee where he is a member of the Energy and Air Quality, the Telecommunications and the Internet and the Environment and Hazardous Waste Subcommittees. He is also a Deputy Democratic Whip and chairs the CBC's Political Action Committee, the Task Force on Campaign Finance Reform and the Minority Business Task Force.

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc.

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation, Inc. (CBCF) was established in 1976 as a nonpartisan, nonprofit, public policy, research and educational institute. The CBCF educates future leaders and promotes collaboration among community and business leaders, minority-focused organization leaders and organized labor to effect positive and sustainable change in the African American community.

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation offers future leaders policy-based leadership education and training through a number of fellowship and internship programs, seminars, panel discussions, and alumni activities. The CBC Spouses ensure that future leaders can complete their college studies by providing financial assistance through a variety of scholarship programs. To date, thousands of individuals have participated in these programs and are now contributing to society as policymakers, educators, community activists, medical professionals, entrepreneurs, and government officials.

CBCF's programs include several important initiatives pertaining to economic development and public health. The With Ownership Wealth (WOW) and Student Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP) promote financial literacy and homeownership. The Supplier Business Initiative supports small businesses in competing for major contracts. Additionally, the Black Health Empowerment Program (BHEP) and the Anti-Smoking Education Initiative (ASEI) educate communities on maintaining healthy lifestyles.

The Congressional Black Caucus Foundation provides the platform for collaboration and policy development to occur among local, national and international leaders and their constituencies through its regional forums, national summits, and policy-centered conferences. The Annual Legislative Conference attracts over 20,000 attendees every September in Washington, DC. The CBCF's publications, websites, national and regional meetings and broadcasts allow CBCF to reach nearly 20 million people worldwide each year.

The CBCF headquarters is located in Washington, DC and serves as the center for strategic program development, resource building, and critical policy research and analysis, which in turn serve as catalysts for social, economic, and educational advancement.



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The CBC Spouses Celebration of Leadership for the Visual and Performing Arts

This special event is normally held during the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Annual Legislative Conference and is a signature event in the Spouses program portfolio. It recognizes the significant contributions of individuals in the Visual and Performing Arts, as well as corporate leaders, former CBC Spouses, and those citizens who have demonstrated leadership in the area of lifting up and supporting young people and improving the general quality of life for all people.

CBC Spouses Annual Essay Contest and Issue Forum

Conducted each year during the CBCF Annual Legislative Conference, this event focuses on an issue that bears a heavy impact on the lives of African Americans. Spouses choose subjects for their Issue Forum, such as Civil Rights, the American Criminal Justice System, the detection and treatment of HIV/AIDS, and others that are of great interest to their constituency. This forum provides an opportunity for the essay contest winners to present their

views and ideas to Congressional Members, business leaders, and leading policymakers.

The CBC Spouses Annual Community Breakfast and Health Fair

Each year during the CBCF Annual Legislative Conference, the CBC Spouses host hundreds of individuals during a breakfast for homeless people who reside in the immediate and surrounding communities. The Spouses organization also works with major retailers to provide clothing and outerwear to the breakfast participants. The meals are served by Members of Congress and their Spouses, providing them an opportunity to meet these constituents and speak with them on a personal level.

The CBC Spouses Annual Fashion Show

The glamour and class of this event are legendary in the region, making this one of the most sought-after tickets during the Annual Legislative Conference. This signature Fashion Extravaganza raises tens of thousands of dollars for scholarships annually.

Meet a Few of Our Scholarship Winners



Chantel Pierre 17th Congressional District Florida

Chantel Pierre's affinity for Math has led her to strive constantly for excellence, and she has successfully made the Dean's List at Florida Memorial University in Miami every semester for the past three years. Ms. Pierre is so committed to her studies, she travels back and forth on a bus, six hours each day from rural Miami Dade County to Florida Memorial University to continue her studies. With a 3.8 grade point average, she serves as Secretary of the Honors Council, and President of the National Association of Black Accountants. This star student also shines in her leadership role with the Honors Council.



Amber Rudd 11th Congressional District Ohio

Ms. Rudd recently graduated from Bedford High School, just outside Cleveland, Ohio. A serious athlete with strong footing in basketball, volleyball, and softball, she also feels she has a calling in the fashion industry, and has a unique sense of style. She will attend Howard University and major in Sports Management or Fashion Design. She believes that "a college education gives you so many more options that are important to your future." Ms. Rudd believes her service on the Student Senate, the Junior Advisory Board, the Yearbook, and many other extracurricular activities prepared her for this important time in her life.



Willie E. Robinson, Jr.
2nd Congressional District
Mississippi

Mr. Robinson hails from the city of Jackson, Mississippi, and is described by his hometown coach as an excellent student of tremendous character. He plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in Pre-Law. At Clinton High School in his hometown, he excelled in academics and athletics. This student athlete carried a 3.2 grade point average, while playing the position of wide receiver for the Varsity football team. As Offensive Player of the Week, he received the prestigious "Arrow Award" from the Clinton Booster's Club.



Maalik Murray
6th Congressional District
New York

This native New Yorker plans to attend Penn State University and major in Finance so that he can start his own sneaker company. His belief in "giving back" led him to become a member of the "Senior-Freshman Connection Club." Mr. Murray is especially proud of his association with the Tavis Smiley Foundation "Youth 2 Leaders" Program and serves as Treasurer of the Smiley Foundation National Youth Advisory Council. Mr. Murray is fluent in what is often called the language of romance and relishes his time spent with friends and classmates who speak Spanish as their primary language.



Scatavia Church
5th Congressional District
Georgia

Ms. Church is a graduate of Stockbridge High School and plans to attend Spelman College in Atlanta, Georgia. This future educator has already gotten a head start on her career by volunteering her service as a Teacher's Aide. Ms. Church feels that the many days she spent toiling over her books allowed her to join the National Honor Society, becoming a member of the National Honor Society. Her strong performance in the sciences also gained her membership into the Science National Honor Society. Ms. Church also strongly believes in public service and has spent many hours working with the crews that clean her local parks and streams.



Kamau B. Mbalia
4th Congressional District
Wisconsin

Kamau Mbalia is one of those who overcame the negative forces of his hometown environment. His goal is simply to make his world better and he decided that he could best reach that objective by becoming a doctor. A member of the Messmer High School National Honor Society, he also worked to raise money for victims of Hurricane Katrina. He is a Teacher's Aide in a nonprofit, community-based organization that hosts after school programs for youngsters.

Education, Cheerios Brand Health Initiative & Performing Arts 2005 Academic School Year Recipients

Congressman Sanford Bishop (GA)

Calloway, Adrienne N. Education
Coates, Jr., Gregory Education
Gaskins, Jasmine Education
Hardeman, Candace Education
Jacobs, Lameka S. Health
James, Shakira R. Education
McCall, Alisa Education
Smith, Aubrey E. Education
Thomas, Henry Education

Congresswoman Corrine Brown (FL)

Aiken, Courtney Health
Beacham, Fallon Education
Belai, Jerusalem Education
Canion, Tiffany Education
Hawkins, Kelsey N. Education
Loveless, DeQuan Education
Tomlinson, Tiffany A. Education
Walker, Kenneth Education
Woods, Tia M. Education
Wright, Krystal J. Health

Congressman G. K. Butterfield (NC)

Crayton, Jasmine Education/Health
Moody, Jr., Keith E. Health
Nganga, Caroline W. Education
Robinson, Latoya Education
Smith, Angelina Education
Speaker, Fallon J. Education
Stevens, Jasmine J. Education
White, Erika Education
Williams, Raymond T. Education
Worrell, D'Adrin T. Education

Congresswoman Donna Christensen (VI)

Brooks, Daja Education
Dorsey, Andrea Health
LaPlace, Lisa Education
McGregor, Keryn K. Education
Ramsey, Latisha Health/Education

Congressman Emmanuel Cleaver, II (MO)

Burton, Jennifer Sue Health
Graham, G. Anthony Education
Harvey, Chardanee' Education
Jackson, LaQuita L. Education
Zachery, II, Joseph W. Education

Congressman James Clyburn (SC)

Hamilton, Harold M. Education
Jacobs, Andrew V. Education
Jenkins, Bryan Michael Education
Kinard, Jhiquita M. Health
Marcellin, Brittany Education
Rivers, Mary E. Health
Royster, Lauriell D. Education
Smith, Raquel S. Education
Washington, Jessica N. Education
White, Persephoney A. Education

Congressman John Conyers, Jr. (MI)

Abengowe, Ucheoma Education
Benton, Amber Education
Courtney, Griglen M. Education
Day, Jovann K. Education
Deforest, Natakı Education
Freeman, Ashley Education

Garrison, George Education
Hussain, Miriam Health
King, Tanisha Education
Leonard, Lilliam Education
Mack, Eboni J. Education
Pratt, Crystal I. Education
Robinson, Jasmine Education
Roland, Ronald Education
Swint, Noble Education
Whitley, Jr., Gary Education

Congressman Elijah Cummings (MD)

Barney, Brenda Education
Curry, Julius Education
Foster, Nichole Health
Gulreath, Victor T. Education
Green, Charles Education
Green, Tiffinney Education
Johnson, Keith Education
Proctor, Dennis Education
Richburg, Teon Education
Vance, Fern Education
Walters, LaToya Health
Wilson, Jr., Richard A. Education

Congressman Artur Davis (AL)

Garrett, Arnold A. Education
Hill, Tara K. Health
Scott, Jorielle M. Education
Williams, Dianca Education

Congressman Chaka Fattah (PA)

Beverly, Aaron M. Education
Brice, John T. Education
Glaspie-Brown, Andrew Education
McDaniels, Peter M. Education
Oramasionwu, Angela Education
Tillman, Derek T. Health

Congressman Harold Ford, Jr. (TN)

Frost, Valerie L. Education
Kimball, Jessica L. Education
Shipp, Jr., Steve M. Education
Stinson, Mildred A. Education
Walton, Christopher D. Education
Wheeler, Victoria E. Education
Williams, Jeremy A. Education

Congressman Alcee Hastings (FL)

Burney, Diondra T. Health
Falana, Simona S. Education
Fatal, Kenley Education
Flores, Griselda Education
Herring, Brittany O. Education
Mimiko, Shola J. Education
Paisley, Deidre P. Education
Theagene, Joele Education
Turman, Chase N. Education

Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. (IL)

Brown, Ernestyne Education
Calhoun, Jamel Education
Craig, LaKisa Health
Enabulele, Imuentiyan Education
Fortineaux, Eric Education
Gates, Ryan Education
Johnson, Pierre M. Health
Johnson, Tyesia Education

Mims, Xavier Education
Wilson, LaTrina Education

Congresswoman Sheila Jackson-Lee (TX)

Bello, Jessica Education
Cox, James C. Education
Culmer, Chelsea C. Education
Head, Antonio Education
Henderson, Janeisha Education
Lewis, Jameelah Education
Marks, Consetta D. Health
Simon, Harvey B. Education
Sims, Jonathan A. Health
Thomas, Tashon Education

Congressman William Jefferson (LA)

Brown, Imani Education
Ebanks, Keira Education
Harmon, Maria Education
Hill, Lauren Education
Jones, Patrick Education
Lewis, Steven Allen Education
Moore, Sabrina Health
Reitzell, Makaiya Education
Russell, Troi Education
Wiley, Justin Education/Health

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Brown, Brandi F. Education
Calvin, Latonya Education
Cooper, Paige E. Health
Holmes, Patrice F. Education
Johnson, David E. Education
Johnson, Lawrence K. Education
Moore, Gregory D. Education
Moore, Presten M. Education
Patterson, Jr., Robert L. Education
Robinson, Jasmine Health
Redd, IV, Searcy Education

Congresswoman Stephanie Tubbs Jones (OH)

Bates, MeKeshia Education
Cunningham, Kari A. Health
Ivory, Cozetta Education
Jennings, Jasmine Education
Malloy, Jr., Donald Education
McCullum, Whitney M. Education
Smith, Karen F. Health

Congresswoman Carolyn Kilpatrick (MI)

Allen, Adero Education
Butler, Ashley Education/Health
Elliott, Michelle Education
Hadley, Tylene Education
Waddy, Garrett Education
Woods, Darryl Education

Congresswoman Barbara Lee (CA)

Aaron, Amber Education
Anderson, Charles O. Education
Owens, Tracie L. Education
Prevost, Edynn A. Education

Congressman John Lewis (GA)

Caldwell, Lenora Education
Dixon, Antoine Education/Health
Dzegede, Zechariah K. Education
Edwards, Tasha Education/Health

Harmon, Joshua E. Education
 Johnson, Gbemende F Education
 Jones, Andrae N. Education
 McGarity, Deanna Education
 Nore, Edna Health
 Shepard, Dominique Education
 Smith, Yulani F. Education
 Thomas, Adrienne Health
 White, Victoria A. Health
 Whitehurst, Ronald C Education
 Wilkens, Donato C Education
 Williams, Johnathon B. Education

Congresswoman Cynthia McKinney (GA)

Adeyemi, Elizabeth I Education
 Armstrong, Isaiah L. Education
 Bethea, Jr., Gregory I Education
 Cooper, Malik O. Education
 DoDoo, Ahmani K Education
 Hector, Kristi M. Education/Health
 Hollis, Jasmine S. Education
 Jean-Pierre, Charlene A. Health
 Lee, Bianca J. Education
 Murray, Phillip M Health
 Smalls, Ashley D. Education
 Tricksey, Darryl R. Education

Congressman Kendrick Meek (FL)

Alexander, Andrea M. Education
 Dennis, Leslie J Education
 Esperance, Tynikia D. Education
 Harris, Kristen Health
 Harvin, Keshia M Education/Health
 Nelson-Goedert, Nicholas Education
 Passmore, Myya N. Education
 Pierre, Chantel Education
 Pitts, Levar C. Education
 Roker, II, Theophilus Education
 Starks, Brittney C. Education
 Stuart, Anthony B Education
 Windley, III, James Education

Congressman Gregory Meeks (NY)

Creary, Jr., Jeffrey A Health
 Lawton, Cara Education
 Lawton, Kira Education
 McCroud, Kimberlee A. Education

Congresswoman Juanita Millender-McDonald (CA)

Clark, Erica L Health/Education
 Cobb, Sharon Education
 Davis, Naomi J. Health
 Henderson, Daniel Education
 Knighten, Diedre Education
 Martin, Heidi Education
 Sexton, Keshia Education
 Sims, Laura Education
 Thrasher, Jr., Eric A. Education
 Washington, Dairian Education

Congresswoman Gwen Moore (WI)

Ashley, Kori Education
 Barksdale, Monique Education
 Davidson, Travis Education
 Hinds, Mark Education
 Ikanih, Crystal Education
 Jackson, Grace Education
 Johnson, Brittany Education
 Kuschel, Kelly Education
 Krueger, Lorein Education
 Mbalia, Kamau Education
 Moore, Sasha Education
 Moses, Latoya Education
 Pinnix, Sabrina Education

Congresswoman Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC)

Bartee, Michael Education
 Brown, Miriam Education
 Hill, Kya Education
 Jackson, Michaelyn Education

Jones, Kellie Health
 Kirby, Shanice Education
 Mooya-Henderson, Ana Education
 Mosley, Kyle Education
 Najungo, Yifwanda Education
 Obado, Anita Education
 Townsend, Brian Education
 Zheng, Jian Education

Senator Barack Obama (IL)

Beavers, Katelyn Education
 Cantrall, Aubree Education
 Cross, Jaclyn J. Education
 Parnell, Dean Education
 Powers, Elizabeth Education
 Reed, Apryl Health
 Rounds, Blake Education
 Rummage, Charitree Education
 Tigelos, Carlos Education

Congressman Major Owens (NY)

Alexis, Samantha Education
 Branch, Christian Education
 Bryant, Victoria Education
 Desrosiers, Christine Education
 Farhin, Ghaffar Education
 Giordano, Esthefanie Health
 Greenway, Jillian Education
 Jeune, Christiane Health
 Johnson, Brandyn Education
 Lawes, Adianna Education
 Prompt, Martine Education
 Syphert, Teyquana Education
 Yannick, Rodriguez Education

Congressman Donald Payne (NJ)

Daniels, Keinna Education
 Featherstone, Natasha Education
 Gilham, Malika Health/Education
 Gray, Jennifer Health/Education
 Jones, Leonard Education
 Knight, Ardelle Education
 Lespevance, Rebecca Education
 Losier, Nandy Education
 Mollet, Candace Education
 Onukogu, Ezinne Health
 Petty, Bryanisha Education
 Roulhal, Jessica Education
 Tagliaventi, Aracely Education
 Ward, Mercedes Education

Congressman Charles Rangel (NY)

Ali, Suhailah Education
 Busby, Joanna M. Education
 Gittens, Krystal D. Education
 Irish, Janice Education
 Issa, Hisanai O. Education
 Mtonga, George Education
 Shaw, Kevin Education
 Smith, Barbara Health
 West, Dynell Education
 West, Taren Health
 Wolf, Joseph A. Education
 Zachary, Alyssa Education

Congressman Bobby Rush (IL)

Davis, Ashley Education
 Edwards, Reginald E. Education
 Hudson, Christopher B. Health
 Pierce, Kianna Education
 Scales, Amerita M. Education
 Shabazz, Shaheidah M. Education
 Smith, Portia N. Health
 Terry, LaVaisha Education
 Thompson, Dominique M. Education

Congressman David Scott (GA)

Davis, Amber J. Education
 Fritz, Michael T. Education
 Hussey, Devin Health

Jackson, Kimberly R Education
 Porter, Dara K Education
 Swearing, Damien J. Education

Congressman Robert C. Scott (VA)

Brown, Bianca L Education
 Cruthird-Rudd, Theresa Health
 Gorham, Leslee Education
 Holmes, Erica Education
 Walston, Levy D Education

Congressman Bennie Thompson (MS)

Dozier, Stephanie Education
 Gray, Alicia Health
 Hammond, Jr., Willie Education
 Harmon, Amanda Health
 Harris, Corey Education
 Howard, Tillman Education
 James, Courtney Education
 Logan, Alexis Education
 May, Brittany Education
 Merrweather, LaDavcy Education
 Robinson, Jr., Willie Education
 Sanders, Britney N. Education
 Sanders, Jacques Education
 Sanders, Marquez Education
 Stokes, Sheletha Education
 Vicks, Alexis Education
 Wilkerson, Michael Education
 Williams, Shawanda Education

Congressman Edolphus Towns (NY)

Price, Tremaine A. Education

Congresswoman Diane Watson (CA)

Bowyer, Rumeisha Education
 Cobb, Lamont Education
 Hunter, Felecia Health
 Miller, Monica Education
 Pugh, Myeta Education
 Roberts, Stephanie Education
 Williams, Elizabeth Education
 Williams, Monet Education

Congressman Melvin Watt (NC)

Bailey, Ronnie T Education
 Banks, LaKeshia S Education
 Brown, Jordan A. Education
 Brown, Joshua L. Education
 Craig, Ashley P Education
 Jeter, Markia K. Education
 McKenna, Stewart P. Education
 Norton, Kristi S. Health
 Wilson, Devon Education

Congressman Albert Wynn (MD)

Allen, Kimberly N. Education
 Cooper, Janelle L. Health
 Delapenha, Andrew Education
 Freeman, Ashley Education
 Ivery, Lashona B. Education
 Porter, Ashley Education
 Thomas, Alvin L. Education
 Uwazie, Chika Education
 White, Charles Education

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RESEARCH AND PROGRAMS

CBCF's Office of Research and Programs creates, identifies, analyzes, and disseminates policy-oriented information and research. The Office also provides educational opportunities for future leaders through fellowship and internship programs. The primary focus areas are Education, Public Health, and Economic Development.

Center for Policy Analysis and Research (CPAR)

facilitates evidence-based policy making and positively influences public discourse on policy issues important to African Americans and other underserved communities. Members of the CPAR staff conduct and disseminate policy-relevant research; facilitate substantive communication between academics and policymakers; and disseminate vital information to African American elected officials, academics, media and the public.

PROGRAMS AND INITIATIVES

- The Congressional Fellows Program** is CBCF's premier leadership development program for individuals who have completed graduate/professional degrees, faculty members, elected officials, and seasoned public policy professionals. Fellows gain invaluable experience as they assist in the development of legislative and public policy initiatives while working in the offices of the Congressional Black Caucus Members. To maximize the fellowship experience, Fellows participate in substantive educational and leadership development activities.
- The CBCF Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellows Program** is an educational, leadership development program designed for health policy professionals who through original research, advanced legislative training, and health policy analysis will significantly aid efforts to eliminate health disparities in the United States and abroad.
- The CBCF Congressional Internship Program** offers opportunities for college undergraduates from across the nation to learn about the legislative process, leadership, and team development. Interns are placed in Congressional Black Caucus offices during either the summer, fall, or spring terms.
- The CBCF Eleanor Holmes Norton Capitol High School Leaders Program** brings what students learn in school to life. Capitol Hill serves as an extension of the classroom while students experience the inner-workings of Congress and participate in an interactive educational curriculum. Students also learn about applying to college, financial planning and professional development.
- The Emerging Leaders Series** engages a global audience of college students and young professionals through a series of seminars, panel discussions, town meetings, and webcasts. Community activists, policy shapers, elected officials, political correspondents, experts, and web participants share their views on current and impending legislation and discuss the efforts that must be marshaled in order to ensure that public policy considers and benefits the African American family.
- The Leadership Network is comprised of CBCF Alumni.** Through the Leadership Network, CBCF Alumni remain connected to CBCF as they actively participate in educational and leadership development workshops, mentoring activities, career networking opportunities, and the CBCF Emerging Leaders Series.
- The CBCF Anti-Smoking Education Initiative (ASEI)** is based on student activism, peer education and environmental strategies that are conducted at ten Historically Black Colleges. The purpose is to educate young African American adults about tobacco prevention and smoking cessation; facilitate involvement of young African American adults in tobacco control policy advocacy; and provide a framework for developing and implementing tobacco control and smoking cessation programs at Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- The Student Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)** was designed to assist young people with becoming homeowners at an early age, while avoiding the pitfalls of poor credit habits and excessive debt. The SHOP Program shifted its emphasis in 2006 to heavily focus on moving away from debt and towards general financial preparation, in homeownership and beyond. The program educates young people about the importance of managing money smartly and building wealth through homeownership through workshops held at Historically Black Colleges and Universities.
- With Ownership, Wealth (WOW)** is a housing initiative designed to increase the number of African American homeowners. Local WOW programs direct consumers to sources of tangible assistance, education, credit counseling, down payment and resources, and stay with them as they move toward their goal of becoming homeowners.
- The Black Health Empowerment Project (BHEP)** is a health promotion initiative designed to educate African Americans about the relationship between obesity and the chronic health conditions that disproportionately plague communities of color. The main component of the BHEP is a one-day interactive, educational experience hosted by a Congressional Black Caucus member in his or her district.
- The Virtual Library Project:** CBCF, Dell, the University of Texas-Austin and Howard University have entered into a relationship to implement the CBCF Virtual Library Project. The Virtual Library will be used to capture and preserve the history and contributions of Congressional Black Caucus members.
- The Supplier Business Initiative** is a program designed to assist minority small businesses by evaluating the various Small Business Administration regulations, specifically the Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB) Program and the 8(a) Business Development Program. The overall goal of the Initiative is to increase the number of qualified minority businesses in these SBA certification programs. The CBCF is conducting an analysis of the SDB certification process to identify barriers to success of SDBs.

Congressional Black Caucus Foundation presents...

2006-2007 Congressional Fellows

Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellows

Daniel Dawes recently graduated from the University of Nebraska College of Law with a double concentration in Health Care Law and Labor and Employment Law. While at Nebraska, Mr. Dawes served as president of the Black Law Students Association and worked diligently on several programs and projects to increase diversity in the legal profession. Mr. Dawes' professional experience includes developing and implementing cultural, linguistic, and spiritual competence programs for several healthcare entities in Florida and working with various healthcare agencies to address and redress acts of discrimination against minority patients. He will be working in the office of Congresswoman Donna Christensen (VI).

Virgil Miller recently earned a Masters of Public Health from Florida Agricultural & Mechanical University (FAMU), with a concentration in Epidemiology. Mr. Miller's research focused on the disparities of treatment for prostate cancer in the state of Florida. As an intern with the Florida Department of Health, he served on various project teams that delivered healthcare to underserved populations and worked to prepare the state for possible bio-terrorism attacks. Mr. Miller was also an intern for State Representative Curtis Richardson (D-FL) who is a member of the Healthcare Appropriations Committee. Mr. Miller will be working in the office of Congressman Ed Towns (NY).

Congressional Fellows

Angela Bruce-Raeburn recently completed a Master of Arts degree in Conflict Resolution from the University of Bradford in England. Ms. Bruce-Raeburn's area of interest revolves around the links between democracy and development in emerg-

ing nations specifically in the Caribbean and Africa. Her master's thesis focuses on good governance and development in Haiti through regional economic integration. To that end, she served as an intern at the CARICOM (Caribbean Community) Secretariat in Guyana this past summer. This past year, Mrs. Bruce-Raeburn was awarded a Rotary World Peace Fellowship for international graduate study in peace and conflict studies. She will be working in the office of Congresswoman Carolyn Cheeks-Kilpatrick (MI).

Mona K. Floyd is licensed attorney in the District of Columbia. She is currently pursuing a master's degree in public policy at The George Washington University. Ms. Floyd hopes to combine her law and public policy knowledge and experience to address the healthcare and education needs of the disadvantaged and disabled. This past year, Ms. Floyd served as a George Washington Law School Street Law Teaching Fellow, where she taught practical law to pregnant teens transitioning out of the foster care system. Prior to coming to Washington, DC, Ms. Floyd served as a canvasser for the Maryland Public Interest Research Group and a teacher in the Baltimore City school system. She will be working in the office of Congresswoman Sheila Jackson-Lee (TX).

David Johns recently received a master's degree in Sociology and Education Policy from Teachers College, Columbia University. His thesis "Shadowboxing: Black Male Identity and Independent Schools" examines how Black male adolescents at elite self-selecting independent schools understand and respond to perceptions and expectations of black males projected upon them. Mr. Johns' research is informed by his practical experience as an elementary school educator in New York City and his extensive work with youth. He is a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity and will be working in the office of Congressman Charles Rangel (NY).

Alex T. Johnson recently earned a Master of Public Policy degree from Oregon State University. His research explored the historical factors that contributed to the creation of the Oregon State University Diversity Action Plan. Mr. Johnson is particularly interested in access to governmental service opportunities for African Americans, environmental justice issues, and disparities in the criminal justice system. He will be working in the office of Congressman Alcee Hastings (FL).

Aisha Reed recently earned her Master of Science degree from Purdue University. Her research explores cool season tornadoes in Mississippi, her native state, and the disparate racial and economic impact of these weather phenomena on the population. Ms. Reed is currently an active member of the American Meteorological Society and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., where she is a charter member of Chi Phi Omega chapter in Lafayette, Indiana. She will be working in the office of Congressman Bennie Thompson (MS).

Genora Reed recently earned a master's degree in Public Policy from George Mason University's School of Public Policy. She is interested in international affairs, particularly sub-Saharan Africa, where she has studied and traveled. Ms. Reed is a recipient of GMU's School of Public Policy's Alumni Distinguished Student Award and is also a Community Work-Study Fellow with the Washington Metropolitan Council of Governments for 2005 - 2006. Her professional experience includes work with the State Department's Bureau of Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor and with TransAfrica Forum. She will be working in the office of Congresswoman Barbara Lee (CA).

CBCF 2005-2006 CONGRESSIONAL INTERNS

CBCF Congressional Internship Program

Established in 1986, the CBCF Congressional Internship Program answered the call to help diversify our democracy by increasing the pool of talented public servants. Therefore, the mission of the program is to improve our quality of life by training the next generation of leaders to make sound public policies. CBCF brings motivated college undergraduates from across the country to the District of Columbia to take an inside look into the United States Congress. The intensive 9-week program places students in congressional offices where they work under the guidance of Congressional Black Caucus Members and their professional staffs. The program utilizes the resources of the nation's capital to provide an interactive educational experience. Students leave the program better informed decision makers prepared to be influential leaders who shape our world.

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Office of Rep. Barbara Lee

Charmaine Lang
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Mercy Lineberry
Johnson C. Smith University
Office of Rep. Sanford Bishop

Tamiya Lunsford
Virginia Commonwealth University
Office of Rep. Robert Scott

Chance Lynch
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Office of Rep. G.K. Butterfield

Lauren McKenzie
University of Maryland
Office of Rep. Albert Wynn

Megan Pinkney
North Carolina A & T State University
Office of Rep. Melvin Watt



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Morehouse College
Office of Rep. Edolphus Towns

Zakiya Smith
Vanderbilt University
Office of Rep. Cynthia McKinney

Crystal Spearman
Louisiana State University
Office of Rep. Al Green

David Street
North Carolina A & T State University
Office of Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton

Lauren Underwood
University of Michigan
Office of Sen. Barack Obama

Whitney Wade
Washington University
Office of Rep. Jesse Jackson, Jr.

Corey Walker
Sarah Lawrence College
Office of Rep. David Scott

Kristen Walker
University of Miami
Office of Rep. Kendrick Meek

Lauren Weaver
Boston College
Office of Rep. Stephanie Tubbs Jones

Jenna Wells
Agnes Scott College
Office of Rep. Donald Payne

Carmen White
University of Missouri, Columbia
Office of Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, II

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The Eleanor Holmes Norton Capitol High School Leaders Program is a six-month program divided into three distinct segments. For the first three months of the program, interns meet once a week after school to participate in skill building workshops that prepare them for working on Capitol Hill and for applying to college. These workshops continue throughout the program. During the next segment, interns work part-time in the offices of members of the Congressional Black Caucus. There, they become acclimated to the office environment in preparation for their full time placement once school ends. Finally, for the remainder of the program during the summer months, interns work full-time in Congressional offices. Along with their full-time office placements, the Eleanor Holmes Norton Capitol High School Leaders attend a series of lectures and participate in several college visits.

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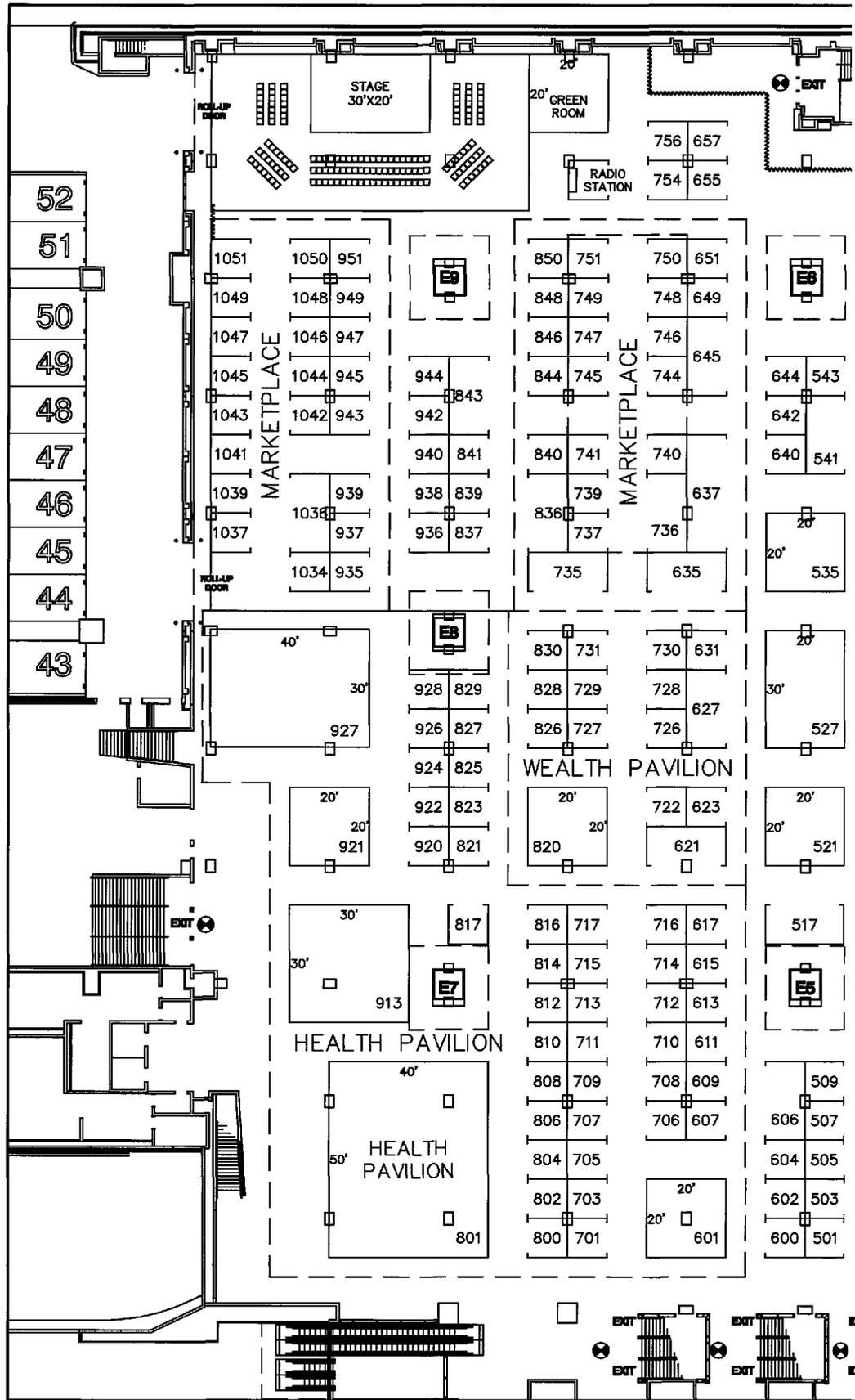
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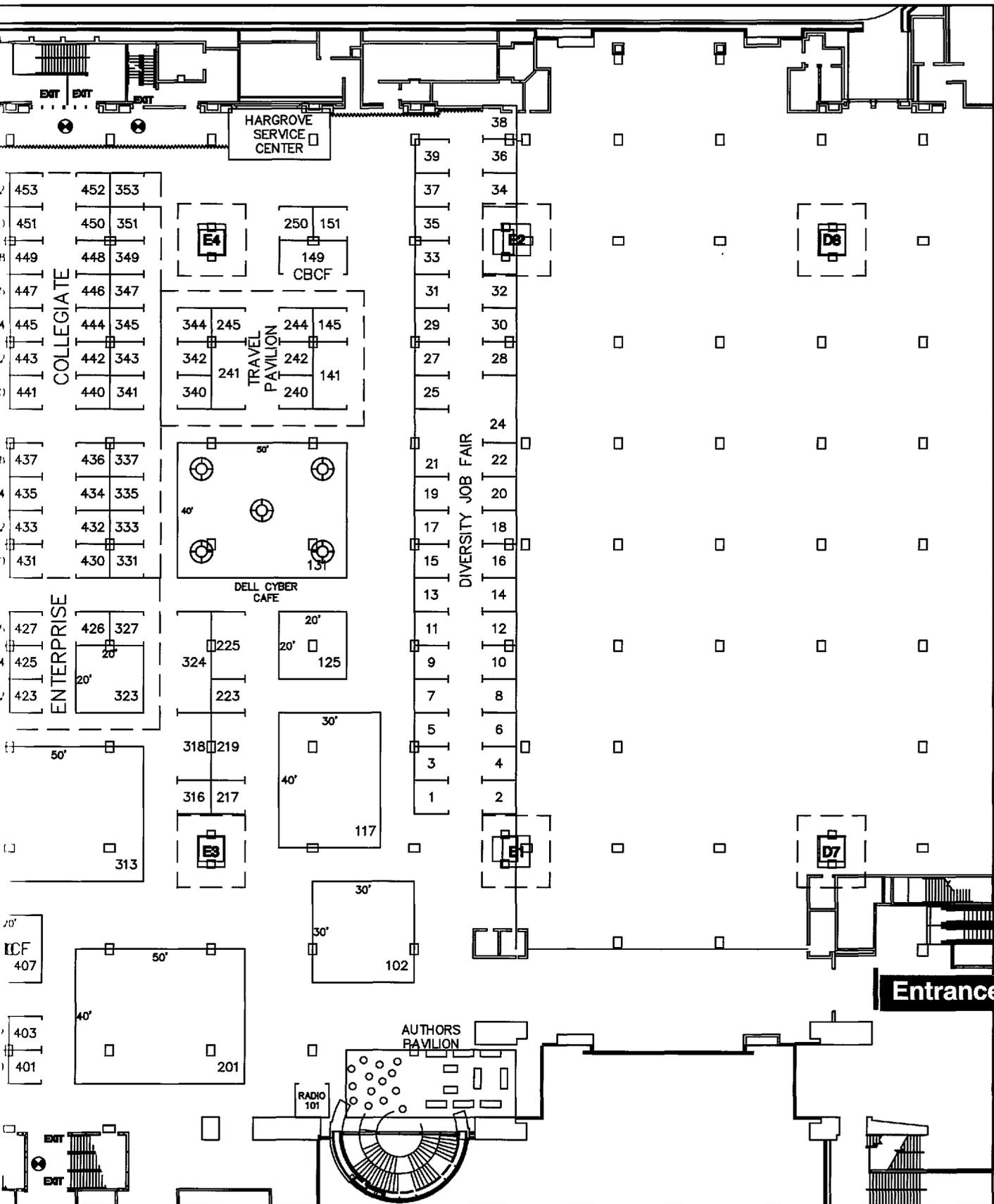
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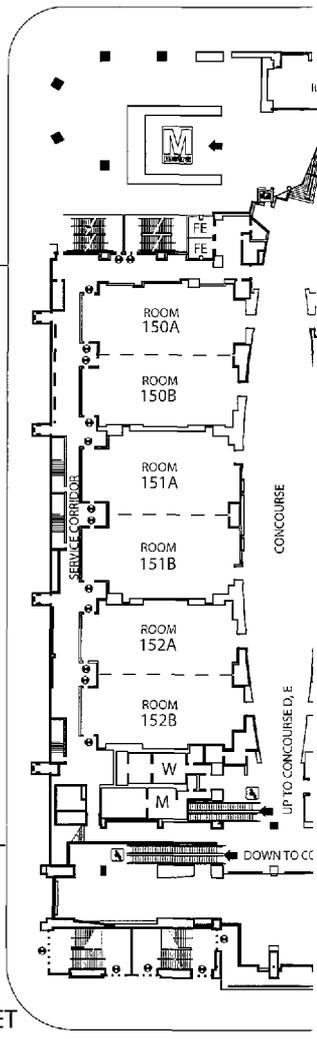
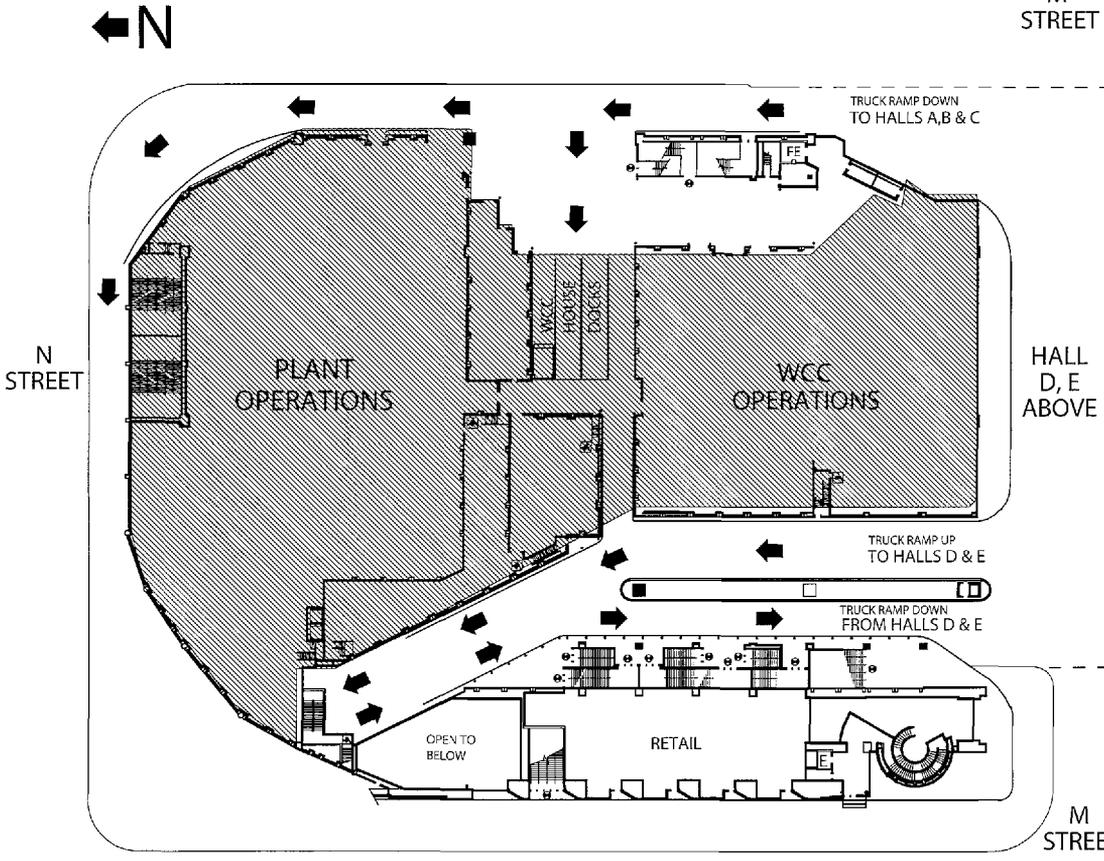
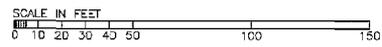
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- FE - FREIGHT ELEVATOR
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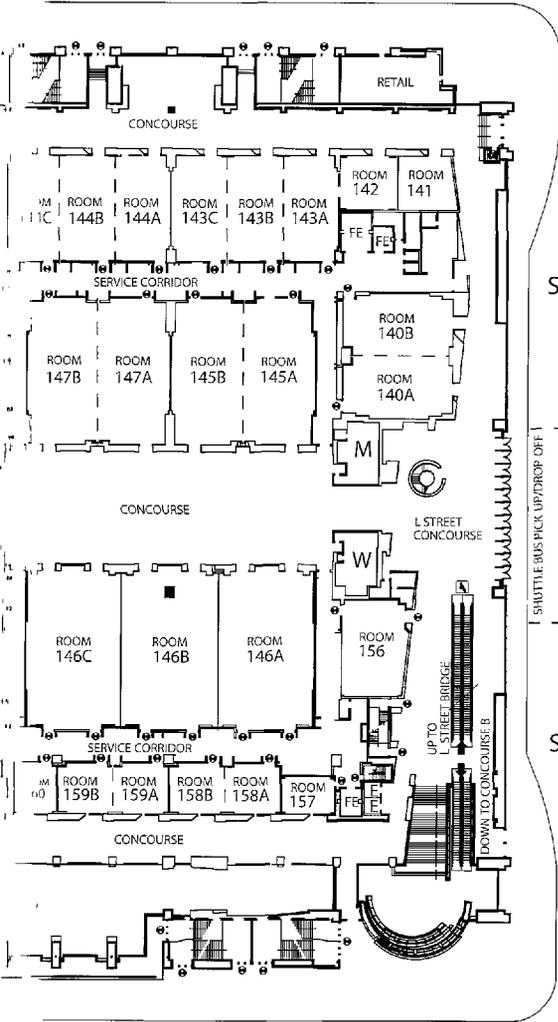
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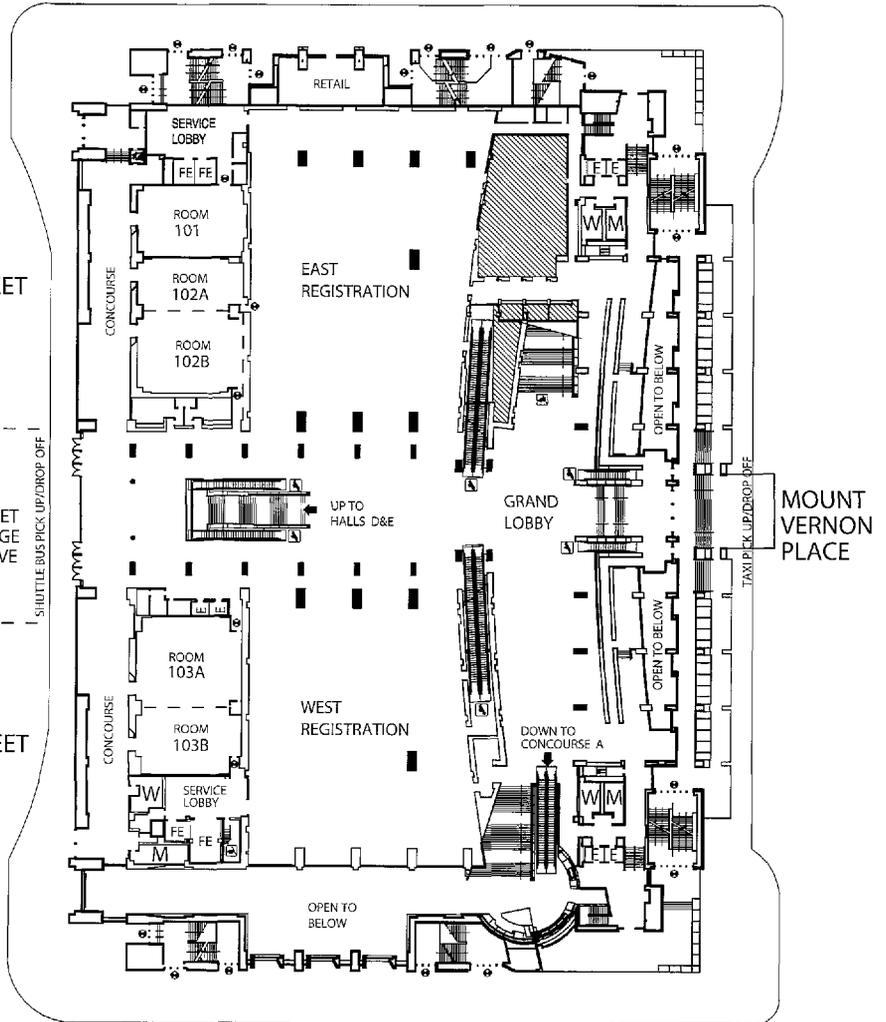
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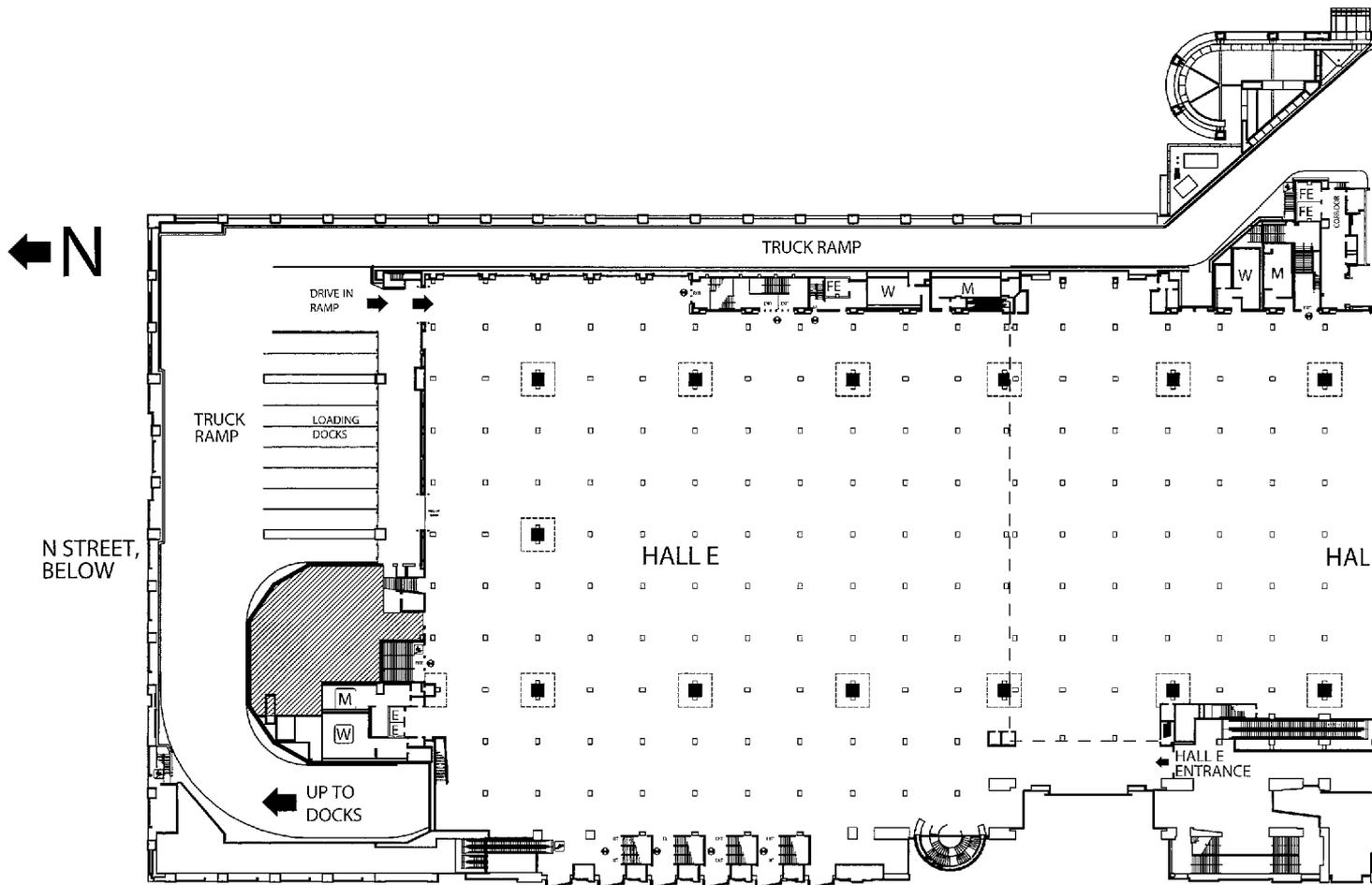
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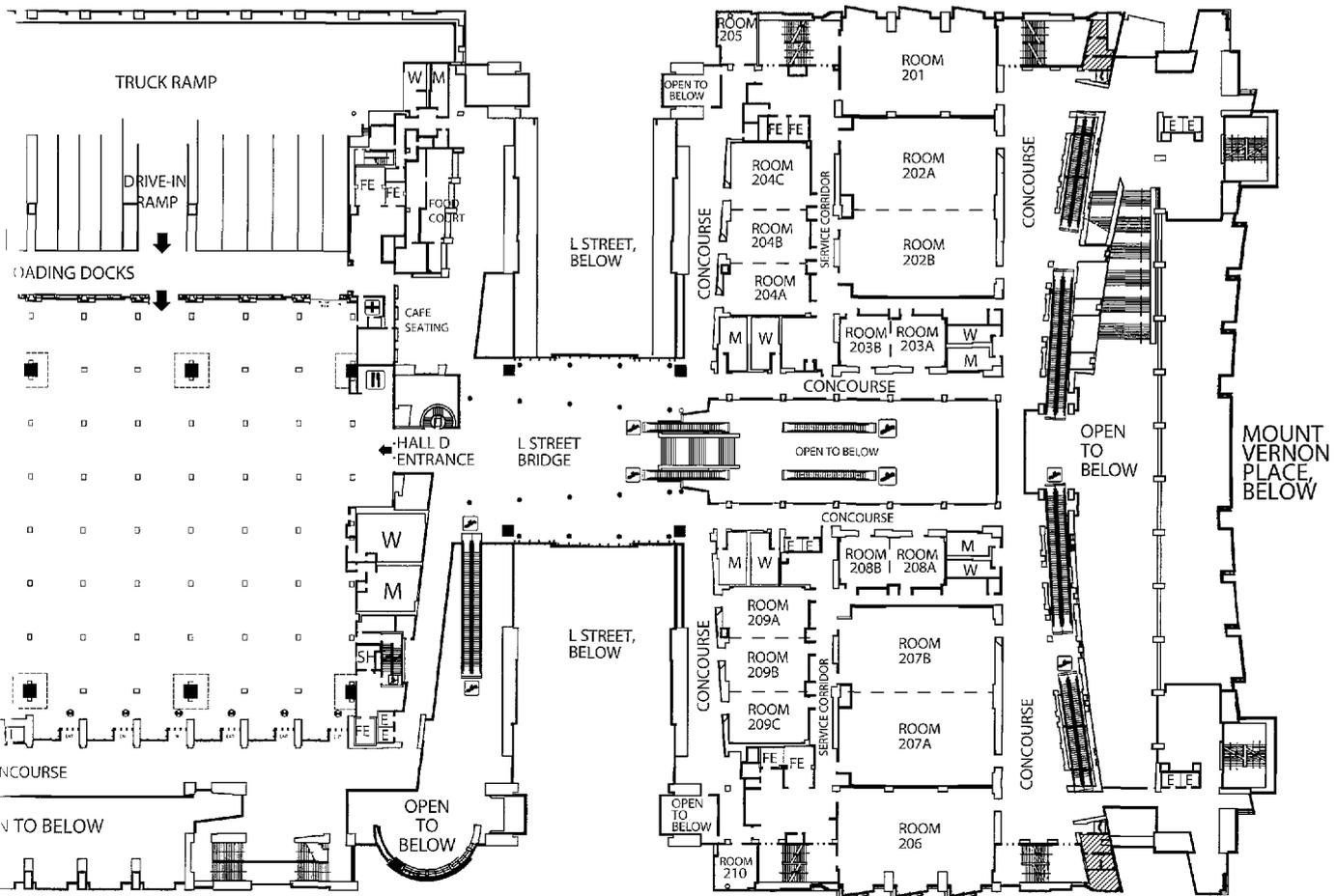


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