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NAACP Salt Lake Branch

105th Annual Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet
"Thriving Together"

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**“Thriving Together”
Program**

Welcome, Mistress of Ceremonies	Surae Chinn Host, ABC4 Good Things Utah
Invocation	Corey Hodges Pastor, The Point Church
Pledge of Allegiance	Audience
Lift Every Voice and Sing	Isabel Cossa Student, University of Utah
Introduction of Dais	Mistress of Ceremonies
Welcome	Jeanetta Williams, President Salt Lake Branch NAACP
Greetings:	Elizabeth Grant, Ph.D. Superintendent, Salt Lake City School District
Song, “I don’t want to Talk About It” Ukulele Group:	Northwest Middle School, Polynesian Warriors Students
Duet: “People Will Say We’re in Love” from Oklahoma	Isabel Cossa William Tepner Students: University of Utah

Dinner Served

Introduction of speaker	Mistress of Ceremonies
Speaker	Mary D. Burbank Director, Urban Institute for Teacher Education University of Utah
Trio: Soave sia il vento by W.A. Mozart	Isabel Cossa Mara Davis Porter Hiatt
Presentation of Albert B. Fritz Civil Rights Worker of the Year Award Dr. William A. Smith Huntsman Mental Health Institute	Presented by Jeanetta Williams
President’s Award George Severson Creative Services Director for ABC4/CW30	Presented by Jeanetta Williams
Life Membership Presentations Violette-Reine Evans (Youth) Linnea Evans (Youth) Alain Balmanno, Esq. April Hollingsworth, Esq. Roquelle Newby Kathryn Taylor	Jeanetta Williams
Acknowledgements	Mistress of Ceremonies
Closing Remarks	Jeanetta Williams
Benediction	Corey Hodges Pastor, The Point Church

Lift Every Voice and Sing

Referred to as the “Black American National Anthem” – is a song written as a poem by James Weldon Johnson (1871-1938) in 1900 and set to music by his brother John Rosamond Johnson (1873-1954) in 1909.

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand.
True to our God,
True to our native land.

Appreciation

A Special Thank You To Our Many Supporters:

The Salt Lake Branch NAACP wishes to express thanks and appreciation to you, our many contributors, supporters, program participants, advertisers, table sponsors, Businesses, Corporations, Churches, Organizations, and well-wishers. To everyone that attended our Banquet, we thank you for your support.

To the Membership of the NAACP Salt Lake Branch and the Citizens of the Wasatch Front for 105 years of loyalty and dedication to the assurance of Civil Rights, we “Thank You.”

To “All Life Members” of the NAACP, we thank you for your commitment.

To the NAACP Banquet Committee, NAACP Salt Lake Branch Executive Committee and Branch Members, NAACP Salt Lake Youth Council, NAACP University of Utah College Chapter, Utah Valley University College Chapter, BYU Law School College Chapter, Westminster College Chapter, host, and hostesses, “A very special Thank You.”

To Mary D. Burbank, “Thank You” for your years of dedication to education and your inspiring speech.

To Dr. William A. Smith, “Thank You” for your commitment to education and all that you do for civil rights. Congratulations on receiving the Albert B. Fritz Civil Rights Award.

To George Severson, “Thank you” for your service to the community and all that you do. Congratulations on receiving the President’s Award.

To Surae Chinn, our Mistress of Ceremonies, we “Thank you” for your continued support.

To all program participants, “Thank you” and we appreciate all that you do.
To all Law Enforcement in attendance, “Thank you.”

To Photography by Laurie, we “Thank you” for your expertise and picture taking. We appreciate your many years of continued support.

To the Management of the Little America Hotel, “Thank you” for your service.

We ask that special observance be given to our souvenir journal advertisers and table sponsors. Please support them as they have supported the NAACP Salt Lake Branch.

THE ORIGIN OF THE SALT LAKE BRANCH NAACP

The National Association of the NAACP was founded February 12, 1909 and the Salt Lake Branch was organized February, 1918 by Reverend George W. Harts, Minister of Calvary Baptist Church to combat the discrimination in local schools. Reverend Harts and a small number of other concerned citizens in addition addresses other issues in the minority community such as housing, employment and public accommodations.

The first officers were: President, Reverend George W. Harts and Recording Secretary, Ms. Thelma Stewart-Beridon. Other members throughout the early years were: W. F. Burgess, C. A. Johnson, Axelia Washington, Bradie Langton, Grace Stewart, Thornton Jackson, Freddie Stanley, Beulah Young, H. O. Cole, G. I. Overall, H. E. Jackson, J. T. Hunter, Rev. J. W. Weight, Rev. W. J. Brannon, W. D. Powell, Mary Corpening, Abner Howell, James Agee, Eva Robinson, Eugene Butler, Albert Fritz, Johnie Driver, Mignon Richmond, and Dr. Palmer Ross.

The National Association was founded because of the many lynchings in Springfield, Illinois and the Salt Lake Branch was faced with a lynching in Price, Utah and Carbon County of Mr. Robert Marshall, June 18, 1925. The Branch petitioned the Utah Governor George H. Dean that eye witnesses felt that the sheriffs office neglected to protect Mr. Marshall as the deputies stood by and watched while other men lynched Mr. Marshall. The sheriff himself stated "he had delivered a severe blow to Mr. Marshall's head when he met them between Price and Helper." This letter was signed by T. P. Langon, President, H. E. Jackson, Secretary and Reverend W. J. Brannon, Pastor of Pilgrim Baptist Church, now known as New Pilgrim. Another letter was written to the National Office in New York City, New York by the President and Secretary. At that time the Chairman of the Board, now known as the Executive Director was Mary White Ovington, founder of the National Association who was a white woman. A group of Ogden concerned Black Citizens collected \$11.65 to aid in the expenses to bring persons to justice and gave it to the Salt Lake Branch. According to the Secretary, Mrs. D. W. Stanley the Branch ceased operations May 15, 1927 because of weather until spring.

Sheldon R. Brewster and 1000 other individuals with signatures filed a petition with the Board of City Commissioners November 16, 1939 to zone a district entirely for Blacks but after several hearings the City Attorney, Fisher Harris, February 19, 1940 gave the Commission his written opinion in part citing the Fourteenth Amendment to the U. S. Constitution to "protect all persons, regardless of race, creed or complexion, against discriminatory legislation and governmental action of every nature."

Mr Roy Wilkins, Executive Director was the keynote speaker for the 52nd Annual Life Membership Banquet May 16, 1971 held at the Terrace Ballroom in Salt Lake City, Utah. He had joined the NAACP Staff in 1931, had been the Executive Director since 1955 succeeding the late Mr. Walter White.

The Branch has maintained an active role in the community and presently the committee's are the Education, Political Education, Economic Development, Armed Services and Veterans Affairs, Housing, Religious Affairs, Legal Redress, Health, Life Memberships, Regular Memberships and Corporate Memberships.

The first fully paid Life Member of the Branch was Mr. Robert E. Freed and the second was Mr. David Stanley, Jr., the next three were Mr. Danny Burnett, Mr. James Dooley and Mr. J. B. Stewart. A list of past Presidents are as follows:

1919	.....	.Rev. George W. Harts
1925	.....	.Mr. W. F. Burgess
1957	.....	.Mr. Albert B. Fritz
1965	.....	.Mr. Johnie Driver
1967	.....	.Mr. Henry Adams
1968	.....	.Dr. Palmer S. Ross
1969	.....	.Mr. James E. Dooley *
1972	.....	.Dr. Robert E. Sampson **
1974	.....	.Mr. James E. Dooley ***
1980	.....	.Mrs. Alberta Henry
1992 to present	.....	.Ms. Jeanetta Williams

* Mr. Dooley resigned in 1972 to run for a Salt Lake Commission Seat.

** Mr. Sampson was elected to succeed Mr. Dooley

*** Mr. Dooley was elected for a third term.

What you should know about the NAACP

The NAACP, National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, is the oldest, largest and strongest civil rights organization in the United States. The principal objective of the NAACP is to ensure the political, educational, social and economic equality of minority group citizens of the United States. The NAACP is committed to non-violence and relies upon the press, the petition, the ballot and the courts, even in the face of overt and violent racial hostility.

FOUNDATION: The NAACP was formed in 1909 in New York City by a group of Black and White citizens committed to social justice. On February 12, over the signatures of 60 persons, the “Call” was issued for a meeting on the concept of creating an organization that would be an aggressive watchdog of Negro liberties. This event marks the founding of the NAACP.

FOUNDERS: Ida Wells-Burnett, W.E.B. DuBois, Henry Moscowitz, Mary White Ovington, Oswald Garrison Villiard and William English Walling led the “Call” to renew the struggle for civil and political liberty.

STRUCTURE: The NAACP is a network of more than 2,200 branches covering 50 states, the District of Columbia, Japan and Germany. They are divided into seven regions and are managed and governed by 64 National Board of Directors. In the State of Utah, Jeanetta Williams is the first and only National Board Member elected from Utah. She served from 1996-2002 and was appointed to serve on the 17 member Executive Committee by Julian Bond, Chairman of the Board. The NAACP is headquartered in Baltimore, Maryland. Total memberships exceed 500,000.

NAACP OVERVIEW

On February 12, 1909, on the 100th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln’s birthday, sixty prominent Black and White citizens issued “The Call” for a national conference in New York to renew “the struggle for civil and political liberty.” In 1911, that organization was incorporated as the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People – the NAACP. The NAACP worked through the courts first with *Guinn v. United States*, the Supreme Court in 1910 struck down the grandfather clauses of state constitutions as an unconstitutional barrier to voting rights under the Fifteenth Amendment. The Association’s major campaign effort in 1919, published an exhaustive review of lynching records entitled, *Thirty Years of Lynching in the United States, 1889-1918*. Though bills passed the House of Representatives several times, they were always defeated in the Senate. Nonetheless, NAACP efforts brought an end to the excesses of mob violence through public exposure and the public pressure it mobilized. In the 1930’s, lynchings declined and the NAACP shifted its focus to the grim economic conditions. In 1923, the court declared that exclusion of Blacks from juries was inconsistent with the right to a fair trial. While serving as Counsel and Chief Counsel for the NAACP, Thurgood Marshall argued the groundbreaking case of *Brown v. Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas* before the United States Supreme Court in May 1954 which effectively made segregation of the races in public schools illegal. The NAACP brought many other changes through public pressure and raised consciousness. We have worked to change attitudes, laws, and institutions for the good of all Americans.

Today, after years of unrelenting struggles, we affirm our commitment to the true American Dream – an integrated society rich in diversity and equality to all. We invite all Americans to stand with us – Native Americans, Black, White, Hispanic, Young and Old, Jew and Gentile, Male and Female. Wherever Americans of good will and decency reside – they are welcome to join our ranks until freedom for all is won.

Memberships are the lifeblood of our association. Do not wait; join the NAACP today.



**NAACP Salt Lake Branch
Officers**

Jeanetta Williams	President
Shawn Newell	First Vice President
Stephanie Kaufusi	Secretary
Angela L. Williams Broadhurst	Treasurer

Executive Committee

Alain Balmanno	Sally Valdez
Abigail Dizon-Maughan	Chris Wade
Brett Jarvis	James Yapias
George Severson	

Host, Hostesses & Hospitality

NAACP Officers & Executive Committee
NAACP Salt Lake Branch Members
NAACP University of Utah College Chapter
NAACP Utah Valley University College Chapter
NAACP Salt Lake Youth Council



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Leon W. Russell

*Chairman
National Board of Directors*

October 27, 2023

NAACP SALT LAKE BRANCH

Greetings:

Congratulations to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) Salt Lake Branch as you come together for your 105th Annual Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet, “*Thriving Together.*” Thank you for your continued commitment and ongoing efforts toward our 114-year mission to ensure equal rights and eliminate racial hatred and discrimination across our nation.

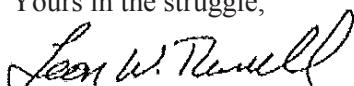


Today, in 2023, we are confronted by policymakers who have based their personal quest for political power on campaigns clearly intended to deny the teaching of our history. They continue to wage a war on education and to create new ways to criminalize our brothers and our sisters. A century of progress is severely under attack and the fruit of our labor challenged by the forces of retrogression, fear, and hate. White supremacy is openly espoused by policymakers and power brokers at all levels of government and many in the private sector. With recent rulings, we see the courts rolling back long-held precedents that protected civil and human rights. Our freedom and democracy are at stake.

We must have a clear understanding of the importance of who is nominated and confirmed to sit in judgement of our nation’s most important questions. When we fail to engage in the electoral process, we deny our power, which is our vote. Every NAACP unit must be a part of the NAACP civic engagement process; much of our work depends upon laws, regulations, funding, and administration. The ability to create and implement public policy will determine the impact of our work on the lives of those who live in the communities we represent. With active Political Action Committees, and in collaboration with partner groups, we must ensure policymakers are put in place who truly believe in government for and by all people. The NAACP is an advocacy organization. Our mission is to be the voice for our community on all issues of public policy; education, healthcare, criminal justice, climate justice, with the next generation of freedom fighters ready and equipped to take up the fight.

We are the NAACP; we are what democracy looks like. This nation belongs to all of us. We only thrive as a nation when each of us has an equitable share of opportunity and when we embrace our shared humanity. When we work and fight together for justice and equity, we thrive together; when we thrive together, we protect the promise of our nation and we win.

Yours in the struggle,


Leon W. Russell



NAACP

Derrick Johnson
*President and
Chief Executive Officer*

October 27, 2023

Greetings:

It is my great pleasure to congratulate and thank the NAACP Salt Lake Branch on the occasion of your 105th Annual Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet, *Thriving Together*. I am grateful to serve and privileged to occupy this space as leader of the nation's first and largest grassroots civil rights organization. It is my honor to stand with every branch and state conference in our fight to enact true and equitable change in this nation.

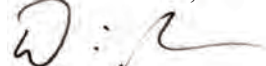


Our commitment to fulfilling the promise of America may be under renewed attack from far-right elements in the states, in Congress, and even in the Supreme Court, but we – the NAACP – will not allow our work to be in vain. We will not be silenced, and the course of our story will not be changed. We have a powerful story to tell, and you – leaders, volunteers, members – are the main characters of our story; the most powerful network of activists and community leaders in this nation and the driving force for good in our communities.

Our vision for the future of America is that of a more inclusive economy, the rights and dignity of every person, voting rights for all, affordable and accessible health care, and an end to environmental and climate injustices. We continue to mobilize the most comprehensive data-driven Black civic engagement campaign in the nation, and you are the boots on the ground reaching far and wide into communities across our country. Our fight has never been stronger, with our lawyers and policy experts securing desegregation, voting rights, and justice for Black communities in places like Charleston, South Carolina, and Mason, Tennessee; and we are just getting started. We will not stop until student debt relief becomes a reality, and we must turn out the vote in every election to have a representative body that reflects our priorities and protects Black women.

We are moving from a deficit mindset. We have everything we need to succeed and the power to bring about the changes we want to see – and we are using it. We will continue to rededicate and reignite ourselves to the work of creating a more perfect union no matter the odds set before us. I am proud to lead the NAACP at this historic moment; coming alongside and thriving together with NAACP champions of equal opportunity and social justice who will write a story of a nation where all its people had equal opportunity to thrive. Thank you.

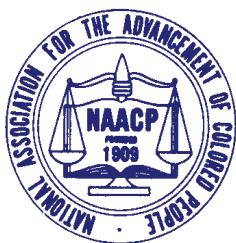
Peace and Power,



Derrick Johnson

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Jeanetta Williams President



Thank you for attending the 105th Annual Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet. Our theme is “Thriving Together.” We appreciate the support of the community, as we fight all forms of discrimination as the oldest civil rights organization in the country.

We thank Mary Burbank for accepting our invitation to speak this evening. We very much appreciate all of her work. We thank Dr. William A. Smith for his dedication to education throughout the years. We also thank George Severson for his commitment to the community and the NAACP Salt Lake Branch.

The NAACP’s mission is to ensure the political, educational, equality of minority group citizens of States and eliminate race prejudice. Our focus has been on education, law enforcement, housing, school boards, voting, legal advocacy, bullying in schools, scholarships and all forms of discrimination. We appreciate the volunteer hours of everyone as we strive to make life better for all.

Diversity, Equity and Inclusion is under attack across the country and in Utah and we must all work together again during the next legislative session against these types of bills. Last year the bill would have eliminated DEI offices at several public universities across the state. The reasoning, at the time, was that such offices and policies were divisive in themselves, designed to treat people differently on the basis of sex, race, color, ethnicity, gender identity, or sexual orientation. We absolutely cannot be silent and sit on the sidelines without addressing these issues. We ask that the community come together and help the NAACP to fight these battles. “When We Fight, We Win.”

The NAACP works to remove all barriers of racial discrimination through democratic processes. As we continue our work, we ask for your support.

Our Struggles Continues,

Jeanetta Williams

Honored Speaker for NAACP Salt Lake Branch

Mary D. Burbank

Director, Urban Institute for Teacher Education

The NAACP Salt Lake Branch is honored that Mary Burbank accepted our request to speak at our NAACP 105th Annual Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet. We are impressed by her work.

Mary D. Burbank is a Career Line Professor in the College of Education. She has served as the Director of the Urban Institute for Teacher Education since 2009 and is the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, Teacher Education, Engagement (Partnerships), and Professional Development. Mary began her career in education as a special education teacher at Bryant Middle School in the Salt Lake City School District. She also taught in Durham, North Carolina before pursuing graduate studies at Washington State University. She has been a faculty member at the University of Utah since 1994.



Albert Fritz Civil Rights Worker of the Year Award

Dr. William A. Smith

The Albert B. Fritz Civil Rights Worker of the Year Award is presented as an effort to recognize dedicated service to the community and humanity by an individual. Mr. Fritz was known as a courageous leader who fought for equality. He is remembered because of his lobbying, picketing, marches and demonstrated leadership. Mr. Fritz served as President of the NAACP Salt Lake Branch from 1957-1965. Mr. Albert Fritz retired from Kennecott Copper Corp. as an electrician and was a member of Local 4347, AFL-CIO.

William A. Smith, Ph.D., recognized nationally for his research on racial battle fatigue, was appointed Chief Executive Administrator for Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI) at Huntsman Mental Health Institute (HMHI) at the University of Utah, June 2022. “Dr. Smith has been instrumental in deepening our country’s understanding of the mental health toll of racism.



Dr. Smith, a professor in the Department of Education, Culture, and Society in the College of Education, is one of University of Utah’s most influential scholars. He has written extensively about micro-aggressions experienced by Black faculty and students and coined the term “racial battle fatigue” in 2003.

It is for all of these reasons and more that the NAACP Salt Lake Branch is honored to present Dr. William A. Smith with the 2023 Albert Fritz Award.

President's Award

George Severson

The President's Award is presented each year to an individual for outstanding service in the work of the NAACP and the community. This award recognizes the overall work of George Severson. George is extremely dedicated to working in the community and his many years involved with the NAACP. When asked to do a project, he promptly gets it done. George has always been a huge help to me. He also makes sure that he does everything possible to ensure getting our NAACP name in the media. It is for these reasons and much more, that I am honored to present George Severson with the 2023 President's Award. Congratulations!



George Severson is an award-winning journalist, television producer and media manager. He is the Creative Services Director for ABC4/CW30 in Salt Lake City. George is the creator of Utah's premiere lifestyle talkshow, Good Things Utah – now in its 22nd season on ABC4. Community engagement is in his blood - proudly serving on the boards of a variety of organizations, including NAACP Salt Lake Branch Executive Committee, Aging and Living with Pride, Society of Professional Journalists, Camp K, American Cancer Society Utah, and Salt Lake Acting Company. George lives in Midvale with his husband Brian and their three fur-babies.

Mistress of Ceremonies

SURAE CHINN

Creative and useful DIYs, brilliant cooking hacks, and unique recipes, plus the trendiest topics at the table... Surae Chinn brings it all five days a week as a full-time host of 'Good Things Utah.' ABC4's live, two-hour, daily lifestyle show is where Surae shares the above along with important, worldly issues, giving a diverse voice and perspective to the community.



Surae joined 'Good Things Utah' in June of 2019 after transitioning from the 4:00 pm ABC4 News Anchor position, which she began on August 1, 2016. Surae shared her dedication to health and medicine as ABC4's Health and Medical Correspondent from 2016-2021, leaving a lasting impression and reminder to always 'be your own advocate.'

This award-winning journalist came to us here in Utah from WUSA9 (CBS) in Washington, D.C., where she served as the fill-in anchor and reporter. Prior to that, Surae worked in Kansas City, Missouri as the weekend morning anchor. She was also the weekend anchor in Lynchburg, Virginia at WSET-TV (ABC), where she received an Edward R. Murrow award for her coverage and 30-minute special on Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and an Associated Press award for 'Best Documentary.'

**Albert B. Fritz
1905-1989**

The Albert B. Fritz Civil Rights Worker of the Year Award is presented as an effort to recognize dedicated service to the community and humanity. This Award is presented yearly at the October Life Membership and Freedom Fund Banquet of the Salt Lake Branch NAACP. Mr. Fritz was known as a courageous leader who fought for equality. He is remembered because of his lobbying, picketing, marches and demonstrated leadership. Mr. Fritz served as President of the Salt Lake Branch NAACP from 1957-1965.

Recipients of the Albert B. Fritz Civil Rights Worker of the Year Award

Recognition of Dedicated Service to the Community and Humanity

1965	John Wade	1993	Kathleen Spencer-Christy
1966	Danny W. Burnett	1994	Billy Wayne Mason
1967	Robert E. Freed	1995	Betty Sawyer
1968	William Lockhart	1996	Tyrone E. Medley
1969	James E. Dooley	1997	Stanley B. Parrish
1970	Raymond S. Uno	1998	Leshia Lee-Dixon
1971	Alberta Henry	1999	Edward L. Lewis Jr.
1972	William Gregory	2000	Pete Suazo & Duane Bourdeaux
1973	Jim McIntyre	2001	Curley C. Jones
1974	Lillie Fleming	2002	Mark Bigwood
1975	Eugene Thompson	2003	Filis "Phil" H. Uipi
1976	Wilfred Simpson	2004	Michael L. Hutching
1977	William Schultz	2005	Richard Gomez
1978	Michael Clark	2006	Susan McFarland
1979	Anna Bell Jefferson	2007	Ralph Becker
1980	M. Donald Thomas	2008	Larry H. Miller
1981	A. Elizabeth Peoples	2009	Albert C. Jones
1982	Rosemary Cosby	2010	Corey J. Hodges
1983	Wayne Wescott, Sperry Corp	2011	Terry Mathis
1984	France A. Davis	2012	James E. Yapias
1985	Lenoris Bush	2013	Alain Balmanno
1986	Terry Lee Williams & Robert Sykes	2014	James Green
1987	Shauna Graves	2015	Raymond Christy
1988	Afesa Adams & Phyllis F. White	2016	Devery S. Anderson
1989	Bonnie Burley	2017	Robert "Archie" Archuleta
1990	Florence Lawrence	2018	Jacqueline Thompson
1991	Ronald G. Coleman	2019	Jacinto Peterson
1992	J. Boyer Jarvis	2020	No Award Given (Pandemic)
		2021	Dr. Angela Dunn
		2022	John W. Bennion

AWARDS

Past Recipients of the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Civil Rights Award

1985	Danny W. Burnett	2003	Darius Gray	2020	The Huntsman Foundation
1986	Albert B. Fritz	2004	Andrew Valdez	2021	The Garff Foundation
1987	James E. Dooley	2005	Raymond Uno	2022	S. Floyd Mori
1988	Alberta H. Henry	2006	Duane Bourdeaux	2023	Carlton Christensen
1989	J. Boyer Jarvis	2007	John Florez		
1990	France A. Davis	2008	Paul M. Warner		
1991	Calvin L. Rampton	2009	Ralph Becker, Greg J. Curtis & John Valentine		
1992	Palmer DePaulis	2010	John "Jackie" Robertson		
1993	Jeanetta Williams	2011	Karen Hale		
1994	Forrest C. Crawford	2012	Tyrone E. Medley		
1995	Larry Houston	2013	M. Donald Thomas		
1996	Deedee Corradini	2014	Michael J. McFarland		
1997	Wilfred D. Samuels	2015	Corey J. Hodges		
1998	Frank W. Budd	2016	Dr. Ronald G. Coleman		
1999	Allen Holmes	2017	Ron McBride		
2000	Jacqueline Thompson	2018	Shauna Graves-Robertson		
2001	James Brown	2019	Andy Noorda		
2002	Fred Peake				

The Salt Lake Branch NAACP Martin Luther King Luncheon was inaugurated in 1984 by the Life Membership Committee. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Award was established in 1985 to recognize Utah citizens whose efforts have contributed significantly to the advancement of civil rights in this state.

Past Recipients of the Rosa Parks Award

1992	Mary Washington Green	2003	Dorothy Anderson	2014	Christine M. Durham
1993	Helen Zeese Papanilolas	2004	Eva Sexton	2015	Anne Burkholder
1994	Janet L. Swift	2005	Joanne R. Milner	2016	Karen Shepherd
1995	Alberta Henry	2006	Jeanetta Williams	2017	Barbara Toomer
1996	Jane H. Edwards	2007	E. Jean Tracy	2018	Gail Miller
1997	Florence Lawrence	2008	Frances Battle	2019	Sandra Hollins
1998	Charlotte Starks	2009	Denise Elbert	2020	Rosie Rivera
1999	Shauna Graves-Robertson	2010	Irene Fisher	2021	Ginette Bott
2000	Pamela J. Atkinson	2011	No Award Given	2022	Jenny Wilson
2001	José Valdez	2012	Gloria Wilkinson	2023	Jani Iwamoto
2002	Joyce Gray	2013	Debra Daniels		

The Salt Lake Branch NAACP established the Rosa Parks Award for the dual purpose of:

- (1) Honoring the courage with which Rosa Parks challenged racial segregation in Montgomery, Alabama, and gave momentum to the struggle for racial equality in America, and
- (2) Honoring annually a woman whose life in Utah has helped to "Keep the Dream Alive."

Community Relations Award

1996	Byron Still	1997	Marsha Hodges	2005	Wal-Mart Stores
1996	Don Francom	2002	Paul M. Warner		

The Community Relations Award was established in 1996 to honor annually a person or business who has committed themselves unselfishly to better the community and state.

Recipients of the President's Award

1970	J. B. Stewart	1996	James Green
1971	Earline V. Stewart	1997	William Cunningham
1972	Spence Bennion and Senator Frank E. Moss	1998	Andrea Wiley
1973	No Award Given	1999	Leshia Lee-Dixon
1974	Mary Ann Dooley and Merridy Ayer	2000	Charlotte Starks
1975	Boy Scout Committee: Dr. Michael Clark, Rev. France A. Davis, Glenn Edwards, Michael O'Keefe and Jim McIntyre	2001	Don Francom
1976	Kathy Gross, Alberta Henry and Peggy Eble	2002	Phillip Lee
1977	Irene Manzanares and Jane Hansen	2003	Angela Williams Broadhurst
1978	Robert Gill	2004	Terry Mathis
1979	Dolores Salters	2005	Michelle Lea
1980	Mary Green	2006	Pat Rusk
1981	Lenoris Bush	2007	Pat Rusk
1982	Herbert W. McGuin, Jr.	2008-2009	No Award Given
1983	James E. Dooley	2010	April Hollingsworth
1984	Florence Lawrence and Dennis Archer	2011	Vanesa A. Maddocks
1985	Bonnie Burley and Wilfred Bocage	2012	Stephanie Kaufusi
1986	J. Boyer Jarvis	2013	AKA Sorority, Inc., Upsilon Beta Chapter Human Rights Campaign League of Women Voters of Utah
1987	Bernice Benns	2014	Chuck Payan
1988	Richard Bjornn	2015	Abby Dizon-Maughan
1989	Larry Houston, Lester S. Arney and Augustine Morgan	2016	Jeffrey Thomas & James Yapias
1990	James Green and Emma Houston	2017	Shawn Newell
1991	James M. Rock	2018	Catherine Smith & Gibbs M. Smith
1992-1993	No Award Given	2019	Alain Balmanno
1994	Florence Lawrence	2020	No Award Given (Pandemic)
1995	Larry Houston	2021	Byron Russell
		2022	Angela Romero

The President's Award is presented for outstanding service to the NAACP and the community.

Media Relations Award

1995	Amy Donaldson, Deseret News Harry Fuller, Salt Lake Tribune	2005	Citadel Communications
1996	KTVX News 4 Utah Shawn Foster, Salt Lake Tribune	2006	Citadel Communications, KCPW & Simmons Media Group
1997	Simmons Radio Group	2007	Citadel, KCPW & KSL Newsradio
1998	Citadel Communications	2008	Citadel Communications, Comcast & Millcreek Broadcasting
1999	Trumper Communications	2009	ABC4 & CW30, Citadel Communications, Comcast, KSL "A Woman's View & Simmons Media Group
2000	AT&T Broadband	2010	Citadel Broadcasting & Comcast
2001	Citadel Communications	2011	Simmons Media Group
2002	Citadel Communications & Simmons Radio		
2003	Citadel Communications, Simmons Radio & Fox 13		
2004	Citadel Communications		

The Media Relations Award is presented for service and giving a public voice to the NAACP



First Responder Award Recipients

2017

Detective Javier Chavez
 Chief John King
 Officer Matt Mann
 Lt. Adam Osoro
 Capt. Fitzgerald Peterson
 Officer Erika Smith
 Agent Nick Street
 Officer Lacy Turner
 Sgt. Jerry Womack

2018

Detective Josh Ashdown
 Chief Mike Brown
 For Police Pay It Forward
 Officer Ryan Carver
 Officer Daniel Cherkis
 Officer Jim Frost
 Deputy Jake Crowley
 Officer Brayton Doxstader
 Sgt. David Evans
 Officer Todd Kershaw
 Capt. Darin Monsen
 Chief Solomon Oberg
 Trooper Crystal Wallis

2019

Derek Coats
 Dept of Public Safety
 Officer Matt Cook
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Lauren DeVries
 Dept of Public Safety
 Officer Justin Dolan
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Sergeant Ammon fox
 West Valley City Police Department
 Detective Diego Garcia
 American Fork Police Department
 Officer Aaron Hargrove
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Corporal Kirk Lovell
 Cedar City Police Department
 Officer Andrew Mack
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Officer Arturo Marquez
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Steve O'Camb
 Dept of Public Safety
 Officer Matt Overman
 Salt Lake City Police Department
 Detective Jody Wright
 West Jordan Police Department



Salt Lake Branch NAACP
 established the First Responders
 Awards in 2017 to be presented
 in January at the
 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.,
 Memorial Luncheon.

This award is to recognize and honor
 First Responders and the work that they do to
 protect and serve our communities daily.

First Responders Award Recipients - Continued

2020

Ruben Correa, Trooper, UHP
Seth Ellington, Assistant Chief, Kaysville Police Department
Miguel Gamon, Officer, West Valley City Police Department
Reyna Pedro, Officer, American Fork Police Department
Clint Pollock, Sergeant, Cedar City Police Department
Jeffrey Thomas, Battalion Chief, Salt Lake City Fire Department
Kim Waelty, Officer, West Jordan Police Department
John Wells, Officer, West Valley City Police Department

Salt Lake City Police Department Organized Crime Unit

Kurt Jemmett, Detective

Jeff Johnson, Detective

Kory Olsen, Detective

Brandi Palmer, Detective

Monica Roop, Detective

Edward Verkier, Detective

Leigh Willis, Sergeant

2021

Officer Heather Arnell, Clearfield Police Department
Officer Andrew Acosta, Salt Lake City Police Department
Officer Blair Barfuss, Dixie State University Police Department
Officer Samuel Delka, Salt Lake City Police Department
Agent Christopher Chinn, Utah Department of Public Safety
Officer Travis Clark, Moab Police Department
Officer Thomas Cygle, Salt Lake City Police Department
Officer Amanda Edwards, Moab Police Department
Officer Ryan Hoyne, West Valley City Police Department
Deputy Roy Myers, Salt Lake county Sheriff's Office
Sergeant Gerri Neumeier, Moab Police Department
Officer Trini Ochoa, American Fork Police Department
Sergeant Steve Risenhoover, Moab Police Department
Sergeant J.R. Robinson, Cedar City Police Department
Detective Stuart Rollins, Park City Police Department
Detective Andrew Steinbrecher, West Vally Police Department
Sergeant Mike Terry, Utah Department of Public Safety
Officer Larry Velasquez, Moab Police Department

2022

Deputy Joshua Buerke, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office
Officer Jim Foust, Park City Police Department
Officer Juan Fulgencio-Milan, Dixie State University Police Department
Deputy Leland Grossett, Salt Lake County Sheriff's Office
Detective Nathan Meinzer, Salt Lake Police Department
Sergeant Zach Nakaishi, Park City Police Department

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First Responders Award Recipients - Continued

2023

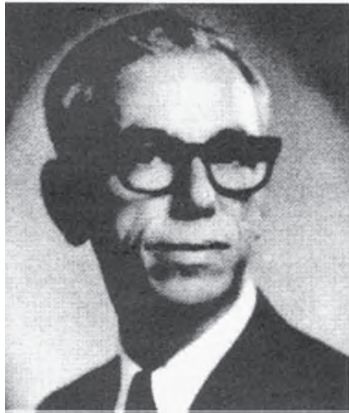
William Michael Alexander, Trooper, UHP
Robert Brinton, Lieutenant, West Valley City Police Department
Thomas Elbrecht, Unified Fire Authority-Salt Lake City
Jennifer Faumuina, Agent-State Bureau of Public Safety, Utah Dept. of Public Safety
Steven Hartney, Officer, Cottonwood Heights Police Department
Jason Johnson, Sergeant, West Valley City Police Department
Franco Libertini, Officer, Park City Police Department
Jim Linton, Master Officer, Woods Cross Police Department
Riley Mauch, Detective, West Valley City Police Department
Megan Reid, Deputy Sheriff, Davis County Sheriff's Office
Stephanie A. Richards, Communications Manager, Utah Dept. Public Safety (Richfield)
Jordon Schultz, Officer, West Jordan Police Department
Andrew Wilcox, Firefighter Development Coordinator, Salt Lake City Fire Department
Alondra Zavola, Officer, West Jordan Police Department

Casey Burton, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Allen Christensen, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Dakota Cordingley, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
William Cotner, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Johann Gonzalez-Rubio, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Jamie Greenfield, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Mikah Lindquist, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Scott Robinson, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Stetson Sartor, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Matthew Tao, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad
Andrew Tarkeshian, Salt Lake City Police Department Bike Squad

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FIRST LIFE MEMBER
SALT LAKE BRANCH NAACP

In Memoriam



ROBERT E. FREED

Among Utah business and civic leaders, Robert E. Freed was one of the earliest advocates of full civil rights for all citizens. He was the first person to become a Life Member of the Salt Lake Branch of the NAACP. His constant support for the goals of equal opportunity won the admiration and respect of minority groups throughout Utah. Robert Freed was the obvious choice as Chairman of the Utah State Advisory Committee to the United States Commission on Civil Rights.

A life-long resident of Utah, Robert Freed graduated with high honors from the University of Utah. During World War II he served for five years in the U.S. Army Infantry, earned a Bronze Star with Oak Leaf Cluster, received a battlefield commission, and left the serv-

ice with the rank of First Lieutenant. As General Manager of the Lagoon Corporation, he was instrumental in developing one of the finest amusement parks in the nation, and he took special satisfaction in the fact that long before the civil rights legislation of the 1860s Lagoon had opened its doors to people of all races. As part of his continuing participation in the civic life of his community, Robert Freed served as President of the Utah Association for the United Nations, as a member of the Alumni Board of the University of Utah, and as Treasurer of the Salt Lake County Republican Central Committee.

In recognition of his devotion to principles of equality and justice, the Salt Lake Branch of the NAACP presented its 1968 Human Rights Award to Robert E. Freed.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

FACT SHEET

The first Life Membership in the NAACP was purchased in 1927 by the late John B. Nail, father-in-law of then Executive Secretary of the NAACP, James Weldon Johnson.

The National Board of Directors created the National Life Membership Committee. This Committee became the vital impetus of the fledgling Life Membership Program. It became one of the Standing Committees of each NAACP Branch.

The Life Members of the NAACP span the total range of individual demographics. They are wealthy, the working and middle class. The Life Members of the NAACP are truly the most diverse group in the nation, spanning all religious, ethnic and national groups.

The cost of a regular Life Membership is \$750. payable in annual installments of \$75. or more. The same cost is for organizations. It is estimated that more than 90% of NAACP members are affiliated to some church or related religious organization. It follows that among the hundreds of charitable organizations supporting the Life Membership Program, churches would

maintain pre-eminent positions. Today, 8,000 churches and related institutions are participating in the Life Membership Program. Other organizations are sororities, fraternities, businesses, trade groups, and associations. Hundreds of local clubs, ethnic and service groups are also included.

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Look at the different types of shoes people wear. You can only fully understand someone when you've walked in their shoes. Keep that in mind when you speak about other people. Words have power. Words can build a person up or tear a person down. *We can stand together and end the use of slurs!*



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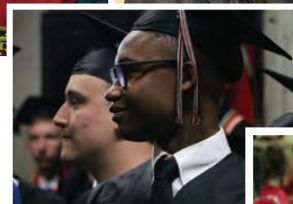


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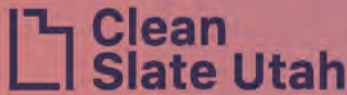
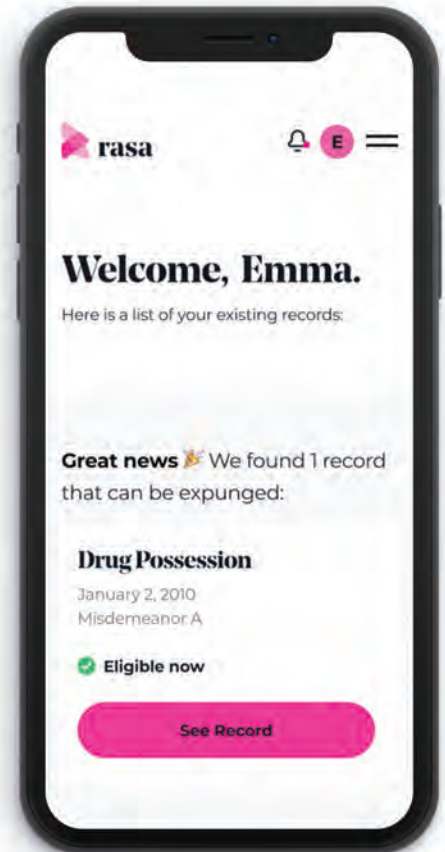
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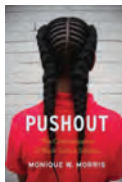
Books



The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness

by Michelle Alexander

Alexander argues that the War on Drugs and policies that deny convicted felons equal access to employment, housing, education, and public benefits create a permanent under caste based largely on race.



Pushout : The Criminalization of Black Girls in Schools

by Monique Morris

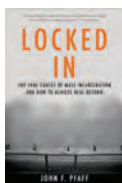
Morris chronicles the experiences of black girls across the country whose lives are misunderstood, highly judged, and degraded by the institutions charged with helping them.



Locked down, locked out : why prison doesn't work and how we can do better

by Maya Schenwar

Truthout Executive Director Maya Schenwar shows that incarceration actually doesn't deter crime, looks at its devastating effect on families and communities, and offers more humane and more effective alternatives.



Locked in: the true causes of mass incarceration—and how to achieve real reform

by John F. Pfaff

A law professor explains why the causes of mass incarceration are misguided at their core and offers suggestions to rebuild a more equitable society.



Just mercy: a story of justice and redemption

by Bryan Stevenson

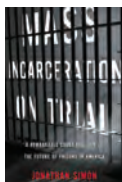
Stevenson explains why justice and mercy must go hand-in-hand through the story of Walter McMillian, a man condemned to death row for a murder he didn't commit.



Policing the Black man: arrest, prosecution, and imprisonment

by Angela J. Davis

An analysis of the key issues behind the BlackLivesMatter movement features 12 essays by some of America's most influential criminal justice experts and legal scholars.



Mass incarceration on trial: a remarkable court decision and the future of prisons in America

by Jonathan Simon

Simon examines a series of landmark decisions about prison conditions that have opened an unexpected escape route from the trap of "tough on crime" politics.

Films



Selma

A dramatization of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s historical struggle to secure voting rights for all people, focusing specifically on the Selma to Montgomery civil rights marches.



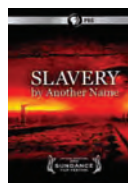
Broken on All Sides: Race, Mass Incarceration and New Visions for Criminal Justice in the U.S.

The film explores mass incarceration across the U.S. and the intersection of race, poverty, and the criminal justice and penal systems.



Fruitvale Station

Based on a true story, Oscar Grant is shot by BART officers at Fruitvale Station on New Year's Day.



Slavery By Another Name

A documentary which takes a look at various instances where slavery has continued to exist in America even in the many years following its supposed abolition.



The Central Park Five

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Anti-Bullying and Harassment in Schools

WHEREAS, bullying and harassment are widespread problems with significant adverse consequences affecting youth across the country; and

WHEREAS, school bullying includes a wide variety of behaviors, but all involve a person or a group repeatedly trying to harm someone who is perceived to be weaker or more vulnerable; and

WHEREAS, bullying and harassing can involve direct attacks with hitting, threatening, intimidating, maliciously teasing, taunting, name-calling, making sexual remarks, stealing or damaging belongings. Bullying and harassment can be subtle, indirect attacks, spreading rumors and encouraging others to reject or exclude; and

WHEREAS, bullying and harassment have led young school children to commit suicide. Bullying and harassment can lead teens that are the target of bullying and harassing to feel tense, anxious, and afraid. It can affect their concentration in school, and lead them to avoid school in some cases; and

WHEREAS, bullying and harassing affects a teens self-esteem. Bullying and harassment can increase social isolation, leading them to become withdrawn, depressed, anxious and insecure. In extreme cases bullying and harassment can be devastating for teens. Some teens feel compelled to take drastic measures, such as carrying weapons for protection or seeking violent revenge. Others, in desperation, consider suicide or commit suicide when they have no place to report bullying and harassment; and

WHEREAS, almost 30% of youth in the United States (or over 5.7 million) are estimated to be involved in bullying, either as a bully, a target of bullying or both. In a recent national survey of students in grades 6-10, 13% reported bullying others, 11% reported being targets of bullies, and another 6% said that they bullied others and were bullied themselves; and

WHEREAS, the American public is concerned about safety for all children. The problems of bullying and harassment are among the most prevalent and profound that schools face; they continue to seriously disrupt our school environment and affect the lives of millions of students every year, with major adverse academic and safety consequences.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the NAACP units will work to ensure that no student is denied access to a quality education because of fear of degradation associated with bullying and harassment; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all NAACP units shall meet with state and local school districts and request information regarding anti-bullying policies and procedures in tandem with programs that promote community building, teach students how to negotiate differences and how to advocate for themselves and be allies to fellow students who are being bullied; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls for all schools to have effective anti-bullying and anti-harassment programs; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that bullying and harassment based on a student's actual or perceived race, color, national origin, sex, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, or religion must be recorded and acted upon by school officials; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls upon all schools to implement anti-bullying training for all personnel. School officials shall have students pledge not to bully or harass other students, to help students who are bullied or harassed, and to report all cases to school officials; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls upon all schools to offer effective counseling for perpetrators and victims of bullying and harassment; and

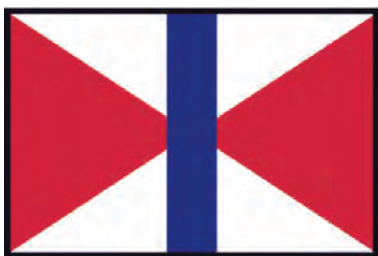
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls upon all schools to ensure the inclusion of diversity training and anti-discriminatory practices in the implementation of disciplinary measures so that school anti-bullying procedures do not have a disparate impact upon African-Americans and other minority groups; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls upon all school districts to maintain and report data regarding all incidents of bullying and harassment in order to develop effective federal, state, and local anti-bullying policies; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the NAACP calls upon states and school districts to submit statistical data regarding bullying incidents to the United States Department of Justice; and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the NAACP shall call upon schools to raise awareness regarding bullying and harassing, increase teacher and parent involvement and supervision, form clear rules and strong social norms against bullying and harassing, and provide support and protection for all students. This approach shall involve teachers, principals, students and everyone associated with the school, including maintenance staff, food services staff, security guards, and crossing guards.

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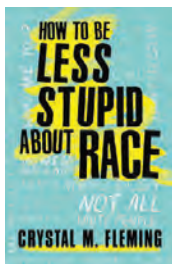
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The NAACP supported Police Reform Bills 2022 There were other Bills supported by the NAACP

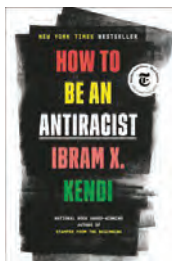
- HB19 – DNA Specimen Analysis Amendments (Eliason) – PASSED
 - Allows DNA to be tested for absconders
- HB23 – First Responder Mental Health Services Amendments (Wilcox) – PASSED
 - Makes mental health services available for officers, retired officers, family members
 - DPS to manage \$5 million grant
- HB39 – State Construction Code Amendments (Ferry) – PASSED
 - Clarifies who can submit fire protection drawings and who can review them
- HB68 – Commercial Driver License Amendments (Burton) – PASSED
- HB104 – State Employment Amendments (Christopherson) – PASSED
- HB124 – Forcible Entry Warrant Modifications (Gwynn) – PASSED
 - Defines warrant parameters
- HB280 – Cybersecurity Commission (Handy) – PASSED
- HB392 – Expungement Fee Amendments (Dunnigan) – PASSED
- SB35 – Expungement Modifications (Weiler) - PASSED
- SB51 – Transportation Amendments – Tow Rotation (Harper) - PASSED
- SB53 – Driver Speeding Amendments (Iwamoto) – PASSED
- SB88 – Digital Driver License Amendments (Fillmore) – HELD
- SB149 – Tinted Windows (McCay) – PASSED
- SB216 – Modifications to Driver License Examinations (Escamilla) – PASSED
- SB229 – Post Disaster Recovery & Mitigation Restricted Account Amendments (McKell) – PASSED
- SB248 – BCI Background Check Amendments (Anderegg) - PASSED

Amplifying Black Stories: Adult Nonfiction



How To Be Less Stupid About Race: On Racism, White Supremacy and the Racial Divide

by Crystal Marie Fleming
An essential guide to breaking through the half-truths and misconceptions that have corrupted the way race is represented in the classroom, pop culture, media and politics.



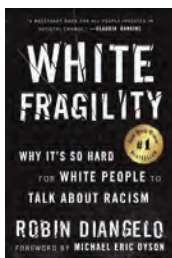
How To Be an Antiracist

by Ibram X Kendi
Combines ethics, history, law, and science with a personal narrative to describe how to move beyond the awareness of racism and contribute to making society just and equitable.



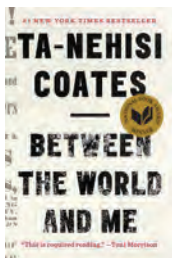
So You Want to Talk About Race

by Ijeoma Oluo
Oluo offers a contemporary, accessible take on the racial landscape in America, addressing head-on such issues as privilege, police brutality, intersectionality, micro-aggressions, the Black Lives Matter movement, and the "N" word.



White Fragility: Why It's So Hard for White People to Talk About Racism

by Robin J DiAngelo
Groundbreaking book exploring the counterproductive reactions white people have when discussing racism that serve to protect their positions and maintain racial inequality.



Between the World and Me

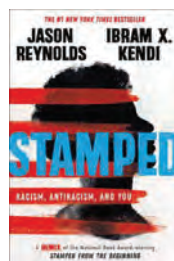
by Ta-Nehisi Coates
Told through the author's own evolving understanding of the subject over the course of his life comes a bold and personal investigation into America's racial history.

Amplifying Black Stories: Teen and Kids Nonfiction



This Book is Anti-Racist: 20 Lessons on How to Wake Up, Take Action, and Do the Work

by Tiffany Jewell
Discusses social identities, describes the history of racism and the resistance against it, and offers guidance on moving the world toward equality.



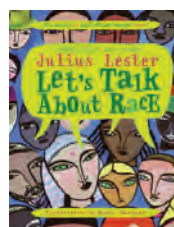
Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You

by Jason Reynolds
A timely reimagining of Dr. Ibram X. Kendi's National Book Award-winning *Stamped From the Beginning* reveals the history of racist ideas in America while explaining their endurance and capacity for being discredited.



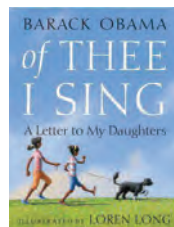
Let It Shine: Stories of Black Women Freedom Fighters

by Andrea Davis Pinkney
Celebrate the lives of 10 bold women freedom fighters of the Civil Rights Movement, including Sojourner Truth, Harriet Tubman, and Ida B. Wells.



Let's Talk About Race

by Julius Lester
Offers readers a poetic introduction to the topic of race as the differences and unique features of races are celebrated while discussing the important bond everyone shares with one another as human beings.



Of Thee I Sing: A Letter to My Daughters

by Barack Obama
In a tender letter to his daughters, President Barack Obama has written a moving tribute to 13 historically important Americans and the ideals that have shaped our nation.



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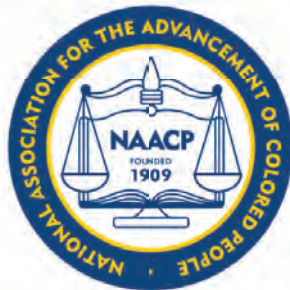
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“We’re the good people and they’re the bad people. It’s us vs. them.”

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“Those people are evil and they’re going to ruin our country if we let them. It’s us or them.”

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“They’re not even human. It’s our moral duty to destroy them before they destroy us.”



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In 2021 it was an honor to hear info about our NAACP Director of Education Innovation and Research Dr. Ivory Toldson

Ivory A. Toldson, Ph.D. a third-generation civil rights activist, was dubbed a leader “who could conceivably navigate the path to the White House” by The Washington Post, one of “30 leaders in the fight for Black men,” by Newsweek Magazine, and the “Problem Solver” by *Diverse: Issues In Higher Education*. Dr. Toldson’s grandfather, the Reverend John Henry Scott, became a member of the NAACP in the 1940s and, through NAACP leadership, helped to restore voting rights for Black Americans in Louisiana at the dawn of the Jim Crow era. Dr. Toldson continued his grandfather’s legacy in high school and college, where he served as chair of the Black Culture Committee, to the beginning of his career when he completed a dissertation on Black inmates in the federal prison system.

Today, Dr. Toldson is one of the nation’s leading scholars, ranking in the Root 100 and Education Week’s Top 200 Education Professors. He is also the bestselling author of *No BS (Bad Stats)*. As a professor at Howard University, Dr. Toldson’s research has been featured in The Washington Post, CNN.com, The New York Times, The Root, The National Journal, Essence Magazine, BET.com, and Ebony Magazine. He is the Editor-in-Chief of The Journal of Negro Education (JNE). Founded in 1932, JNE has published the work of NAACP founder, W.E.B. DuBois, as well as Black luminaries such as Thurgood Marshall, Horace Mann Bond, Ralph J. Bunche, and Dorothy Height.

Previously, Dr. Toldson was appointed by President Barack Obama to be the executive director of the White House Initiative on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. He also served as the senior research analyst for the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation. More recently, as the president of the QEM Network, Dr. Toldson secured more than \$8 million in funding from NSF and NASA to provide capacity building to more than 1,900 faculty and administrators from HBCUs and other minority serving institutions over a 5-year period. As the director of the Center for Prosperity, Dr. Toldson will use his experience with education research, policy, and activism to bring diversity, equity and justice to the education system by empowering and mobilizing NAACP units, affiliates, and allies nationally.



ELECTION DAY: NOVEMBER 21, 2023

Utah Voting Guidelines (Vote.Utah.gov)

Utah has been voting by mail for over a decade, and it has proven to be a secure and accessible way to vote.

1. How does vote by mail work?

Your county clerk uses various security and privacy measures to ensure that your mail ballot is secret and counted accurately.

2. Will I receive a ballot in the mail?

If you are an active registered voter, then yes, you will automatically receive a ballot in the mail. Go to vote.utah.gov to check if you are an active registered voter.

Your county clerk will mail ballots between October 31, 2023 and November 14, 2023. If you are registered to vote in San Juan County, your ballot may be mailed sooner. If you do not receive a ballot shortly after this time, [immediately contact your county clerk's office.](#)

3. Do I have to mail my ballot?

No. If you do not want to mail your ballot using the United States Postal Service, you have other options to turn in your ballot:

1. Drop your ballot off at a drop box location. Go to vote.utah.gov to find a drop box location in your county.
2. Drop your ballot off at an early voting location or an Election Day voting location. Go to vote.utah.gov to find a location near you.

You can return your ballot by mail but it must be postmarked by the U.S. Post Office the day of or before election day, November 21, 2023. If you prefer to use a secure drop box, your ballot must be dropped off before 8:00 pm on Election Day, November 21, 2023.

4. What happens if my signature on my ballot envelope doesn't match?

Your county election officials will compare the signature on your ballot envelope with the signature on your previous ballots and your voter registration form. If your signature does not match, your county clerk will notify you. You will be given an opportunity to submit an affidavit called a "cure letter" that allows you to affirm that your signature is correct. Once your county election official receives your affidavit, the ballot will be counted.

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