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Letter From Our President & CEO

hank you for joining the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City tonight as we celebrate "Black on the Black Carpet". One the key pillars and foundation of African American culture is our expression through oral articulation. Tonight, that tradition continues as we remember and celebrate African Americans in the film industry. Telling stories in film, in our community or in the home, is the cultural foundation and the shared artistic expressions in the black community that continues to be the vehicle we use to share our hopes and dreams, fears, and advocacy, while at the same time, influencing cultures around the world. The most recent success in storytelling and artistic expressions was the movie Black Panther which generated over one-billion dollars in tickets sales worldwide.

In 1910, William D. Foster, a sports writer for the Chicago Defender, formed the Foster Photoplay Company, the first independent African-American film company. Early Black cinema is an important part of American culture because it visually brought our stories to life. Without the Black independent film movement, there would be very few black films today.

Historically, Black cinema has been linked to social issues in our community. The controversy over Spike Lee's, Tyler Perry's, John Singleton's and Lee Daniels' films have a lot to do with race and class issues. While Black filmmakers have broken many barriers, there is still much work to be done.

In Oklahoma, the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City is the agency that tells stories of the disparities that exist in the African American community and works to find resources and solutions to close the gaps. Disparities between minorities, especially African Americans, and Caucasians in Oklahoma County are evident in areas that support

financial stability and economic mobility like educational attainment and income. In Oklahoma County, an African American high school student is more than two times as likely not to graduate high school on time as compared to their Caucasian classmates. As adults in Oklahoma County, African Americans earn a median income of \$32,272, which is more than \$25,000 LESS than the median Caucasian income. Not surprisingly then, African American families

times as likely to live in poverty as their fellow Caucasian community members

in Oklahoma County are almost three

Tonight we celebrate the success of African Americans in the movie/film industry with our theme, and we applaud the work of the Urban League board of directors, staff and volunteers in helping children and their families share their success stories of overcoming their challenges and working toward educational attainment and economic self-sufficiency.

Join us tonight in making Oklahoma City a better community by sharing the stories of the unique and necessary role of the Urban League. Tell your neighbors, friends and co-workers how they can make a difference in Oklahoma City by helping an agency that empowers and supports children and their families.

The Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City pledges to continue to work to improve the lives of every citizen in Oklahoma City. We invite you to make a contribution today. Your contributions and support are critical to our work. The Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City -- we are empowering communities and changing lives.



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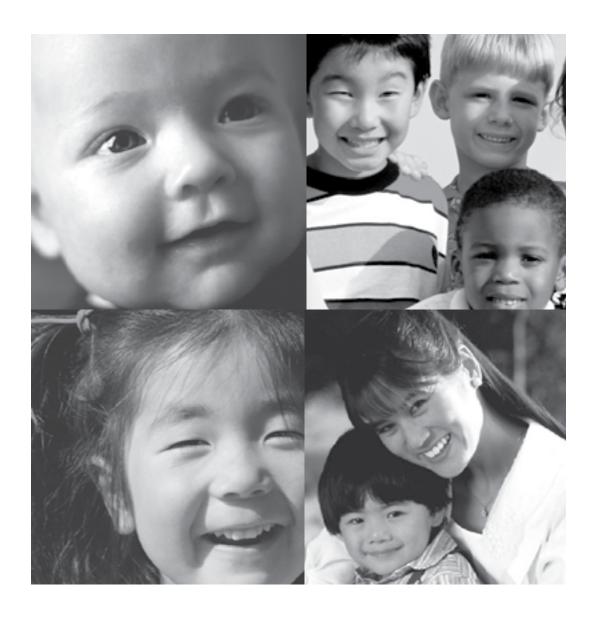


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Awardees

LISA "LEE" EVANS SCHOLARSHIP AWARD Skyla Parker

Skyla Parker is a resident of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and she currently attends the University of Oklahoma. Ms. Parker is a junior public relations and non-profit minor at the university. Her campus involvement includes being the Public Relations chair for the National Association of Black Journalists (NABJ), a Gaylord Ambassador, an account lead for Lindsey + Asp, and a undergraduate assistant at Oklahoma Scholastic Media (OSM). Ms. Parker has been interning for the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City since January and has enjoyed working with the organization. Aside from school Ms. Parker's favorite things to do include going out to eat with friends and spending time with family.

JANICE SCOTT-LEE EMPLOYEE OF THE YEAR AWARD Cedric Currin-Moore

Cedric Currin-Moore graduated from Sterling College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and a minor in Biology. While in college, Cedric played football, ran track and worked with children from the community. After graduation, he worked for fourteen years as a professional educator; teaching, tutoring and coaching children of all ages. Cedric has worked in the Expanded Learning field for over ten years as a consultant, STEM Director, professional development trainer, and instructor.

As the Urban League's STEAM Director, Cedric is able to combine three of his passions: the STEM field, networking with new people and being an ambassador for youth. He has witnessed the positive impacts that afterschool programs can have on the social and academic lives of middle and high school students.

YOUTH VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR AWARD Wanda Jackson – Bridging the Gap

Wanda Jackson, a native of Oklahoma City, serves as an Administrative Program Officer, for the Oklahoma Department of Human Services (OKDHS). She's a member of NTU Arts, she is a volunteer for the Oklahoma City Red Cross, the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City and provides community services throughout the community. Her initial passion for volunteer work started at an early age of 16 when she first volunteered as a Candy Striper at Oklahoma City Presbyterian Hospital. In 2009, she founded her first youth program, Positive Image, a group dedicated to the development of young girls ages 8-13. Later, Positive Image transformed into Bridging the Gap to focus on youth giving back to their community in the form of volunteer service. Bridging the Gap has 20 members and volunteers all over Oklahoma City. For the past four years they have volunteered at the Urban League's Back to School Bash, handing out water to other volunteers and people

waiting in line. Wanda has dedicated herself to making sure youth are aware and in tune with their community.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Damarcus Alexander

Damarcus Alexander is a Global Trade Control Specialist for The Boeing Company. A native of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Damarcus graduated from Southern University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Business Management.

Damarcus is a lifelong Urban Leaguer. He first joined the Movement in 2007 through the Black Executive Exchange Program (BEEP), the oldest signature program of the National Urban League (NUL) that provides Black executives as visiting professors at historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs). Damarcus served as BEEP chapter historian, vice president, and then president at Southern University. After being featured in the NUL marketing video for BEEP and speaking at several NUL conferences, Damarcus eventually garnered the name "Mr. BEEP". During his

senior year, Damarcus moved to New York City and worked for NUL as the first and only BEEP Fellow. In 2012, Damarcus studied abroad in China through NUL's China-U.S. Exchange Program.

Since his time at NUL, Damarcus volunteered with affiliates in New York City, Boston, Los Angeles, and now Oklahoma City. Over the past year, he chaired the steering committee for the reboot of the ULOKC Young Professionals. In this role, he raised funds, recruited new members, and organized volunteers for many ULOKC events. Damarcus works as vice president of the board of directors for the Regional AIDS Intercommunity Network of Oklahoma; recruits students as Boeing's focal to Southern University and speaks to audiences across the country while supporting Black-owned businesses.

LECIA D. SWAIN-ROSS AWARD Ward 7 Councilwoman Nikki Nice

Nikki Nice was elected Ward 7 Councilwoman in a November 6, 2018 runoff election becoming the tenth woman and second woman of color to serve at City Hall since the City incorporated in 1890. 4th generation Oklahoman, Councilwoman Nice was born, reared, educated, and spiritually nurtured in Ward 7. She is a graduate of Northeast High School and received a Bachelor's of Arts in Broadcasting from Langston University. She has studied abroad in The Gambia and Dakar, Senegal West Africa.

Councilwoman Nice is the proud recipient of the Opio Toure Medallion award presented by the Oklahoma County Democrats,
Finer Womanhood Award presented by the Chi Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Citizen of the Year Award presented by the
Upsilon lota Chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. and Reach Forward No Fear Lady Award. Nice also served as a member of Class one
of L.O.Y.A.L. (Linking Oklahoma's Young Adult Leaders), Leadership Oklahoma City Class 35, Inaugural Board Member of NLC Oklahoma (New
Leaders Council), Oklahoma Department of Corrections Citizens Academy participant, Northeast Task Force Member with OKCPS and as the Northeast Academy PTSA
Vice President. Councilwoman Nice lives in Northeast Oklahoma City and is the proud daughter of Roberta. She is a pet lover, music lover, and a lover of people and is
committed to moving Ward 7 and Oklahoma City Forward Together.

BOARD MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD James Mouton

James is the middle of three children born to James and Rose Mouton. James entered the U.S. Army and served for two years as a Combat Engineer in Aschaffenburg, Germany. Upon exiting active duty, James joined the Michigan Army National Guard as an X-Ray Technician and started college. James also began a career with UPS where he was promoted to Supervisor, managing the Reload operation. James also completed an internship with the Pre-Trial Services Division of the 10th District Court in Calhoun County Michigan and then accepted a full-time position. After four years, James was promoted to Judicial Council Coordinator where he led the transformation of several court business units into one department.

The most rewarding professional experience for James occurred during his time as a T.A.C. (Teach, Assess and Council) Officer for the same Officer Candidate School at which he became a commissioned officer. James' leadership training contributed to the commissioning of over seventy officer candidates to 2nd Lieutenants.

James consolidated his experience and chose to pursue a career in Project Management. He has a Project Management Professional Certification from the Project Management Institute and a Master's Certification in Project Management from George Washington University. Currently, James is a Portfolio Manager for OGE Energy Corp, Chair of the Urban League's Strategic Planning Committee and the Urban League Treasurer. James is married with four children, two grandchildren and he enjoys golf, cooking, politics and music.

JAY GALT CORPORATE AWARD Center for Employment Opportunities Reducing Recidivism | Increasing Employment

CEO works to reduce recidivism and increase employment. We provide people returning from prison immediate paid employment, skills training, and ongoing career support. To offer work experience, CEO operates transitional work crews that provide supplemental indoor/outdoor maintenance and neighborhood beautification services to Edmond, Moore, Oklahoma City, and the Oklahoma State Department of Transpiration. CEO guarantees every participant who completes a one-week job-readiness orientation up to four days a week of transitional work on a crew and daily pay — a critical asset during an important time.

In addition to work and daily pay, CEO provides a robust set of wraparound vocational support services: on days participants are not working, they receive job coaching to find full-time employment. Once participants find full-time positions, CEO continues working with them for a year to ensure they have the support they need to grow in their careers.

VILONA P. CUTLER AWARD

Dr. Monique Miles-Bruner

Dr. Bruner is the Director of the Centers for Success, Inclusion and Diversity at Rose State College. Her love for helping people succeed was her drive behind pursuing and achieving a Bachelors in Public Administration, and a double Masters in Public Administration and Human Relations from the University of Oklahoma. In 2018, she obtained her Doctorate of Education in Educational Leadership from Southwestern College in Winfield, Kansas.

During her time at Rose State College she has served in academic advisement, become a tenured political science faculty member, associate dean and interim dean of social sciences division. Dr. Bruner is a decorated collegiate educator and administrator, having received numerous honors and awards for her years of dedication and service to higher education. A few community causes near to her heart include "The Sharing Tree", "Urban League", and "Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc."

Dr. Bruner, (a.k.a Mrs. BK Bruner), wife, and mother to Angelique, Domonique, Shayla, and Isaiah, and daughter to Wilma Miles is deeply dedicated to her family. They enjoy spending time watching movies, doing jigsaw puzzles, reading, and watching football. She also enjoys the lost art of letter writing for friends and family, and Bible and art journaling.





URBAN LEAGUE Community of Greater Oklahoma City, Inc. Impact Awards

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Marc Flemon spends his moments in life creating a world of his dreams and reaching out to help others to be their true and higher selves. As a conscious business owner, he believes that all people are divine and capable to face the demands of an ever-evolving reality. He endeavors to live as an example of what is possible to anyone who thinks in terms of purpose and community. He is an alumnus of Langston University and the University of Central Oklahoma. Currently he serves as the President of the Ice Event Center & Grill, and the Marc Flemon Creative Space in Oklahoma City. He is married to Katrina Flemon and they have an 8 year-old son, Harlem.

Northeast Resource Center

Marilyn Long is a Community Service Representative of the Northeast Resource Center, which serves as an independent community care worker, offering services directly to clients. On May 23, 1997, her vision became a reality as she founded the Northeast Resource Center and continuously devotes her time to building the organization.

Long is responsible for educating, motivating and empowering community members, young and old.

Marilyn is an active member of Crossing Community Church where she participates in many women ministry groups. She has two sons, Mario and Corey Long and five grandchildren. She has devoted countless hours to the community and its youth. She views her service as an opportunity to serve the community by giving back and helping to make a difference, especially in young people. Long stands with her belief that it's time for a change; because one of her favorite bible verses (Proverbs 29:13) explains that people without vision will parish. She has served as a mentor in the programs that are offered through the Northeast Resource

Center. Marilyn believes in her community and is committed to new ideas to make a difference. She has a reputation of being an innovative leader who wants a safer world for her children, grandchildren and wishes for all children to become entrepreneurs and leaders in this great state of Oklahoma.

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Opportunities Industrialization Center of Oklahoma County, Inc. (OIC)

DesJean Jones is the Executive Director for Opportunities Industrialization Center of Oklahoma County, Inc. (OIC), a nonprofit dedicated to motivating and inspiring adult students through academic and career education.

Previously, she was the Operations Manager for Jordan Advertising and has extensive experience in operations, planning, coordination, adult instruction and training. DesJean received her formal education from Oklahoma State University and Langston University where she earned a Bachelor of Science Degree in Organizational Management. DesJean received her Master's Degree in Organizational management and Executive Coaching from the University of Texas-Dallas. She is credentialed through the International Coach Federation as an Associate Certified Coach (ACC). A native Oklahoman, DesJean is the mother of two. She is active within the community serving on the Boards of Director for Family Life Learning Centers (FLLC), IMPACT Coalition of Oklahoma, and Cut It Forward. She serves the Progressive Oklahoma Baptist State Convention (POBSC) currently as Executive Secretary and as advisor to the statewide Women's Department.

She is an active member of the Mt. Triumph Baptist Church, where she serves as treasurer and a member of the board of trustees. DesJean pursues a wide-range of consultant activities, entrepreneurial interests and publishing of books and articles.

Science Museum Oklahoma

With over 25 years of experience in educational programming and curriculum development, Sherry Marshall (President & CEO) new early on that informal science education was her calling. She received her degree in physics from Oklahoma State University and joined Science Museum Oklahoma — then the Omniplex — as a museum educator in 1994. Sherry went on to serve as the museum's Director of Education and as the Director of the Science Museum Oklahoma-based Oklahoma Museum Network.

She was named Vice President of Programs and Outreach in 2015 and President and CEO in 2016. Sherry credits attending a summer science workshop at the museum at age 9 with hooking her on science education. Last year alone the museum served over 590,000 adults and children through museum visits, community outreach programs and special events. Of these, 21,730 children were part of a school or activity group and received discounted or free admission and transportation, and over 38,000 children visited SMO's Science Matters Mobile Museum as it traveled throughout Oklahoma. Science Museum Oklahoma influences how Oklahomans learn about science through the medium of interactive exhibits, discovery-based activities, astronomy shows, Science Live demonstrations, educational outreach efforts and special events. The museum's clear mission and firm focus on science literacy encourages families to develop and build upon a strong foundation in the sciences.

Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma

Katie Fitzgerald has spent her career in the nonprofit sector working to improve the lives of vulnerable children, youth and families. Currently, she serves as the chief executive officer of the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma. The Regional Food Bank is the state's largest hunger-relief organization and is a member of Feeding America's network of food banks.

The Regional Food Bank provides enough food to feed more than 136,000 Oklahomans living with hunger each week through a network of more than 1,300 schools and charitable feeding programs in 53 central and western Oklahoma counties.

Prior to joining the Regional Food Bank, Fitzgerald served as president and CEO of Make-a-Wish Oklahoma and was the executive director at the Center for Children and Families in Norman from 2010-16. At the Center for Children and Families, Fitzgerald led the largest expansion in operating and capital revenue in the agency's history and established the first Boys & Girls Club in Cleveland County.

Katie served as director for the Women's Leadership Initiative at the University of Oklahoma and director of the Oklahoma Afterschool Network. Before moving to Oklahoma, Katie served as program director with the W.K. Kellogg Foundation. Fitzgerald began her career as an AmeriCorps VISTA. She earned her bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and her master's degree in social work from the University of Michigan.



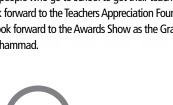
Karim Muhammad is the Founder and **Executive Director of Teachers Appreciation** Foundation. "The School Village Will Teach The Child", this motto was inspired by his mother who was a school teacher for over 30 years. Muhammad wanted to start a foundation that honors school teachers, custodians, school bus drivers, cafeteria workers and everyone involved in the school system as a

whole. Muhammad's mom was elated and very excited about the idea, so he started the foundation on June 9, 2014.

for granted. In order for a child to be an asset to the community, the child has to receive the proper education. Teachers Appreciation Foundation is aimed at highlighting the roots of these phenomenal people — they are pieces to the educational puzzle. We want to build the movement of appreciating the whole school body. "I want the people who go to school to get their teaching certification and degrees to look forward to the Teachers Appreciation Foundation Awards Show. I want them to look forward to the Awards Show as the Grammys for teachers and staff," says Muhammad.



Muhammad believes school teachers are underpaid and feels they are taken



League of Greater Oklahoma City in its efforts to promote a higher quality of life in the community. With our differences,



Life Member Inductees



BEVERLY BARRETT

Beverly has over 20 years of experience in the field of human resources working for companies in the Dallas, Texas and the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma areas. For the last four years, Beverly Barrett has served as the Senior Vice President, Director of Human Resources for First Fidelity Bank. In that capacity, she oversees the bank's Human Resources department, which is responsible for employee relations; recruitment, hiring and retention; compensation and benefits administration; and payroll.

After graduating from Baylor University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, she received her Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. During her time in law school, Beverly served as Note Editor for the Oklahoma Law Review and completed an internship with the Department of Justice, Environmental Enforcement Division. Beverly also holds a Masters of Law (LL.M.) from Tulane University, where she graduated with distinction. She was admitted to the Texas Bar Association.

Beverly grew up in Norman, Oklahoma and currently resides there with her husband, Devin, and 15 year-old son, Brandon. Beverly enjoys volunteering at her church and attending their son's track meets and football games.

JIM BLEVINS

Jim Blevins is a member of the Oklahoma Bar Association and has been personally been involved in the development of oil and gas law in the Sooner State for more than three decades. He comes from a family of original 89er's, the first wave of pioneers to lay down roots in the twin territories. Born in Oklahoma City, Jim grew up around the law, having watched his father serve as a longtime District Judge for Oklahoma County. Jim studied History at Oklahoma State University, and went on to graduate from Oklahoma City University School of Law in 1978. He acquired a broad background in litigation during his first job as Assistant District Attorney of Oklahoma County, and later became more specialized with the technical nature of oil and gas law by serving as a Trial Examiner (now known as Administrative Law Judge) of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission. Subsequently, he entered private practice, where he has specialized in oil and gas title work, real estate and related litigation, Jim has been

at the forefront of oil and gas law in Oklahoma, having left his mark on a number of landmark cases. His experience in Oklahoma title and real estate is reinforced and complemented by his ownership of American Abstract Company of McClain County, Inc., in Purcell, Oklahoma. He is past president of Sunbeam Family Services in Oklahoma City, past president of Purcell Oklahoma Chamber of Commerce, past president of the Purcell Rotary Club, and past president of the McClain County Bar Association.

ANDRE CALDWELL

Andre' B. Caldwell is an experienced trial lawyer whose practice focuses on all aspects of civil and criminal litigation in state and federal court. He has tried to a jury verdict over 20 cases in federal courts in Oklahoma.

Mr. Caldwell began his career as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Western District of Oklahoma where he was assigned to the Violent Crime and Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Force. During his tenure he was awarded the FBI Director's award from FBI Director Robert Mueller for his outstanding prosecutorial skills. Just prior to joining Ogletree Deakins Mr. Caldwell was a shareholder at one of the largest and oldest law firms in Oklahoma, and was an active member of the Criminal Defense Compliance and Investigations and Litigation and Trial practice groups. Mr. Caldwell utilized his wealth of trial and investigative experience to represent private and public companies of various sizes in all aspects of commercial litigation, preparation of compliance guidelines and conducting corporate criminal risk assessments.

At Ogletree, Mr. Caldwell has a national litigation practice wherein he defends employers of all sizes in state and federal trial courts against allegations of harassment and discrimination under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and other alleged violations of the Family and Medical Leave Act, Fair Labor Standards Act, and Pregnancy Discrimination Act. In addition, Andre' has leveraged his prosecutorial and litigation experience to conduct workplace and internal investigations for clients around the country.

Mr. Caldwell is actively involved in the American Bar Association's Section of Litigation where he currently serves as co-chair for the Minority Trial Lawyer Committee. Locally, Caldwell serves as vice-chair of the Board of Directors for Positive Tomorrows, a private, tuition-free elementary school meeting the education and social service needs of homeless children and their families.

GAYLE MAXWELL

Gayle Maxwell is a senior communications specialist with OGE Energy Corp. She has more than 25 years of experience in strategic communications and public relations including stints with the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City, OSU-Oklahoma City, Office of the Lieutenant Governor and the Greater Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce. Gayle believes in the power of volunteering. She has been recognized as an Urban League Volunteer of the Year and is a member of the Urban League Guild. Gayle has also served on several boards including the Leadership Oklahoma City, OU Black Alumni Society Oklahoma City-Norman Chapter, the Wes Welker Foundation, and Public Relations Society of America — Oklahoma City Chapter. A graduate of Leadership Oklahoma City, Class 23, Gayle received her bachelors degree in Journalism from the University of Oklahoma and is accredited in Public Relations. Gayle resides in Oklahoma City with her husband Kevin



MATT TILLY

Matt lives in Oklahoma City with his wife, Megan and son James. He is an attorney in the legal group at Devon Energy, where he has worked for 7 years. His work is focused on complex commercial transactions, including acquisitions, divestitures, and strategic joint ventures involving upstream and midstream energy assets for Devon's business throughout North America.

Matt received his Bachelor of Arts in Political Science at Oklahoma State University and his Juris Doctorate at the University of Oklahoma College of Law, where he served as Articles Editor for the Oklahoma Law Review, president of the Oklahoma Law Board of Advocates, and president of the Oklahoma Law Chapter of the Federalist Society.

Matt currently served on the Urban League Board of Directors as Chair of the Strategic Planning Committee. He is a member of Leadership Oklahoma City - LOYAL Class X and the Mineral Lawyers Society of Oklahoma City. Past board positions include Gatewood Historic District, Oklahoma State University chapter of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity, Neighborhood Alliance of Central Oklahoma, and Uptown 23rd District.

Together, we create a better community.

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Our Mission

To assist African Americans, other minorities and the poor to achieve social and economic equality.

WORKFORCE & CAREER DEVELOPMENT

This program specializes in training for individuals with barriers in their background and individuals who are underemployed This program helps strengthen the economic well-being of Oklahoma County's African American families and other families living in poverty by increasing sustainable employment and self-sufficiency. We provide industry recognized certification, job training, face to face connection with employers, and access to employment in high demand occupations. We served 2,256 clients last year.

This program provides services through three specialized initiatives:

- Employ
- Urban Youth Empowerment Program (UYEP Rise)
- After Prison Work Initiative

EDUCATION & FAMILY DEVELOPMENT

This program specializes in supporting minority children to ensure success in school and development through achieving academic enrichment in subjects of science, literacy, technology, and math; social and personal skills development, and support to parents/caregivers by providing them tools to create environments and experiences that promote their child's academic success. We served 2,337 clients last year.

This program provides services through two specialized initiatives:

- School Age Learning Center
- PEAK Tutoring- 21st Century Learning Center

HOUSING & FINANCIAL LITERACY

This program provides information on financial skills (budgeting, credit counseling, and debt management) in order for our clients to improve financial and/or housing stability. We provide access to affordable housing through our rental properties and supportive services. Residents also receive financial coaching to develop money management skills in order to remain self-sufficient and independent. Offers affordable homes by rehabilitating existing structures and constructing new homes, and prepares families for homeownership by hosting homebuyer essentials workshops and webinars. We served 624 clients last year.

COMMUNITY CONVENING & SOCIAL JUSTICE

The Community Convening and Social Justice program provides education and advocacy on the barriers African Americans, other minorities, and the impoverished face in employment, academic achievement, and housing as well as connect clients to social service agencies that can address their unique barriers. We served 2,875 clients last year.







Strong diversity leadership MAKES A DIFFERENCE





OSU has a strong diversity champion.

As a first-generation college student, Dr. Jason F. Kirksey came to OSU as a walk-on football player in 1985. He left with two bachelor's degrees and a master's degree in political science. Dr. Kirksey went on to earn a doctorate in political science from the University of New Orleans in 1997, and since 2009 has championed inclusiveness as OSU's Vice President of Institutional Diversity.

In 2018, Dr. Kirksey received the Access, Diversity and Excellence Distinguished Service Award from the Association of Public Land-grant Universities. This award is presented to one recipient nationally who broadened access and opportunity, and contributed to the achievement of diversity.

While his list of diversity awards is impressive, Dr. Kirksey's efforts make a meaningful difference where it matters most – impacting dialogue, collaboration, and how we treat one another as students, faculty, and staff on our campus.

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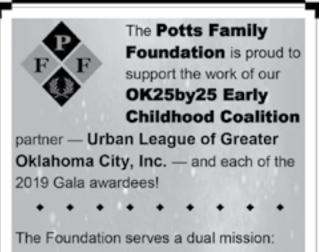
Financial Statement

JULY 1, 2017 - JUNE 30, 2018

Special Events (Special Events/Fundraising)	89,554
Contributions.	335,246
Local United Way Allocation	358,300
Total Public Support	783,100
Fees and Grants from Government Agencies	726,745
(Federal and State Financial Asst./Grants)	
Other Revenue	
Program Fees/Misc. & Interest Income	110,585
(Program income/endowment/interest income/rental/misc)	
Total Public Support and Revenue	1,620,430
Expenses	
Program Services	
Management and General	211,632
Fundraising	37,658
Total Expenses	1,469,295
Change in Net Assets from Operations	151,135

Capital Additions

Increase (Decrease) in Endowment Fund Beneficial Interest	. 342
Change in Net Assets from Operations	1,477
Net Assets, Beginning as Restated	8,986
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Dear Urban League Family,

As we celebrate our 72nd anniversary, I am extremely excited about this year's Annual Fundraising and Awards Gala. I have immense appreciation for all attendees, organizers, and sponsors that have made this event possible.

The Young Professionals thank the Urban League of Greater Oklahoma City for its sustained presence in the community, and for allowing us to grow and thrive as well. 2019 marks the 20th anniversary of our chapter. We look forward to supporting our affiliate for many more anniversaries to come.

Lastly, congratulations to YP member Damarcus Alexander for being Volunteer of the Year!



Sincerely, Terrell Mure President

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Sincerely,

Kjulonda Ogles President

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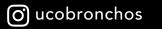
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