

2015 Indiana Commission on the Social Status of Black Males

CONFERENCE AGENDA

October 13, 2015 (8:00 am – 4:30 pm EST)

Indiana Government Center South - 302 West Washington Street, Indianapolis, IN

- 8:00am – 8:30am **Registration and Continental Breakfast (Conference Rooms A, B and C)**
- 8:30am – 8:50am **Welcome:** James Garrett, Executive Director (ICSSBM)
- Opening Remarks:** Eddie Melton, Chairman (ICSSBM)
- 8:50am – 9:30am **INSIGHTS ON THE 2016 LEGISLATIVE SESSION: POLICIES THAT IMPACT BLACK MALES**
A panel of members from the Indiana General Assembly.
Moderator: Amos Brown
Panelists:
- [Greg Taylor](#), Indiana State Senator, District 33, *Indianapolis*
 - [Vernon Smith](#), Indiana State Representative, District 14, *Gary*
 - [Lonnie Randolph](#), Indiana State Senator, District 2, *Lake County*
- 9:30am – 10:15am **REVIEWING THE DATA ON THE SOCIAL STATUS OF BLACK MALES IN INDIANA**
Roderick Wheeler, Community Outreach Manager, IU Health, *Indianapolis*
- 10:15am – 11:00am **HOW CITIES ARE ADDRESSING THE ISSUES THAT BLACK MALES FACE**
A panel of city leaders sharing their thoughts and perspectives.
Moderator: Eddie Melton, Chairman, (ICSSBM)
Panelist:
- [Mayor Karen Freeman-Wilson](#), *Gary*
 - [Douglas Harriston](#), Director of the [Front Porch Alliance](#) , *Indianapolis*
 - [Cherri Peate](#), Director of Community Outreach, *South Bend*

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- 11:00am – 11:10am **Break**
- 11:10am – 11:40am **WHAT ONE CITY IS DOING TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF BLACK MALES**
How the City of Indianapolis developed their city-wide black male initiative.
Presentation: Dr. Michael Twyman, Executive Director of [“Your Life Matters”](#), Indianapolis
- 11:40am – 12:15pm **MODELS AND STRATEGIES FOR EDUCATING BLACK MALES**
How One School Model Is Changing The Game For Young Black Males
Presentation: Dennis Lacewell, Senior Director of Institutional Effectiveness and Founding Principal of [Urban Prep Academy](#), Chicago, IL
- 12:15pm – 1:00pm **Networking Lunch (Conference Rooms A, B and C)**
- 1:00pm – 1:45pm **Keynote Speaker:** [Kevin Powell](#), Author, Speaker and Activist
- 1:45pm – 2:30pm **RACIAL DISPARITY IN THE INDIANA CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM**
Moderator: Ike Randolph, Communications Director, Indiana Department of Corrections
Panelist:
- [Richard Hite](#), Chief of Police, Indianapolis
 - Michelle M. Tennell, Statewide Director of [Indiana’s Juvenile Detention Alternatives Initiative](#)
 - [Richard Curry](#), Executive Director, Training and Emergency Response Indiana Department of Corrections

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2:30 pm – 3:15 pm

THE SUPPORTIVE ROLE THAT FUNDERS PLAY AROUND BLACK MALE INITIATIVES

Local and national funders share how their originations support programming that advance the lives of young black males.

Moderator: Willis Bright, President of Bright Visions

Panelists:

- Patricia Roe, [USA Funds](#)
- Tyrone Spann, [Foundations of East Chicago](#)

3:15pm – 4:15pm

ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS

Conference attendees share and exchange their reflections on the day and provide additional ideas on how to move the lives of black males forward in Indiana.

4:15 pm – 4:30pm

Closing Remarks

How we move forward collectively

Purpose: *The Roundtable Discussion will be small, informal group discussions that give attendees the opportunity to exchange information, discuss best practices, and network with others around common themes and issues. Every table will have a proposed discussion topic and aligned questions that will allow participants to share their reflections, learn from others' best practices and provide their personal insights and expertise. Roundtable discussions are limited to ten individuals per table, including participants and a note taker. All roundtable notes from the conference will be compiled and common themes and resources will be sent to participants.*