

2023 NCLCVF Boards and Commissions 2nd Annual Graduation



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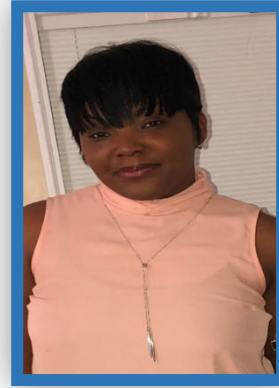
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Zoe Coleman

Attended North Carolina Central University bachelor's degree in political science with Concentrations in Civic Engagement and Public Policy. She served in the USAF Armed Forces, and now serves as a USAF reservist, currently on

active duty. She applied for the Boards and Commissions Fellowship Program to do better for her community by understanding how to present issues and knowing how to relay what needs to be reviewed by Boards and Commissions.



Dewanna King

My background is in Customer Service, Food and Nutrition and Medicaid. I have a bachelor's degree in business administration from Shaw University. I'm passionate about serving and making positive changes in my

community. **I felt that being a part of Boards and Commissions would allow me the opportunity.**



Harry Davis Jr.

Harry attended Paine College where he received his bachelor's degree in sociology with a minor in psychology. He also is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Incorporated, where he held state and district positions. He received his master's degree

in public administration from

North Carolina Central University. Harry looks forward to the Board and Commissions Fellowship to further his knowledge of the political process and looks forward to his future in politics.



Keisha S. Horton

Received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Management from High Point University before earning her Master of Science Degree in School Counseling from North Carolina A&T State University. She currently serves as the Director of Student Services at Parkland Magnet High School. She is a Licensed

Clinical Mental Health Counselor and Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist Associate. She is the Owner & Executive Therapist for Samara Cares Counseling & Consulting, PLLC.



Malik Davis

Running for City Council District 2 Fayetteville, NC



Wanda Hunter

As of July 1, 2023, she was voted Vice Chair to the Board of Wake County Health and Human Services. She also co-chair the Social Services Committee and the Crosby Advocacy Group; is a board member of the Passage Home.

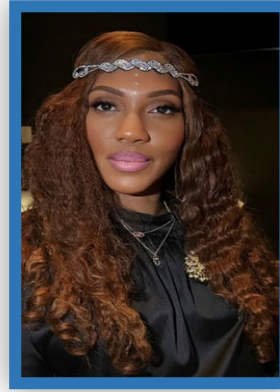


Dr. Annette Skinner-Coleman

Dr. Skinner is a resident of Fayetteville NC. She is a disabled US Army Veteran and recently retired school counselor who wants to continue to serve her community. She applied

for the Boards and

Commissions Fellowship Program to gain a thorough understanding of how policies impact the local community and to gain effective skills that will contribute to purposeful volunteer service.



Tremona C. Purvis

Graduated from Winston-Salem State University with a Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education. Her motto is *"Parents & Teacher's Working Together for the SUCCESS of Our Children."*

She is building a Legacy in Remembrance of her daughter Makieya Rae Smith,

Broken Women Break Through,

Rae's of Light and Mothers of Angels. The Boards and Commissions fellows' program is an essential platform and motivating strength that will instruct and guide me in the direction to become BEYOND AMAZING.



Jose Saucedo

Jose attended Winston-Salem State University, where he held several leadership positions on campus including SGA Director of Public Relations and President of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity,

Incorporated. Jose graduated from Winston-Salem State University in May of 2022 with a B.A. in Communications and Media Studies. As a Latino male in a minority community, Jose has seen the issues that affect not only our communities but our environment as well. Jose would like to create change through sitting on Boards and Commission.



Stacey Freeman

Stacey is an advocate for helping those in need. She is the President of Charles Harden Unit #74 of the American Legion Auxiliary, where she volunteers to help veterans. Stacey is also the co-founder of My Misses Outreach. Since moving to North Carolina

from Maryland in 2019, Stacey has become engaged in her community, registering people to vote, and educating them on the importance of voting.



Karen Togba

Karen the founder of PureKaret, LLC, a multifaceted business within the hospitality industry that specializes in Liberian desserts, specialty cakes and more. She is also an artist and a certified wedding and special events designer. Her work is seen

annually at the North Carolina

State Fair. She currently has contracts with the State of North Carolina as an IT professional. Karen is a native of Liberia. She holds a Bachelor of Science Degree in Communication Sciences and Disorders and a Master's Degree in Hospitality & Tourism Management.

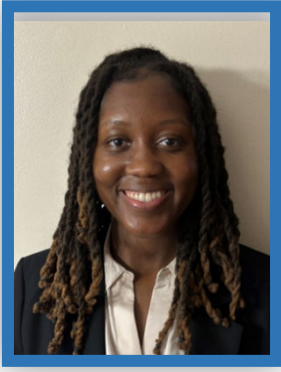


Monica Fuller

Monica is a Graduate of Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh, NC with a BS in Organizational Management and holds an MBA an international business and a Master's Degree in Public Administration. She is a

Veteran with the United

States Marine Corps. Monica is employed as a Legislative Liaison for a state agency. She looks forward to learning more about how to conduct a board and how policy training can be used to enhance her legislative and policy skills.



Jessica Williams

This program was very informative. Being that I currently serve as chair of the Pitt County Human Relations Commission. I have reached out to the Farm and Food Council but have yet to receive a response. I plan on

attending one of their monthly meetings in the coming months to hopefully get more insight. In the meantime, I am also in the process of studying the LSAT in hopes of pursuing my dreams of law school where I will also be able to utilize what I have learned in this program.



Mashonda Southerland

I am a recruiter for Big Prime Hauling Academy which is a Truck Driving School created by my husband and myself. Our mission is to help those impacted by the Social Justice System helping them obtain their CDL. I

am on the board of the Beli4ve Foundation which is a Non-Profit organization. My goal is to serve on a public board and or commission to serve the needs of others.



Terrence Whidbee

Upon graduating Roanoke Valley Early College, he attended East Carolina University and studied English. Terrence was given the opportunity to work with a marketing firm to advance his career. This led to him launching his own LLC in Portland, OR under the name Modern Vision Inc. Terrence

worked as the Director of Creative Communications for ABC2, a program dedicated to uplifting the community and advocating for true change. August 2023, he began working middle school teacher The boards and commissions program were a way to prepare him for what lies ahead.



Frankie L. Gist

Founder/CEO of HOPE Dealers Outreach. Frankie went to Quality Education Academy of Winston-Salem and attended North Carolina A&T University. Frankie serves as the Vice President of Young Democrats of

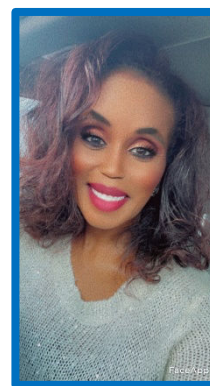
Forsyth County, Founder of F.G. Enterprise LLC. Frankie received the City of Winston Human Relations/DEI Young Dreamer's Award, The Young Leader of the Year, and the Educator of the year from Quality Education Academy. His mission is to uplift and give back to the people in his community. **Love isn't love until you give it away.**



Kara Lynn Sanders

Being a mom is her career of choice. Momma Kai applied to the Boards and Commissions training to become a decision maker changing the dynamics around providing more equitable housing to those in need. She wants

to learn about the systems and processes of government through this training with opportunities to share what she knows.



Terra Ann Wright

Is a Disaster Case Manager for Innovative Emergency Management, in Spring Lake, North Carolina. A mother of three sons, and GiGi to six wonderful grandbabies. She is currently working towards her Ph.D. She applied for the Boards and Commissions Fellowship Program to be able to advocate for Environmental disparities of the lower income people facing disasters. Her passion truly is for the people who are at a disadvantage and suffer the greatest impact

when a natural disaster occurs. She has seen it firsthand and has worked with several organizations to assist people in these various communities. The preparation received upon completion of the Boards and Commissions Fellowship Program will afford the opportunity to assist in my community by serving on a Board or Commission that aligns with the Environmental issues facing the people in the community.