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NAACP 2023 Freedom Fund Banquet



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TODAY'S PROGRAM

Reception

Musical Prelude: Aaron Quarterman

Dancing and Fellowship

Main Ball Room

DJ Mega Skills; photo-ops

Welcome

Dr. Freeman L. Williams, Branch President

Introduction of Master and Mistress of Ceremony

Gavin Harris and Shaniya Lewis

Introduced By: Dr. Freeman L. Williams

Invocation

Dr. Naveed Baqir

Dinner

Entertainment By: Aaron Quarterman

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Janet A. Williams-Coger

Keynote

*Nicole Mozee, Esq., Assistant Professor,
Wilmington University School of Law*

Recognition of Awardees

Dr. Joan Gregory

Dancing and Fellowship

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GREETINGS FROM THE NEWARK BRANCH PRESIDENT

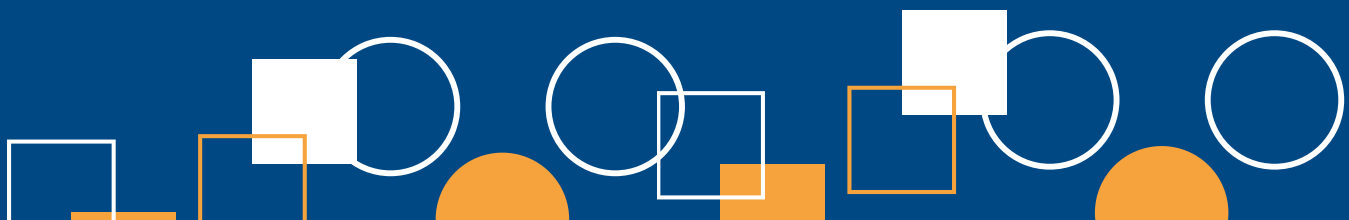


Dr. Freeman L. Williams
Branch President, Newark, DE
NAACP

The Newark Delaware Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People welcomes you to our 25th Freedom Fund Awards Banquet. The NAACP is in its 114th year of operation. Our legacy is long, and our work is consistent: To build Black political, social, and economic power to end racial injustice. We are a network of over 2 million activists working nationwide as civil and social justice advocates.

The Newark Branch serves as a voice in support of our community in the struggle against hatred and discrimination. We are a diverse group of activists working in local community meetings, organizations, churches and boardrooms, college campuses, and statehouses, advocating for civil and human rights, conducting voter registration, addressing health inequalities, and monitoring equal opportunities in education and the public and private sectors.

We are excited for The Freedom Fund banquet and look forward to celebrating the award recipients and honorees who have served their community and demonstrated the values and mission of the NAACP. The banquet directly impacts scholarships, community outreach, membership engagement, and most importantly, the work of our branch committees. Over this past year, we have continued our work supporting key health initiatives such as our Sickle Cell advocacy blood drive led by our Health & Environmental Justice Committee, quarterly food pantry through the efforts of our Community Coordination Committee, and advocacy for police reform through the Criminal Justice Committee just to name a few.



GREETINGS FROM THE NEWARK BRANCH PRESIDENT CONTINUED

In addition, we supported local issues by educating our membership and community on school board candidates, speaking out on issues affecting our local community, and co-sponsoring events with local organizations that align with the mission of the NAACP.

Our work continues because of our members' commitment and community support. We invite you to become a member and join in the outstanding work being done in the Newark, DE, Branch. We meet on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:00 PM. We can accomplish great things by Taking steps . . . Thriving Together.

**Sincerely,
Dr. Freeman L. Williams
President**

Branch Leadership

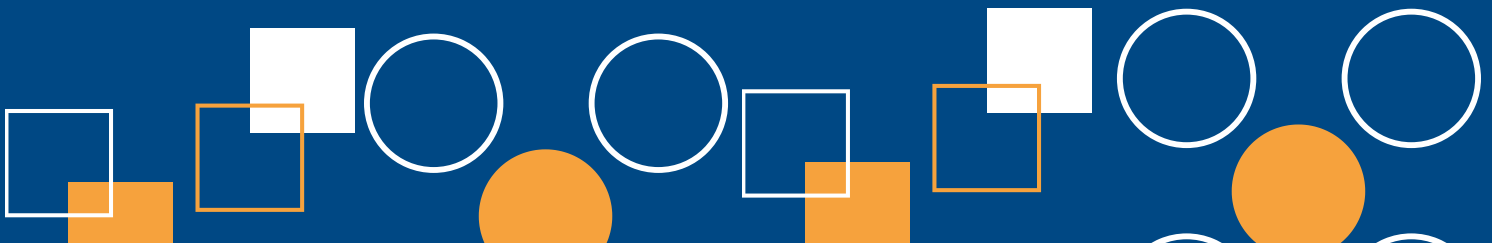
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Rick Williams, 2nd Vice President
Dr. Joan Gregory, 3rd Vice President
Tiffany Matthews, Secretary
Glen Schmiesing, Asst. Secretary
Susan Mitchell, Treasurer

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Warren Howell, Donna Jackson, Faith Morris, Dr. Keeley Powell, Wanda Starr-Hall,
Rob Seward, Stephanie Watts,

Youth Council Leadership:

Mary Williams, President, Tiana Sirmans, Vice President, Veronica Edwards,
Secretary, Dounya Ramadan, Treasurer, Shaniya Lewis, Executive Committee at-
large, Sydney McClean, Political Action Chair & Executive Committee at-large



KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Nicole Mozee advocates for civil liberties, civil rights, and social justice. Committed to equitable change and public interest, she has the distinguished honor of serving as an inaugural faculty member at the newly established Wilmington University School of Law. Before joining the law school, Professor Mozee worked as a Deputy Attorney General for the Delaware Department of Justice Division of Civil Rights and Public Trust. In this role, she investigated and prosecuted civil rights violations, including hate crimes, public official misconduct, law enforcement use-of-force cases, and housing discrimination. As Deputy Attorney General, Professor Mozee successfully prosecuted the Division's first hate crime conviction and the State's first-ever conviction of a sitting elected official.

Prior to the Delaware DOJ, Professor Mozee worked in government and policy, family law, and employment discrimination. Nicole worked as Associate Legal Counsel for Governor John Carney, Staff Attorney at Delaware Volunteer Legal Services, Inc., and a Labor Enforcement Officer for the Delaware Dept. of Labor Office of Anti-Discrimination. She also previously taught undergraduate courses on legal ethics and Constitutional Law.

Professor Mozee is an active member of the Delaware State Bar Association and has held several leadership roles, including serving as Chair of the DSBA's annual Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Breakfast and Day of Service. Additionally, she is actively involved with the Delaware Barristers Association and the American Constitution Society of Delaware. Professor Mozee holds several board positions for non-profit organizations and has authored publications on diversity, equity, and social justice. She serves the community by participating in outreach and advocacy efforts on various issues, including public policy, hate crimes education, fair housing, disability rights, employment discrimination, criminal justice reform, and voting rights. Professor Mozee has been recognized by various local and national organizations for her work, including being honored by the Delaware Business Times as a Top 40 Under 40 Professional in 2019. She is also a Newark NAACP branch member!

Nicole graduated from the University of Delaware (B.A. in Political Science and Spanish Studies) and New York Law School (Juris Doctor).



Nicole Mozee, Esq.
Assistant Professor of Law,
Wilmington University School of
Law



WELCOME TO THE 25TH ANNUAL FREEDOM FUND BANQUET

GREETINGS FROM THE FREEDOM FUND COMMITTEE

Our banquet serves as our primary fundraiser and recognizes the people who have worked to advance the vision and mission of the NAACP. We are honored to have intergenerational recipients who embody the objectives of our association.

This year's theme is "Taking Steps-Thriving Together". We would like to thank every individual and organization for your part in our transition from surviving to thriving. Your support is the wind beneath the wings of our success. We hope you enjoy your evening with us and many more to come.

Warm Regards,

Dr. Dana Farrior

Crystal Hayman Simms

Cynthia Benson

Pamela Johnson

Faith Morris

Leann Moore

Diana DeGannes

Dr. Joan Gregory

Tiffany Matthews

Susan Mitchell

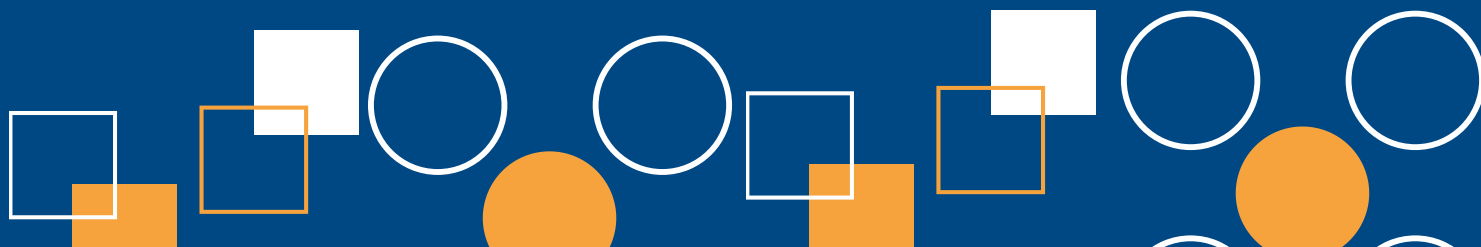
Rick Williams

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**A MESSAGE FROM THE FREEDOM FUND
COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS**

Janet A. Williams-Coger

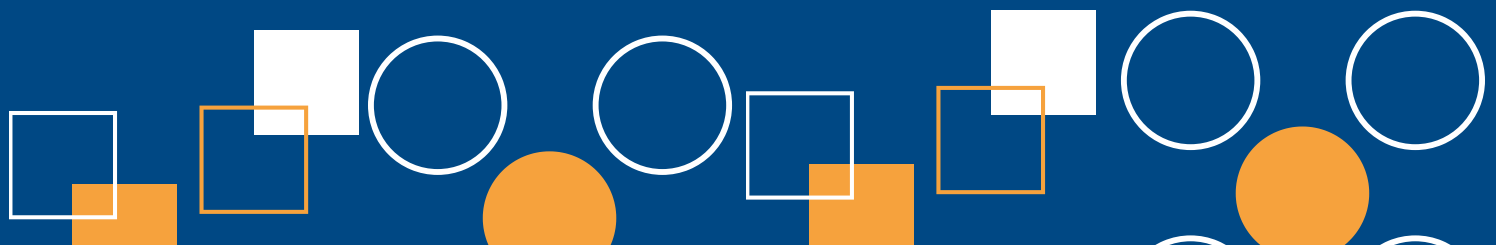
It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to our “Freedom Fund Banquet.” I, along with my Co-Chair, Our Branch President, the Executive Committee, the Freedom Fund Banquet Committee, and the entire NAACP Newark DE Branch, applaud and salute our Keynote Speaker, Awardees, and all of you for your unwavering support.



The Committee planned an engaging, inspiring, entertaining, and informational event.

We hope that you enjoy all that this event has to offer. I look forward to your continued support.

Warm Regards,
Janet A. Williams-Coger
Freedom Fund Committee Co-Chair



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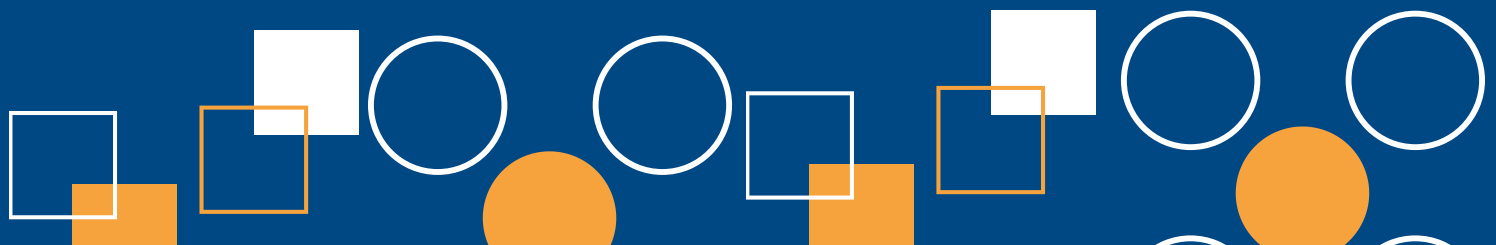
**A MESSAGE FROM THE FREEDOM FUND
COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS**

Donna Jackson

This 25th annual Freedom Fund Banquet is a tribute to all of you. Welcome friends, supporters, sponsors, and branch members. I am thrilled to celebrate with you as we acknowledge our award recipients and the work of the NAACP, both nationally and locally, this past year.

Thank you to the Freedom Fund Committee members and all of you for your continued support as we move this country forward in the fight for equality...Taking Steps and Thriving TOGETHER.
#NewarkStrong

Donna Jackson
Freedom Fund Committee Co-Chair



PREDISENT'S AWARD

NAACP

WINNER: JANET WILLIAMS-COGER

Her mantra: "Service is the rent we pay to live on earth!"

Shirley Chisholm



Janet has represented and served the Delaware community locally, regionally, and nationally for over fifty-plus years. She is a community activist and proud mother of three children, Patrice, Stephen, and Eboni. Janet earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Delaware State University, a Master of Instruction Degree from the University of Delaware, and a Principal's and Supervisor's Certification in Education from Wilmington University. She taught elementary education in the Delaware public school system and at Delaware Technical Community College. Currently, she substitutes for New Castle County Vo-Tech District.

Janet is the first and only African American to own a floral shop on the Wilmington Riverfront. She is the first and only African American to be appointed to the Board of Charitable Gaming Commission by Governor Jack Markell. She served on the Boards

of Delaware State University's National Alumni Association, Delta Outreach and Education Center, Inc., and the New Castle County Jack and Jill of America. A former President of the Delaware Chapter of the National Coalition of 100 Black Women (NCBW). She is an Emeritus member of NCBW-SNJ Chapter. Janet was appointed to the National Coalition of 100 Black Women's National Nominating Committee. Janet is also a member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., where she was elected to the Regional Nominating Committee in 2016.

Janet continues to serve her community, chairing the Newark NAACP's Nominating Committee and Delaware State University New Castle County Alumni Association Nominating Committee for their last two election cycles. She is an active Board member of the African American Heritage Institute and advocates on behalf of black people and people of color unapologetically. For over 12 years, she has attended the NCBW's Legislative Days in Washington, DC, sharing the mission, "advocating on behalf of black women and girls to promote leadership development and gender equity in the areas of health, education, economic empowerment, and social justice." She also meets with Delaware legislators, sharing and advancing an agenda that represents the needs of black women and girls in Delaware.

AWARD DESCRIPTION: An award of the highest esteem. Awarded to a person or persons who have served their community and been recognized locally, regionally, nationally, and internationally. This nominee embraces NAACP's mission to achieve equality, political rights, and social inclusion by advancing policies that expand human and civil rights, eliminate discrimination, and accelerate the well-being, education, and economic security of Black people and all persons of color.

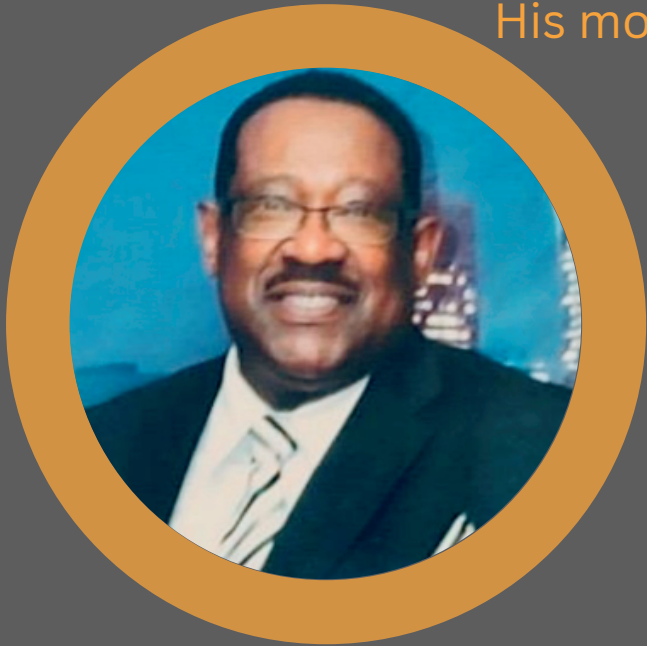


LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT

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WINNER: RICHARD WILLIAMS, SR.

His motto: "Let the work I've done speak for me."



Richard "Ricky" Williams Sr. has been a prominent member of the NAACP since 2006. He is a Lifetime Silver Member and has successfully served the NAACP in many capacities, including founding the M.O.T. branch in Middletown, DE. He currently holds 2nd Vice President and Labor Chairperson positions in the Newark, DE Branch NAACP. In addition, Ricky has served on the Executive Committee, Political Action Committee, Community Coordination Committee, and Freedom Fund Committee and a former State Conference Executive Board member.

In addition to serving the NAACP, Ricky is also a member of the Delaware Coalition of Black Trade Unionists (CBTU). He

currently holds the position of Region 2 Executive Board and serves as the chapter's Vice President. In this capacity, Ricky exemplifies the same passion and leadership skills as in the NAACP for improving the lives of people, particularly those who are disadvantaged or not fairly represented.

As an astute follower of politics and government in the State of Delaware, Ricky has been on the frontlines of some of the most pressing civil rights issues of our time. He has been dedicated to civil rights, social justice, and fighting to uplift the underrepresented. Ricky has led voter registration drives, political campaigns, and programs to help the homeless.

Ricky's family, originally from Vicksburg, Mississippi, relocated to Wilmington, DE, where he was educated in the Wilmington public school system. He is a graduate of P.S. Dupont High School and attended Delaware Technical Community College and the University of Delaware. Ricky was a member of the United Auto Workers Union Local 1183 and worked at the Chrysler Corporation, retiring after 31 years.

He is married to his lovely wife, Armentha (Kay), and they have been blessed with two sons, Richard Jr. (deceased) and Ryan. His has been abundantly influenced by his godparents, the late Al O Plant, Sr., and the late Hazel D. Plant, who both served as State Representatives for the 2nd Representative District.

AWARD DESCRIPTION: Recognizes individuals who have made significant and sustained contributions to their community. These individuals have been active in their community for a significant number of years, impacting the individual lives of others.



JANE & LITTLETON MITCHELL

AWARD WINNER:

LIFE PATH CHURCH OF NEWARK



LifePath Church DE of Newark is a Jesus-centered congregation committed to making communities of disciples that reconnect people to Jesus, to one another, and to God's redemptive work in the world. Part of that mission is a commitment to pursuing racial justice as a church.

In early 2022, our emphasis on racial justice took shape with the formation of the Racial Justice Task Force, which sought opportunities to make racial justice a cornerstone of our identity. Their recommendations, presented to the congregation and the Vision Team in April 2022, were met with unanimous acceptance. These recommendations underscore three fundamental commitments:

encouraging dialogues on race, addressing potential obstacles to productive conversations, and integrating racial equity and justice into every aspect of church life.

LifePath Church's dedication to this journey is reflected in our range of activities, including book studies, adult sessions, community outreach, and the formation of a Racial Justice Compassion Team. We acknowledge the importance of fostering relationships with our immediate community, including the School Hill community and the town of Newark, all within a 5-mile radius of Las Americas Aspira Academy East Campus, where we gather. Our commitment is to be a positive force for change within our community.

For more information about our journey toward racial justice, please visit <https://www.lifepathchurch.org/racialjustice.html>



AWARD DESCRIPTION: Recognizing an integral part of our community with services, programs, and other work that parallels the NAACP's mission and the Newark Branch's goals. The Newark DE Branch NAACP gives tribute to the former long-time members Jane and Littleton Mitchell, who re-activated the Branch in 1992. They taught us the meaning of "shall do, not may do," which emphasizes "doing" the work of the Branch, which is a calling and is not optional.



LEADERSHIP AWARD

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YOUTH WINNER: MARY C. WILLIAMS

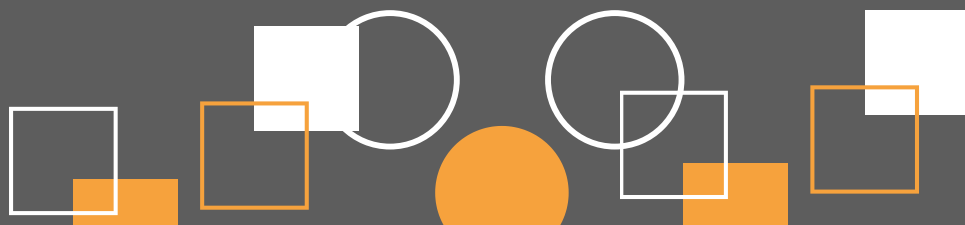


Mary is a senior at Newark High School and President of the Greater Newark Youth Council. Elected in the spring of 2023, Mary jumped right in, helping to fundraise and serving as a delegate to the National NAACP Convention. She is also a member of NHS's Brother and Sisters Student Union (BASSU). She is involved in a multitude of activities, including Math League and Color Guard.

Also, she is a multi-sport athlete in her school's lacrosse, field hockey, and track teams. A musician herself, Mary can play the viola, violin, steel drums, and guitar. She's attended the Governor's School for Excellence for music (viola). She is also Newark High School's Business Professionals of America chapter secretary and placed in the top 5 in the Fundamental Spreadsheet Applications competition. She competed at the national leadership conference 3 years in a row. She is also a part of the newly formed Students Demand Action Delaware Chapter and is passionate about advocating for change. Mary plans to major in Information Systems or Computer Science in college and someday become the owner of a 100% gluten-free restaurant. One of her biggest life goals is to make a positive change in our society, give back to her community, and become an inspiration to Black youth.

Nomination Written By: Susan Mitchell

AWARD DESCRIPTION: Awarded to both an adult and youth, these individuals encompass an individual's ability to lead, influence, or guide other individuals, teams, or entire organizations toward supporting the mission of the NAACP.



LEADERSHIP AWARD ADULT NAACP.

WINNER: DR. FREEMAN L. WILLIAMS



Dr. Williams earned his Bachelor of Science Education degree, Master of Education degree, and Doctor of Educational Leadership degree from the University of Delaware. He was a University of Delaware basketball player from 1971-1973.

Dr. Williams is a former Christina school district superintendent, serving as a teacher, principal, director, assistant superintendent, and interim superintendent. Dr. Williams is also a former principal, acting superintendent, and assistant superintendent for the Appoquinimink school district.

Dr. Williams serves as the president of the Board for Neighborhood House, which provides counseling, early childhood education, and meal services. He is the president of the Newark Chapter of the NAACP and the vice president of the State of Delaware NAACP. Dr. Williams is a member of the University of Delaware Board of Trustees and a board member of the Newark Partnership. He serves on the University of Delaware Dean of Education Advisory Committee and the State of Delaware Pandemic Resurgence Advisory Committee. The Governor has appointed Dr. Williams to the State of Delaware Racial Equity Consortium. He serves on the Patient Advocacy Team for Pfizer Pharmaceutical Company.

Dr. Williams resides in Newark with his wife, Susan. He has three children and three grandchildren.

His favorite part of Newark is the historic African-American community that borders New London Road, and Cleveland Avenue called School Hill. This is the area where he grew up. Dr. Williams serves on the board of the Friends of School Hill.

AWARD DESCRIPTION: Awarded to both an adult and youth, these individuals encompass an individual's ability to lead, influence, or guide other individuals, teams, or entire organizations toward supporting the mission of the NAACP.



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

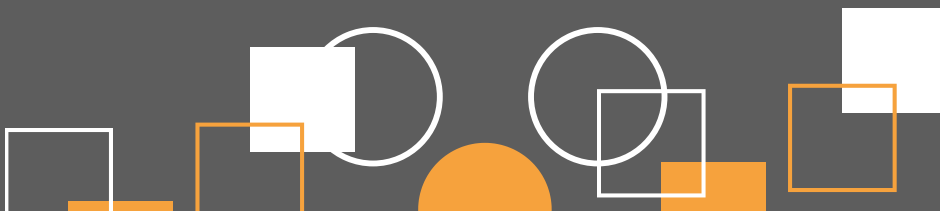
YOUTH WINNER: SYDNEY MCLEAN

Sydney is a remarkable young woman. My experience with her is through her work with Students Demand Action for Gun Safety in America; she has worked to start a statewide chapter of this national group in Delaware. After the shooting at the Christiana Mall in April of 2023, she gathered a group of friends and immediately started lobbying to end gun violence in Delaware. Since then, she has attended hearings in Legislative Hall, testified on behalf of a handgun permitting bill, rallied with Moms Demand Action volunteers, and spoke with the Governor about improving gun safety in schools. She is viewed as a leader by her peers and legislators – multiple state senators and representatives have asked to meet with her because they see her ability to articulate what needs to be done. Sydney also cares deeply about her school community and is the kind of student who jumped in to do so when no one else was planning a Senior Sunrise activity for her class. She is generous with her time and resources; for her 18th birthday, she raised money to give presents to kids in need. I can't think of a better person to receive this award.



Nomination Written By: Mara Gorman

AWARD DESCRIPTION: Recognizes an outstanding adult and youth involved in community service such as boards, commissions, and/or community groups and has demonstrated a sustained commitment to their communities. The winners are community leaders active in local, county, or state government. Through their civic involvement, the winners demonstrate how the quality of life in their community has been enhanced.



HONORARY RECOGNITION

NAACP

MARVA BOND-SMITH



Marva Bond-Smith's deep roots in the Newark area are a testament to her unwavering commitment to community, education, and public service. Not long after she graduated from Delaware State College (now Delaware State University) in the early 1950s, her sense of responsibility and devotion to family led her to purchase the then-model home at 61 Corbit Street in Terry Manor. As a staunch supporter of education and community upliftment, she proudly stands as a founding member of Delaware

University's Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. (graduate chapter). She is also a Phi Delta Kappa teaching sorority member and a long-time member of the Newark NAACP.

Following the desegregation of public schools, Marva pursued a long-term teaching career at Forward Elementary School in the Brandywine School District until her well-earned retirement in 1991. Marva continued to touch the lives of young minds as a substitute teacher at Caravel Academy, retiring for a second time following her mother's passing.

Sister Smith has been a member of the historic St John AM Church for over six decades, serving as the church clerk, welcoming every congregant with her infectious smile since 1969. Since 1975, Marva has been an esteemed member of the Elizabeth Boulden Temple #269 Order of Elks, now revered as a lifelong Daughter. The tapestry of Marva Bond-Smith's life is one of service, education, and unwavering devotion to the community.

In addition to her teaching and community service, she has been an integral part of the democratic process, assisting with elections through the Department of Elections for over three decades, serving as a clerk, minority judge, and majority judge to handling inspections. Her unwavering dedication to upholding the integrity of the electoral process continued steadfastly until her health necessitated a step back. Marva's multifaceted contributions to her community, from education to civic duties, underscore her enduring legacy of service and commitment to the betterment of society.

**“Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.
They shall still bring forth fruit in old age; they shall be fat and flourishing.”**

Psalms 92:13-14

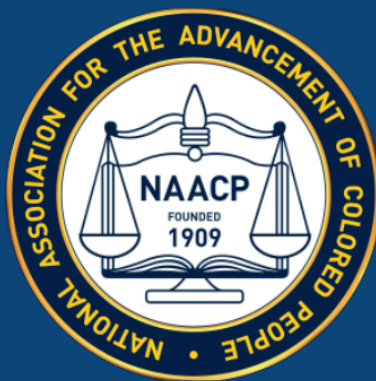
AWARD DESCRIPTION: Awarded to an individual or organization that displays consistent and unwavering support of the Newark NAACP branch and/or the greater Newark Community.



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Rep. Sophie Phillips
RD 18



Rep. Paul Baumbach
RD 23



Rep. Ed Osienki
RD 24



Rep. Cyndie Romer
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Rep. Madinah Wilson-Anton
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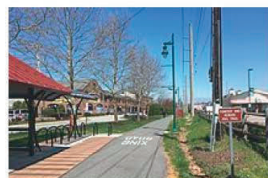
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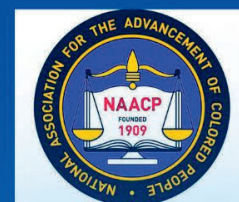
It was an honor to serve as your
Assistant Treasurer, and I hope to bring
the values of Branch 2355 to Dover!

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Congratulations

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A. Philip Randolph Institute
Delaware Chapter congratulates the
NAACP - Newark Chapter on its 2023
Freedom Fund Banquet. We also
congratulate Janet Williams-Coger on
her lifetime of service to our
community.

Dr. Nakishia Williams Bailey - President
Wilson Williams, Jr. - President Emeritus

*Congratulations
Richard Williams, Sr.*

*on receiving the
Newark DE Branch NAACP
Lifetime Achievement Award.*

*We are so Proud of you
and all your
Accomplishments.*

*Your Loving Family,
Your Wife Kay, Your Son Ryan,
and Your Angel Richard, Jr.*



CONGRATULATIONS

Mary C. Williams

**NAACP Freedom Fund
Leadership Award Recipient**

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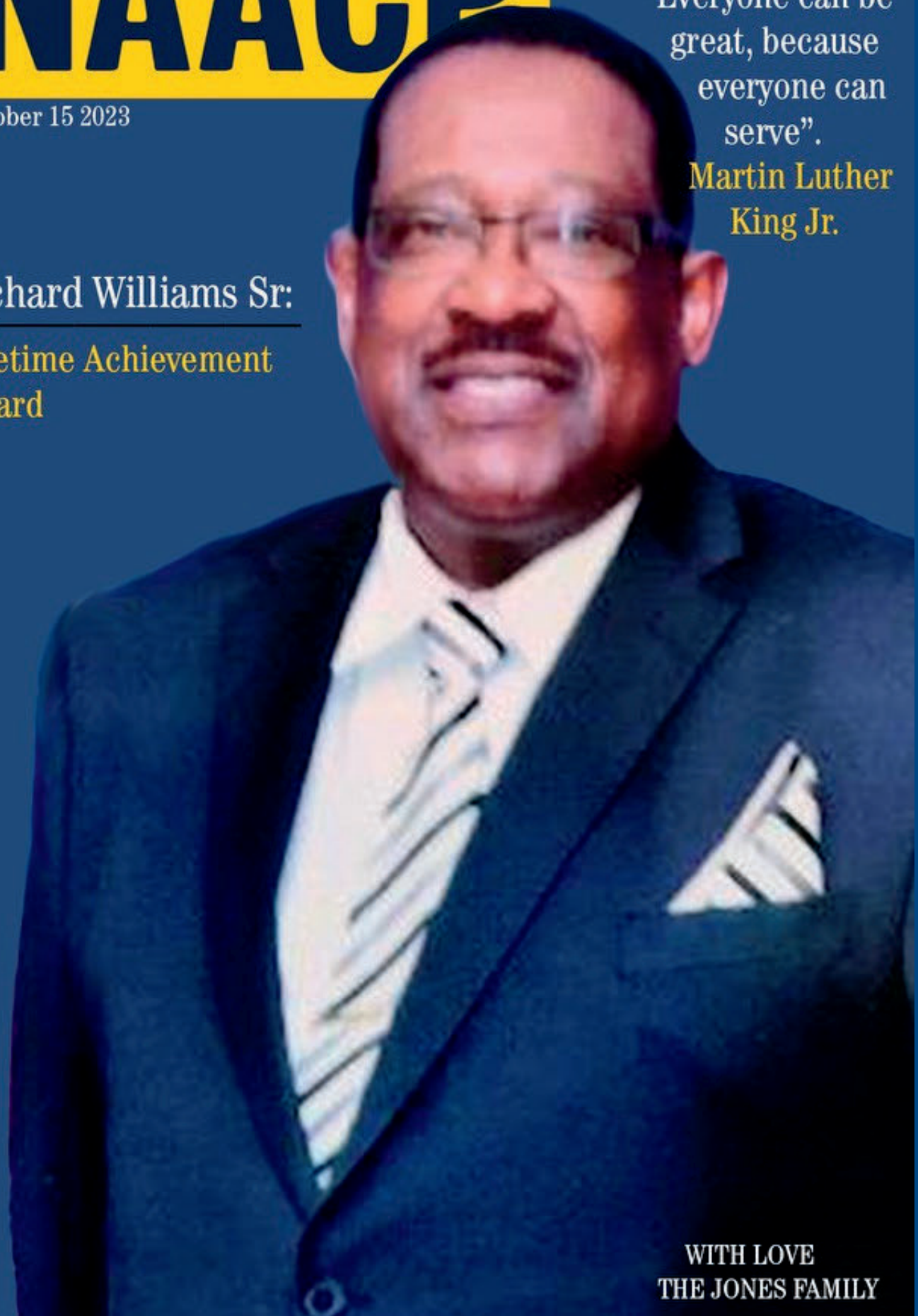
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“Everyone can be great, because everyone can serve”.

Martin Luther King Jr.

Richard Williams Sr:

Lifetime Achievement Award



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Congratulations

Sister

Janet Williams-Coger

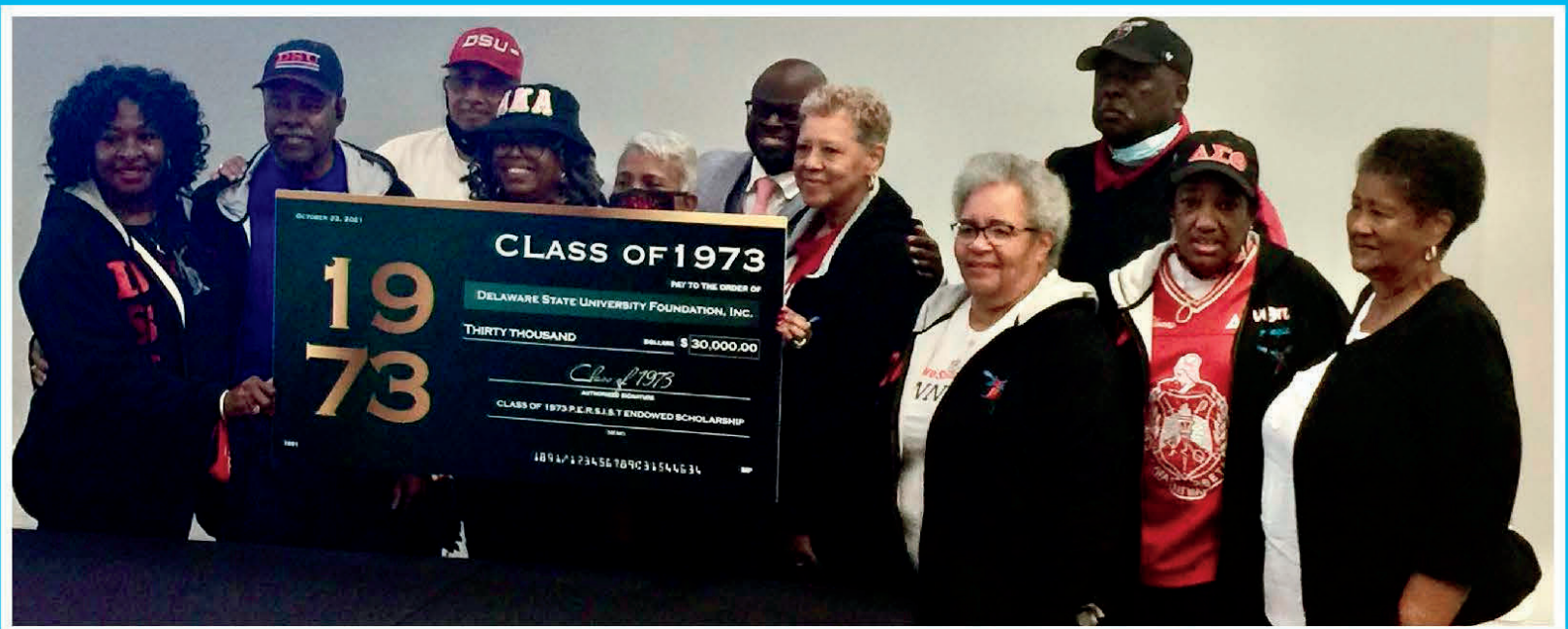
As a recipient of the
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Marguerite K. Hall, Ed.D, President
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Christine Prosser, 3rd VP Membership and Chapter Development
Andrea Harper, Treasurer
Directors: Dr. Carla Clements, Aisha King and Janet Williams-Coger

The Delaware State University Class of 1973 Congratulates

Ms. Janet Williams-Coger
**The Chairperson of the D.S.U. Golden Anniversary
Reunion Committee on being the recipient of the
Newark, Delaware NAACP President's Award.**
**Janet under your leadership, you brought to fruition
our vision of how to effectively raise money,
and award scholarships to worthy students.**
**Thank you for your dedication and service to our
beloved Alma Mater.**



Newark NAACP

*Best Wishes on another year of your annual
Freedom Fund Banquet.*

Taking steps: Thriving together

*The rung of a ladder was never meant to rest upon,
but only to hold a man's foot long enough to enable
him to put the other foot higher.*

Keep taking steps and thriving together.

*Overseer Blaine Hackett
St. John Church Family*

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Wishing the Newark, DE NAACP a wonderful 2023 Freedom Fund Banquet “Taking Steps: Thriving Together” and sending a heartfelt congratulations to the 2023 Award Winners:

Janet Williams-Coger, Dr. Freeman Williams, Life Path Church of Newark, Richard Williams, Sr., Mary C. Williams, Sydney McClean, Marv Bond-Smith

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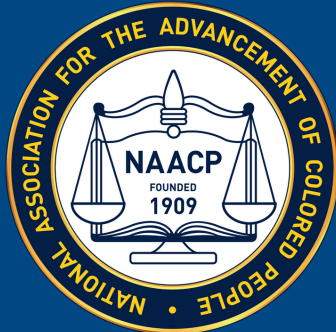
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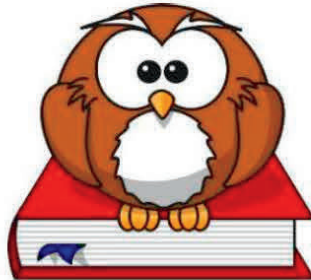
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Greetings to all attendees and congratulations to the distinguished 2023 Award Winners! It is with immense joy and pride that I, Karen Hartley-Nagle, extend my heartfelt gratitude to the Newark Branch NAACP for organizing this inspiring event, and for their unwavering commitment to championing civil rights, fostering harmonious community relationships, and cultivating an environment where everyone has the opportunity to thrive.

Congratulations to the 2023 Award Winners!

Your extraordinary contributions and tireless efforts have lit the path toward justice, equality, and unity. Your achievements are a testament to the strength and resilience of our community and serve as an inspiration for us all to continue striving for a brighter, more inclusive future.

As President of the New Castle County Council and a Candidate for County Executive, I am passionate about fostering collaboration and unity within our diverse community. My mission is to ensure that every voice is heard, every concern is addressed, and every resident has the opportunity to reach their fullest potential. Together, we can build a New Castle County that is a beacon of hope, progress, and inclusivity.

Thank you, Newark Branch NAACP, for your exceptional achievements and relentless pursuit of a just and equitable society. Your dedication to empowering individuals and advocating for civil rights is invaluable, and it is an honor to stand with you in Taking Steps and Thriving Together.

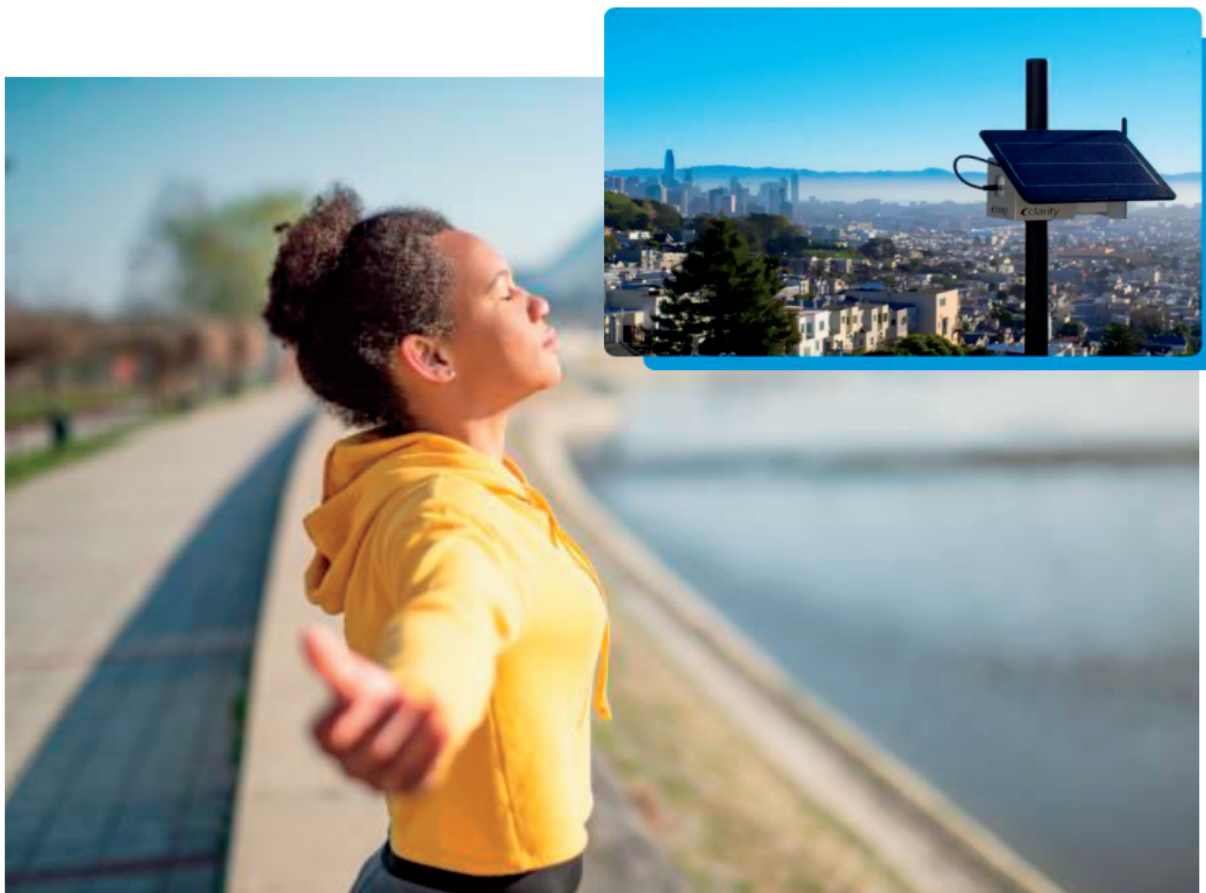
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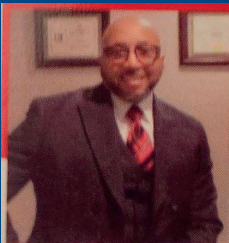
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Janet, you have brilliantly blazed an outstanding trail of exemplary achievements. Your dedication and impactful service in the Delaware community are honorable, noteworthy, and legendary. Continue to soar, my friend.

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