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Happy Father's Day

As we approach Father's Day, we want to take the time to celebrate and express gratitude to fathers and father figures. These special individuals play a vital role in shaping families and communities; their love, guidance and support mean a great deal in the upbringing of little girls and boys. A father is more than just a man, he is a mentor, confidant, and protector to many.

This Father's Day and every day, we encourage you to let the dads in your life know how much they are appreciated. Whether giving them a meaningful gift or just spending the day together, take the time to show them they are valued and loved.

BPRW wishes all fathers and father figures a happy and joy-filled Father's Day!

Happy Juneteenth

June 19th honors Juneteenth, a momentous occasion in American history. On this day, 159 years ago, two and a half years after President Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation, Union General Gordon Granger arrived in Galveston, Texas, to proclaim the freedom of all enslaved people in the state.



Juneteenth is not only a celebration of the end of slavery but also a recognition of the long and challenging journey toward true freedom and equality. Communities across the country come together to mark this important milestone with festivals, parades, and exciting cultural events.



Celebrating Caribbean-American Heritage Month



June is **Caribbean-American Heritage Month**. During this time, we celebrate Caribbean Americans' achievements and contributions to the United States and promote the Caribbean's vibrant culture and rich cuisine.

The Caribbean has a multicultural heritage and a diverse, colorful, and vibrant culture, with languages

varying from English to Spanish, French, and Creole.

Caribbean Americans have left an indelible mark on the cultural landscape in the United States. Icons like Vice President Kamala Harris, music sensation Rihanna, and Emmy-winning actress Sheryl Lee Ralph stand as a testament to their immense influence.



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Power Profiler: Ryan R. Hawkins, President & CEO - Jessie Trice Community Health System, Inc.



Ryan R. Hawkins is the newly appointed *President and Chief Executive Officer* at **Jessie Trice Community Health System, Inc.** (JTCHS).

Born and raised in Miami, Florida, Mr. Hawkins holds a bachelor's degree in social work from **Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University**, where he pledged Phi Beta Sigma. He also earned a Master of Business Administration from the **University of Miami** and a Master's degree in Social Work and Public Administration from **Florida State University**.

With over 16 years of distinguished service in healthcare administration and government leadership, Mr. Hawkins

spent the last eight years as an executive with **Jackson Health System**, serving two years as the Chief of Staff to the Chief Operating Officer and the last six as the Chief Operating Officer of **Jackson North Medical Center**. In that role, he was the executive sponsor of the \$130 million hospital renovation project. This modernization effort transformed the facility and significantly increased patient volume and patient satisfaction scores. Mr. Hawkins' extensive level of experience, coupled with his years of leadership in the Miami-Dade County Commission, Florida Senate and community advocacy, have prepared him to lead JTCHS to a new realm at this critical time in our community.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JUNE 2024

This section is designed to keep you in the know and on the go. Check out some of the latest happenings in Black communities throughout the country this month.

<p>26 - 4 BARBADOS GOSPELFEST</p>	<p>31 - 9 BROOKLYN FILM FESTIVAL</p>	<p>1 3RD ANNUAL BLACK WALL STREET BLACK BUSINESS EXPO</p>	<p>2 DEBBIE ALLEN DANCE ACADEMY FREE COMMUNITY BLOCK</p>	<p>4 BLACK HEALTH SUMMIT</p>
<p>6 - 9 CHICAGO BLUES FESTIVAL</p>	<p>7 - 9 CAPITAL JAZZ FEST</p>	<p>8 CHARLOTTE AFRICAN AMERICAN BOOK FESTIVAL</p>	<p>12 - 16 AMERICAN BLACK FILM FESTIVAL</p>	<p>13 UNIVERSOUL CIRCUS</p>

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