

The Academy for Leadership and Transformation
presents

The Urban Family Conference

November 18th

HIGHLIGHTS



The Urban Family Conference is a conference with a series of keynote addresses, seminars and interactive workshops, sharing successful models of Urban Family life. Today, our families are faced with unlimited stresses from finances, education, and negative media images. This conference will bring together people who are making a difference and provide proven techniques and tools to assist families in living a more rewarding and productive life in these challenging times.

Call it a clan, call it a network, call it a tribe, call it a family. Whatever you call it, whoever you are, you need one.

-Jane Howard

The **Seattle Fire Department** was in full support and we say **Thank You !** A Big Thank You to **Skip Young** for working very hard to get a **Proclamation from the City of Seattle Mayor Nickels** on behalf of **ALT! Winner of the Mildred German Leadership Award** was well deserved **Chris Bennett** publisher of the Seattle Medium News & KRIZ Radio station. **DeCharlene Williams** received the **Legacy Award** as it was an honor long over due for a woman of notable talents, commitment and vision. Grandparents, parents, educators & children make the world sweeter!

Dorothy Green delivered a memorable opening and reminded everyone why we were here. Her words were needed in such stressful times our families are living.

T.J.Vassar Conference Moderator was full of laughter and fun as he eloquently lead the morning with the grace and style that brings to mind why he was on the Seattle School Board for many years. The introductions he had each person present really made us all feel like family that was willing to come together to heal. His presentation of the keynote speaker **Robert Manaway**, shared the talents and dedication of this community leader. Youth Moderator, **Ericka Ward** spoke on the history of her family and the role her step father James Varnado and her mother Benita has played in shaping her life. She is a wonderful example of a young lady who has a vision, a focus and a support team. The performance by **Hip Hop Higher Ground** received a standing ovation as it was our children today, expressing the need to be independent yet realizing they Can Do All Things Through lifting their Minds into a Higher Consciousness. **Lucille Carter Perry**, a member of the LINKS, mother and more was our stylish and beautiful roundtable moderator. She held the interest of both the panel and attendees, allowing each person an opportunity to share. Workshops that were presented:

De-Traumatizing Urban Youth
Math & Science Made Simple
Partnering For Our Children
Affirmative Action 4 Life

Let's Talk-Senior Life Discussion
Foster Family Transitions
Intentionality -For Schools
Healthy Marriage/Fatherhood

Reclaiming the Black Male Image
Hip-Hop Culture and the Family
Celebrating Women

Cheryl Honey, Masterweaver shared valuable info regarding www.communityweaving.org

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