

Session Listings by Track

All sessions and events are at the Walter E. Washington Convention Center (WCC) unless otherwise indicated

Civic Engagement/Civil Rights/Judicial

The Black Vote: An Underused Instrument of Power

Honorary Host(s): Del. Eleanor Holmes Norton

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 140-B

In this election year, the 'black vote' is essential to maintain and obtain Democratic seats.

CBCF ALUMNI SERIES

Ready. Set. Engage!

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 145-B

This panel will explore different forms of civic activism. Beyond the electoral process and fighting for racial equity, how do everyday Americans steer clear of barriers that stall the American dream? Elected officials, nonprofit executives, and proven effective community organizers will give session participants the tools they need to get organized, get heard, and get results. Moderated by David Johns, CBCF Congressional Fellow, Class of 2007.

INDEPENDENT FILM SERIES SCREENING

Criminal Justice Reform: A Film Screening of "The Farm: 10 Down" & "Justice For All"

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 146-C

This screening will feature two films that raise awareness of the correctional system and its impact on American society, followed by a panel discussion with film producers and experts. Directed and produced by Mara Batlin, "The Farm 10 Down" is a sequel documentary to "The Farm," in which four men from the Louisiana State Penitentiary are followed through their stay at one of America's most infamous penal institutions and through their pursuit for life meaning and hope. "Justice For All" is a documentary, directed and produced by Sherry Dorsey, which examines the juvenile justice system. The film features Stacey Gurian-Sherman, Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee of Texas, Caron Butler, Don Manning, as well as the juveniles and their families, who are directly affected by this system.

BET News Presents Live! With Ed Gordon

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Room 202-AB

BET welcomes back celebrated and award winning journalist Ed Gordon and introduces an exciting new weekly talk show that will take on the headlines of the day. The program will make its debut this fall on BET.

This exciting new program will feature one-on-one interview segments plus a lively and provocative weekly round table that will engage America's best thinkers, writers, politicians, athletes, entertainers, business leaders, and other newsmakers. On this show, if you're talking about it, we're talking about it! No issues or topics are out of bounds. From the famous to the infamous, from the celebrated to the controversial--this will be the show that will inevitably lead to water cooler conversation the next day. From policies and politics to headline making pop culture and sports stories it will all be discussed here!

During the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Annual Legislative Conference, BET Networks' Ed Gordon will offer attendees a preview of what is to come and share a live version of the exciting program that will be a sure success when it hits the airwaves. For this special ALC debut, Ed will engage a panel that includes a member of the Congressional Black Caucus, an entertainer, and a pundit. In a 30-45 minute discussion nothing will be off limits in what is sure to be an entertaining and thought provoking discourse.

JUDICIARY BRAINTRUST

Advancing the Civil Rights Agenda

Honorary Host(s): Rep. John Conyers, Jr.

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 145-B

9:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M. Criminal Justice Reform: The Continuing Challenges to Equality

This panel will explore racial disparities in the criminal justice system, ranging from racial profiling to ex-felon voter disenfranchisement, and the current legislative proposals designed to reform discriminatory practices.

11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. Marching Toward Justice: The Centrality of the 14th Amendment

Presented in partnership with the U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Damon J. Keith, this Braintrust will explore the centrality of the 14th Amendment and our nation's ongoing quest to realize the high ideals of the Declaration of Independence.

1:00 P.M. – 3:00 P.M. HBCU's Today: High Stakes in Higher Education

This Braintrust will explore recent developments in higher education that impact the operations of Historically Black Colleges and Universities, with a focus on enforcement of Title VI as it pertains to inequities in funding and resources.

3:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M. H.R. 40: Creating a Dialogue on the Legacy of Slavery

This panel will bring together commentators from a variety of positions to explore strategies for broadening the debate on reparations in an increasingly "post-racial" society.

Real Gang Prevention: The Youth PROMISE Act

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Robert C. "Bobby" Scott

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Room 140-B

This forum will focus on successful implementations of evidence based, youth violence prevention strategies across the country. These strategies can be school based and measure success in educational metrics, community based with success measured in reduced crime, or a hybrid of the two. These strategies serve as examples of approaches that could be funded at the federal level with the passage of H.R. 1064, the Youth Prison Reduction through Opportunities, Mentoring, Intervention, Support, and Education Act (the Youth PROMISE Act).

Is the New Right Wrong for People of Color?

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Al Green

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 143-B

The emergence of the Taxed Enough Already movement, also known as the Tea party movement, has significantly altered today's political landscape. With its Contract From America, this grassroots movement seeks to move America towards a new right. But what exactly does this new right mean for Americans of color? In this forum, we will discuss the rise of the Tea Party Movement in the age of Obama and how its policies impact communities of color. Topics will include: health care, immigration, government spending and state's rights.

In It To Win It: GOTV (Get Out The Vote)

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Jesse L. Jackson, Jr.

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 143-C

If you want to run for office, or help someone else run – and win – don't miss this detailed look at one of the most critical aspects of a successful campaign: GOTV. Bring your campaign questions, challenges and materials for this in-depth session featuring Representative Jackson and a panel of experts

Comprehensive Immigration Reform: Bridging the Gap between African Americans and Immigrants of the African Diaspora

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Yvette D. Clarke

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 144-A

Immigration is not just a state issue, nor does it only affect one group of people. This discussion will examine the relationship between African Americans and immigrants in the African Diaspora within the debate on Comprehensive Immigration Reform (CIR). The African-American community needs to join the already vocal immigrant community of the African Diaspora in the fight for the CIR.

THE HONORABLE A. LEON HIGGINBOTTAM, JR. MEMORIAL VOTINGS RIGHTS BRAINTRUST

Get Ready to Fight - 2011 Redistricting

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Melvin L. Watt

Friday, September 17, 2010

3:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 147-A

This Braintrust will focus on strategies for completing the 2010 census with the most accurate count possible and strategies for preparing for the expected redistricting fights in 2011.

Shut Out: Evaluating Madison Avenue for Disparity in Advertising, Media and Creative Services

Honorary Host(s):

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 143-C

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

Roundtable with Young Elected Officials, Policy Professionals and the Obama Administration

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 144-BC

Emerging Leaders will have the opportunity to engage in a candid and informative dialogue with young professionals of color who are making significant contributions in politics and policy making. Panelists will provide sage advice and practical tools that attendees can use to become more engaged in the policy making process and for successfully building and sustaining careers in public policy or public office.

Ex-Offenders Forum: "Upward Economic Mobility, The Intersecting of Policy and Opportunity"

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Danny K. Davis

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Room 146-B

This two-part forum will weigh and examine opportunities to improve the efficacy of existing DOJ, DOL, HUD and HHS federal programs in providing returning parents much needed assistance and federal upward economic mobility programs vital to reconnecting with their families and ensuring the well-being of our children, community and nation's future.

Community Outreach & Reinvestment

CBCF HILL DAY – 2ND ANNUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL Pathways Out of Poverty Summit: A Focus on Race, Politics & Policy

Honorary Host(s):

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

9:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Capitol Visitor Center, Capitol Hill - Auditorium

100 Constitution Avenue, NE, Washington, DC 20002

For detailed information on Hill Day events, please visit the CBCF website at www.cbcfinc.org.

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES Hope From Ground Zero: Resilience and Renewal in the Gulf

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Room 207-A

Five years after the devastation of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, efforts to rebuild the Gulf Coast region persist. Many area residents struggle to recover with limited personal resources and public support, while others have been permanently displaced. More recently, the challenges facing the region have been compounded by the disastrous oil spill, which has further disrupted local economies and livelihoods.

In Port-au-Prince, Haiti, the footprints of that nation's catastrophic earthquake are still all too real. With over one million people homeless, clean-up efforts are progressing slowly and what was an already-fragile economy and social infrastructure now lay in shambles. Nonetheless, numerous individuals, community organizations and large non-profits in the Gulf and Port-au-Prince areas have worked together to address collective needs and to advocate for more effective and equitable policies. What policy changes are needed in the Gulf region to promote sustainable community and business development, quality education and health care and environmental justice for all residents? How can the U.S. and other countries effectively support the progressive reconstruction of Haiti? How do these recommendations inform a social and economic agenda to redress and prevent poverty, particularly among black populations? This session will address these issues as well as highlight the work of individual and organizational heroes to rebuild and renew the Gulf Region and Haiti.

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES Lasting Advantage: Why Reading by the Third Grade Matters

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

CBC Spouses Present Community Breakfast and Health Fair

Honorary Host(s): CBC Spouses

Thursday, September 16, 2010

7:00 A.M. - 10:30 A.M.

So Others Might Eat (S.O.M.E.)

71 "O" Street, NW, Washington, DC 20001

Each year, the CBC Spouses and CBC Members join together to serve breakfast and provide clothing, toiletries, health screenings and health fair resources to more than 400 homeless individuals from the Washington, DC area. This program is an essential initiative that raises community awareness on ways to combat the immediate and ongoing needs of homeless individuals.

Exhibit Showcase Grand Opening Breakfast (IO)

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday September 16, 2010

8:00 A.M. - 9:00 A.M.

HALL E

Don't miss the grand opening as we open one of the premier Exhibit Showcases in the African-American community. Conference attendees will have continental breakfast and the exclusive opportunity to network with African-American professionals from across the country. The Hall includes a job fair with on-site interviews, book signings by prominent authors, free health screenings, a Marketplace, product demos and much more. Don't miss this opportunity to interact with more than 200 exhibiting companies. This event is open to paid registrants only.

Exhibit Showcase

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

8:00 A.M. - 6:00 P.M.

HALL E

All industries are represented in the Exhibit Showcase designed to highlight products and services of interest to African Americans. The Hall includes a job fair with on-site interviews, book signings by prominent authors, free health screenings, a Marketplace, product demos and much more.

A Call to Action: Celebrating the Importance of Fatherhood

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Henry C. "Hank" Johnson

Thursday, September 16, 2010

11:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Room 146-A

Over the past year, we have noted the pending legislative action on Fatherhood and the President's efforts through his Fatherhood and Mentoring Initiative pledge program. In light of this, this event will focus on celebrating the positive aspects of fatherhood. We look to bring in 250 fathers from DC and surrounding areas and provide information and resources that can bring positive results. The intent will be to hear the fathers and build a bridge to supporting partnership relationships in the communities focused on the importance of fatherhood. This will be a call to action for our and the community's involvement in this critical area.

CBC Black Elected Officials Roundtable

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Room 146-B

RSVP Required to black.caucus.updates@gmail.com

Although there are many opportunities provided by the federal government, we know that partnership with Black elected officials at all levels of government is essential to ensuring that our communities are protected and empowered by government resources. This meeting will highlight and explore opportunities to create Opportunities for All Pathways Out of Poverty across all levels of government and strengthen the pipeline of Black Elected Officials. **Participation will be limited to elected officials. RSVP by September 1, 2010 was required.**

Powerful Women, Powerful Legacies

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Diane E. Watson

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:30 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 140-A

Part 1 – The panel will highlight the significant contributions of the late Dr. Dorothy Height, Former Chair, National Council of Negro Women, Dr. C. Delores Tucker, former President, National Congress of Black Women, The Hon. Shirley Chisholm, First African American Woman to Run for President of the United States, Rosa Parks, Civil Rights Legend and Legendary Actress, Lena Horne.

Part 2 – This portion focuses on the “New Generation of Women in Leadership in the African Diaspora”. This panel will highlight women who are doing exceptional work and preparing to handle the mantle of Leadership in many different areas in civic, government and business areas.

African American Blog and Bloggers: The New Voice on the Street

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Bobby Rush

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 143-A

I will convene a panel with expertise and experience in designing and formatting blogs, conducting marketing and advertising research, gathering news and opinions from credible sources, and indexing future trends impacting the sustainability and proliferation of blogs online and across wireless communications platforms. The panel will consist of African American bloggers, web site technologists, advertisers, as well as representatives from majority population periodicals and blogs.

TRANSPORTATION BRAINTRUST

Shifting into Drive: Opportunities for Diversity with the New Surface Transportation Assistance Act

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Elijah E. Cummings

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 147-A

An effective and efficient transportation network is essential to the vitality of our country as it provides Americans unparalleled levels of mobility and access to thousands of jobs. This session explores improvements in the new Surface Transportation Assistance Act (STAA) and examines the connection between workforce development and the capacity of the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise program to be a vehicle to a sustainable workforce.

CBC Spouses Essay Contest Issue Forum: A Healthy Change: How America's Youth Can Grow into a Healthier Tomorrow

Honorary Host(s): CBC Spouses

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 147-B

Black Women's Roundtable

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Now is the Time: The National Jazz Preservation and Education Initiative

Honorary Host(s): Rep. John Conyers, Jr.

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 5:50 P.M.

Room 140-B

In 1987 Representative John Conyers, Jr. introduced and led the passage of House Concurrent Resolution 57, which declared jazz to be "a rare and valuable national American Treasure." This year's Jazz Issue Forum will consider and seek input on a new legislative initiative, The National Jazz Preservation and Education Act. While H. Con. Res. 57 has inspired many positive developments over nearly three decades, it is time for new legislation that will direct substantial resources to ensure the integrity of jazz preservation efforts and Jazz's future course of development for generation to come.

Bridging the Gap: An Inter-Generational Gathering of Women

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 144-BC

Surgeon General, CEO of Xerox, United States Congresswoman, Anchor of Good Morning America—all of these represent positions of service and positions of power that trailblazing, strong and accomplished black women currently hold. How did these women reach these heights? Often when recounting their "her-stories," these women attribute their success to encouragement by another woman. It becomes evident then, that women don't become great without standing on the shoulders of even greater women. As we continue to reach new plateaus, it is increasingly important that women of all ages engage with each other and strengthen inter-generational relationships.

More seasoned and experienced women are in the position to mentor younger women to aid in the development of the next generation of leadership. However, in these ever-changing times, younger women have something to offer as well. Social networking and technological advancements may be second nature to younger women, and it is this level of comfort and ability that they can offer to those women not born in the digital era. It is with this in mind that the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation and the Women of the Congressional Black Caucus seek to reconvene an inter-generational gathering of women, evoking the spirit of Sojourner Truth, one of service and sisterhood.

Community Rebirth: Reality, Responsibility and Rising

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 201

This session will take a look at what Black America must do to better the road to safety, security and stability. We will look at what individuals must do to play a part in the recovery and growth of the black community. From education, employment, parenting and social status Black America is lagging behind in a more competitive world. Join a frank discussion on what everyone must do to get Black America back on track.

JUMMAH PRAYER SERVICE

Honorary Host(s):

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 141

Muslim prayer service.

Image of Blacks in America: Is It Our Image or Theirs?

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Laura Richardson

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 144-BC

For more than a century, African Americans, even after the election of the first African-American President, still struggle to create our own image and not to fall victim to the age old characteristics that have defined our professions, education, beauty and quality of life. Don't miss this year's talk show style session. It promises to be more explosive, more informative, more fun and more exciting than ever! Previous panelists have been Sheryl Lee Ralph, Dr. Robin Smith and special guest Kym Whitley.

Diversity in the US Military

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Kendrick B. Meek

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 147-B

This distinguished panel of men and women of our Armed Services will speak upon the importance of diversity in the military, and how it can have a positive influence in the African-American community. They will discuss their experiences serving, and what they are currently doing to provide opportunities for the promotion and advancement of minority members of the Armed Forces, including minority members who are senior offices.

YOUNG, GIFTED AND BLACK BRAINTRUST

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Maxine Waters

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 201

Our Girls - Our Promise: Be a Part of the Solution

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Elijah E. Cummings

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 207-A

Girls are in a state of flux; having to balance the messages of the media, faith, education, peers and a host of challenges that often leave them feeling overwhelmed and too often landing them in places that are easier to enter than to exit. This panel will share strategies for navigating girls to womanhood utilizing some of the most sought after and visible advocates from media, education, faith-based entities and entertainment as well as health and human services. Explore ways in which your organization can be a "part of the solution" while dialoguing with women who are dedicated to empowering girls and women.

ECONOMIC BRAINTRUST

Navigating Through the Federal Recruitment Process and Marketing Yourself When Seeking a Federal Career

Honorary Host(s): Rep. John Lewis

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 145-A

This forum is designed to assist individuals interested in a career with the federal government by facilitating dialogue and networking for job seekers to help them understand the federal government's recruitment process. It will also provide essential hiring strategies for job seekers so that they will know how to market themselves and be competitive for federal career opportunities. Participants will receive information on the recruitment process including tips on "how to apply" from human resource experts in the federal sector.

The Impact of Hip Hop on American Politics

Honorary Host(s): Rep. André Carson

INDEPENDENT FILM SERIES SCREENING

Devastation and Recovery: A Film Screening of "Delmas 54," "Coming Home" & "Cold April"

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 146-C

This screening will feature three films that emphasize the courage and resiliency of individuals who have been devastated by natural disaster and war, and their path to recovery, followed by a panel discussion with film producers and experts. Michele Stevenson captures Haiti after the devastation of the earthquake, within the film "Delmas 54." Also directed by Michele Stevenson, "Coming Home" documents the determination of New Orleans public housing residents who have been displaced by Hurricane Katrina and their struggle to return home. The film features Sam Jackson, community leader, and other public housing residents as they become activists for their own basic human rights. "Cold April" is a documentary that exposes the devastation experienced by Rwanda, specifically seven Hutu and Tutsi students from St. Maria Goretti School for Girls, during the 1994 Rwandan Civil War. Director and producer, Mike Smith Rivera, exposed the significant need for a strong sisterhood bond when traveling the road of recovery.

Breaking Down Barriers: Creating a Progressive Black Agenda for the 21st Century

Honorary Host(s):

Friday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 209-C

Every progressive social justice issue facing our nation - economic security, LGBT equal rights, access to health care, the environment, education - requires the best ideas, strategies, vision and leadership that the African American community has to offer, and our history has made it so that we are up to the challenge. As we develop a civil and human rights agenda for the 21st Century, we must breakdown the artificial issue barriers adopted by the mainstream progressive movement and focus on creating a coordinated African American social justice movement that responds to the complex impact these issues have on our communities.

Please join us for an interactive dialogue focused on building an African American social justice movement for the 21st Century. Panelists will include black leaders from the social justice, government and philanthropic sectors.

Rescuing our Youth from Chaos and Carnage: Effective Strategies to Address Youth Violence

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Bobby L. Rush

Friday, September 17, 2010

3:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 207-B

As a follow up to last year's forum, we will convene a panel of various stakeholders to share information on programs, resources, and best practices available for communities dealing with youth violence. The panel will consist of stakeholders representing community-based organizations, federal agencies, (including the U. S. Department of Justice), academia, celebrity activists, and a student representative.

Audience members will receive a ten-point strategy for addressing youth violence when they return to their communities.

The Reel Deal: Creating Meaningful Opportunities for African Americans and Africans in the Film and Television Industry

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Donald M. Payne

Friday, September 17, 2010

3:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 209-A

This session focuses on the production documentaries that accurately depict the role and contributions of African Americans and Africans using the New Jersey Amistad curriculum. We will also examine strategies for creating meaningful opportunities for African-American and Africans in the film and television industry.

CBCF Chair's Reception

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

5:00 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

Ballroom C

Join us as we acknowledge the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's Board of Director's Chair. Conference attendees will have the opportunity to celebrate the leadership of Chairman Donald M. Payne. This event is open to paid registrants. Invitation must be presented for admittance.

CBC Faith Leaders Roundtable

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 206

The faith community plays a fundamental role in the protection and empowerment of our neediest communities. This meeting will serve as an opportunity to strengthen connections between political figures and faith based advocates, discuss faith based initiatives, and CBC member priorities, such as the Opportunities for All Pathways Out of Poverty agenda. Participation is limited to faith based communities. **RSVP is required to attend.**

Living the Legacy: A True Tribute to Dorothy Height

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 146-A

To celebrate the life of the dynamic Dr. Dorothy Height means more than simply remembering the ways in which she touched the world. To truly celebrate her life, we must carry on her life's work and her dream for equality. This session will focus on identifying strategies for living Dr. Height's legacy through service, civic engagement and activism.

INDEPENDENT FILM SERIES SCREENING

DC Unmasked: A Film Screening of "The Other City"

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Room 146-C

This screening will feature two films that depict the inner city struggles of the nation's capital and its residents, followed by a panel discussion with film producers and participants. "The Other City" examines the AIDS epidemic within Washington, DC; a city housing the affluent and powerful and the overwhelmingly poor and powerless. Director and producer, Susan Koch, depicts the systemic struggles of DC residents infected by AIDS and the quest to eradicate the outbreak. "Money Matters," winner of the Urbanworld VIBE Film Festival Screenplay Competition, tracks the narrative of a 14 year-old biracial girl in Washington, DC as she tries to negotiate her way through the challenges of youth, the inner city, a single-mother home, and faith. Director and producer, Ryan Richmond, captures not only the life struggle of Monique Matters, but that of numerous youth across our country today.

The Shirley Chisholm Presidential Accountability Commission

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

12:00 P.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Room 143-A

A panel of noted African American scholars and policy analysts, assembled in honor of the memory of Congresswoman Shirley Chisholm, will discuss the Obama administration's response to issues of vital concern to Black America as we approach the critical mid-term elections and the second anniversary of the President's election to office. Session moderated by Dr. Ron Daniels, President, Institute of the Black World 21st Century.

INDEPENDENT FILM SERIES SCREENING

The D.C. Story: A Film Screening of "Money Matters" and "Howard Theatre, A Century in Song"

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Room 146-C

Defense Veterans & Homeland Security

Homelessness Among African American Veterans

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Gwen Moore

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 5:05 P.M.

Room 143-A

In an effort to strengthen new strategies for reducing homelessness among urban ethnic minority veterans across the country that also experience the largest numbers of the jobless, several national and local veterans advocates from different regions of the country hit hardest by the homelessness veterans crisis are calling for a issues forum at the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Annual Legislative Conference (ALC) on Thursday, September 23rd, 2010. This special urban listening session is an innovative collaborative approach targeting Los Angeles, Detroit and New York City, along with 25 of the nation's largest cities ranked by Black population, with hopes this national dialogue will contribute in a dramatic way to decreasing the proportion of black veterans homelessness nationwide (now approximately 50%), and more solution-focused community-based efforts toward homelessness eradication.

VETERAN AFFAIRS BRAINTRUST: Supporting Our Troops, Preserving Their Families

Honorary Host(s): Reps. Charles B. Rangel, Sanford D. Bishop, Jr. and Corrine Brown

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 145-A

The Congressional Black Caucus Veterans Braintrust, in conjunction with the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation's 40th Annual Legislative Conference, will be hosting a national forum on veterans, military families and children. Taking as inspiration First Lady Michelle Obama's concern for military families and the White House commitment to learn more about what they face, the forum focuses on the challenges and strategies for sustaining and strengthening returning troops, their spouses, family members and children.

Economic Security & Small Business

THE NATIONAL TOWN HALL

Educating Our Way to Prosperity

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:30 A.M.

Ballroom A

Inspired by the CBCF-commissioned White Paper designed to prepare African Americans to maneuver the barriers to their economic security, *The National Town Hall: Educating Our Way to Prosperity* will explore the link between education and jobs. Two panels of nationally renowned education experts and practitioners, civil rights leaders, economists, elected officials and policy experts convene to focus on enhancing the role of education in employment. Panel one will examine the progress made in education to close the achievement gap and address issues such as pre-school prep, poverty, the dropout rate and others that remain as serious barriers to success. Panel two will be firmly focused on the future. Where are the new jobs projected for 2011-2018? How should African Americans position themselves to capture those jobs? This is a must attend session designed to provide attendees with critical information and resources they need moving forward.

Working Class Prosperity and African Americans: The Economics of Foreclosure, Credit Cards, and Wages

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Keith Ellison

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 144-A

This forum will address a legislative agenda that targets the finances and employment climate of our communities. Experts will address how this historic financial crisis provides unique challenges and opportunities for working class communities of color.

Restructuring the Revolution: Doing Business with DHS

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Bennie G. Thompson

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 209-B

This session will provide participants with the opportunity to meet with DHS officials about Procurement opportunities. Members of the private sector will also give their success stories on DHS business opportunities. Participants will be given the opportunity to ask questions.

Judiciary Issues Forum

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Maxine Waters

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 5:50 P.M.

Room 146-B

Appropriations: The Priorities, The Process

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Chaka Fattah

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 140-A

The House Committee on Appropriations is one of the most powerful committees in the House of Representatives and has the “power of the purse”. Questions frequently arise about how much money should be spent on competing priorities. This session will inform attendees about how Congress sets the priorities for spending federal funds and exactly how the process works. Come learn how the Appropriations process affects our community and our priorities.

Banking Issues Forum

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Maxine Waters

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 P.M.

Room 140-B

Education & History

AVOICE PRESENTS

Avoice Voting Rights Student Workshop (Invitation Only)

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Capitol Visitors Center

High school students and teachers will explore the history of the Voting Rights Act of 1965 through this interactive workshop at the Capitol Visitors Center. The workshop will feature activities from the Voting Rights Act Lesson Unit available through the Avoice Virtual Library's For Educators Section at www.avoiceonline.org.

Education Braintrust: Educational Success: High Performing Schools in Black Communities

Honorary Host(s): Reps. Donald M. Payne, Eddie Bernice Johnson, Robert C. “Bobby” Scott, Chaka Fattah, Sheila Jackson Lee, Danny K. Davis, Gregory W. Meeks, Barbara Lee, Diane E. Watson, Gwen Moore, Yvette D. Clarke and Marcia L. Fudge

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Room 207-A

This year's Education Braintrust will spotlight schools and strategies that are effectively producing high achieving Black children academically, socially and emotionally. Attendees will hear from experts and practitioners who will share their knowledge of what works to ensure that our students are prepared to succeed in school and in life.

Underground Railroad

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Corrine Brown

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

Door to the Future: Transforming Public Education for African-American Youth

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Room 145-B

African Americans face enduring disparities in academic achievement and educational attainment. These disparities often begin in elementary school and impede black Americans' success in higher education as well as their professional and personal advancement. All students need an educational system that will equip them with the skills needed for higher learning, employment and career development, civic engagement and an overall successful adulthood. This is especially true for African-American students and other young people of color for whom education is the main pathway out of deprivation. During this session, experts, advocates and attendees will discuss national-level policy and practice strategies needed to bolster academic performance among African Americans from the early years through high school; prepare youth and young adults for the workplace and beyond; and address the academic needs of special education, out-of-school and "system" youth.

AVOICE PRESENTS

Class is in Session: CBC Involvement in the Development of U.S. Education Policy

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 16, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 209-C

This session will focus on the role of the Congressional Black Caucus and other African Americans in Congress in the debate and formation of U.S. education policy milestones such as the 1965 Elementary & Secondary Education Act, the No Child Left Behind Act 2001 and the 2009 announcement of Race to the Top. The discussion will also include also include a preview of the new Avoice Virtual Library Education Policy exhibit scheduled to launch in late fall 2010 at www.avoiceonline.org.

The Kinsey Collection: What You Didn't Learn in High School History

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 5:00 P.M.

Room 140-A

The Kinsey's present a fascinating journey of our African-American ancestors' triumphs and accomplishments using original documents pulled from the Kinsey Collection book & exhibition opening at the American History Museum- Smithsonian Institution, Oct. 15, 2010. You will leave the seminar with new sense of pride and respect of who we are and where we came from and you will never look at our ancestors without appreciating their hidden contributions in building America.

Emerging Leaders Series

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

Emerging Leaders' Town Hall

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 207-AB

The Emerging Leaders Town Hall is designed to engage political leaders, corporate executives, community activists, entertainers, and other young professionals in discussion that acknowledges the state of affairs in Black America. Historically, our community has played a major role in our country's economic, political and social development. During the fourth annual Town Hall meeting, we will discuss the significant contributions that Black Americans have made to the public and private sectors. We will discuss the importance of dispelling the notion of "young versus old" while developing and advancing an agenda to improve our communities. Acknowledging the role that Emerging Leaders play in advocating for and affecting change, we will also identify strategies for them to navigate the political process, influence public policy, and excel in corporate America.

EMERGING LEADERS

Instant Apprentice Power Lunch

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Room 202-AB

Emerging leaders will have lunch with African-American executives and leaders in business, government, education, sports and nonprofit organizations. During this high-energy event, participants will have access to powerbrokers by becoming their "instant apprentices." Industry leaders will give advice on how to gain the competitive advantage in today's market, tap into one's entrepreneurial spirit, and enhance leadership skills by sharing lessons that have helped them become successful. This is a limited-capacity event.

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

The Changing Tides? Historically Black Colleges and Universities in a "Post-Racial" Society

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

3:00 P.M. - 5:20 P.M.

Room 206

Founded to provide a college education to African Americans who were denied access to public and private institutions of higher education, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) served a critical purpose at their inception. However, over time African-American students have gained admission to and are being recruited by top-tier, racially-mixed academic institutions. While over half of all African-American professionals are graduates of HBCUs, some HBCUs are struggling to keep their doors open. Through this panel, emerging leaders will examine current debates about factors that support or threaten the existence of HBCUs, including a shortage of human and financial resources. Dialogue will also focus on how the population base of those attending HBCUs has shifted as new opportunities become available to African Americans. This panel discussion will empower emerging leaders with the knowledge and tools they need to influence legislative agendas to advocate for the needs of minority students at minority-and majority-serving institutions.

The Black Party BPX 2.0 In RETROspect

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

9:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M.

Spirit of Washington

Emerging leaders will network and mingle on board of the Spirit of Washington for the second installment of the Black Party Xperience (BPX 2.0), as we return offshore to the origins of the Black Party. BPX 2.0 will reflect upon its sophisticated past rich in art and culture, while integrating today's hottest music. Soulful music entertainment and special guest appearances along the waterside will make this the "throwback" Black Party to remember!

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

'Tis the Best of Times, 'Tis the Worst of Times

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Room 207-A

Emerging Leaders will learn how to build their net worth in this recession-ridden economy. Speakers will discuss up and coming non-traditional business opportunities, debt management, and paths to economic success through building and diversifying one's professional and financial portfolio.

EMERGING LEADERS SERIES

The Politics of Health: Where Do We Fit In?

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.

Room 206

"The Politics of Health: Where do we fit in?" will provide emerging leaders with the opportunity to listen and learn from the foremost leaders in the area of public health policy. The politicization of health disparities has caused many programs affecting the health of African Americans to be underfunded. Cancer, homicide and HIV continue to be health problems that disproportionately affect African-American women and men at alarming rates, yet a small number of media outlets and politicians use their forums to address these issues among African Americans. The symposium will empower emerging leaders with the knowledge and tools they need to influence legislative agendas to advocate for the health of African Americans. The panel will engage in a discussion about the politics of health disparities, and the implications of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act for the African-American community.

Energy & Environment

CBC GREEN ROUNDTABLE

BP Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill: Moving Towards Restoration & Long Term Recovery

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 144-BC

The CBC Energy & Environment Taskforce continues to press the issue of building a Green Agenda for Black communities. Whether through the EPA-CBC Environmental Justice Tour or convenings of the Green Roundtable, CBC members continue to be at the forefront of protecting and empowering communities of color in the arenas of energy and environment policy. This year's session will focus on the Deepwater Horizon BP Oil Spill & Environmental Justice. Panelists will focus on response efforts relating to health and wellness, economic security, environmental quality and long-term recovery needs.

Green: The New Black; How We Should Capitalize on the Opportunities of this New Environmental Industry

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Emanuel Cleaver, II

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 209-B

This session will explore how African Americans can get in on the Environmental Revolution. Until now, African Americans have been left out of all American revolutions despite whether they made meaningful contributions. Now is the time to make our mark...to get in on the front-end of this revolution.

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE BRAINTRUST

Securing Our Future: Using New Technology to Reduce America's Dependence on Foreign Fuel

Honorary Host(s): Rep. James E. Clyburn

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 143-C

This session will discuss various new technologies being employed as we develop a comprehensive national energy policy that will seek to reduce our dependency on foreign fuel, meet the challenges of climate change, and create new green economies. This Braintrust will discuss these new technologies and focus on how they affect human health, environmental protection and economic development.

Energizing Minority Participation in the New Energy Economy

Honorary Host(s): Rep. G.K. Butterfield

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 144-A

This session features a discussion between Department of Energy officials and stakeholders within the African American and minority education and business communities. Goals include: touting the value of HBCU and MSI research in energy and technology; laying the groundwork for greater partnerships between HBCUs, MSIs and businesses within the energy and technology sectors; and providing HBCUs and MSIs a roadmap for becoming greater participants in alternative energy and development and DOE funding opportunities.

How Climate and Energy are Shaping U.S. Policy and Perceptions as Viewed from a Global Perspective

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 146-B

Given the recent events (Virginia Coal Mine Incident, the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill, and even the 1979, Three Mile Island Nuclear Disaster), this Brain Trust will identify strategies that can make all of our energy industry related activities safer for workers, the public and the environment.

This session will also seek to secure commitments from the President's Administration and industry officials on improving accountability and safety procedures in their respective industries. Finally, we will identify strategies on how to expand on cleaner and safer renewable energy sources into the future in meeting America's energy demand – Can it be done in a safe and environmentally responsible manner?

CBCF ALUMNI SERIES

Going Green in the Hood

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Saturday, September 18, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Room 140-A

Green enterprise is alleviating the blighted landscapes of many U.S. cities. A panel of community leaders, policymakers, and CBCF alumni will discuss efforts to promote green practices and retrofit urban areas for a green economy that revitalizes communities and integrates current residents rather than displace them. Moderated by Erica Woods-Warrior, CBCF Congressional Fellow, Class of 2003.

Entrepreneurship & Business

Networking Luncheon

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Ballroom B

Join Elaine Meryl Brown, Marsha Haygood, and Rhonda Joy McLean authors of “The Little Black Book of Success: Laws of Leadership for Black Women” as they offer insight about the importance of networking, share their best practices in relation to building your personal brand, and discuss the 40 leadership principles they've deemed important for women to succeed in the business arena. Registrants will not only leave this session personally enhanced but they will be able to take what they've learned and apply it to their respective communities.

Government Procurement Fair

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Chaka Fattah

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 207-B

The federal government spends approximately \$530 billion annually for a wide range of goods and services to meet mission needs. For many small businesses government procurement is a potentially lucrative avenue to long-term organizational growth and success. Attendees will be informed by representative government agencies on how the procurement process works.

Money Matters: Leaving A Financial Legacy

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Edolphus Towns

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 143-C

Panelists will discuss what it takes to “Leave a Financial Legacy” for our children, grandchildren and beyond. Three in four African-Americans have not developed a financial plan and nearly half of single black women have a zero or negative net wealth. By offering advice on combining a philosophy of picking up more positive financial techniques—saving and investing—while shedding negative financial techniques—spending and racking up credit card debt, the forum will provide sage advice on creating a personal wealth world to be envied.

Exploring Minority Business Opportunities With The Federal Government

Honorary Host(s): Sen. Roland W. Burris, Rep. Wm. Lacy Clay and Rep. Yvette D. Clarke

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 209-C

This forum will provide essential information for small and minority-owned businesses to navigate the federal procurement process. Several federal agencies have been invited to share procurement basics, details of the procurement process, and tips and tricks for emerging entrepreneurs.

Pipeline to Prosperity: Creating Sustainable Partnerships for Minority Businesses

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 147-B

Strategic partnerships are the key for the development, growth and sustainability of minority businesses. This session will bring together higher education, government agencies, prime contractors, resource providers and minority business owners to share what works!

Building Minority Wealth Management

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Gregory W. Meeks

Friday, September 17, 2010

1:30 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 202-A

The panel will explore challenges and opportunities to increase minority participation in asset management, focusing specifically on private equity. The panel will bring together industry leaders and representatives from the Obama administration to discuss policy initiatives to boost minority participation and access, as well as discussing lessons that may be learnt from recent successful deals involving minority investors.

BLACK Man in WHITE House: Is this the Beginning of a Post-Racial Society Part II?

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Gwen Moore

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 140-B

This year's issue forum will continue our 2009 discussion which shed light on recent comments that suggested that America is moving into a post-racial society due, in part, to the election of President Barack Obama. It has now been 2 years since President Obama's historical victory and it is still necessary to continue to discuss the implications of having an African American in the White House and its impact on current and future race relations in America.

Foreign Policy & International Relations

Africa and the Diaspora - From Slave Ships to Partnerships

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Bobby L. Rush

Thursday, September 16, 2010

10:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 209-C

The panel will be composed of leading Africa experts from the public, private and non-profit sectors. The focus of this panel is to increase awareness about Africa's position in the global economy. Specifically, the forum will discuss the Obama Administration's efforts to increase trade with Africa, especially the role that minorities could play to strengthen U.S-Africa economic ties.

Haiti: Finding the Path to Redevelopment

Honorary Host(s): Rep. John Conyers, Jr.

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:30 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Room 209-A

This forum will focus on legislative, non-governmental and multi-lateral efforts to rebuild and sustain the country and people of Haiti. The panel will also discuss how the U.S. and other Friends of Haiti can help be both a resource and a stabilizing partner in helping the country create and implement policies and infrastructure to further enable and empower its people.

The Future of United States and Africa Relations

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Henry C. "Hank" Johnson

Thursday, September 16, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 5:50 P.M.

Room 147-A

This forum will examine the effect of U.S. Military Presence in Africa. Representatives from Africa Command, USAID, State Department and academia will discuss defense, diplomacy and development.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS BRAINTRUST ON AFRICA

Africa Forging Ahead

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Donald M. Payne

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Room 207-B

The Brain Trust on Africa is the premier event on U.S.- Africa Policy. It is a forum for Members of Congress, Constituents, Administration Officials, academics, students, and others to discuss critical issues facing the continent. Previous years have featured President Kikwete of Tanzania, former United Nations Secretary General Kofi Annan, Hillary Rodham Clinton, and Angelique Kidjo.

Investing in Africa

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Diane E. Watson

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 147-A

With an important emphasis on Africa, and the recent visit of the President to Africa, we would like to examine some of the investment trends and policies with a panel of experts that will be of interest in formulating strategy for the new administration.

African Globalism Committee: "Building Upon Generations: Past and Present"

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 140-A

Whether you're African American, African, Afro-European, or Afro-Caribbean, our identities are forever linked through the story of the African Diaspora. As the ALC is a time for the community to gather to present our shared issues and brainstorm resolutions, the African Globalism Committee Issue Forum will strive to increase the awareness of developing investment and cultural opportunities in Africa.

Cairo One Year Later: Bridging Gaps between the Muslim World and the US

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Keith Ellison

Saturday, September 18, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 143-B

This forum will examine how President Obama's promise to bridge the Middle East and Muslim world with the West/United States can be viewed within the context of African-American and Muslim-American relations.

Health & Wellness

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

Beyond Blood: Bone Marrow Donation Among African Americans - A Health and Wellness Luncheon

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Wednesday, September 15, 2010

12:00 P.M. - 1:30 P.M.

Room 207-B

Each year, about 20,000 bone marrow transplants are performed in the U.S. to treat life-threatening diseases such as leukemia, lymphoma and anemia. Because donor and recipient marrow must be a close match for a successful transplant, matches are more likely to occur within the same racial/ethnic background. Currently, eight million Americans have signed up as potential donors with bone marrow registries but only seven percent of these are African Americans, greatly limiting the likelihood that black patients will receive life-saving transplants. During this session, conference participants will learn more about the importance of bone marrow donation in the black community and measures they can take to become donors.

CBCF ALUMNI SERIES The ABCs of Healthy Student Learning: Addressing Disparities in Academic Achievement and Health

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:00 P.M.

Room 146-BC

Healthy students are better learners. The product of CBCF-produced research, this forum examines how providing school-based health services plays a critical role in addressing racial disparities in education. Policy makers, experts, and CBCF Fellows will share effective policy solutions and action steps that can be taken to close the achievement gap by supporting healthy schools. Session moderators: Julia Elam, CBCF Louis Stokes Urban Health Policy Fellow, class of 2010 and Tia Teabout, CBCF Congressional Fellow, class of 2010.

Healthy Living on a Dime

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Marcia L. Fudge

Thursday, September 16, 2010

1:00 P.M. - 2:50 P.M.

Room 143-B

Join Representative Fudge, a celebrity chef, fitness expert and wellness guru in learning health tips that won't break the bank. Sample chefs' food creations, learn simple exercises using household items, and hear healthy living tips. Do it for the children in your life — who imitate you. Representative Fudge will also discuss her bill, Fit for L.I.F.E., designed to combat kids' obesity in underserved communities, and Congress' related efforts. Come for the surprises, leave ready to be Fit for L.I.F.E.!

Food Deserts: Building Healthy Choices In Urban America

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Carolyn C. Kilpatrick

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 146-A

Many urban areas are food deserts – places where access to affordable, healthy foods and supermarkets are limited. Come join us for an engaging and educational conversation aimed at sharing strategies for growing hope and health in urban America. Discussion will focus on local and national efforts to transform barren cities into bountiful communities that promote healthy living, economic development, and sustainability.

Beyond a National AIDS Strategy: Next Steps in the Fight Against HIV/AIDS in Black America

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Barbara Lee

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 145-A

This year's CBC-ALC HIV/AIDS Braintrust will examine President Obama's new National Aids Strategy and its implications for the African American community. Panelists will also discuss next steps to ensure the effective implementation of the National AIDS Strategy, and the role that African Americans can and should play to ensure its success.

Health Care Reform: Where do we go from here? Moving America Towards Affordable Health Care for All

Honorary Host(s): Rep. John Conyers, Jr.

Thursday, September 16, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 209-A

This panel will focus on the many policy issues facing Congress and the Administration following the passage of the Affordable Health Care Act. The panel will address short-term implementation issues, efforts to fine tune the new law, and the need to pass legislation that addresses the long-term challenges of medical cost inflation and providing true coverage with minimal financial barriers to care.

Seventh Annual African American-Prostate Cancer Disparity Summit

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Gregory W. Meeks

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 202-A

This summit assembles medical and research specialists, government and industry leaders, and prostate cancer survivors to share information and address strategies to eliminate the African-American prostate cancer disparity.

FUTURE FOCUS SERIES

Sister Speak: Reducing HIV/AIDS in the Black Community

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 202-B

Black women have been disproportionately affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the U.S. over the past decade. HIV/AIDS-related conditions have been the leading cause of death for African-American women ages 25-34. Despite HIV prevention programs designed to raise awareness and provide access to free testing, rates of the disease in this population continue to rise. What does this mean for black women and families, and how will the National HIV/AIDS Strategy change the outlook for black women? During this session, Jacqueline Coleman, co-chair of the National Black Women's HIV/AIDS Network, will facilitate a dialogue with experts including people living with HIV/AIDS, providers, advocates, researchers, government officials, faith-based leaders and funders as well as audience participants on actionable steps to address the HIV/AIDS crisis among black women and families.

CHILD WELFARE BRAINTRUST

Poverty Changes the Face of Child Welfare

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Danny K. Davis

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 206

This issue forum will involve all stakeholders from the federal, state, tribal, and local levels including but not limited to include children, families, courts, policy experts, workers, legislators, executives, researchers and all who are involved and all systems that touch the lives of children including health and education. "Working together, the ants ate the elephants"

CBCF AND CBC HEALTH BRAINTRUST

Honorary Host(s): Del. Donna M. Christensen

The 2010 CBC Health Braintrust will feature experts who will raise awareness about critical health and health care issues of particular relevance to African Americans and other people of color.

Pajama Bottom Hair, Conventional Tresses, and Treasured Locks: Black Women and Their Hair

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Donna F. Edwards

Friday, September 17, 2010

10:30 A.M. - 12:00 P.M.

Room 209-A

Some insist that long straightened locks and conventional hairdos are the styles of conformists. Others contend that natural hair is the route of the free and the brave. Is the hair on Black dolls Black enough? Have we lost control of the \$45 million black hair industry? Who cares? Does it Matter? Come participate in a lively discussion about the current and historical issues around black hair with Black hair "experts", including black hair activists, entrepreneurs, and hair stylists.

Factors that are plaguing our African-American Youth: Childhood Obesity and Missing and Exploited Children

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Room 146-B

The issue forum will focus on the Issues of Childhood Obesity and Missing and Exploited Children. It will consist of a variety of panelists from health (clinical and policy); fitness; advocacy organizations to address the issues of childhood obesity and Missing and Exploited Children, particularly relating to African-American youth.

Community Health Centers "Fit for Life": Making Nutritional Choices for a Healthier Lifestyle

Honorary Host(s): Reps. Danny K. Davis & Alcee Hastings

Friday, September 17, 2010

3:00 P.M. - 4:50 P.M.

Room 143-A

On May 11, 2010, First Lady Michelle Obama unveiled the Childhood Obesity Task Force action plan for solving the problem of childhood obesity within a generation, which includes a continuum of recommendations from prenatal care to getting children more physically active. Please join Sesame Street character(s) that will be on hand to greet attendees at the year's CHC forum, showcasing health and fitness initiatives aimed at improving children nutritional values from home-to-school and motivating children to get fit for life with daily exercise routines.

Golf: Educational and Personal Advantages for Minority Youth

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Wm. Lacy Clay

Friday, September 17, 2010

4:00 P.M. - 5:50 P.M.

Room 140-B

This forum will examine the immeasurable benefits that the game of golf provides to minority youth. Through golf, young people are taught courtesy, perseverance, patience, and respect for others. The educational benefits of the sport will also be discussed, as several golf programs successfully incorporate elements that maximize the academic achievement of participants. Additionally, given the rise in obesity rates among minority youth, the forum will highlight how children can maintain healthy lifestyles by walking between four and eight miles, burning up to a thousand calories, reducing stress, and lowering cholesterol in one game.

Science & Technology

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY BRAINTRUST

Believing by Seeing

Honorary Host(s): Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 143-A

Representative Johnson chose, "*Believing by Seeing*" as the theme for the 2010 Science and Technology Braintrust. Because the achievement gap for minorities is staggering and continues to widen despite significant strides made to level the playing field, attention must be placed on fostering more interaction between positive black role models with black youth. When children see someone who looks like them succeeding, then the prospects for those children to believe in themselves and fulfill their own potential are far greater. The braintrust will feature two panels: the first, "Individual Life Journeys" will feature positive role models in the fields of math, engineering and science to share their personal stories of struggle and triumph; and the second, will highlight personal testimonies from prominent Science Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) schools to highlight best practices and student success.

Government 2.0 - The Next Wave in Social Interaction and New Media Technologies

Honorary Host(s): Rep. James E. Clyburn

Friday, September 17, 2010

9:00 A.M. - 11:50 A.M.

Room 143-B

At a time when people are becoming increasingly reliant on social media platforms like Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube and Flickr to promote their personal businesses and interests, we are seeing an increased desire for government to interact across these same platforms to increase constituent outreach and enhance governmental efficiencies. This session will address the benefits of these new technologies and applications and the potential pitfalls of the increased integration of social media into our systems of governance.

A Brave New World: Social Networking Chronicles at the Book Pavilion

Honorary Host(s): CBCF

Friday, September 17, 2010

2:00 P.M. - 3:50 P.M.

Hall E - Authors Pavilion (Booth #107)

Social networking sites (such as Twitter, Facebook and LinkedIn) have evolved into the paramount forms of media for personal communication and professional growth. However, emerging leaders must be vigilant about the downside associated with using these outlets for self expression. Young authors who have expanded their brand via social networking and who have written on business etiquette will share strategies for effectively utilizing social networking sites for benefit while avoiding the potential liabilities to personal and professional aspirations. Participants will hear brief presentations and moderated dialogue from experts and will have the opportunity to meet face-to-face with authors to receive autographed copies of their works.

Unofficial Sessions

Choose to Live! African American Women and Diabetes

Honorary Host(s): American Diabetes Association

Thursday, September 16, 2010

12:00 P.M. - 2:00 P.M.

Room 206

Girl Scouts Milk & Cookies Reception

Honorary Host(s):

Thursday, September 16, 2010

3:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Room 201

Hosted by Girl Scouts of the USA's National Board Chair, Connie Lindsey, Chief Executive Officer, Kathy Cloninger, and the Girl Scout Council of the Nation's Capital

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