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# MISSION & VISION

The Greater Sacramento NAACP is committed to making the Sacramento Region the safest place to live in California and a model of community policing; demonstrated by a measurable decrease in crime and a measurable increase in community engagement. The Greater Sacramento NAACP is poised to unite the community to bring about systematic changes with solution based recommendations.



## MISSION

Ensure political, educational, economic and social equality and to eliminate race-based discrimination for all persons.

The Greater Sacramento NAACP through its mission to bring about justice for all, will continue to illuminate the truth, remind us our past and will lead us to our future. We will continue to work in partnership to leverage our community strengths and will take note of past lessons to guide us through.

## LEGAL DEFENSE FUND

Also referred to as the NAACP-LDF was founded in 1940 as a part of the NAACP, but separated in 1957 to become a completely separate entity. It is recognized as the nation's first civil and human rights law organization, and shares our commitment to equal rights

## PARTNERSHIPS

The Greater Sacramento NAACP partners with: California Black Chamber of Commerce; Greater Sacramento Urban League; Sacramento Chamber of Commerce, Sacramento Observer, Council on American Islamic Relations (CAIR), Asian Pacific-Islander American Public Affairs (APAPA), (partial listing)



# WORDS FROM OUR BRANCH PRESIDENT

## Betty Williams



Betty Williams has been a residence of Sacramento, California for more than 35 years; where she and her husband, Michael Williams, raised three sons, Jamel, Karnell and Joseph. However, she was born and raised in Urbana, Illinois, where she completed her undergraduate studies, where she majored in Business Administration and Minor in Political Science. Presently, Ms. Williams is California Hawaii NAACP State Conference Executive Director.

Ms. Williams moved to Sacramento in 1983, where started her own business and is President/Owner of 1 Solution Business Outreach/Recruitment Firm, and is the President of Greater Sacramento NAACP, California/Hawaii NAACP State Conference Compliance Chair, Past Business Chair of Indivizable (Northern California African American Business Organization), Past Executive Director, Sacramento, Northern California ACLU, Advisory Board Member of California High Speed Rail, past Board Member of Sacramento Black Chamber of Commerce, Board Director of Sacramento Region Women Chamber of Commerce, and Board Commissioner for Racial Profiling. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)

# PRAYER BREAKFAST

Did you know the Annual Prayer Breakfast was started in 1981?



## Mistress of Ceremony

Born and raised in Chicago, IL, Neketia Henry moved to California with her mother at the age of 12. As a child, she knew that performing arts was her true passion, and began performing in numerous stage plays and musicals. Since then, Neketia has appeared in numerous film projects and countless commercials and national print ads. For the past 7 years, she has been a Marketing Ambassador for KQCA My58 which ultimately landed her the role of weekend field reporter for KCRA 3 television NBC network in Sacramento, CA. She is a devoted wife and mother and advocates for students with disabilities ages elementary through high school. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)

## A very special thank you

We would like to thank Pastor Porter, all personnell and staff that helpe us to make this event happen. We appreciate your support.

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# SPEAKERS



## T

Reverend Tammie Denyse was born and raised in Indianapolis, IN and has lived in Sacramento, CA for more than 25 years. She is a CEO, ordained minister, breast health expert, international speaker and bestselling author.

No stranger to trauma and loss, Rev. Tammie has been navigating tragedy personally and professionally for more than 40 years. Through death, illness, divorce and more, she turns toward hope as a first line of defense when living through tragedy. Rev. Tammie uses intersections of her faith, education and life experiences to create a heart-centered approach to trauma-informed healing and wellness. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



## S

Reverend Dr. Samuel Gordon is an exemplary leader, speaker, teacher and influencer. He is an educator and an ordained minister. He has served as an administrator with the Chicago Public School System, a Principal in the Sacramento area, Pastoral Care and Missions Pastor at Capital Christian Center, and Executive Vice President of Capital Bible College. He currently serves as the Diversity/Culture Pastor and his area of responsibility includes providing strategic leadership in the areas of diversity, inclusion, equity and justice. He serves as Chairman for the Juvenile Justice Chaplaincy Program, serving At-Risk Youth. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



## A

Reverend Dr. Alice Baber-Banks is the Pastor of Christian Fellowship Ministry Church for the past eighteen years. She served as Co-Pastor with Rev. Deborah Burney for the first three years. The church provides clothes, food, furniture, appliance and more without cost. Reverend Banks and her choir have provided Christmas programs, for the Church of Scientology Sacramento, for the past nine years and was keynote speaker for the opening Church of Scientology in Silicon Valley. She has preached for many churches in the State. She has done many marriages and funerals for members of her church and non members; without cost. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



# PERFORMANCES



## I

Ian Knighton, lyricist, singer/actor, vocal clinician, songwriter, psalmist, playwright, worship leader, behavioral therapist/life coach, artistic director. These few descriptive words describe Ian J. Knighton; to sum it up he's "Smooth As Silk". Reared and cultivated from a performance family, this native of Georgia has been a musical prodigy for many years. Knighton has been singing since the age of four in churches, talent shows, programs, and major competitions all across the East coast as well as internationally. Knighton is a seven year trained operatic tenor and nationally renowned gospel trendsetter. During preparation to this present time, he has been named Georgia NATS's Association 2nd Operatic professional graduate student in 2006. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



## Y

Pastor Yardley Griffin Jr. an American gospel musician, urban contemporary gospel recording artist, songwriter, and worship leader. He started his music career, in 2015, with the studio album, Hear Me Now, that was released by Black Market Blue Records. This album was his breakthrough released upon the Billboard magazine charts. He is now the Pastor of Destiny The Experience Church. Services are held Sundays at 9:30am & Wednesday at 6:45pm



## D

Deidre Wright: Psalm 104:33 "I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." Born on the island of Oahu, Honolulu, Hawaii, I am the 6th of 7. I started singing at a very early age with my siblings around the piano at home, during Sunday Morning Family Prayer meeting. "He Looked Beyond My Fault" was my first solo, taught and played by a Phenomenal Woman – my mother, Mrs. Merle M. Wright. As a member of the Del Paso Union Baptist Church (Pastor, Donnell Riggins), I've been blessed to minister in song with the DPUBC Praise Team/Choir(s), Harold Pauley & Unlimited Praise, and as a featured soloist at concerts and various venues locally and abroad. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)

# HONOREES



## S

Sue Parker was sworn in as Chief Clerk of the California State Assembly on January 9, 2020. Mrs. Parker is the 40th individual to serve as Chief Clerk since 1849 and the first woman to hold the position. Before becoming Chief Clerk, Mrs. Parker had been the Assistant Chief Clerk. In that role, she oversaw the operations of the Assembly Desk, advocating for the increased use of information technology to streamline the processing of bills and updated the official Chief Clerk website to allow greater access to the legislative process. She began her career as a Senate Fellow and has held many roles within the office of the Chief Clerk, including being the first female Reading Clerk. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



## K

Kevin Carter (aka Brother Carter) was born in Chicago, but was raised in the Oak Park neighborhood of Sacramento, California. He graduated from the Sacramento High School and he later attended Sacramento City College. For eight years, Kevin worked for the City of Sacramento's Park and Recreation Department as a youth park and recreation leader and a physical fitness exercise coordinator. This led him to become a volunteer with both the Oak Park Little League and the Pop Warner's Football as a coach, trainer, and in youth development, where he saw the need to advocate for youth jobs and access to more recreational programs. To read the full biography [CLICK HERE](#)



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# HONOREE AWARD



## S

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Mr. Kevin Carter  
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## A

Rev./Dr. Alice Baber Banks  
Religious Chair/Sac NAACP

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church, community, and  
Humanity.  
Her passionate sermons  
expressing love, forgiveness, and  
hope has earned Pastor Banks the  
respect and  
appreciation of our Branch, the  
community, and the nation. Pastor  
Banks carries the banner for  
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# HONOREE



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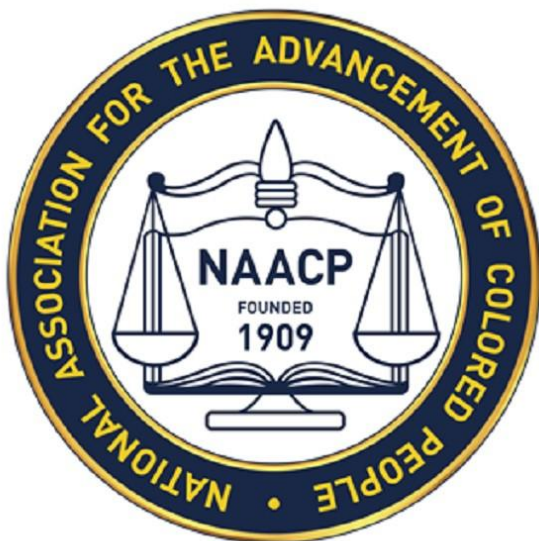
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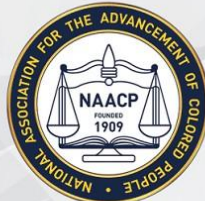
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### Sacramento Activists United Congress

**Purpose:** Our Sacramento Advocacy Organization Summit was a huge success, with many of the organizations that attended being excited about our next actions as a group of organizers. We want to continue this energy in hopes of building a community that is even more motivated to work together. To do this, we are creating a regular meeting space called the Sacramento Activists United Congress to keep organizations informed and engaged in all community efforts.

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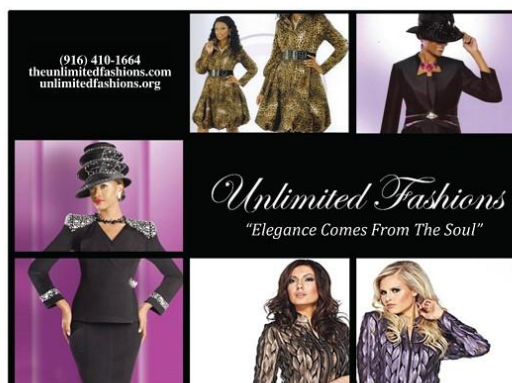
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We believe in an immigrant/African-centric approach that embraces unity across racial and ethnic communities. As a program established by the City of Sacramento, we strive to build solidarity and collaboration with local, state, and national partners seeking justice for immigrant, migrant, and refugee families.



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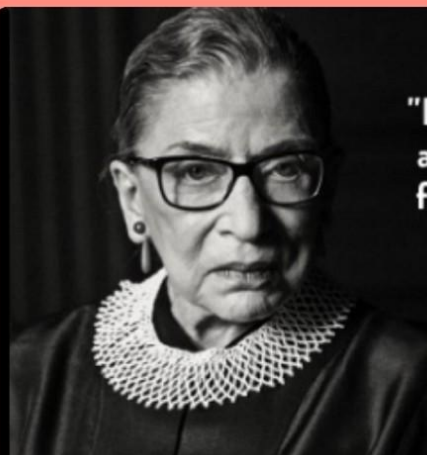






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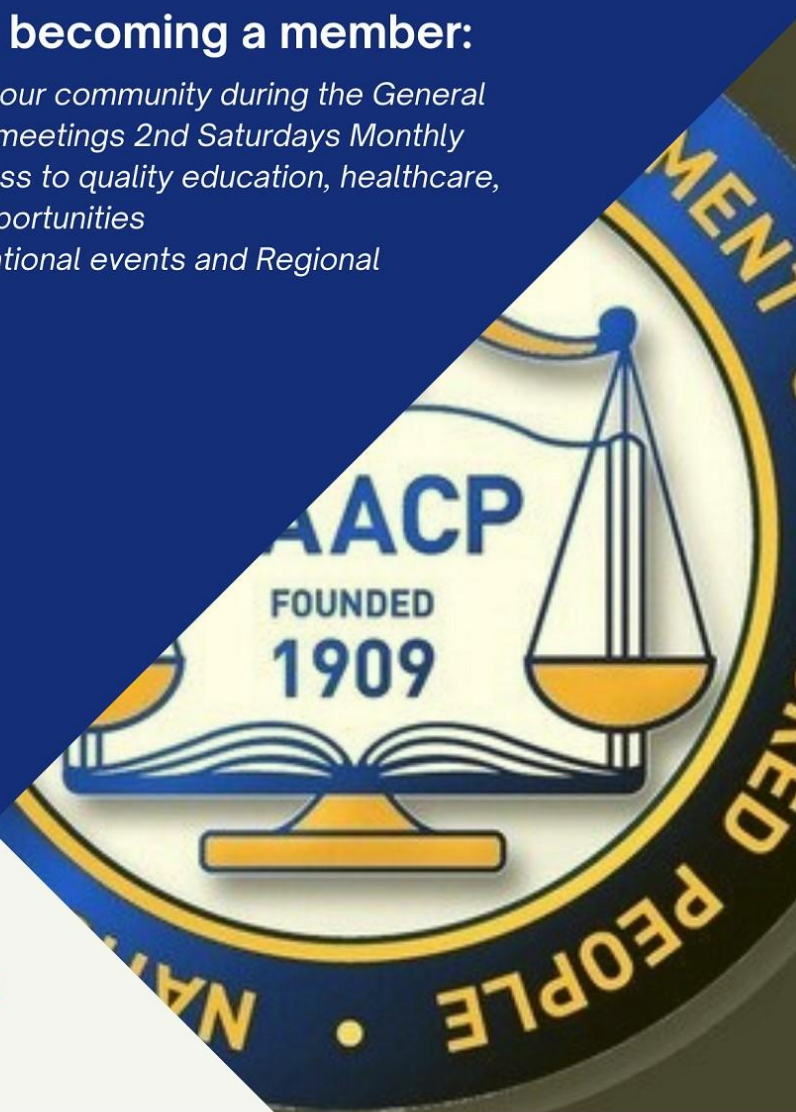
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- *Attend the National events and Regional conferences*
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ANNUAL NAACP SACRAMENTO BRANCH

# Prayer Breakfast

FRIDAY APRIL 2, 2021

**7:30am**

**Welcome: Neketia Henry**

**Prayer: Stacy Anderson**

**Welcome - Betty Williams**

**Song Negro National Anthem/National Anthem- Deidre Wright**

**Honoree Presentation - American Pacific Mortgage, Pastor Alice Banks**

**Song - Ian Knighton**

**Honoree Presentation - Sue Parker, Kevin Carter**

**Song -Pastor Yardley Griffin Jr.**

**Introduction of Speaker - Neketia Henry**

**Speaker - Rev. Tammie Denyse (10 min)**

**Speaker -Rev. Dr. Samuel Gordon (10 min)**

**Song - Pastor Yardley Griffin Jr.**

**Speaker - Pastor Alice Banks (10 min)**

**Song (Stand) - Ian Knighton**

**Closing Remarks - Betty Williams**



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