

Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

November Events Edition, 2023



About the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar

The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterrey Bay Area. The idea for the calendar came out of the community forums organized as part of CSUMB's annual super Saturday Black student recruitment events. The Calendar, (originally edited by Steven Goings) is now produced by the Cal State Monterey Bay's Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence and edited by HRE Administrative Support Coordinator Da'ja Robinson with new editions usually being released monthly; sometimes weekly depending on news and capacity.

Don't forget there is also a Facebook group: <u>Monterey Bay Black Folks</u> <u>Calendar</u> where you can post anything related to Black Folks directly.

1) To submit an event to the BFC for possible publication, click on this link: **BFC Event Submission Form**

2) To submit a "My Take" article, send a word document (NOT pdf!) along with your name and email address to

helen rucker center for black excellence @csumb.edu

3) To submit a "In the Spotlight" biography/activities and photo of a community leader, send a word document and digital picture to **helenruckercenterforblackexcellence@csumb.edu**

4) To subscribe to the Black Folks Calendar, <u>Click Here</u>

Editor's Note:

Throughout this newsletter, *Blue Underlined* copy (including above!) indicates a searchable link.

Advancing Black Student Success in CSUs

The Collective Conversation:



A few months back, the Chancellor's Office published a report about the ongoing experience with the decline in Black student enrollment and retention in the California State Universities. As CSUMB continues to find ways to respond to this very challenge in our own backyard, the Helen Rucker Center for Black Excellence, took action by hosting a symposium with CSUMB leadership - a mixture of faculty, staff, students and community leaders, to redouble efforts and reimagine supporting and advancing Black student success.



The conversation was kicked off by Dr. Brian Corpening to support the mission of improving upward mobility and increase Black student enrollment and retention at the CSU, followed by Senior of CSUMB, Daniel Cayton who shared some very alarming statistics from data that had been collected by the Chancellor's Strategic Workgroup. Professor Angela Maggot shared 13 recommendations in which we put our efforts toward for the remainder of the meeting within breakout groups led by Dr. Yhashika Lee. Once the groups finished their thought boards, we ended the day by sharing out individual commitments and pledges for accountability and support of our current and future students.

The 13 Recommendations:

- 1: Create and Implement a CSU Early Outreach Plan
- 2: Develop a Comprehensive Enrollment Strategy for Black Students
- 3: Develop a Comprehensive Retention of Persistence Strategy for Black Students
- 4: Create Welcoming and Affirming Spaces
- 5: Develop and Implement Inclusive and Culturally Relevant Curriculum
- 6: Standardize and Increase Black Faculty and Staff Recruitment and Support
- 7: Invest in Black Faculty and Staff Support
- 8: Incorporate Black Student Success in Faculty and Staff Evaluations
- 9: Implement a Comprehensive Enrollment Marketing Campaign
- 10: Develop a Structure and Process for System-wide Data-driven Practices
- 11: Create a System-wide Policies on Addressing Unprofessional Conduct
- 12: Launch The CSU Statewide Central Office for the Advancement of Black

Excellence 13: Create Structures for Systemwide Accountability

If you see ways in which you can be of support, please do not hesitate to reach out.





Advancing Black Student Success and Elevating Black Excellence Report

Community Call to Action

Reinstate Public Comment via Zoom in Seaside City Goverment Meetings



"During the City of Seaside's Council Meeting on October 19th, 2023, a hacker launched a vicious attack on our community and Council with a barrage of racist, hateful comments. We stand in solidarity with our Council and strongly denounce this despicable act.

Soon after that, public comments via zoom were disabled. Unfortunately, by removing this option, we are effectively silencing a significant portion of our community - those who may need their voices heard the most.

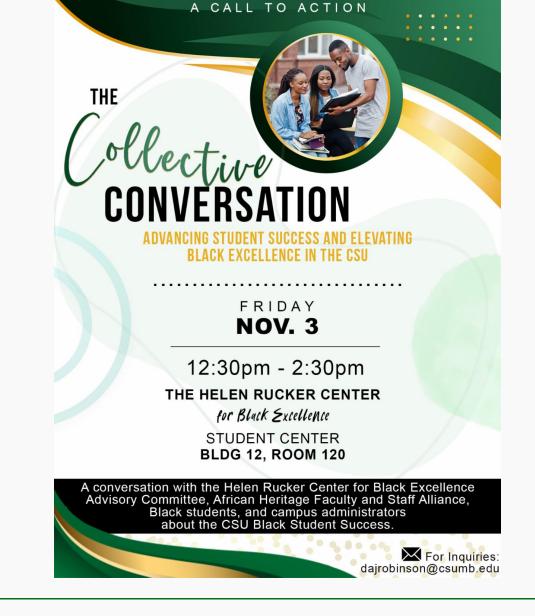
As we continue to navigate our evolving virtual world, we must find alternative ways to ensure that such incidents never occur again. Let's boldly move forward together! -Monterey County Black Caucus

"The ability to give public comment through Zoom was not just a convenience; it was an equalizer. It allowed those who could not physically attend meetings due to work schedules, traveling requirements, health conditions, or lack of transportation to participate in local governance.

This is particularly important as according to U.S Census Bureau data from 2021, nearly 13% of Seaside's population lives below the poverty line (source: U.S Census Bureau), indicating that many residents may face such barriers." - Robert Daniels

Please sign the petition here -> <u>Petition to Reinstate Public Comment</u> <u>via Zoom</u> <-

November Events









THE COALITION OF HOMELESS SERVICES PROVIDERS

English

Spanish



Restaurants Care is proud to partner with SoCalGas, PG&E and SDG&E to offer resilience grants to independent restaurants at the heart of our communities. To date, the Resilience Fund has uplifted 1,143 California restaurants! We plan to award \$5,000 grants to an additional 182 restaurants in during this Fall cycle.

\$5,000 grants for **Application Timeline**

Kitchen equipment

- Technology upgrades
- Employee training and bonuses
- Unforeseen hardship

Who is eligible?

About

Now

sign up for alerts

- CA Restaurants
- 1-5 units
- < \$3 Million in annual revenue</p>

Restaurants Care is a relief fund for California restaurants and their crews. It is a program of the California Restaurant Foundation, a 501(c)3 non-profit.

Oct. 25 - Nov. 8

open

Dec. 1 grant recipients announced

Apply online www.restaurantscare.org/resilience

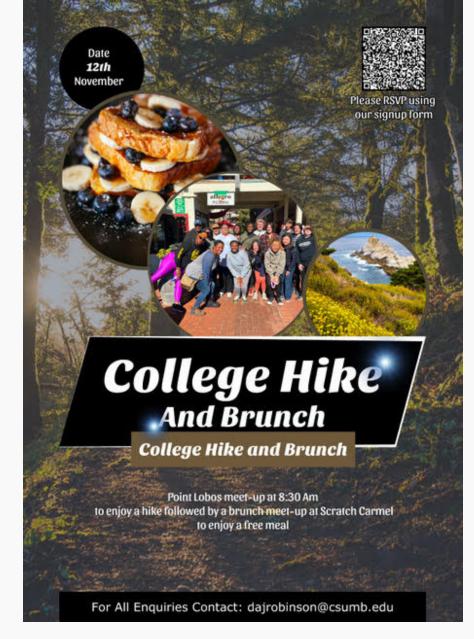




AT 6:00PM ON ZOOM.









The Village Project, Inc. Mission:

Providing vulnerable adults, children, and families from historically underserved communities in Monterey County with culturally appropriate mental health services, educational support, and social advocacy so that they can become self-sufficient, self-directed, and self-determining members of the community.







Black Art & Liberation

Join us as we highlight One More Bite Vegan Bakery and raise awareness around Black Maternal Health

Marina Library November 19, 2023 4:00pm-6:00pm



At this event we will decorate vegan cookies and enjoy samples of vegan goodies, just in time for the holiday season!

This event is family friendly and free for all to join!



Can't attend but want to support? Consider donating so that we can continue our fight for birth equity.



Questions? Contact kweenskounsel@gmail.com

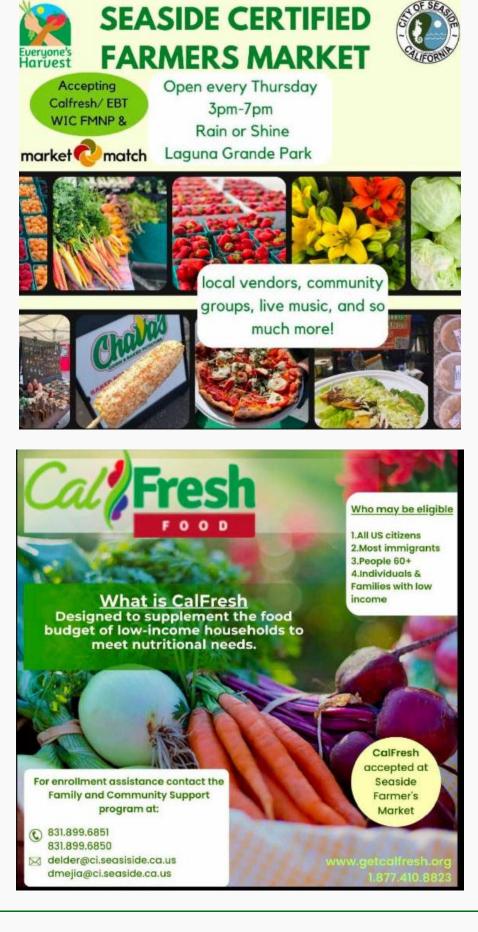


THE BIRTH NETWORK OF MONTEREY COUNTY ARTS COUNCIL for Monterey County



Register here

Funding provided by: Monterey County Board of Supervisors



Weekly Black Space Mondays

From 12 Noon - 1 PM,

Facilitated by Stacie Andrews

For this online discussion group about all things Black, go this Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/646 4225667



Follow Black Folks on Social Media (Click on links to follow to sites)

Facebook:

- Monterey Bay Black Folks Calendar (Public Group, 396 members)
 - About: The purpose of the Monterey Bay Black Folks Event Calendar is to connect the Black Community of CSU Monterey Bay with the local Black Communities of the Greater Monterey Bay Area.
 - Site Administrator: Steven Goings

NAACP Monterey County Branch 1049 (Facebook page under reconstruction)

- - About: The vision of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People is to ensure a society in which all individuals have equal rights without discrimination based on race.

National Association for the Advancement of Colored People

• About: Founded in 1909 in response to the ongoing violence against Black people around the country, the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) is the largest and most pre-eminent civil rights organization in the nation. We have over 2,200 units and branches across the nation, along with well over 2M activists. Our mission is to secure the political, educational, social, and economic equality of rights in order to eliminate race-based discrimination and ensure the health and well-being of all persons.

Black Lives Matter

• About: #BlackLivesMatter is an online forum intended to build connections between Black people and our allies to fight anti-Black racism, to spark dialogue amongst Black people, and to facilitate the types of connections necessary to encourage social action and engagement.

African American Policy Forum

• About: Founded in 1996, The African American Policy Forum (AAPF) is an innovative think tank that connects academics, activists and policymakers to promote efforts to dismantle structural inequality. We utilize new ideas and innovative perspectives to transform public discourse and policy. We promote frameworks and strategies that address a vision of

racial justice that embraces the intersections of race, gender, class, and the array of barriers that disempower those who are marginalized in society. AAPF is dedicated to advancing and expanding racial justice, gender equality, and the indivisibility of all human rights, both in the U.S. and internationally.

Monterey County Black Caucus (Public Group, 378 members)

- About: Our mission for the Monterey County Black Caucus (MCBC) is to heal and empower the Black Community by cultivating leadership, by providing a safe space for Black residents to unwrap and reflect, by advocating for equity and inspiring Black culture through arts and community development
- Site Administrators: Tinisha Dunn, Robert Daniels, Rosalyn Green

Marina BIPOC & Allies (Private Group, 63 members)

• About: A group for BIPOC & allies in Marina, CA to support the BIPOC community. We support #blacklivesmatter & will center black voices on needed local changes.

Bethel Missionary Baptist Church

- Rev. Harold Hollingsworth Lusk Sr. Pastor
- The Church today REACHING TO PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE!!

Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ

• Christian Memorial Tabernacle Church of God in Christ is under the Pastoral Leadership of Dr. Samuel E. Gaskins Sr.

Emmanuel Church of God in Christ

- About: Stay updated about the great things God is doing at Emmanuel COGIC here in Seaside, CA. Our Pastor is Dr. E.B. Jones and our Founder is Dr. Welton McGee!
- YouTube Channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCA7zzqlu2bDCfrTmxlcH UiA

Friendship Baptist Church Seaside

• About: Friendship is one of the first Baptist Churches on the Monterey Peninsula. Many other Baptist Church's have branched off this congregation.

Greater Victory Temple Church of God in Christ

- About: Dr. Ronald Britt, Senior Pastor
- Lost souls are our priority! Each one, win one!

Hays Christian Methodist Episcopal Church

• Rev. Marvin Washington, Senior Pastor. (NEW PASTOR!)

Holy Assembly Missionary Baptist Church

• Founded in 1974 by Reverend Slade, HAMBC is a moving church being led by God in Marina, CA.

Lighthouse Full Gospel Church

• Through this Seaside branch, many lives have been influenced and souls saved. Great men and women have been equipped and sent out into the harvest field to promote the gospel and to help advance the kingdom of God.

Mt. Nebo Baptist Church Salinas

• In 1965, a group of devout Christians, finding a need for a Baptist Church in the area, assembled in the home of Sister Richardson at 1112 Del Monte Street, Salinas, California.

New Hope Baptist Church Seaside

• New Hope Missionary Baptist Church was organized February 12, 1959, in Seaside California at the home of Reverend James W. and Sister Bertha L. Paige.

New Hope Baptist Church Salinas

• About: "A Church Dedicated To Servant-hood and Discipleship"

Ocean View Baptist Church

• Rev. Kenneth Murray

Recognizing Military Service Center

- Formerly "Retired Men's Social Club"
- About: We are a Social Club. Our goal is to add to the betterment of this community and the people of the community, by providing Scholarships to Graduating High School Seniors, Service Learning Programs and affordable Entertainment to our members and Community

LINKS, Inc. Monterey Bay Chapter

• Established in 1974, the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Links Inc, are friends that transform the community in which we serve. Through cultural, educational, & civic participation, our chapter faithfully strives to be strong, smart & bold in positive change.

Deja Blue, Seaside

• Live Jazz, Blues and Comedy in Downtown Seaside

Useful Links:

New! County Employment Opportunities: Monterey County Supervisor Elect Wendy Askew encourages community members to "register for job announcements from the County - and to apply for anything that seems interesting so that your resume gets into the system."

Black Business Directory

• Here is something the Monterey County Branch NAACP is working on. You can send your entries directly to lbogene@yahoo.com

Black Community Leader/Activist Archive

• Check out the list and add your bio and photo to it.

Black Court Support Volunteer Sign-Ups

• We all know the so-called criminal justice system treats our folks much more harshly than others, sometimes just having community members show up at court can make a difference in how things turn out.

Black Web Sites

• Check it out or add your favorite to the list

Black Speakers Bureau for Classroom Presentations

• With so few African Americans working in our K-12 and higher education systems, our kids have too few opportunities to see professionals and role models who look like them. We are looking for Black community members and professionals who can be called on to be occasional guest speakers in local classrooms.

Updated! CSUMB Black Staff & Faculty

• Just the basic public contact and position info

Monterey Bay Historically Black Churches

• Check out the current list of churches, update existing entries or add new ones.

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