



2020 CITATION AWARD DINNER

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Honoring Mary Humphrey Kendrick and Rev. Dr. Frank K. Thomas

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Citation Award Event Program

Welcome from NCCJ

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Invocation

Rev. Alan Sherouse, Senior Pastor, First Baptist Church of Greensboro

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We Can Work It Out

Anne-Claire Niver and Charles Cleaver

Tribute to a Trailblazer: Nettie Coad

Young Leaders Making a Difference

Sophie, Sachi, Finn, Esther, James, Jess, and Nashwa

Celebrating Our 2020 Honorees

Mary Humphrey Kendrick
Rev. Dr. Frank K. Thomas

Closing Remarks

Denny Kelly, Lou Bouvier, and Jim Morgan

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Our 2020 Citation Award Honorees



Mary Humphrey Kendrick

Greensboro's Mary Humphrey Kendrick is a nationally recognized diversity and inclusion expert. She has decades of experience working with companies and organizations across the Triad and beyond to advocate for human dignity and social justice by providing leaders with an understanding of their roles and responsibilities in creating cultures of inclusion and respect.

For the past 24 years, Kendrick has designed and facilitated Other Voices, a citywide leadership program sponsored by Greensboro Chamber of Commerce. Other Voices is a learning experience that examines social justice issues while creating diversity, equity and inclusion leaders and organizational champions.

In addition to her extensive work with companies across the Triad, Kendrick has served as a volunteer advisor and co-director at ANYTOWN, NCCJ's human relations camp for teens. She also served as a member of the North Carolina Governor's Crime Commission Taskforce on the Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) with the Juvenile Justice System, and represented Guilford County as the DMC coordinator and consultant and Team Leader of the "School to Prison Pipeline" Taskforce.

In 2008, Greensboro's then-Chief of Police Timothy R. Bellamy recognized Kendrick with his highest-level Citizen's Award for the difference she has made in the community and in the perspectives of leadership within the department. She is also a recipient of the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce's Other Voices - Change Agent Award.



Rev. Dr. Frank K. Thomas

Rev. Dr. Frank K. Thomas is a bridge-builder and a strong advocate for social justice in High Point. Both independently and in his role as pastor at Mount Zion Baptist Church of High Point, Thomas works to build a more compassionate and respectful High Point by collaborating with people of all faiths and backgrounds to stand against violence, discrimination, and injustice.

Thomas is known for working as closely with grassroots organizations as he does with High Point's business community and city institutions. For example, members of the High Point Police Department were invited to participate when, in June, Thomas worked with an interracial group of faith leaders to organize a march and community-building event to unite the community and city in a movement calling for racial justice in law enforcement.

Prior to becoming pastor at Mount Zion in 2009, Thomas already had a long record of service to his community and country. His career began with 25 years as a Combat Engineer in the U.S. Army where he received numerous military awards, including the Bronze Order of the de Fluery Medal. Some of the many organizations he has worked with as a board member include the High Point Chamber of Commerce; Business High Point Foundation; High Point Jail Ministry; United Way of Greater High Point; High Point Medical Center; and the Foundation for a Healthy High Point.

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Imagine what we can achieve when we're not bound by bias.

NCCJ is a human relations organization. We work to build communities free of bias, bigotry and racism by promoting understanding and respect among all cultures, races and religions. Together, we can bridge the divide and build communities that better understand how to work and live together. We create respectful and compassionate spaces where people can let down their guard, get comfortable with being uncomfortable, face difficult issues and ask tough questions. These kinds of interactions help communities move to a place of less hostility and greater understanding, acceptance, and collaboration. [Visit www.nccjtriad.org to learn more about what NCCJ can do for you and your organization.](http://www.nccjtriad.org)

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Ron Milstein

Mindy Oakley

Freddy Robinson

Aaron Strasser

Gerard Truesdale

Waiyi Tse

Leslye Samet Tuck

NCCJ By The Numbers: March-October 2020

49 virtual programs

Before March 2020, NCCJ didn't offer virtual programs. Since then, we've developed and delivered almost 50.

43% more programs delivered

From March – October 2020, NCCJ has delivered 43% more programs (compared to the same period in 2019.)

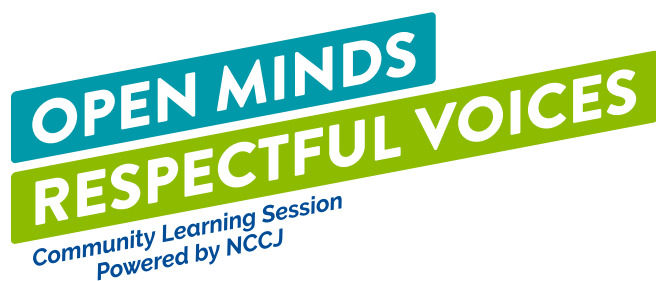
917 community leaders educated about systemic racism

NCCJ partnered with YMCA of Greensboro and The Partnership Project to offer The 8:46 Series, a 3-hour program adapted from The Racial Equity Institute's Groundwater program that educates and equips participants a foundational understanding of the issue of systemic racism.

Organizations we've worked with include...



Interested in an NCCJ program for your organization?
Email us (nccj@nccjtriad.org) or call us at 336-272-0359.



We believe compassionate communities are effective communities. To build the future we envision – a future where every community is a place of promise with opportunity and justice for all – we must all learn to engage with each other. If we can't talk to each other with civility and respect, we won't be able to find the common ground we need to live and work together.

That's why NCCJ's board of directors (a diverse group of people from across our community) is inviting you to join us in an initiative that we're calling Open Minds, Respectful Voices. It's a set of 5 Community Practices that represent a commitment to engaging in more respectful dialogue and actively listening to understand others' perspectives.

We hope you'll take part in this shared effort to practice engaging with others to build community. Visit www.nccjtriad.org/community-practices to learn more and add your name to the list of more than 300 community members who are working to make these practices a part of their public and private lives. Let's practice together! Visit bit.ly/nccj-omrv to sign up for a FREE Open Minds, Respectful Voices Community Learning Session on December 2 or 3.



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