



**CENTER FOR  
LEADERSHIP  
DEVELOPMENT**

Cultivating Character / Empowering Youth / Enriching Community



# Impact Report

**Your Dollars. Your Impact. More Opportunities**



**TITLE  
SPONSOR**



**Old National  
Bank**

Dear Sponsors & Supporters,

On March 28, 2024, over 1,300 community members, sponsors, educational members, and families honored the achievements of exceptional minority professionals and honored the educational excellence of CLD scholars. The 44th Annual Minority Achievers Awards & Scholarship Gala is CLD's largest celebration of excellence to support our mission of advancing central Indiana minority youth toward educational attainment and career achievement.

Thank you to our many partners and sponsors for your commitment to CLD's mission and your financial support.

**Over 1,300**  
Individuals RSVP'd for the gala.

**96**  
CLD Students received  
scholarships.

**\$6,000,896.50**  
was awarded in scholarships to support  
their pursuit of higher education!



**Bearishelle Edmé & Bob Donaldson**  
Emcees for Gala, Fox59 & CBS4



**Marissa Roundtree & Lurenzo Moffett**  
Touchbearer Award Recipients

**83**

**nominees honored for their professional and personal success.**

Each year, corporate leaders and members of the community nominate deserving professionals for award consideration. We continue to be humbled by the outpouring of support we received as a result of their nominations such as sponsorships and new partnership opportunities.



**Barbara Boyd**  
Madam Cj Walker Award Recipient, Retired WRTV6



**Jeffrey A. Harrison**  
S. Henry Bundles Jr. Award Recipient,  
President & CEO of Citizens Energy Group  
CLD Board Member



**Pastor Jeffrey A. Johnson Sr.**  
Lifetime Achievement Award Recipient,  
Senior Pastor Eastern Star Church  
CLD Alumni '78

CULTIVATING CHARACTER

EMPOWERING YOUTH

ENRICHING COMMUNITY



## Class of 2024 CLD Scholars

Keira Locke	Anderson University	Allen Poston	Indiana University Bloomington
Jiah Davenport	Ball State University	Tannon Rogers	Indiana University Bloomington
Brooklyn Ferrell	Ball State University	Shaune Shelby	Indiana University Bloomington
Jillian Harris	Ball State University	Michael Smith	Indiana University Bloomington
Jayla Myers	Butler University	Sanai Smith	Indiana University Bloomington
Erinn Redmond	Butler University	Rhykiah Starms	Indiana University Bloomington
Christine White	Butler University	Ivana Walker	Indiana University Bloomington
Jackson Bledsoe	Depauw University	Nia Walker	Indiana University Bloomington
Saqib Chowdhury	Depauw University	David Young II	Indiana University Bloomington
Nyle Graham	Depauw University	Chandler Harris	Indiana University Indianapolis
Christopher Green	Depauw University	Kelvin Ohaya	Indiana University Indianapolis
Gavin Yarborough	Depauw University	Adedamola Awonaike	Ivy Tech Community College
Charish Minor	Earlham College	Hezekiah Tipton	Ivy Tech Community College
Qaden Childs	Franklin College	Azaria Watkins	Ivy Tech Community College
Bryce Gray	Hanover College	Ashley L. Camero	Marian University
Beza Keehner	Indiana State University	Naima Barkley	Purdue University
MaKirah Peoples	Indiana State University	Bethany Berry	Purdue University
Kevin Acosta	Indiana University Bloomington	Saqib Chowdhury	Purdue University
Oluwaferanmi Arise	Indiana University Bloomington	Simon Mudavadi	Purdue University
Marissa Baker	Indiana University Bloomington	Marissa Roundtree	Purdue University
Abdul-Aleem Balogun	Indiana University Bloomington	Anthony P. Randolph	Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology
Marin Brooks	Indiana University Bloomington	Jasmine Gillet	Taylor University
Jaxon Brown	Indiana University Bloomington	Julia Daniels	Taylor University
Khari Dennis	Indiana University Bloomington	Nyla Benson	University of Indianapolis
Zayb Ghumman	Indiana University Bloomington	Steven D. Peoples Jr.	University of Indianapolis
Soledad Gonzalez	Indiana University Bloomington	Miles Mixon	Wabash College
Blaise Guidry	Indiana University Bloomington	Elijah Pathak	Wabash College
Mauriell Haase	Indiana University Bloomington	Jordan Tate	Wabash College
Gabrielle Hargro	Indiana University Bloomington		
Kennedy Hogue	Indiana University Bloomington		
Promise Jefferson	Indiana University Bloomington		
Sydney Joseph	Indiana University Bloomington		
Bailey Liner	Indiana University Bloomington		
Luke Malone	Indiana University Bloomington		
Nyah Mathis	Indiana University Bloomington		
Angela Momah	Indiana University Bloomington		
Miles Officer	Indiana University Bloomington		
Arshia Patel	Indiana University Bloomington		





FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Media Contact:  
Randall Cork  
317.923.8111 ext. 403

**\$6 MILLION IN SCHOLARSHIPS AND TOP MINORITY ACHIEVERS AWARDED**  
at Center for Leadership Development's 44th Annual Minority Achievers Awards and Scholarship Gala  
*presented by Title Sponsor Old National Bank*

INDIANAPOLIS, IN– Fifteen Indianapolis-based leaders were honored at the Center for Leadership Development's (CLD) 44th Annual Minority Achievers Awards and Scholarship Gala on Thursday, March 28 at the Indiana Convention Center's Sagamore Ballroom. The event focuses on CLD's education and community partners who provided \$6,000,896.50 in scholarships to 96 student alumni in the CLD Scholars Class of 2024. CLD's educational scholarship sponsors help make education accessible, affordable, and achievable for CLD participants and their families. Old National Bank served as the proud Title sponsor. CBS4 News Anchor Bob Donaldson and Fox59 News Anchor Bearishelle Edmé served as Master and Mistress of Ceremonies.

Top award honors went to:  
Malina Simone Bacon  
Co-Founder, GangGang Culture  
*Achievement in Arts & Entertainment*

Pamela Poore  
Owner, Poore Organization  
*Achievement in Business & Industry*

Dr. Aleesia Johnson  
Superintendent, Indianapolis Public Schools  
*Achievement in Education, K-12*

Dr. Lori White  
President, DePauw University  
*Achievement in Education, Postsecondary*

Kiahna Davis  
Central Regional Director, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority  
*Achievement in Entrepreneurship*

Jimmie McMillian  
Senior Corporate Counsel, Indianapolis Motor Speedway  
*Achievement in Professions*

Kimberly McElroy-Jones  
Director of Community Partnerships, Community Hospitals  
*Achievement in Public & Community Service*

Dr. Russell Ledet  
Pediatrics/Psychology/Child Psychology Triple Board Resident, Indiana University School of Medicine  
*Achievement in Science, Technology & Engineering*

Devon Davis  
Vice President, Bose Public Affairs Group  
*“Up & Coming” Achiever*

Barbara Boyd  
Retired WRTV Journalist  
*Mme. C. J. Walker Award*

Jeffrey Johnson, Sr.  
Pastor, Eastern Star Church  
*Accomplished Achievement Award*

Jeffrey A. Harrison  
President & CEO, Citizens Energy Group  
*S. Henry Bundles, Jr Award*

Christopher Barney, CLD '84  
CEO & Owner, Team Cruiser Conversion Company  
*Distinguished Alumni Award*

Marissa Roundtree and Lurenzo Moffett  
CLD Alumni  
*CLD Torchbearer Prize for Youth Excellence*



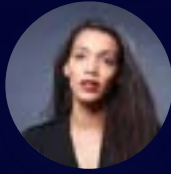
# 2024 CLD Achievers Awards Nominees



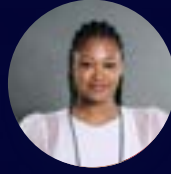
**Bashiri Asad**  
Bashiri Asad LLC



**Deborah Asante**  
Asante Children's Theatre



**Kaila Austin**  
Black Museums.org



**Malina Simone Bacon**  
GangGang Culture



**Marshallrhea (Marsha) Baker**  
Purdue University College of Veterinary Medicine



**Mark Booth**  
Global Special Education Associates



**Julia Bradshaw**  
Indianapolis Public Schools



**Thresette Briggs**  
Performance 3



**Franklyn Bush**  
Lawrence Central High School



**Courtney Cameron**  
OpenLane



**Vimbai Chkwana**  
Corteva Agriscience



**Terre Clark**  
Melanin in Motion



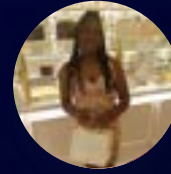
**Kellee Hawkins Coleman**  
Syra Health



**Dr. Tammy Cooper**  
Ivy Tech Community College



**Tamise Cross**  
P30



**Savannah Cummings**



**Devon Davis**  
Bose Public Affairs Group



**Kiahna Davis**  
Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.



**Sherry Davis**  
Eli Lilly and Co.



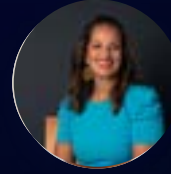
**Abdallah Diange**  
Corteva Agriscience



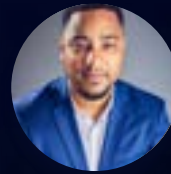
**Erika DiPorto**  
Ivy Tech Community College



**Dr. Jarrod Dortch**  
Soful Gardens



**Karen Dowling**  
Indiana Wesleyan University



**Donnell Duncan**  
Data Driven Growth



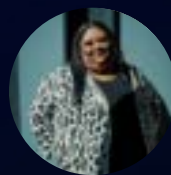
**Donald Edwards**  
Church of Glory



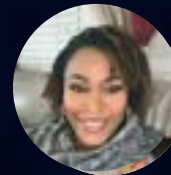
**George Ellis**  
Corteva Agriscience



**Angela Espada**  
Indiana Catholic Conference



**Breanna Fitts**  
OpenLane



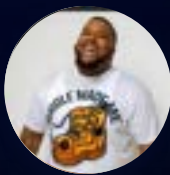
**Whitney Gaines**  
Bartholomew County School Corp.



**Patricia Germany**  
Kingdom Apostolic Ministries



**Lydia Glover**  
Allegiant Preparatory Academy



**Aaron Green**  
Struggle Made Me Inc.



**Robert Hailey**  
Old National Bank



**Charlotte Hawthorne**  
Eli Lilly Foundation



**Charles Haynes**  
Ball State University



**Dr. Tihesha Henderson**  
Sankofa School of Success



**Aundre Hogue**  
Primerica



**Beverly Horton**  
Corteva Agriscience



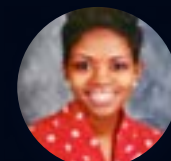
**Annjatica Imani**  
Brebeuf Jesuit Preparatory School



**Dr. Aleesia Johnson**  
Indianapolis Public Schools



**Celeste Jones**  
Everwise Credit Union



**Nechelle Jones**  
MSD Washington Township



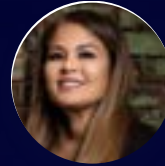
**Veronica Kelly**  
JEWEL Human  
Services



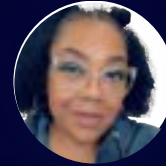
**Dr. Russell Ledet**  
Indiana University  
School of Medicine



**Maggie Lewis**  
Boys and Girls Club  
of Indianapolis



**Dawn Lindsey**  
Vari-Tek LLC



**Twana Lipscomb**  
Indianapolis Public  
Schools



**Sandy Lomax**  
Indiana Historical  
Society Museum



**Wale Mafolasire**  
Givelify



**DiaShamar Marshall**  
MSD Lawrence  
Township



**Brenna McCarty**  
Nike Inc. at  
Converse



**Dr. Kimberly  
McElroy-Jones**  
Eskenazi Health



**Jimmie McMillian**  
Penske Entertainment  
Corporation



**Lorenzo Moffett**  
Pike High School



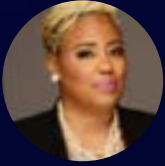
**Clyde Morgan**  
Wabash College



**Kendra Nowell**  
Community Alliance of  
the Far Eastside



**Tolvi Patterson**  
Geo Academics



**Dr. Nataki Pettigrew**  
MSD Washington  
Township



**Pamela Poore**  
McDonalds Corporation and  
The Poore Organization



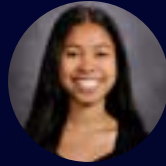
**Stephanie Quick**  
Intend Indiana



**Ariel Relf**  
Cummins



**Naomi Riley**  
IUPUI School of  
Dentistry



**Marissa Roundtree**  
Zionsville Community  
High School



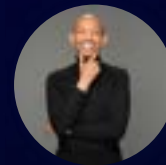
**Andrea Russell**  
Mosaic Center for  
Work Life + Learning



**Mercy Sampson**  
Mother Mercy  
Global Ministries



**Heather Savage**  
Indiana Youth  
Institute



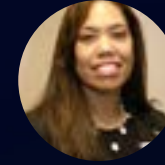
**Dr. Leonard Scott**  
Tyscot Records



**Robert Shegog**  
Indianapolis Recorder  
Newspaper



**Khara Smith**  
Brothers United



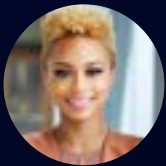
**Dr. Shenia Suggs**  
MSD Wayne Township



**Jeermal Sylvester**  
Marian University's  
Saint Joseph's College



**Kellie Taylor**  
State Farm Insurance



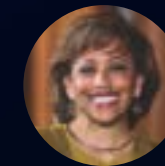
**Darien Thompson**  
Purdue University  
Northwest



**Karen Vaughn**  
Radio One Inc.



**Alicia Walker**  
Corteva Agriscience



**Dr. Lori White**  
DePauw University



**Deborah Whitfield**  
City of Lawrence



**Cecelia Whitfield**  
Use What You Got  
Prison Ministry



**Camille Wiggins**  
Park Tudor School



**Larry Williams Jr.**  
Indiana Black Chamber  
of Commerce



**Amber Williams**  
Ivy Tech Community  
College



**Dr. Toni Williams**  
Martin University



**Lacy Wooden**  
Central Indiana Community  
Foundation

# Thank You to Our Sponsors!

## TITLE SPONSOR



## SUMMA CUM LAUDE SPONSORS



## MAGNA CUM LAUDE SPONSORS

- |                            |   |  |
|----------------------------|---|--|
| AES Indiana                | Eli Lilly and Co. - RJJ Strategy & Operations | Marion County Public Health Department |
| Allison Transmission, Inc. | Fifth Third Bank                              | Mays Chemical Company                  |
| Bowen Engineering          | JPMorgan Chase                                | MSD of Lawrence Township               |
| Butler University          | KeyBank                                       | Milhaus                                |
| Coca-Cola Consolidated     | The Kroger Companies                          | Stimulus, LLC                          |
| Cummins, Inc.              | Lilly Endowment                               |  |
| Davis & Associates         | MacAllister                                   |  |
| Eric Dozier                |   |  |

## CUM LAUDE SPONSORS

- |   |   |  |                                      |
|---|---|--|--------------------------------------|
| ACT (American College Testing)                  | Hanover College                               | MSD of Washington Township             | University of Notre Dame             |
| A Total Solution CPA & Consulting Services, Inc | The Heritage Group                            | MSD of Wayne Township                  | Wabash College                       |
| Ball State University                           | Indiana University Health                     | NCAA                                   | Washington University in Saint Louis |
| Busey Bank                                      | Indiana University-Indianapolis               | Newfields                              |                                      |
| Earlham College                                 | Indianapolis Airport Authority                | Nubian Construction                    |                                      |
| Faegre Drinker Biddle & Reath                   | Indianapolis Colts                            | Onebridge                              |                                      |
| Federal Home Loan Bank of Indianapolis (FHLBI)  | Indianapolis Neighborhood Housing Partnership | OpenLane                               |                                      |
| Franklin College                                | Indianapolis Public Library                   | Pacers Sports & Entertainment          |                                      |
| Global Special Education Association            | INvestEd                                      | The PNC Financial Services Group, Inc. |                                      |
| Griffith Family Foundation                      | Marian University                             | Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology    |                                      |
|   | Martin University                             | S.E.A. Leaders                         |                                      |
|   | MSD of Pike Township                          | Shrewsbury & Associates                |                                      |
|   |   | Taylor University                      |                                      |



# MARKETING IMPACT

## SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook Reach	80,359
Facebook Interactions	8,953
Instagram Reach	15,364
Instagram Interactions	2,357
LinkedIn Reach	21,345
LinkedIn Interactions	7,692
<b>Total Reach</b>	<b>117,068</b>

## WEBSITE

Page Visitors	6,827
Page Views	7,325
Registrations	1,293

## PRINT MEDIA

Direct Mailers	8,000
Program Books	2,500
Invitations	750
Indiana BizVoice Magazine	15,000



CENTER FOR  
CLD LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

# UPCOMING CLD EVENTS/OPPORTUNITIES

## Alumni Internship Readiness Program



"The CLD Alumni Internship Program works at a high school and college level to prepare students for workforce readiness with business soft skills, academic and career support, and an opportunity for a paid internship with a CLD Internship Business Partner"

Join the internship program

REGISTER NOW!



## COLLEGE PREP CONFERENCE & COLLEGE FAIR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2024 |  
10:00AM INDIANA CONVENTION CENTER



The Center for Leadership Development's 17th Annual College Prep Conference & College Fair provides students and supportive adults with the knowledge and skills needed to build a successful and comprehensive academic, college, and career path.



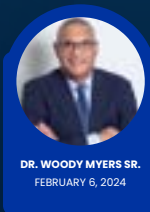
Title Sponsor



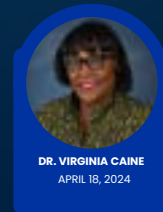
## CLD LEADERSHIP SPEAKERS SERIES

Feb. - Dec. 2024 | 6 PM | CLD

Register Today



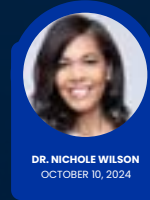
DR. WOODY MYERS SR.  
FEBRUARY 6, 2024



DR. VIRGINIA CAINE  
APRIL 18, 2024



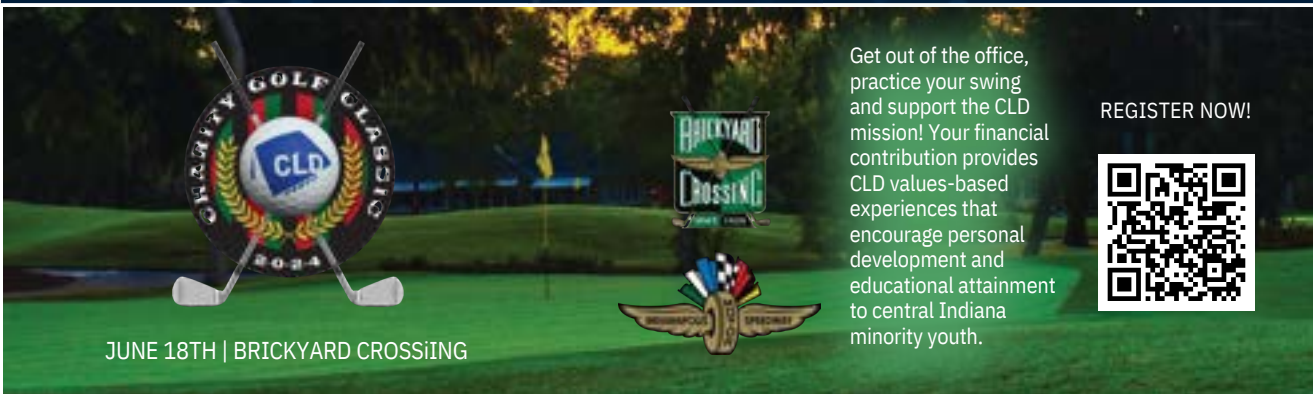
STEPHEN SIMPSON, J.D.  
JULY 11, 2024



DR. NICHOLE WILSON  
OCTOBER 10, 2024



ZACHARY MYERS, J.D.  
DECEMBER 10, 2024



JUNE 18TH | BRICKYARD CROSSING

Get out of the office, practice your swing and support the CLD mission! Your financial contribution provides CLD values-based experiences that encourage personal development and educational attainment to central Indiana minority youth.

REGISTER NOW!



*Save the Date*  
**Thursday, March 20, 2025**



**Donate**



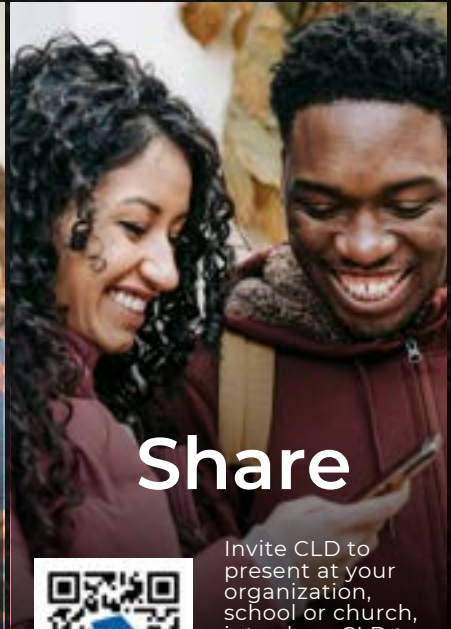
Make a financial contribution to support CLD programs and services. Ask your employer about matching gifts or sponsoring an event, include CLD in your legacy planning or make a tribute gift in someone's name.



**Volunteer**



Our CLD volunteers are key to the success of our programs. You can serve as a program instructor (facilitator), become a student or parent ambassador, assist with events, or office needs.



**Share**



Invite CLD to present at your organization, school or church, introduce CLD to your network, and follow us on social media.

See this year's Gala photos at:  
[www.cldinc.org](http://www.cldinc.org)