



ABOUT US

“Empowering Voices, Bridging Communities & Impacting the Legislative Process”

The Hampton Roads Black Caucus is an organization established in September 2012. We have garnered a tremendous amount of support from voters who support initiatives to advance the Black community. What’s unique about our organization is that it’s an all-inclusive movement to empower the members of our organization. Anyone can join regardless of race, political affiliation, gender, orientation, etc. HRBC comes together for a common goal of advancing the Black community and increasing representation of elected officials who are supportive of and will advocate on behalf of the Black community.

MISSION: Hampton Roads Black Caucus (HRBC) was established in 2012 with the purpose of promoting the political views of the Black Community in the Hampton Roads area.

VISION: The intent of HRBC is to endorse candidates who support the ideas values, and mission of the Black Community through economic, education, and political initiatives.



NEWSLETTER

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BECOME AN ADVERTISER

Please see below how you can show your support for our organization by advertising in our program booklet.

Please email your digital black and white ads (PDF/JPG/TIFF) by September 14, 2019 to hrblackcaucusva@gmail.com.

<p>Full Page - \$100 7.25" wide x 9.825" high</p>	<p>Half Page Horizontal - \$75.00 7.25" wide x 4.75" high</p>
<p>Quarter Page - \$50.00 3.5" wide x 4.75" high</p>	<p>Business Card - \$25.00 2" wide x 3.5" high</p>

Benefits of Membership!

WE EMPOWER YOUR VOICE:

Our organization vets and endorses candidates in all local and state races throughout seven cities in Hampton Roads. Our board does not select who we endorse, THE MEMBERSHIP DOES.

WE CONNECT YOU TO

POWER: Our organization is supported by political leaders from both sides of the aisle. We have support from each city and from leaders of all backgrounds who care about our cause. They attend our events, and they want to meet and hear from you.

WE KEEP YOU ENGAGED IN THE LOCAL POLITICAL

PROCESS: We help to keep you informed on local elections. We also invite candidates to speak to us at our receptions. We invite candidates to engage your support. If you desire to be politically active, we help you to connect to campaigns of local candidates.

WE ARE ABOUT ECONOMIC

EMPOWERMENT: We do our best to promote and support the businesses of our members, especially black-owned businesses that may lack the support needed to thrive.

WE CARE ABOUT

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT:

We do our best to work with local leaders to support initiatives to stimulate progress in communities that need growth and improved quality of life. HRBC recognizes individuals and organizations with its HRBC IMPACT AWARD.

WE SUPPORT EDUCATIONAL

ADVANCEMENT: We work with local schools and colleges in initiatives to encourage academic excellence.

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES for the 2019 annual Hampton Roads Black Caucus Breakfast of Champions to be held on Saturday, October 5th from 8:30AM - 10:030AM at the Chesapeake Conference Center. We will be honoring three Community Champions – Attorney Eric Moody, City Council woman, Dr. Ella Ward & Senator Lionell Spruill.

We are currently seeking support from companies, organizations and individuals who share our commitment of empowering voices, bridging communities & impacting the legislative process.

The goal of the Hampton Roads Black Caucus is to raise funds to support our organizational mission and vision. As we prepare for our Annual Breakfast of Champions, we hope you will consider supporting this event, not only to ensure it will be a success, but also to help with the continued support of promoting the political initiatives of the Black Community in the Hampton Roads area by endorsing candidates who support the ideas, values and mission through economic, education, and political initiatives.

We encourage you to take the time to consider the many benefits of sponsoring the event.

Any sponsorship or donation, no matter how small, would help to make the event a success. We would be very appreciative of any support that your organization could provide. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at Info@HamptonRoadsBlackCaucus.org.

Platinum Event Sponsor - \$1000

- Your company name and sponsorship level will be announced in a Hampton Roads Black Caucus press release prior to the event.
- Recognition at podium.
- You will have naming rights and your name/logo will be integrated into the event branding!
- Prime seating: Two VIP Tables of 8 (20 guests) with option to donate one of the tables to a nonprofit organization of your choice.
- Full page color ad on back cover of Awards Program Booklet (7.25" wide x 9.825" high, color).
- Prime logo placement on Hampton Roads Black Caucus website
- Presenting Sponsor will receive "top billing" in print advertising and in all event promotion, and social media.
- Recognition in Power point display at event.
- Photo with the 2019 Community Champion Honor-ees.

Gold Event Sponsor- \$ 500.00

- Prime Seating: One VIP Table (10 guests).
- Full page Platinum or Inside Back Cover in Awards Program Journal (7.25" wide x 9.825" high.).
- Logo recognition in all print advertising.

HRBC

would like to **WELCOME** our new members and express **Thank You** to the following members who renewed their membership during the First Quarter of 2019:

1. Glenn Davis
2. Brandon Hutchins
3. Ivy Robinson
4. Conrad Schesventer
5. John Schoonover
6. Lessie Smith
7. Paulette Thomas-Collins
8. Sonya Williams
9. Rosemary Wilson

Join one of our committees. Get Involved. Make a Difference. You can help cultivate tomorrow's leaders by promoting the following initiatives:

- Black-Owned Business Growth
- Economic Development
- Educational Advancement
- Community Development
- Development/Fundraising

Become a Member

We invite you to get involved by becoming a member of the Hampton Roads Black Caucus. Visit our membership page on our website and learn how you can join the Caucus.

YOU can make a difference!

- Recognition in power point display at event.
- Prime placement of company name in email blasts and all event promotions.
- Logo on Hampton Roads Black Caucus website.
- Recognition at podium.
- Sponsor listing in Program Booklet.

Silver Event Sponsor- \$ 400.00

- Full Silver page ad in Awards Program Booklet (7.25" wide x 9.825" high, black and white).
- Half table (5 Guests)
- Logo on Hampton Roads Black Caucus website.
- Recognition in Power point display at event.
- Sponsor listing in Program Booklet.

Bronze Sponsor- \$ 300.00

- Half table (5 Guests)
- Half page ad in Awards Program Booklet (3.5" wide x 4.75" high, black and white)
- Business name on Hampton Roads Black Caucus website
- Sponsor listing in Program Booklet.

Business Supporter-\$ 200.0

- Three tickets.
- Business card ad in Program Booklet (2" wide x 3.5" high, black and white).
- Business name on Hampton Roads Black Caucus website.
- Sponsor listing in Program Booklet.

Contributions or gifts to HRBC are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes.



We thank you (In Advance) for your support!

HELP WANTED!

Hampton Roads Black Caucus is looking for someone to help manage its social media presence and **Brand** (per events). The Social Media Specialist role is a **Volunteer** position intended for anyone looking to gain or build on previous experience managing and directing the Social Media reputation for a political organization. This position is designed to be a minimum of a one-year engagement on the Board of Directors.

Our ideal Candidate has knowledge of various social media platforms and is able to:

- Manage a variety of social media accounts (Facebook, Facetime, Twitter, Instagram, Snap Chat, YouTube, etc.) while developing a variety of content for web and social, including videos, photography, graphics and more.
- Engage and identify social networks to reach our membership and the community.
- Write articles concerning various functions and/or topics for social media and our website.
- Create and manage email marketing campaigns.
- Maintain our website, newsletter, and Social Media presence.

If interested, please contact us at hrblackcusva@gmail.com or call 757-744-9722.

UPDATES ABOUT THE 7 CITIES ARE AS FOLLOWS:

CHESAPEAKE: The Chesapeake City Council is seeking residents who may be interested in serving on various boards and commissions. Boards and commissions provide a vital service to various City departments, agencies and City Council.

Chairman Linwood L. Nelms has announced the appointment of Justin D. Brooks as the new Executive Director for Chesapeake Redevelopment and Housing Authority (CRHA)

The following Delegates Senate seats are up for election:

Senate District 5, 14 & 18

House of Delegates:

21st, 76th, 77th, 78th, 80th 81st & 95th

HAMPTON: The City is looking to various ways to reduce traffic backups in Phoebus and downtown. Superintendent Jeffrey O. Smith was named the 2020 Virginia Superintendent of the year at the Virginia Association of School Superintendents spring conference in Roanoke, Virginia. Congratulations!

NEWPORT NEWS: The City and Newport news Redevelopment Housing Authority are the recipients of a \$30 Million Dollar grant from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Developments (HUD) Choice Neighborhoods Initiative Program (CNI) Program.

The following Delegate and Senate seats are up for election:

Senate District: 1, 2

House of Delegates: 93rd, 94th & 95th

NORFOLK: A new community rating system classification through FEMA means reduced flood insurance premiums. Check out www.norfolk.gov/civicalalerts for more information.

The following Delegate and Senate seats are up for election:

Senate district; 5, 6, 7

House of Delegates; 78th, 80th, 83rd, 89th, 90th & 100th

PORTSMOUTH: Announces new Police Chief, Angela M. Greene as of June 21, 2019. **Congratulations!**

Hurricane Emergency Supply Tips have been posted on the city's website. They want you to be prepared should something come our way. Check out: www.portsmouthva.gov/civicalerts for more information.

The following Delegate and Senate seats are up for election: Senate District: 14 & 18

House of Delegates: 79th & 80th.

SUFFOLK: The Suffolk on the Alert notification system provides citizens alerts regarding potential hazards, emergencies, weather and other information for the city. Your City wants you to stay informed and be sure that you receive emergency information. Check out www.suffolk.va.us/CivicAlerts for more information.

The following Delegate and Senate seats are up for election:

Senate District: 1, 3, 5, 14

House of Delegates: 76th, 77th & 80th.

REMINDER

VOTE on Tuesday, November 5, 6:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. (General Election).



Deadline to register to vote, or update an existing registration, is Tuesday, Oct. 15, 2019.

Deadline to request an absentee ballot to be mailed to you is Tuesday, October 29, 2019. Your request must be received by your Registrar by 5:00 p.m. Deadline to vote in-person absentee is Saturday, November 2, 2019.

"Elections belong to the people. It's their decision. If they decide to turn their back on the fire and burn their behinds, then they will just have to sit on their blisters."

— Abraham Lincoln-

VIRGINIA BEACH: HRBC continues to express our deepest condolences and prayers to the families who lost loved ones during the horrific shooting in Building 2 of the Virginia Beach Municipal Center.

We salute all first responders and hospital staff involved. Your great work within our community does not go unnoticed.

Virginia Beach City Council has hired an independent private investigator agency to investigate what led up to the above-mentioned shooting and why it happened. The Hampton Roads Black Caucus is in full support of this decision.

#VIRGINABEACH STRONG!



The following Delegate and Senate seats are up for election: Senate District: 6th, 7th, 8th & 14th
House of Delegates: 21st, 81st, 82nd, 84th 85th, 90yh, 95th & 100th.

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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



Welcome to the Hampton Roads Black Caucus (HRBC) newsletter. As the organization's President, I'd like to take this moment to express my gratitude to all who have provided support of our mission of promoting the political initiatives of the Black Community in the Hampton Roads area.

Over the past seven (7) years, we have received tremendous support on various initiatives that help advance the Black community. What's unique about our organization is we are a nonpartisan movement that help empower the members of our organization to be the catalyst for creating change in our communities and continue the efforts to create positive outcomes for families and future generations.

Our organization is built on a platform devoted to the vision of creating opportunities for people and political candidates to meet and engage in honest discussion and full exploration of goals, concerns, and interests. Our focus, goes hand in hand with what DeJuana Thompson, creator of Woke Vote, "We know that the main way to build Black political power is to vote in elections." Voting is not only vital to American democracy, but it's also a way to make sure our voices are being heard. to create positive outcomes for families and future generations.

Secondly, I would like to personally invite you to our 4th Annual Breakfast of Champions. During this Breakfast of Champions, we recognize community leaders who have impacted the seven regions in which we serve: Norfolk, Virginia Beach, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Chesapeake, Newport News, and Hampton.

Each year our event recognizes individuals who are trailblazers, visionaries, and bridge builders in the communities they serve. Previous honorees have included Mayor Kenny Alexander (Norfolk), Dr. Carolyn Williams CEO of the Pharrell Williams foundation, FOHTA, Louisa M. Strayhorn First African American Woman Elected to the Virginia Beach City Council from 1994 to 1998, Loretta D. Kahn Founder and Editor of Hampton Roads Gazeti, Dr. Michael G. Daniels, Pastor of Enoch Baptist Church and Founder Western Bayside United Group, and Dr. Patricia Turner, a legendary member of the Norfolk 17 who was on the front lines in the effort to integrate the City of Norfolk Public Schools. This year, on October 5, 2019 at the Chesapeake Conference Center, we will honor Attorney Eric Moody, City Council woman, Ella Ward and Senator, Lionell Spruill.

We look forward to seeing you!
Ronald Taylor