

# WE ARE THE MESSENGERS

2021 Chesapeake Juneteenth Foundation Inc. 2021 ANNUAL REPORT DECEMBER 15, 2021



## Greetings!

We are currently strongly engaged with the National Juneteenth Observance Foundation (NJOF) and partnering with Ms. Opal Lee will enhance the recognition of Juneteenth as a National Holiday for all. This is a true milestone for America. CIF will enhance our cause just as the last remaining slave in 1865 in Galveston, Texas was aided to be free. CJF will be an important voice in spearheading the understanding and healing of past wounds. Together, with your dedication and assistance, we can make this effort a reality for now and generations to come.

Ennest Lowery
Chairman, Chesapeake Juneteenth Foundation Inc.

## **OUR MISSION**

Bring together all Americans to celebrate our common bond of freedom through unity, recognition, observance, education, and historic preservation of Juneteenth in America, and making of distribution of scholarship as well as supporting mentoring initiatives.

## **OBJECTIVES**

Provide support services, programs and initiatives to teach the significance of the Juneteenth holiday celebration.

Promote educational and recreational programs to assist students in learning the history of African Americans.

Provide scholarships to qualified and deserving high school students pursuing education at an HBCU.

## **ACCOMPLISHED IN 2021...**

In October 2021, I was pleased to attend the NJOF Convention in Tulsa, Oklahoma. I had the opportunity to network with other Juneteenth National leaders such as Mr. Steve Williams, President of NJOF, and Ms. Dee Evans, Vice President of NJOF. Although Tulsa, Oklahoma

has a strong record of unrest, it was rewarding to see how local leaders are addressing these past practices and forging a plan for the future.

Juneteeth has been a strong entity that has allowed participants the avenue to tell their stories in a free manner.



2021 National Miss Juneteenth contestants with Ms Opal Lee.



Ernest & Steve Williams, President of NJOF



Ernest & Dee Evans,
Vice-President of NJOF

## **ALSO IN 2021...**



I would like to thank Chesapeake Mayor Dr. Richard W. West, and City Council board members for supporting our 2021 Chesapeake Juneteenth Foundation "We Are The Messengers" Inaugural Event. We were also grateful for his presentation and reading of the Proclamation celebrating Chesapeake Juneteenth Foundation Inc long standing commitment and proclaiming June 19, 2021 as:

#### Juneteenth: A COMMEMORATION OF FREEDOM DAY IN CHESAPEAKE



Brenda H. Andrews at the 2021 Meet & Greet.



2021 Juneteenth Meet & Greet gathering.



Chesapeake mayor reads 2021 Proclamation to CJF Board members

### 2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Money In	
2021 Juneteenth Ticket Sales	\$2,800.00
2021 Juneteenth Advertising Sales	\$2,080.00
2021 Juneteenth Sponsorship Sales	\$2,300.00
2021 Juneteenth Donations	\$2,455.00
2021 Juneteenth Vendors	\$225.00
2021 Board Dues	\$700.00
2021 Juneteenth Meet n Greet(Fri) 30@\$20	\$600.00
2021 Cash Donations	\$185.00
Total income	\$11,345.00

Money Out	
2021 Juneteenth Weekend Expense	\$8,565.00
LLC Set Up Expense	\$1,044.00
2021 Gen Operating Expense	\$287.10
2021 Marketing Expense (website	\$640.00
2021 Tulsa Trip	\$535.92
Total expenses	\$11,072.02

Money Left Over	
Income minus expenses	\$273

### **LOOKING FORWARD....**

We are ready for the challenge and would like you to know we have an ambitious agenda for 2022. As the Nation begins preparations for a myriad of Juneteenth events, we too must be prepared. Now, more than ever, we must lead the charge to bring African Americans together to educate each other as well as the children. We must continue to build an increasing network of supporting black ideals.

Our intent is to seek support from businesses and other community organizations that believe in our cause and are willing to support the effort of self-help, education, and inclusion. These activities will be initiated through a series of community events including parades, theater, community cookouts, and a Miss Juneteenth pageant.

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