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Jackson County Legislature
Attn: DaRon McGee, Chairman
415 East 12th Street, 2nd floor
Kansas City, MO 64106

Subject: Request for Sponsorship Support – 18th Annual Urban Summit Conference

Dear Chairman,

The Urban Summit is requesting support from the Jackson County Legislature for our 18th Annual Conference. This year's theme is "**Democracy Under Siege: Radical Resistance Required.**"

This free, community-focused event brings together more than 500 attendees each year for a day of learning, civic engagement, and empowerment. With your support, we will be able to continue providing breakfast and lunch for all participants.

We are proud to feature a dynamic lineup of speakers, including:

- **Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II**, 5th District
- **Angela Rye**, Former CNN Political Commentator and Counsel to the Congressional Black Caucus
- **Terrance Woodbury**, President & Co-Founder, HIT Strategies (Washington, D.C.)
- **Gwendolyn Grant**, President & CEO, Urban League of Greater Kansas City

The conference will offer valuable insights into the *State of Black Kansas City*, highlight important voting information, and share updates on key policy issues impacting our community.

To help us reach and engage the constituents of Jackson County, we are requesting a **\$5,000 sponsorship** at the *Economic Empowerment Pacesetter* level. Sponsors at this level receive:

- A ¼-page ad in the program booklet
- A one-minute video spotlight aired during the program
- Verbal recognition during the event
- Inclusion in on-air radio ads
- Logo placement on conference social media content, announcements, and the scrolling banner

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact **Nina Howard** at nina@urbansummitkcmo.com.

Thank you for your continued support and partnership.

Sincerely,

Celestine I. Williams

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Executive Director

Post Office Box 411594 * Kansas City, MO 64141-1594



INVOICE

October 8, 2025

Billed to: Jackson County
Attn: Jackson County Legislature
415 E. 12th, 2nd Floor
Kansas City, MO 64106

RE: Invoice # USJCL10092025
Invoice \$5000

For: Sponsorship of the 2025 Urban Summit Annual conference on Saturday, November 1, 2025

Please make your check payable to Urban Summit Inc.

Mailing Address:

Urban Summit, Inc.
P. O. Box 411594
Kansas City, MO 64141-1594

We are an IRS-approved 501 (c) 3 Non-Profit Corporation
Tax ID# 47-2398433

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to get in touch with Nina Howard, Chairperson of the Fundraising Committee, at nina@urbansummitkcmo.com or 816-645-5004.

We appreciate your support.

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DEMOCRACY UNDER SIEGE

RADICAL RESISTANCE REQUIRED

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Dear Friend of the Urban Summit:

Please join us on Saturday, November 1, 2025, 8:30 a.m.–3:00 p.m. at the Education Center, Metropolitan Community College–Penn Valley Campus (3201 Southwest Trfy., Kansas City), as we convene leaders, community stakeholders, and changemakers to challenge the policies and practices that threaten our quality of life, and to chart solutions we can implement now.

Kansas City is at an inflection point. In a special session, the Missouri Legislature advanced a congressional map that slices Kansas City into three districts—diluting our collective voice—and passed a measure to restrict the initiative petition process, erecting district-by-district vetoes that make it far harder for voters to seek redress when lawmakers fail them. Your support is needed now more than ever.

Our 18th Annual Conference theme - *Democracy Under Siege: Radical Resistance Required* is a timely call for all stakeholders to act with courage, clarity, and commitment to confront systemic attacks on civil rights, equity, and justice.

Conference highlights:

- **Congressman Emanuel Cleaver II** will speak on the recently enacted Missouri redistricting map and its impact on the voting power of Kansas City residents—especially Black and Hispanic communities.
- **Terrance Woodbury**, President & Founding Partner of HIT Strategies, will present fresh research on voter apathy and engagement—and what actually moves people to the polls.
- Release of the Urban League's *2025 State of Black Kansas City*—a data-rich Black/White Equality Index presented by **Gwendolyn Grant**, followed by a fireside chat on economics, education, health, social justice, and civic engagement.



For nearly two decades, Urban Summit has sustained an intentional, strategic effort to tackle systemic disparities in economic development, housing, education, and justice across Kansas City's urban core. Last year, your generosity helped further our mission to create a social and economic balance that stabilizes the Eastside of Kansas City.

We invite you to renew your support this year at the same level—or higher. Your generous support will help us redouble our efforts. A variety of sponsorship levels and benefits are attached. Please take a few minutes to complete and return your attached Sponsorship Commitment form today. If you have any questions, please contact Nina Howard at nina@urbansummitkcmo.com.

Your investment is a public declaration that you stand for equity, opportunity, and grassroots power building. We look forward to recognizing you from the stage and welcoming your team on November 1.

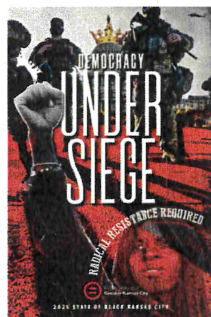
With appreciation,

B. James Tindall

Bishop James Tindall
Urban Summit, Co-Founder

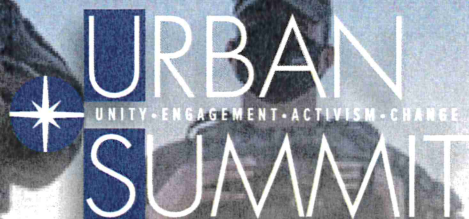
Nina Howard

Nina Howard
Chair, Fundraising Campaign Committee



All conference attendees receive a free copy of the Urban League of Greater Kansas City's *2025 State of Black Kansas City*

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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 2025
8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
MCC-PENN VALLEY EDUCATION CENTER
3201 SOUTHWEST TRAFFICWAY, KANSAS CITY, MO 64111**

SPONSORSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

LEVELS & BENEFITS:

☐ ANNUAL CONFERENCE TITLE SPONSOR: \$10,000

- ★ Full-page color ad in the program book
- ★ Title sponsor signage prominently posted
- ★ Three-minute greeting during conference opening plenary session
- ★ Video Spotlight (up to 2 minutes) aired during the program
- ★ Verbal recognition during the program and on-air radio ads
- ★ Logo on conference social media content and announcements
- ★ Logo on scrolling banner

☐ CIVIC ENGAGEMENT TORCHBEARER: \$7,500

- ★ 1/2 page color ad in the program book
- ★ Video Spotlight (up to 1 minute) aired during the program
- ★ Verbal recognition during the program and on-air radio ads
- ★ Logo on conference social media content and announcements
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☒ ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT PACESETTER: \$5,000

- ★ 1/4 page ad in the program book
- ★ Video Spotlight (up to 30 seconds) aired during the program
- ★ Verbal recognition during the program
- ★ Logo on conference social media content and announcements
- ★ Logo on scrolling banner

☐ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CHAMPION: \$3,500

- ★ 1/4 page ad in the program book
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☐ REPARATIONS ADVOCATE: \$2,500

- ★ Business card ad in the program book
- ★ Verbal recognition during the program
- ★ Logo on conference social media content and announcements
- ★ Logo on scrolling banner

☐ SOLIDARITY PARTNER: \$1,500

- ★ Name listing in the program book
- ★ Logo on scrolling banner

☐ COMMUNITY BUILDER: \$1,000

- ★ Name listing in the program book

☐ URBAN SUMMIT STAKEHOLDER: \$500

- ★ Name listing in the program book

CONTACT & PAYMENT INFO:

Name

Jackson County Legislature

Company/Organization (As you would like to be listed.)

Address

415 E. 12th St. 2nd Floor
Kansas City, MO 64104

City/State/Zip

Phone

816-881-3312

Email

Omgeee@jacksongov.org

SPONSORSHIP TOTAL: \$ 5,000

PLEASE EMAIL COMPLETED FORM TO:

NINA@URBANSUMMITKCMO.COM

PLEASE MAIL CHECK PAYABLE TO:

URBAN SUMMIT, PO BOX 411594, KCMO 64141-1594

PAY ONLINE:

URBANSUMMITKCMO.COM (CLICK "DONATE")

**TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL SPONSORSHIP
BENEFITS, PLEASE COMMIT TO THESE DATES:**

REGISTRATION IS OPEN UNTIL

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

VIDEOS/LOGOS/ADS DUE NO LATER THAN

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

PLEASE EMAIL VIDEOS, LOGOS, AND
PROGRAM ADS TO:

NINA@URBANSUMMITKCMO.COM

PROGRAM AD SPECIFICATIONS:

FULL PAGE AD:
6" W x 9" H
(+ 1/8" BLEED)

DIGITAL FORMATS
ACCEPTED: PRESS
QUALITY PDF -OR-
300 PIXELS/INCH JPEG

1/4-PAGE AD:
2-1/2" W x 4" H

1/2-PAGE AD:
5-1/2" W x 4-1/4" H

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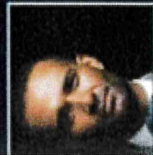
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