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Juneteenth has never been a celebration of victory, or an acceptance of the way things are. Instead, it's a celebration of progress. It's an affirmation that despite the most painful parts of our history, things do get better. America can change. — Alfred Adler

RECENT EVENTS

JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION

P-CoC Inc. hosted a vibrant and meaningful Juneteenth event honoring freedom, unity, and cultural heritage. We extend our heartfelt thanks to ArtsWestchester, County Executive Jenkins, and the Westchester County Legislators for their generous sponsorship and unwavering support. Special thanks also go to the many local businesses and sponsors whose contributions helped bring this celebration

We deeply appreciate the Village of Hastings-on-Hudson for supporting and recognizing the historical significance of Juneteenth and acknowledging its residents who were historically impacted by this momentous chapter in American history.

It was a beautiful day of reflection and celebration, exploring the shared identities of people of color (POC) and non-POC individuals through the "Find Your Melanin Twin Initiative," honoring the rich uniqueness of every ethnic background, and together woven into a



THE BILLION COUNT IS YOURS TO KEEP

DR. DAMARIS-LOIS Y LANG

They gave me a task, and promised the prize: \$1.5 billion, right before my eyes. All in ones, a mountain to stack, Count it yourself, no turning back. Nine to five, every day, no rest, Just you and the bills, a lifetime test. They said, "It's yours, if you finish the deed," But time has terms I failed to heed. So I paused and pondered, heart grown still, Is wealth worth trading every thrill? I began to count my days instead, And numbered them wisely in my head. A dollar, a second, simple, small, One bill, one beat, the tick of it all. Nine to five, no break, no play, Just counting bills through each long day. They hand me the task: a mountain of green, One-point-five billion, crisp and clean. I sit, I start, the seconds hum, But deep inside, I know what's to come. Each tick, a grain of life's dry sand, Slipping fast through time's soft hand. I count and count, the math is stark, A lifetime lost before I mark. 142 years, the tally will need, But man is grass, not built for such speed. Even if I start in cradle's cry, Long before the end, I'll die. No infant lives to see that sum, No elder stands when the final count's done. We measure in dollars, but time runs thin, A race we lose before we begin. So count your days, not piles of cash, For life burns quick, a fleeting flash. Apply your heart to things that stay, Not just the hours that slip away. Wisdom waits where the breath is drawn, Not in the count, but in the dawn. So live, while moments still are gold, Before the stack runs cold.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MOURNFUL LOSS: DR. NANA AYIMEDU BREMPONG With hearts weighed heavy, we share the sorrowful news of the sudden passing of our beloved brother,

Dr. Nana. No words can capture the depth of grief that has swept over us, especially his family, in this time of profound loss. In this moment of mourning, P-CoC offers its deepest condolences to all who feel the weight of his absence. May our shared love and prayers bring solace as we remember him.



UPCOMING EVENT

Program Partnership with Youthrupters

Program Partnerships Office

Shaping Tomorrow Together!

Youthrupters is a student facing 501(c) 3 not-for-profit organization established to serve 12 to 17 year old students by fostering civic engagement, forging, and building relationships with other students across different zip codes (in the five NYC boroughs, across NYS, and

Patronize the businesses of our sponsors and partners—find details on our website.

Support those who support us!

Meet us at our Tabling!

Meet some of our participants at our Tabling Events around town, and reach out to see if

we can bring a table to your event—email us at info@p-coc.org. Join the P-CoC Team!

Looking to get involved? Join or volunteer with P-CoC and make a difference! Visit https:// www.p-coc.org/join to learn more.

Stay engaged! Follow us on our social platforms for updates, events, and more ways to get involved.



WHO We Are! We are a collective that cultivates a culture of support, embracing the ideology of one human race while celebrating ethnic uniqueness and the diverse skin tones that enrich our shared humanity.



Through our race, color, and ethnicitycentered initiatives to address marginalization, we create dynamic spaces for service, networking, collaboration, and leadership development, empowering everyone to embrace fair and equitable coexistence.



Our outreach includes cultural exchange

events that celebrate ethnic heritage, positive public messaging to combat stereotypes, and our local social circle hubs for collaborative solution-oriented approaches to societal challenges, all aimed at fostering equitable coexistence.



