

# JUDGE CHARLES V. JOHNSON YOUTH AND LAW FORUM

RESILIENCE: A JOURNEY TO JUSTICE

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*Dear Students, Parents, Guardians, Volunteers and Community Supporters,*

*We want to welcome you to this year's Annual Judge Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum. For the past 32 years, we have sought to bring our communities together through this event. This event is for you. It is a place where we hope that you will learn about your legal rights, strengthen relationships and ties with key members of our legal community, and gain new insights and inspirations about the ways you too can impact our community through the legal system.*

*The theme of this year's event is Resilience: A Journey to Justice. We chose this theme because we wanted to acknowledge that you are resilient. That we made it this far through these times is a testament to your resilience. At the same time, we know that we must remain steadfast on our journey to justice. We recognize that while we have had great successes in these challenging times, we still have more work to do.*

*It is our pleasure to serve as the co-chairs for this year's event. We hope that you learn as much as you can, enjoy each other's company at this event for the first time in a few years, laugh a little, and challenge yourselves to do more. This event is for you.*

*Thank you all for your participation in today's event. We hope that you have the very best day.*

*Sincerely,*

*The Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum Co-Chairs*

*Erika J. Evans  
Assistant United States Attorney*

*Noe Merfeld  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney  
King County Prosecutor's Office*

*Christopher M. Sanders  
Attorney  
Pacifica Law Group*

# SCHEDULE OF ACTIVITIES

ALL EVENTS WILL BE HELD IN THE BANQUET HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

8:00AM

**BREAKFAST & CHECK-IN/REGISTRATION OPENS** [Atrium]  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Lambda Alpha Zeta Chapter

8:35AM

**THE CALL OF THE DRUMS**  
Khalfani Mwamba, MSW

**WELCOME, GREETINGS, AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS**

**STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

**INVOCATION**

Rev. Dr. Carey G. Anderson, Sr. Pastor, First AME Church

**PHASE 1 PRIZES/GIVEAWAYS**

9:00AM

**KEYNOTE REMARKS**

Chief Juvenile Judge Edirin Okoloko, Snohomish County Superior Court

**INTERLUDE**

Songs of Freedom

**POETIC JUSTICE: COMMENTARY AND POETRY**

Justice Helen Whitener, Wash. State Supreme Court

9:35AM

**JUVENILE JUSTICE JEOPARDY**

Judge Lori Smith, WA State Court of Appeal; Judge Tanya Thorp, King County Superior Court; Detective "Cookie" Bouldin, Officer Matthew Roberson, Officer Aaron Lucas, Seattle PD; and Attorney Matt Sanders, Dept. of Public Defense

10:40AM

**BREAK**

**ADULTS BREAK UNTIL 11:20AM** [Social Hall]

10:50AM

**PHASE 2 PRIZES/GIVEAWAYS**

**TALK BACK**

ProofNthePlay, Converge Media  
and Attorney Cynthia Delostrinos-Johnson, Tukwila Councilmember

11:20AM

**BLACK AND BLUE: CAN YOU BE BOTH?**

Chief Wendell Shirley, Bellevue PD and Chief Darrell Lowe, Redmond PD  
Moderated by Judge Bonnie Glenn

**ORIGINAL POETRY**

Nyla Butler, Senior, Federal Way High School

**GREETINGS**

Honorary Co-Chair, Girmay Zahilay, King County Councilmember

11:55AM

**MEET AND GREET LUNCH**

**ADULTS LUNCH UNTIL 1:00PM**

12:15PM

**RESOURCE TABLES AND DEMONSTRATIONS**

(1) Resource Tables	[Atrium]
(2) SPD demo: Arson & Bomb Unit and K-9 Unit	[Meeting Room A]
(3) KCSO demo: Bearcat and Robot	[Outdoor Entrance]

1:00PM

**PHASE 3 PRIZES/GIVEAWAYS**

**SPOTLIGHT: NORTHWEST TAP PERFORMANCE**

**RED LIGHT: FREEZE ON YOUTH TRAFFICKING!**

(Adult Session until 1:40pm)	[Social Hall]
Liletha Williams, Mercy Dizon, Rodney Moseley, and Eric Opuku Agyemang	

1:05PM

**GET ON THE BUS: JOURNEY TO EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**  
(Youth Session), Bethanne L. Moore, MD

1:40PM

**BREAK**

1:45PM

**JUSTICE THROUGH CIVIL LITIGATION**

Attorney Rachel Luke

**GET ON THE BUS: JOURNEY TO EMOTIONAL HEALTH AND WELL-BEING**  
(Adult Session until 3:00pm) Bethanne L. Moore, MD [Social Hall]

1:50PM

**CONCURRENT WORKSHOPS:**

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

<b>ADVOCACY FOR SOCIAL JUSTICE</b>	[Meeting Room B]
Dr. Johnny Lake	

MIDDLE SCHOOL

<b>MOCK TRIAL</b>	[Meeting Room A]
Markus Brooks, 3L, Northern Illinois University School of Law	

HIGH SCHOOL

**PART 1: TEEN ROMANCE, TEEN FINANCE**

Attorney Courtney Jones

**PART 2: RED LIGHT: FREEZE ON YOUTH TRAFFICKING!**

Liletha Williams, Mercy Dizon, and Rodney Moseley

3:00PM

**ROADMAP, JOURNEY TO JUSTICE CLOSING REMARKS**

Nicholas Brown, United States Attorney, Western District of Washington

**CO-CHAIRS CLOSING REMARKS AND EVALUATIONS**

**PHASE 4 GRAND PRIZES/GIVEAWAYS**

3:15PM

<b>HOOPS</b>	[Gymnasium]
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<b>DRUM DEMONSTRATION</b>	[Meeting Room A]
Khalfani Mwamba, MSW	

**CHESS WITH DETECTIVE COOKIE**

For the first time, the Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum was fortunate to start a scholarship program. Generously funded by PEMCO and Alpha Omicron Boulé, the Youth and Law Forum Scholarship program exists to support the goals of the youth and law forum and to support students who wish to pursue a career in a field related to social justice or the justice system.

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

**VALERIE BUNNELL**  
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

**SAMUEL J. LEWIS**  
DUKE UNIVERSITY

**KYRIE MILLER**  
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, SEATTLE

**MASAAI THORNTON**  
HAMPTON UNIVERSITY

**JADYN WATTS**  
WESTERN WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

**NAJJA BULLOCK**  
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON  
SCHOOL OF LAW



## IN MEMORIA

**THE HONORABLE CHARLES V. JOHNSON, 1928-2020**

Co-Founder, The Judge Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum

Charles V. Johnson grew up in a segregated Arkansas. After hearing a well-dressed and confident attorney speak during a high school career day, the die was cast. He would be a lawyer. After serving in the U.S. Army, and after graduating from the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff in 1954, a determined Charles Johnson and his young family relocated to Seattle where he would attend the UW Law School. Charles Johnson graduated in 1957 as the only African American in his law class. After a successful practice of law, Charles V. Johnson would continue making history as a beloved and effective judge in Seattle Municipal Court and as the first African American Presiding Judge of the King County Superior Court. While Judge Johnson and his wife Lazelle Johnson inspired their 3 children Jimm, Tracy, and Terri to be bold and successful, the Johnsons continued to mentor countless other young lawyers and young professionals through the couple's leadership in the NAACP, the Loren Miller Bar Association, the LINKS, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the Alpha Omicron Boulé, their beloved First AME Church, and in countless other organizations.

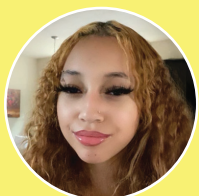
In 1990, Judge Johnson and his colleague Norma Smith Huggins recruited the young Judge McCullough to work with them to craft some innovative community intervention and program that would stem the tide of negative interaction with law enforcement. This Youth and Law Forum is the result of that vision. This 32nd annual and consecutive Youth and Law Forum is therefore dedicated to the memory of Judge Charles V. Johnson and to the resilient young people who are determined to make the justice system more just.

# CONTRIBUTORS, MORNING (ALPHABETICAL)



## SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT DETECTIVE DENISE "COOKIE" BOULDIN

Detective "Cookie" is a 43-year veteran of the Seattle Police Department and currently works on the Community Outreach/School Emphasis Team. The creation of the "Detective Cookie's Urban Youth Chess Club stemmed from her many opportunities to speak with youth in the community while observing their needs. Detective Cookie uses the chessboard to teach anti-violence, comparing the chessboard to the real world. The youth learn leadership skills and good decision making.



## NYLA BUTLER, SENIOR, FEDERAL WAY HIGH SCHOOL



## TUKWILA CITY COUNCILMEMBER CYNTHIA DELOSTRINOS-JOHNSON

Cynthia Delostrinos Johnson is a Councilmember in the City of Tukwila. Elected in 2019, she became the first woman of color and first Asian American to be elected to office in the City of Tukwila. She is the Associate Director of the Office of Court Innovation for the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts. In this role she works with a team to bring innovation and reform to the Washington state courts.

Cynthia serves on the Board of the Tukwila Children's Foundation and the Washington Leadership Institute. She was born and raised in Seattle, Washington to immigrant parents from the Philippines. She is a graduate of Garfield High School, Seattle Central Community College, the University of Washington, and Seattle University School of Law. She is passionate about increasing diversity and representation in the judiciary and in all elected offices.



## TARRELL "PROOFNTHEPLAY" FOREST-PARRAMORE

Tarrell "ProofNthePlay" Forest-Parramore is an Emmy award winning host, photographer and producer with Converge Media. A dedicated leader in high school athletic growth and development, directly empowering the community through his self made ProofNthePlay Sports & Culture brand and platform.

## THE HON. BONNIE GLENN, ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

Judge Bonnie Glenn has spent her entire career advancing diversity in the legal profession, including having led the Justice Commission's Workforce Diversity Committee for over a decade.



## REDMOND POLICY CHIEF DARRELL LOWE

Redmond Police Chief Darrell Lowe is a 30-year law enforcement veteran who, prior to his current role, served as Captain and Executive Officer to the Deputy Chief of Police, Operations Executive Officer, and Investigations Executive Officer at Santa Monica Police Department in Southern California.

Chief Lowe has a Master's in Emergency Services Administration from California State University Long Beach and a Bachelor's in Sociology from California State University Northridge. He has executive leadership and law enforcement certifications from the FBI National Academy, The Center for Creative Leadership Development, the University of Southern California, and Drucker School of Management at Claremont Graduate University. He is currently on the Executive Board of Washington Association of Sheriffs & Chiefs (WASPC), Vice President of the King County Chiefs & Sheriffs Association, a Friends of Youth Board Member, and a California POST Master Instructor.



## SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER AARON LUCAS

Officer Aaron Lucas started working with the Seattle Police Department in 2010. Prior to becoming a police officer, he was a bus driver for King County Metro Transit and Owner/Barber in the City of Seattle. Outside of policing he is active in ministry as an Elder/Youth leader and on the job, Youth Violence Prevention Outreach Officer in the Collaborative Policing Bureau. Officer Lucas focuses on violence prevention, intervention, and relationship building activities with young people often working in collaboration with various youth serving agencies. He assists with talking and educational programs, mentor youth, participate in community events, and a wide variety of Seattle Police Activities League (SEPAL) activities. <https://seattlepal.org/>



## KEYNOTE THE HON. EDIRIN O. OKOLOKO, SNOHOMISH COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Judge Edirin O. Okoloko was appointed to the Snohomish County Superior Court Bench in 2018 by Governor Jay Inslee and re-appointed by the Governor in 2020. Judge Okoloko retained his seat in the 2020 general election. Born in Nigeria, Judge Okoloko obtained his first law degree in the country of his birth in 1998. He emigrated to the United States that same year and obtained a second law degree with honors from Seattle University in 2003. In 2004, Judge Okoloko served as a Law Clerk to the Honorable Michael T. Downes of the Snohomish County Superior Court before joining the Snohomish County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in 2005 where he worked for approximately 13 years. As a deputy prosecutor, he worked in the Criminal Division of the office.

In 2007 and 2008, he was honored by the Snohomish County Court Clerks for personifying personal and professional civility and courtesy to staff, litigants, and the bench. Judge Okoloko was a member of the Snohomish County Multi-Agency Response Team (SMART), which investigates county-wide incidents involving police officers' use of lethal force. He was also one of the on-call prosecutors responding to homicides on behalf of the prosecuting attorney's office.

Judge Okoloko is currently the Chief Juvenile Court Judge of the Snohomish County Superior Court. He is the Chair of the Juvenile Committee and serves on the Family Law/Guardian Ad Litem/Mental Health (ITA) Committee, the Information Accessibility Committee, and the Cultural Advisory Committee which seeks to identify racial disparities in services provided by the Snohomish County Juvenile Court. Judge Okoloko serves as one of the Superior Court Judges Association representatives to the Washington State Pattern Instructions Committee. In the past, Judge Okoloko has volunteered to visit high school and middle school classrooms to speak with students about trial techniques, the constitution, and the judicial system and the role of courts. Recognizing the importance of increasing diversity in the legal profession, Judge Okoloko currently volunteers to meet with students of color considering a career in the legal profession.

In his free time, Judge Okoloko loves playing soccer and traveling with his wife and children.



# CONTRIBUTORS, MORNING (CONTINUED)



## SEATTLE POLICE DEPARTMENT OFFICER MATTHEW ROBERSON

Officer Matthew Roberson started working for the City of Seattle in 2007 as a teen program leader at South Park Community Center. At the end of 2012, he joined the Seattle Police Department and worked patrol in the South Precinct for 4 years before he started his current position as a Youth Outreach Officer in the Collaborative Policing Bureau. He focuses on violence prevention, intervention, and relationship building activities with young people often working in collaboration with various youth serving agencies. He leads talking and education programs, mentor's youth, participates in community events, and organizes a wide variety of Seattle Police Activities League (SEPAL) activities. <https://seattlepal.org/>



## MATT SANDERS, ESQ.

Matt Sanders is a graduate of Seattle University School of Law, class of 2012. He has been committed to public service since law school, where he interned for the Korematsu Center for Law and Equality, volunteered with the Washington State Minority and Justice Commission, and worked as a Rule 9 public defender. Matt joined the King County Department of Public Defense ("DPD") in 2013 as a staff attorney. As a staff attorney, Matt handled a major felony caseload and took dozens of cases to trial and verdict. Notably, in 2019, after a two-month jury trial, he and a colleague obtained a swift acquittal for an African-American father wrongly accused of murder. The County ultimately settled the subsequent civil lawsuit.

Since 2020, Matt has been the juvenile supervising attorney for the King County Department of Public Defense—ACA Division. In the words of his former managing attorney, "Matt is regarded as one of the most accomplished trial attorneys at ACAD." In addition to his notable work as an attorney, Matt is a graduate of the National Criminal Defense College and the Washington Leadership Institute.



## THE HON. LORI K. SMITH, WASHINGTON STATE COURT OF APPEAL

Judge Lori K. Smith was appointed by Governor Jay Inslee to the Court of Appeals in June 2018 and is currently the Acting Chief Judge at Division I. Prior to her appointment, she was a King County Superior Court judge for over six years and served as a King County Superior Court commissioner for six years. While on the superior court, Judge Smith served as the Unified Family Court Chief Judge. Judge Smith is currently chair of the Minority and Justice Commission's Education Committee, co-chair of the Gender and Justice Commission's Tribal and State Court Consortium, past co-chair of the King County Bar Association's Diversity Committee, and was a member of the Washington State Supreme Court Racial Justice Consortium. Judge Smith taught at Judicial College and has been a presenter at numerous judicial conferences and CLE programs.

Prior to her judicial career, Judge Smith was a senior deputy in the Family Support Division of the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Judge Smith obtained a B.A. in Criminal Justice from Eastern Washington University and a J.D. from the University of Washington School of Law.



## BELLEVUE POLICE CHIEF WENDELL J. SHIRLEY

Bellevue Police Chief Wendell J. Shirley has approximately 27 years of law enforcement experience. During his law enforcement career, he commanded every division in the Santa Monica Police Department and retired as Captain of the Criminal Investigations Division in 2019. Chief Shirley also served as a Law Enforcement facilitator at the Simon Wiesenthal Museum of Tolerance in Los Angeles California and was an adjunct faculty member in the Law & Administration of Justice Department at Los Angeles Mission College.

(Bellevue Police Chief Wendell J. Shirley cont.)

Chief Shirley has a Master's in Public Administration and a Bachelor's in Sociology & Criminology from California State University Northridge. He has executive leadership and law enforcement certifications from the FBI National Academy, Senior Management Institute of Police at Boston University, Harvard University John F. Kennedy School of Government, Columbia University Business School, Georgetown University, and College of Charleston. .



## THE HON. TANYA L. THORP, KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT

Tanya Thorp was appointed to the King County Superior Court bench on May 1, 2014. Currently, Judge Thorp is the King County Chief Civil Judge. Judge Thorp was the King County Chief Unified Family Court Judge in 2019 after a two-year trial assignment to family law cases. Prior to joining the bench, Judge Thorp worked for the Attorney General's Office, where she litigated worker safety cases in Washington's oil refineries. Before litigating worker safety cases, Judge Thorp worked for almost ten years in the Social and Health Services Division, where she litigated child welfare cases.

Judge Thorp chairs the King County Superior Court Technology Committee and Ex Parte/Probate Committee. Judge Thorp also serves on the King County Superior Court Local Court Rules Committee and Family Law Committee.



## THE HON. JUSTICE G. HELEN WHITENER, WA STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice G. Helen Whitener was appointed to the Washington State Supreme Court in April 2020 and she was subsequently elected by the voters to retain her position on the State Supreme Court.

Prior to her appointment to Washington State's highest court, Justice Whitener served as a Pierce County Superior Court judge. She also served as a judge on the Washington State Board of Industrial Insurance Appeals and as a pro-tem judge in Pierce County District Court and the City of Tacoma Municipal Court. Justice Whitener is also a former prosecutor, defense attorney, and managing partner of the law firm of Whitener Rainey Writt.

Justice Whitener is the first Black woman to serve on the Washington Supreme Court, the fourth immigrant-born Justice and the first Black LGBT judge in the State of Washington and the first Black LGBT Justice in the United States.

Justice Whitener is a faculty member of the National Judicial College and she chairs the state's Annual Judicial Conference Planning Committee.



## KING COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER GIRMAY ZAHILAY

Girmay Zahilay is a King County Councilmember, an elected position representing 2.3 million people in King County, Washington.

Girmay was born in Sudan to Ethiopian refugee parents and was raised in low-income public housing in South Seattle. After graduating from Franklin High School, he received degrees from Stanford University and UPenn Law School, and also worked in the Obama White House. His experiences growing up in public housing and going to public schools inspired him to pursue anti-poverty work through the Congressional Hunger Center and also to found Rising Leaders, Inc., a nonprofit that equips underserved middle school students with mentors and life skills training.

Girmay ran for King County Council to offer bold solutions to problems that need immediate regional leadership. In his first term, he has championed transformational work across policy areas such as behavioral health, affordable housing, youth development, public transit, criminal justice, and more. He's also passionate about making politics and public policy more inclusive across communities and generations.

# CONTRIBUTORS, AFTERNOON (ALPHABETICAL)



## **MARKUS BROOKS, NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY LAW STUDENT**

Markus Brooks is a 2020 Summa Cum Laude graduate of Jackson State University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice and Correctional Services. He is a native of Bloomington, Illinois. Some of his hobbies include exercising, watching movies, public speaking, photography, and traveling. Markus is a Spring 2018 initiate of the Delta Phi Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated. He is currently a member of the Mu Alpha Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated.

Markus is a third-year law student at Northern Illinois University College of Law. He is a Graduate Assistant for the Center of Nonprofit and NGO Studies, where he teaches undergraduate students about professional development. He also serves as a Student Ambassador for NIU College of Law and the Vice-President of the Black Law Students Association (BLSA) for the 2022-2023 academic school year. He is an active member of the National Bar Association (NBA) and Phi Alpha Delta Law Fraternity. After graduation, Markus will be working as a Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office in Seattle, Washington.



## **NICHOLAS BROWN, U.S. ATTORNEY, WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**

U.S. Attorney Nicholas W. Brown took the oath of office on October 08, 2021.

U.S. Attorney Nicholas Brown has deep roots in the Justice Department having served from 2007 to 2013 as an Assistant United States Attorney in Western Washington, handling a wide variety of criminal cases. From 2013 to 2017, U.S. Attorney Brown served as General Counsel to Governor Jay Inslee. In that role he was involved in critical issues including high-priority litigation, criminal justice policy, tribal gaming and Indian law, and clemency petitions. Most recently U.S.

Attorney Brown was a partner with Pacifica Law Group in Seattle focusing his practice on assisting public and private clients with complex civil and regulatory litigation, public policy, municipal law, and political matters.

An Army veteran, U.S. Attorney Brown served in the Judge Advocate General Corps from 2003 to 2007 at Joint Base Lewis McCord (JBLM), Fort Bliss, Texas, and Baghdad, Iraq. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal in 2005.

U.S. Attorney Brown has volunteered his time for a number of public service and non-profit organizations, including Seattle Ethics and Elections, the Campaign for Equal Justice, the Washington State Bar Association Leadership Institute, Seattle Works and Treehouse. U.S. Attorney Brown is also active in the Federal Bar Association.

A Western Washington native, Nicholas Brown received his BA Magna Cum Laude from Morehouse College in 1999, and his JD from Harvard Law School in 2002. He graduated from Steilacoom High School in 1995.

U.S. Attorney Brown was nominated by President Joe Biden on July 26, 2021, and was approved by the U.S. Senate on September 30, 2021.

## **MERCY DIZON**

Mercy Dizon is a founding partner of Sex Workers Against Trafficking Coalition for Healing (SWATCH) where she speaks nationally on social justice, LGBTQ2IA+ issues, commercial sexual exploitation, and homeless youth. Mercy is a human trafficking survivor expert, spoken word poet, and community leader in Seattle, Washington where she seeks to revolutionize systems that sought to serve her but failed. Mercy serves with over a decade of experience in direct service as an advocate in and around greater Seattle. Currently, Mercy serves as Victim Advocate for survivors of Elder Abuse, Human Trafficking, Hate Crimes, Animal Cruelty & Vulnerable Populations with King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Mercy has published her creative writing and as a contributing author in medical textbooks for pediatricians. Mercy continued her dedication to public service as an expert consultant & advisory boards with the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children, National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center, Department of Homeland Security, and on the Shared Hope JuST Council.



## **COURTNEY R. JONES, ESQ.**

Courtney R. Jones was admitted to the University of Washington at the age of 15 after being selected by the Robinson Center for Young Scholars for academically gifted youth. She graduated from the University of Washington with a Bachelor of Arts in International Studies with a focus on Latin American Studies and Spanish. She was on the Dean's List all semesters and received the esteemed Monroe Scholarship and Costco Diversity Scholarship.

After completing an internship at The Law Office of L.M. Jones, LLC she was accepted into the Seattle University School of Law where she received both the Dean's Diversity Scholarship and Phillip L. Burton Memorial Scholarship. She graduated with her Juris Doctorate in 2014. Since admission to the Washington State Bar Association in 2015, Ms. Jones has worked in civil litigation, first as an associate at Nored Law PLLC. More recently, she became partner and owner of a law firm, and she specializes in family law.

As an active member of her community, Ms. Jones regularly participates in activities that promote diversity, education, access to legal resources, and charitable giving. She has been recognized by WSBA for her commitment to pro bono services and currently sits on the committee for the Honorable Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum. Every week, Ms. Jones dedicates her free time to serving as a Youth Leader and Worship Leader at her church.



## **THE HON. DAVID KEENAN, KING COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT**

Judge David Keenan has served as a King County Superior Court Judge Since 2017. Judge Keenan brings a unique perspective to the bench, having been raised by his mother in poverty in Seattle and having gone through the juvenile criminal legal system in the very court he now serves in.

Judge Keenan was a 2021 Racial Justice Institute Fellow at the Shriver Center on Poverty Law, serves on the Access to Justice Board where he chairs the Rules Committee, is a member of the Task Force on Race and the Criminal Justice System 2.0, and serves on the Washington State Bar Association Equity and Disparity Workgroup, the King County Superior Court Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Committee, the National Association of Women Judges Ensuring Racial Equity Committee and Diversity and Inclusion Committee, and is the American Bar Association Judicial Division's Liaison to the Council for Diversity in the Educational Pipeline.

Judge Keenan also serves on the Board of Choose 180, which works to keep youth and young adults out of the criminal legal system, and previously served on the Board of TeamChild, which provides civil legal aid to vulnerable youth.



# CONTRIBUTORS, AFTERNOON (CONTINUED)



## DR. JOHNNY LAKE

Dr. Johnny Lake is an international consultant, trainer and speaker certified in programs respecting leadership, diversity, community-building, cross-cultural communication and interactions skills, equity and ethics for youth and adults. He consults with government, professional and educational agencies and organizations. Dr. Lake served as an Associate Professor of Education and Counseling. He is an Administrator on Special Assignment with the Eugene 4J school district and an advocate for needs of at-risk youth and provides teacher training institutes and student learning and leadership opportunities. Dr. Lake is an internationally recognized writer and storyteller. Dr. Johnny Lake holds a bachelor's degree in history from Willamette University. He has a Masters in educational leadership and administration and received his Ph.D. in educational leadership, policy, management and organization. Dr. Lake is a former chairman of the State of Oregon Commission on Black Affairs.

Dr. Lake's scholarship has focused on teaching and learning around issues of leadership, diversity, race and culture, personal and organizational growth, cultural competency, and communication. Dr. Lake assists individuals, schools and traditional institutions to gain critical knowledge and skills, as well as developing effective methods and strategies to bring about growth and progress, and to build and support productive relationships.



## RACHEL LUKE, ESQ.

Rachel represents clients in complex products liability, personal injury, aviation, and insurance bad faith litigation. She joined Friedman Rubin in 2017.

Rachel graduated from Seattle University School of Law in 2009, where she was the Managing Editor of the Seattle Journal for Social Justice and Vice President of the Black Law Student Association. She received her undergraduate degree from the University of Washington. Rachel has served on the Loren Miller Bar Association's judicial evaluation committee, served as co-chair of the Washington State Association for Justice Diversity Committee, and volunteers as a pro bono attorney for the Sexual Violence Law Center.

Having grown up locally, Rachel lives in Seattle with her husband and two daughters who also love the Pacific Northwest. Her hobbies include backpacking and hiking, fishing, trying new foods, and watching UW football.



## BETHANNE L. MOORE, MD

Dr. Bethanne L. Moore MD is a child, adolescent and adult psychiatrist who practices in Maryland. She earned her medical degree from Yale University School of Medicine. She completed her adult psychiatric training at Hahnemann University and received training as a child and adolescent psychiatrist at Harvard University.

Dr. Moore has a broad range of clinical experience. Her expertise includes school consultation, foster care treatment, psychiatric evaluation, psychopharmacological treatment, insight-oriented psychotherapy, court evaluation, expert witness testimony, organizational consultation, and executive coaching. Dr. Moore integrates technology with patient care through her application of telepsychiatry. In addition, Dr. Moore completed expert reviews for self-help applications and consults with companies on development of behavioral health applications.

## RODNEY MOSELEY

Mr. Moseley is a cybersecurity professional with expertise in defense protections, security compliance and threat mitigation. He graduated from Texas Tech University and completed his Masters degree in eBusiness at the University of Phoenix. He is a husband, father of three, active member of his church, and currently lives in the Great Northwest region.

An active community member, he is in his second term as the President of the Zeta Pi Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity.

Mr. Moseley has over 20 years of experience in Management, Networking, and now Cyber Security Architecture. He currently works for Microsoft as a Lead Cyber Security Manager and is a Smart Concepts Thinker. As an activist for the empowerment of disadvantaged communities, he encourages all who strive to achieve more and better their position. As an advocate for the advancement of youth in technology, he aspires to help all those who wish to achieve greater & reach their dreams.



## ERIC OPOKU AGYEMANG

Eric Opoku Agyemang is the Leadership Programs Director at Puget Sound Sage and a Ph.D. candidate at the University of Washington's School of Social Work. His research focuses on community-based prevention of human trafficking. Prior to joining Sage, Eric served as the co-founder and executive director of the Cheerful Hearts Foundation, a non-profit that uses community-based interventions to address child trafficking in the West African fishing industry. His work has been featured in national and international news, including the Guardian, BBC, and Al Jazeera.



## LILETHA WILLIAMS

Liletha Williams is a lived experience expert who has spent her life advocating on behalf of vulnerable children and adults. Her focus has been on addressing issues of racial justice, juvenile justice, reentry after prison, and community.





# 2022 HONORARY CO-CHAIRS (ALPHABETICAL)



## FIRST AME CHURCH PASTOR CAREY ANDERSON

Rev. Dr. Carey G. Anderson is the Senior Pastor of First AME Church, Seattle, WA, where he has served since November 2004. Prior to his appointment at First AME, Rev. Dr. Anderson was Sr. Pastor of St. Paul AME Church in Wichita, KS from 2000-2004, and he was Senior Pastor of Bethel AME Church in Reno, Nevada from 1984 to 2000.

Pastor Anderson holds a B.A. Degree from California State University, Hayward; a Master of Divinity Degree from Pacific School of Religion Theological Seminary, Berkeley, CA; and a Doctor of Ministry Degree from St. Paul School of Theology, Kansas City, MO.

Pastor Anderson has substance abuse counseling certification through the National Association for Addiction Professionals, Program Administrator certification through the Bureau of Alcohol and Drug Abuse, State of Nevada, and teaching credentials from the State of Nevada.

## TUKWILA CITY COUNCILMEMBER CYNTHIA DELOSTRINOS-JOHNSON

Biography listed with Morning Contributors



## SEATTLE MAYOR BRUCE HARRELL

Mayor Bruce Harrell was born in Seattle to an African American father who was one of the first Black union lineman at Seattle City Light, and a Japanese American mother who had been incarcerated at Minidoka during World War II. He is Seattle's first Asian American and first biracial mayor and Seattle's second Black mayor.

The Harrell family lived in Seattle's redlined Central District, where Bruce graduated from Garfield High School in 1976 as valedictorian of his class. Bruce went on to attend the University of Washington on a football scholarship, where he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science, won a Rose Bowl, and made the national Academic All-American First Team in football.

Mr. Harrell later earned a Juris Doctor from the University of Washington School of Law. As an attorney, he spent his early career in technology and telecommunications as an in-house attorney. He later joined a downtown firm representing employees, youth, small businesses, and nonprofit organizations.

He was elected to the Seattle City Council in 2007 citywide, re-elected twice, and in 2017 served as interim mayor. In 2021, Seattle voters elected Hon. Bruce Harrell as Mayor of Seattle based substantially on His Honor's commitment to address the homelessness crisis with urgency and compassion, to ensure public safety for all communities, and to restore trust, hope, and unity in local government and civic life. He believes creating One Seattle will be critical to address the needs of the day; a Seattle where we embrace our differences and celebrate our commonality.



## LAZELLE JOHNSON

Lazelle Johnson, affectionately known as Mother Johnson, was born in Pine Bluff, Arkansas. She received an undergraduate degree in education from a school then known as AM&N College, now affiliated with the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff. Mrs. Johnson taught in Arkansas for two years, before coming to Seattle with her husband, the late Judge Charles V. Johnson, where he had been accepted at the University of Washington School of Law.

Mrs. Johnson worked at Boeing for a few years when she arrived in Seattle, because in those days Seattle was not hiring many African-American teachers. After Boeing, Mrs. Johnson worked for the Seattle Urban League in various roles, including as a counselor for Seattle Urban League's on the job training project. In 1972, Mrs. Johnson began work for the United States Department of Labor as a Regional Administrator, Region 10, for the Women's Bureau until she retired in 1992. Her volunteer work included serving as the President of the Seattle Girl's Club, serving on the board of the Seattle Public Library, and as a volunteer at the YWCA on East Cherry. She has been an ardent supporter of the Youth and Law Forum from its inception.

## THE HON. LORI K. SMITH, WASHINGTON STATE COURT OF APPEAL

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## THE HON. KIMBERLY WALDEN, CITY OF TUKWILA MUNICIPAL COURT

Kimberly Walden was appointed Municipal Court Judge for the City of Tukwila in early 2003. She is a former member of the Minority and Justice Commission and former Chair of the DMCJA Education Committee. She is a DMCJA representative to the CLJ CMS Steering Committee and a faculty member for the Washington State Misdemeanor Probation Academy. Prior to her appointment, she served as a municipal prosecutor for several Puget Sound area cities and was in private practice for 3 years. Her practice focused on criminal defense, family, and immigration law. Before attending law school, Judge Walden was a U.S. Army Captain in the Military Police Corps serving in combat support, law enforcement, and corrections capacities.

Judge Walden has a Bachelor of Criminal Justice from Seattle University, Distinguished Military Graduate, and received her J.D. from the University of Washington, School of Law.

## THE HON. JUSTICE G. HELEN WHITENER, WASHINGTON STATE SUPREME COURT

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## THE HON. JUSTICE MARY YU, WASHINGTON STATE SUPREME COURT

Justice Mary I. Yu was appointed to the Washington State Supreme Court in 2014 after serving as a trial judge in King County Superior Court for fourteen years. The daughter of immigrants and the first in her family to go to college, Justice Yu is the first woman of color (first Asian and first Latina) and the first member of the LGBTQ community to serve on the Washington State Supreme Court.

## KING COUNTY COUNCILMEMBER GIRMAY ZAHILAY

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# JUVENILE JUSTICE JEOPARDY



## At what AGE can you LEGALLY...



☐ Buy cigarettes and smoke



☐ Purchase and drink alcohol



☐ Be sent to adult court



☐ Get a driving permit



☐ Get a driving license



☐ Rent a car



☐ Consent to sex



☐ Stop going to school



☐ Vote in an election



☐ Have a gun



☐ Have ammo



☐ Own a hunting rifle

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# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

**ALLEGATION** • A claim or assertion that someone has committed a criminal offense that has not been proven in court.

**AT-RISK YOUTH** • An At-Risk Youth (ARY) petition is a request from a child's parent or legal guardian to the Juvenile Court to assist the parent in maintaining the health and safety of their youth or the youth for whom they are legally responsible.

**COMMUNITY SERVICE** • Unpaid work in the community as a condition of supervision or diversion.

**DEFERRED DISPOSITION** • A way for a juvenile to get his or her criminal case dismissed upon compliance with a term of supervision and then sealed upon turning age 18. Juveniles only get one deferred disposition.

**DEPENDENT** • An abused or neglected child, or a child in need of proper parental care and control who has no parent or guardian willing and able to exercise care and control.

**DETENTION** • The temporary care of a juvenile who requires secure custody in a locked facility for the protection of the community and/or juvenile, or to ensure that the juvenile appears in court.

**DISMISSAL** • Formally ends a criminal prosecution.

**DISPOSITION** • A formal judgment of the juvenile court in electing what to do after the juvenile has been adjudicated.

**DIVERSION** • An option for handling a case outside the jurisdiction and services of the Juvenile Court

**ELECTRONIC HOME MONITORING** • An event where a small monitoring device is attached to a juvenile's ankle that generates a daily computer report of the youth's whereabouts via telephone lines or satellite.

**FACTFINDING HEARING** • A formal fact finding by the court to determine a juvenile's innocence or guilt of crimes alleged in an Information.

**JUVENILE** • A person under the age of 18, particularly one alleged to have committed an act that is a violation, or that if done by an adult would constitute a crime.

**JUVENILE REHABILITATION** • State Institutions operated by DCYF where committed juveniles are incarcerated. Includes: Green Hill, Echo Glen, and Naselle.

**JUVENILE PROBATION OFFICER** • A Juvenile Department employee with the authority of a peace officer while performing his/her court-related duties. These duties include supervising juveniles and monitoring compliance with conditions of probation or formal accountability agreements.

**SEALING** • Getting one's juvenile criminal history sealed so that it may not be disclosed upon a criminal background check. Once sealed, the case shall be treated as if it never occurred, and the subject of the records may reply accordingly to any inquiry about the events, records of which are sealed. Adult criminal history will unseal previously sealed juvenile history.

**SUPERVISION** • A disposition by the juvenile court whereby the juvenile is placed under the supervision of a probation officer who oversees the compliance with court ordered conditions. The juvenile remains in the community instead of being incarcerated.

**REGISTRATION REQUIREMENT** • The act of registering with the local sheriff's office as a sex or kidnapping offender. Certain crimes, particularly sex and kidnapping crimes, require registration. Failure to comply is a crime.

**RELIEF FROM REGISTRATION** • The act of getting the registration requirement removed though time or a court order.

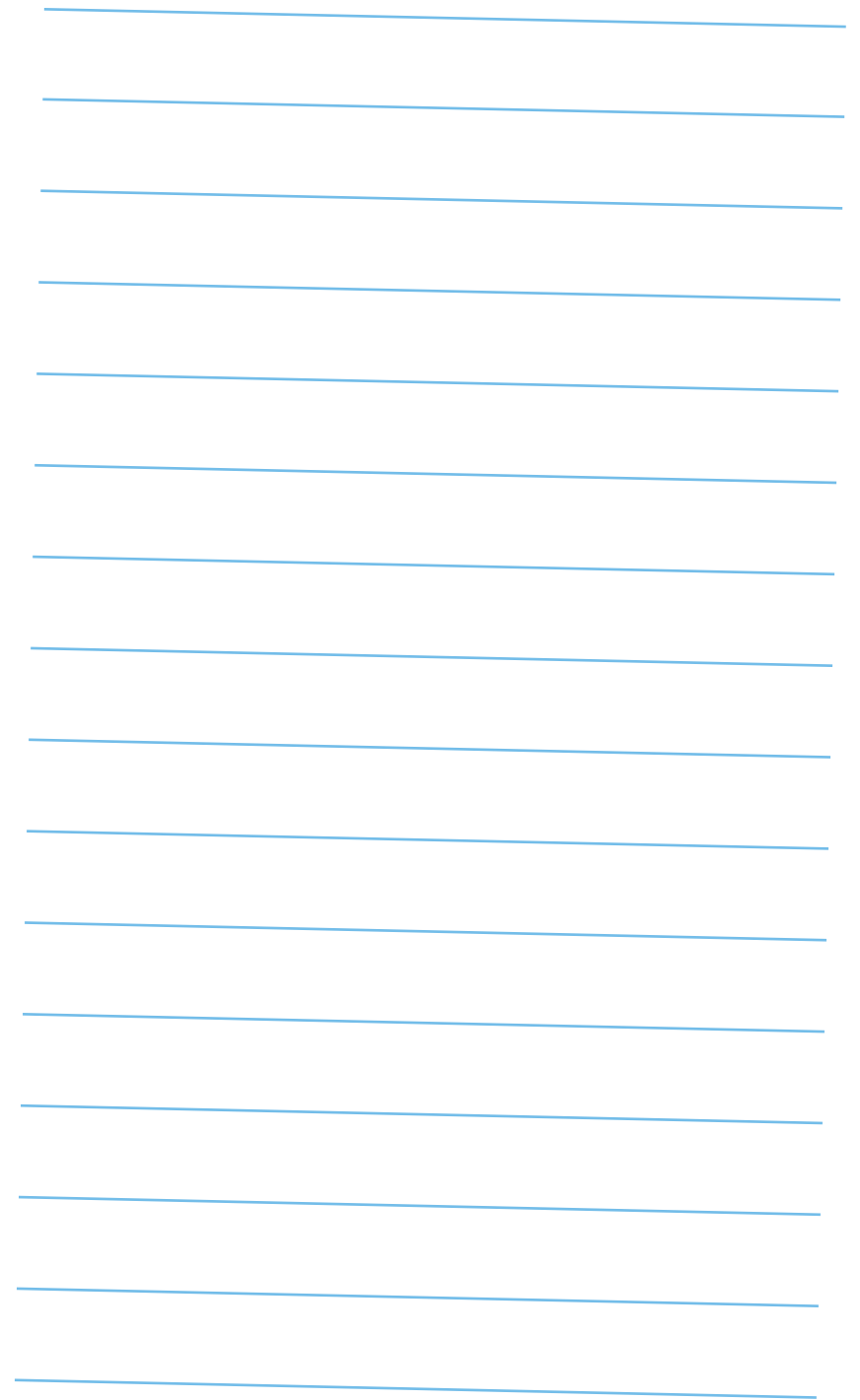
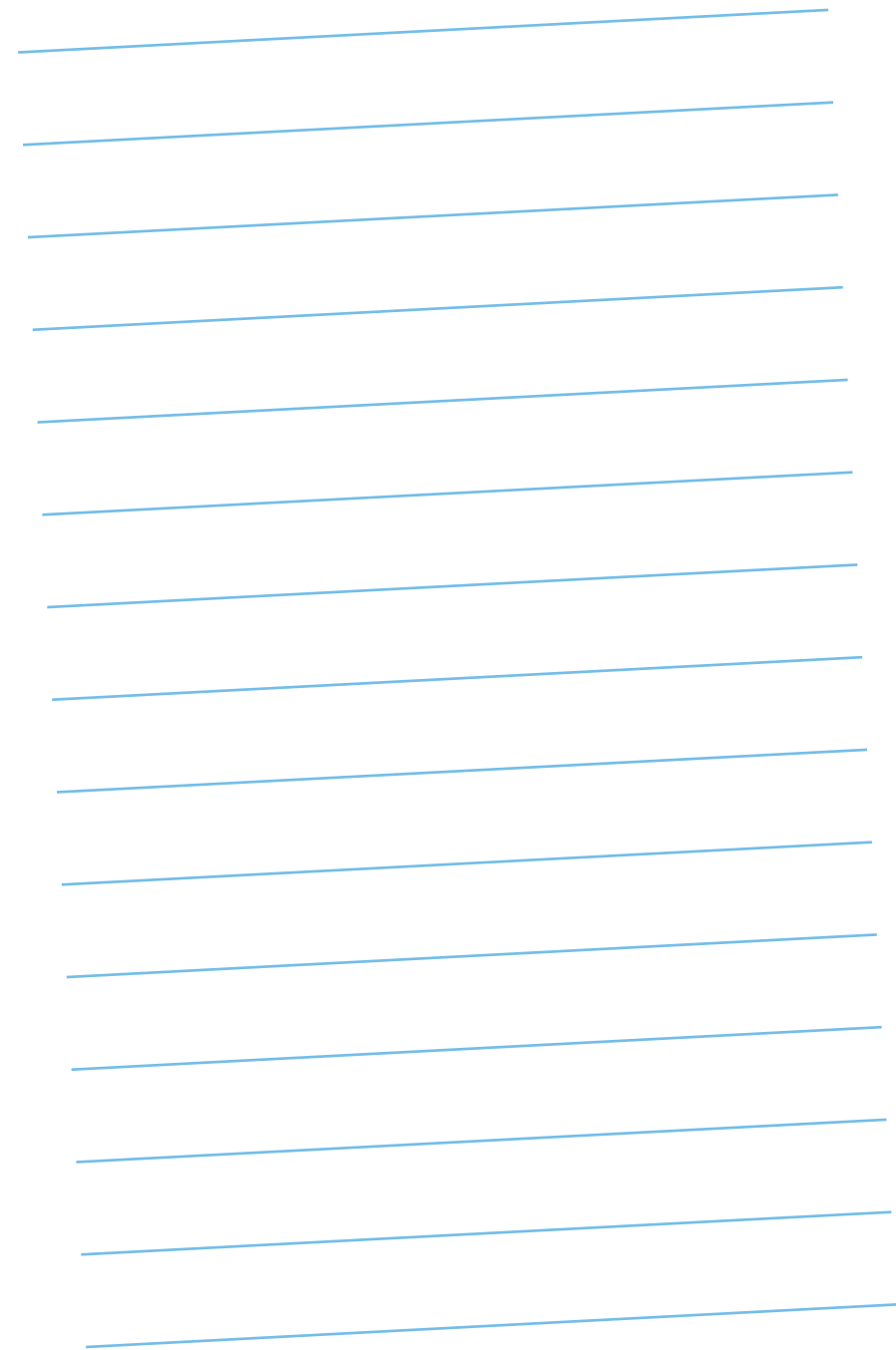
**RESTITUTION** • Full, partial or nominal payment of monetary damages to a victim; can be court-ordered or agreed upon between parties.

**REFERRAL** • A written complaint by law enforcement official detailing the arrest of a juvenile for an alleged violation of the law or commission of a status offense. A referral may have multiple reasons.

**RISK FACTORS** • Elements that increase the likelihood of delinquency or other problematic adolescent behavior.

**YOUTH OFFENDER** • A person at least 12 and under 18 years of age found to be within the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.

## NOTES





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## CO-FOUNDER JUDGE LEROY MCCULLOUGH

Judge LeRoy McCullough is a co-founder of the Judge Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum alongside Judge Charles V. Johnson and Judge Norma S. Huggins. Judge McCullough is assigned to the adult civil and criminal calendar at the Maleng Regional Justice Center (MRJC) and began service as a King County Superior Court Judge in 1989. Judge McCullough remains a trusted and active advisor of the Judge Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Forum Steering Committee.

The 2022 Steering Committee thanks Judge McCullough for his 32 years of commitment to the Judge Charles V. Johnson Youth and Law Youth and Law Forum.

## THANK YOU, 2022 STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBERS!

Dr. Margaret Spearmon, Nathan Nanfelt, Sherrill Vaughan, Ki Thompson, Ben Tchamba, Courtney Jones, Denise Bouldin (aka Detective Cookie), Matthew Sanders, Regina Bigby, Maurice Ward, and Co-Chairs Noe Merfeld, Erika Evans, and Christopher Sanders.



# YOUTH RESOURCES

## EMOTIONAL HEALTH & WELL-BEING

### **CRISIS CONNECTIONS**

Local line/Teens: (206) 461-3222

24/7 Crisis Line: (866) 427-Crisis (4747)

### **TEEN LINK**

(division of Crisis Connections)

[www.teenlink.org](http://www.teenlink.org) (866) 833-6546 (call or text)

### **SEAMAR YOUTH & FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES**

(206) 658-2175

### **BRIDGES CENTER FOR GRIEVING CHILDREN (Tacoma/Puyallup)**

(253) 403-1966

### **NATIONAL RUNAWAY SAFELINE**

(24 hour confidential phone support)

1-800-RUNAWAY

### **THERAPEUTIC HEALTH SERVICES**

for intake information,

visit [ths-wa.org/get-help/](http://ths-wa.org/get-help/)

## CITY OF SEATTLE TEEN LIFE CENTERS AND LATE-NIGHT PROGRAMS • AGES 13-19

### **GARFIELD TEEN LIFE CENTER**

(206) 684-4550 • 428 23rd Ave, 98122

Mon-Thurs: 2:30pm-8pm

Fri: 2:30pm - 7pm

Fri: Late Night program 7pm-12am

### **MEADOWBROOK TEEN LIFE CENTER**

(206) 684-7523 • 10750 30th Ave NE, 98125

Mon-Thurs: 2:30pm-8pm

Fri: 2:30pm - 12pm

Fri: Late Night program 7pm - 12am

Sat: 7pm - 12am (Late Night only)

### **SOUTHWEST TEEN LIFE CENTER**

(206) 684-7438 • 2801 SW Thistle St, 98126

(Enter South side of building)

Tues-Thurs: 2:30 - 8pm

Fri: 2:30pm - 12am

Fri: Late Night program 7pm-12am

Sat: 7pm - 12am (Late Night only)

## TEEN JOBS PROGRAM

(CITY OF SEATTLE)

(206) 684-4575 • [Teen.Programs@seattle.gov](mailto:Teen.Programs@seattle.gov)

## YOUTH SPORTS PROGRAM

(CITY OF SEATTLE)

(206) 684-7091 • [PKS\\_CYA@seattle.gov](mailto:PKS_CYA@seattle.gov)