

**First-Ever Mayor's History Makers Awards to Recognize 10 Houstonians Making a Difference in the Community**  
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***Comcast Partners with City of Houston Mayor Turner to Celebrate Black History Month***

In celebration of Black History Month, Comcast today announced a partnership with City of Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner to honor 10 community volunteers at the first-ever Mayor's History Makers Awards. Held at the Houstonian Hotel, the honorees will be recognized for their commitment to making a difference in the community through volunteerism, mentorship, advocacy and civic engagement.

"These exceptional individuals have demonstrated selfless commitment," said City of Houston Mayor Sylvester Turner. "The History Makers Awards give us an opportunity to recognize those who have played a vital role in positive change in their communities while celebrating the diversity of this great city."

In addition to being recognized, each honoree will be featured in a 30-second Public Service Announcement that will air on Comcast. Comcast will also donate \$1,000 to the nonprofit organization of the honoree's choice.

**2018 Mayor's History Makers Award Honorees and Nominating Organizations**

Barbara Curtis	R.A.R.E. Pearls, Inc.
Marilyn Douglas-Jones	Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans
Carol Freeman	Boys & Girls Clubs of Greater Houston
Dr. Bernard Harris, Jr.	Communities In Schools
Dr. Bobbie Henderson	United Way of Greater Houston
Pamela Joubert Davis	Children's Museum of Houston
Elexa Orrange	Goodwill Houston
Michael Pearson	Chinese Community Center
Christina Porter	Chauncy Glover Project

Dr. Thomas F. Freeman, founding Dean of the Thomas F. Freeman Honors College at Texas Southern University will also be recognized with a Living Legend award.

Honorees were judged on criteria that included their personal impact in the community, helping further the mission of a nonprofit organization and overcoming personal obstacles. Judges for the awards include the City of Houston's first daughter Ashley Turner; Comcast Houston's Senior Vice President Ralph Martinez; United Way of Greater Houston President and CEO Anna Babin; Legacy Community Health CEO Katy Caldwell; Houston Mayor Pro-tem Jerry Davis; Career & Recovery Resources CEO Dr. Vern Swisher; and Chief Development Officer at the Montrose Center Kent Loftin.

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