

STATUS OF BLACK MALES

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

Hooker Conference Room #245, at City Hall at Showers Plaza, 401 N. Morton Street, Bloomington, Indiana
on the Second Wednesday of every month at 5:30 p.m. In-person and Zoom Meeting,
Bloomington.in.gov/csbm

Agenda

1. Call to Order: 5:36 pm
2. Introductions: No introductions needed
3. Approval of January meeting Minutes: Moved on
4. Request for additional agenda items: None
5. Old Business
 - a. 2025 Events
 - i. Black History Month Kick off – Saturday, February 01, 2025
Announced accepting nominations for Outstanding Leaders for Tomorrow at BHMKO.
6. New Business
 - a. Black History Month Events
 - i. Black Market: Saturday, February 15th in City Hall from 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (Will require Commissioners participation.)
 - ii. BHM Poster Board Contest Reception & Judging* Saturday, February 22nd in City Hall at 12:00 noon (Will require Commissioners participation.) Will stick with James' rubric
 - iii. Black History Month Gala * Monroe Convention Center Saturday, March 01st at 5:30 p.m. 4 awards to distribute: Outstanding leaders for 2 males/2 females H.S & Adult
 - b. Planning Meeting
 - iv. Black Male Summit: (Contact Dr. Markaye Winston if we can have a continuation of the BMS) September (9/11/2025, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.) – Anti-DEI concerns, should we change name/rebrand? Concern – will MCCSC allow students to be excused from school? Andrew will contact Dr. Winston to get a pulse on student participation
 - * ~~College Readiness~~: (**Post-secondary Planning**) Workshops
 - Building A Resume
 - College Readiness
 - Workforce Readiness
 - Speakers
 - * ~~Sexual Health~~
 - * ~~Mental Health~~
 - * Stereotypes of Black Males
 - Respectability Politics
 - Black Male Identity

- **NOTE:** We will determine other two BMS categories at the next meeting.

- v. Violence Prevention Education
- vi. Outstanding Black Male and Woman Leader of Tomorrow: 4 awards, James and Andrew will create a rubric for nominations and have it out to Commissioners by Sunday February 16, 2025. Only four submissions - Isabella Debro, Imani Luellen, Charlie Edmonds, and Makea,

7. Liaison Report

a. Annual Report

- i. CSBM Initiatives:
- ii. OUTSTANDING LEADERS OF TOMORROW Awards (February) - The Outstanding Black Male and Woman Leader of Tomorrow awards are presented annually at the Black History Month Gala to two high school and two adult recipients for outstanding leadership, scholarship, and involvement in making meaningful contributions to the Bloomington community.
- iii. BLACK BARBERSHOP HEALTH INITIATIVE (April) - The Black Barbershop Health Initiatives provides free health screenings and conversations centered around men's health at local barbershops
- iv. NATIONAL MILLION FATHER MARCH (August) - The CSBM organizes fathers, father figures, mentors, and role models to welcome students back on the first day of school part of the National Million Father March
- v. BLACK MALE YOUTH SUMMIT (September) - The Black Male Youth Summit is an opportunity for young black males in Bloomington to join together for a day of personal and professional development with community leaders.
- vi. WINTER WONDERLAND PHOTOS WITH SANTA (December) - The Winter Wonderland event is a program of the City of Bloomington's Commission on the Status of Black Males. The initiative originated from recognizing that our community lacked a signature holiday event that truly represented people of color. We wanted to create a diverse and inclusive experience that was accessible to everyone, and most importantly, free of charge.

8. Open seats: 2 open seats - Have two submissions ... ongoing

9. Appointments expiring January 31st, 2025:

10. March Meeting: March 12th, 2025

11. Announcements/Community Updates: None

12. Guests/Public Comment (Please allow 3-5 minutes per guest)

13. Adjournment: 6:32 p.m.

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Commission On The Status of Black Males (CSBM) -

Commission Members: James Sanders – Chair

- i. Cornelius Wright
- ii. Isaiah Brock
- iii. Patrick Smith
- iv. 3 Vacant Positions

Jan	Set Calendar		Chair
Feb	Outstanding Leader		
Mar	Male Summit		
Apr	BBSHop		
May	Black Grads		
Jun		Needs Vote	
Jul		Needs Vote	
Aug	Million Father March		
Sep	Women's Summit		
Oct			
Nov			
Dec	Winter Wonderland Black Santa		

Annual Report Outline

1. Cover Page

- o Title: City of Bloomington “Commission Name” 2024 Annual Report
- o City Logo with Commission Branding
- o Prepared by: Your Name, Liaison and Commission
- o Contact Information: Email, Website, Phone

2. Table of Contents

3. Message from the Chair

- o Headshot of Commission Chair
- o Key highlights, achievements, and challenges from the year
- o Vision for the future and goals for the next year

4. Commission Purpose Statement

- o Focus and purpose of the commission
- o Explanation of how activities align with the mission

5. Organizational Overview

- o Commissions and Appointing Body (with headshots if available)
- o Titles and Employers of Members
- o Structure: Chair, Secretary, Director, Liaison, Intern (if applicable)
- o Summary Page

6. Key Achievements and Impact - Big Summary Page

- o Major Accomplishments: Significant milestones
- o Statistics or Metrics: Quantitative impact data (e.g., people served, funds raised)
- o Stories or Testimonials: Personal experiences or quotes
- o Challenges: Brief mention of challenges and resolutions

7. Financial Information

- o Revenue and Expenses: Breakdown of sources and major expenses
- o Donor and Sponsorship Recognition: List of key supporters

8. Program and Project Highlights

- o Updates on specific programs or initiatives
- o Success stories and relevant outcomes

9. Strategic Goals and Initiatives

- o Future Plans: Key goals and priorities for the upcoming year
- o Strategic Objectives: New projects or strategies for growth

10. Community and Stakeholder Engagement

- o Partnerships: Key collaborations
- o Volunteers and Supporters: Recognition of contributors

11. Photos and Visuals - Throughout the report

- o High-quality images of activities and events
- o Charts, graphs, and infographics to visualize data

12. Call to Action

- o Information on how stakeholders can support the organization (donations, volunteering)
- o Ways to get involved or stay informed (newsletter sign-up, social media links)

13. Contact Information

- o Clear details for inquiries:
 - Website
 - Email
 - Phone Number
 - Social Media Handles

14. Debra Vance – Ivy Tech