



Urban League of
Philadelphia

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The Urban League of Philadelphia Host 2018 Annual Empowerment Dinner Awarding a Combined Total of \$90,000 in Scholarships

The Urban League of Philadelphia Celebrates 101 Years Empowering Communities

The Urban League of Philadelphia (ULP) will host their 2018 Annual Empowerment Dinner, celebrating over 100 years empowering Philadelphia communities. The dinner takes place on **Wednesday, May 9 (5 p.m. to 8 p.m.)** at the **Philadelphia Marriott Downtown (1201 Market St.)**. NBC 10 News Anchor Jacqueline London, is the emcee facilitating the dinner for the evening and Mayor Jim Kenney will open the ceremony with welcoming remarks. Matthew Stem, deputy secretary for elementary and secondary education for PA will address the importance of secondary education. William R. Hite, Jr.Ed.D., superintendent for The School District of Philadelphia will deliver the keynote address. This year's theme is "Empowering by Education," focused on enabling learning by enhancing the social and emotional wellness of students.

To shed light on ULP's 101 years empowering lives and changing communities, ULP will award the 2018 Centennial Award to Stephanie Andrewlevich, the current principal at Mitchell Elementary School. In addition, ULP awards 53 selected high school seniors from the 2018 **Community Scholars Program** to receive a combined total of \$90,000 in scholarships. Attendees can expect the opportunity to socialize and connect with community leaders whose contributions have made a positive Impact on the City of Philadelphia.

"The Urban League of Philadelphia is fully committed to making an impact on the lives of the people we serve, and the Empowerment Dinner gives us the opportunity to express our gratitude," says ULP President Andrea Custis.

The Empowerment Dinner is an opportunity to recognize individuals and corporate partners who have supported ULP's movement. ULP will also honor businesses in the community who display outstanding leadership and exemplify Urban League values of diversity and inclusion.

About The Urban League of Philadelphia

The Urban League of Philadelphia (ULP) is a 101-year-old organization committed to advancing the social and economic achievement of African Americans and other underserved residents of Philadelphia. An affiliate of the National Urban League, the oldest and largest community-based movement in the country, ULP focuses on entrepreneurship, housing, career services, youth programs and leadership, health & wellness and advocacy. ULP serves more than 15,000 children and families each year. Learn more at urbanleaguephila.org.

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