



BROWARD HOUSING COUNCIL VIRTUAL WORKSHOP

Friday, October 23, 2020 ▪ 9 AM – 12 PM ▪ via WebEx

SPEAKER BIOGRAPHIES

Marcia Barry-Smith is Director of Community Outreach, Government Policy and Advocacy for Habitat for Humanity of Broward. She is currently serving her third term as the Broward Housing Council Chair. In her current role with Habitat, she works to develop innovative opportunities for Habitat Families who aspire to become homeowners. She collaborates with local private and public entities and service providers, to create revitalization in the Habitat Neighborhoods within Broward County and serves on the Policy/Advocacy and Advisory Committee for Habitat for Humanity International. Ms. Barry-Smith holds an Emeritus board seat with Women in Distress, is an Advisory Board member of Crisis Housing Solutions, and serves as Chair of the City of Lauderhill Local Affordable Housing Committee.



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Commissioner Lamar P. Fisher represents Broward County Commission District 4. He is President and CEO of Fisher Auction Company, Inc., a real estate brokerage and auction firm in Pompano Beach. He served as City Commissioner (2002-2006) and Mayor (2007-2018) for the City of Pompano Beach, and as member of the Broward County Planning Council for over seven years. Since his election to the County Commission in 2018, He has worked collaboratively with city elected officials, ensuring the needs of residents and businesses are met, within District 4 and countywide. The Mayor appointed him to serve on the Broward Housing Council, Metropolitan Planning Organization, School Board Oversight Committee, and Transportation Management Association. He is an ex-officio member the Bonnet House Board of Directors. His goals include affordable housing, sensible solutions for homelessness, transportation solutions, continued beach renourishment, and thriving local economy.



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Josie P. Sesodia, AICP is Director of the Broward County Planning and Development Management Division (PDMD). Ms. Sesodia has over 20 years of experience in urban planning and project management, including zoning, development management and strategic planning. She has spent her career in municipal, county and regional government. She leads Broward County's PDMD, which provides comprehensive planning, growth management, and regulatory services. Since 2015, she has served as staff liaison to the Broward Housing Council. She has also worked professionally in Missouri and in the U.K. Ms. Sesodia is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners and a graduate of University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, England.



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Natosha Reid Rice was recently named Habitat for Humanity International's (HHI) first Global Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Officer. In this role, she leads the development and execution of Habitat's global strategy for diversity, equity and inclusion. Prior to this, she served as HHI's Associate General Counsel, Real Estate and Finance. Before joining Habitat, she practiced commercial real estate law in the private sector. She serves on the boards of the global Harvard Alumni Association, Atlanta Community Foodbank, Georgia Budget and Policy Institute, Invest Atlanta's Atlanta Emerging Markets, Inc. and the Harvard Debate Council Advisory Board. Ms. Reid Rice has presided over the National Martin Luther King, Jr. Annual Commemorative Service for the past 5 years, delivering her talk, *If We Are More Alike Than Unalike, Then...* She received a J.D. from Harvard Law School and a B.A. in Government with honors from Harvard/Radcliffe College.



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Dr. Rebecca McGuire is Human Services Administrator for the Broward County Homeless Initiative Partnership (HIP), which oversees approximately \$28M in funding awarded to local providers to end homelessness in the county. Dr. McGuire has over 31 years of experience in not for profit leadership and fundraising. Her experience includes work with operations and functional teams, as well as establishing systems to ensure quality service. In 2012, she became a Bridges Out of Poverty certified trainer and has trained over 15 organizations. Dr. McGuire earned her undergraduate degree in Sociology from the University of Iowa, her MBA from the University of Central Michigan, and her Ph.D. in Conflict Resolution from Nova Southeastern University. She is an adjunct professor at Nova Southeastern University, UNC at Greensboro, University of the Rockies, University of Miami, and Syracuse University.



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Suzanne Cabrera is President and CEO of the Housing Leadership Council (HLC). HLC is a non-profit, action-oriented coalition of businesses, civic, and community leaders working to increase the availability and attainability of housing. The HLC convenes public, private, non-profit, and municipal partners including business executives, developers, lenders, CRAs, CDCs, PHAs, as well as local, state, and federal agencies to develop housing strategies and implement policy and funding initiatives. Ms. Cabrera's professional volunteer roles include serving as chair of Florida Housing Coalition Board. Locally she has been a member and past chair of the Palm Beach County Commission on Affordable Housing, chair of the West Palm Beach Affordable Housing Committee, executive member of the Affordable Housing Collaborative, member of the Homeless Advisory Board Housing and Advocacy committees. Ms. Cabrera speaks on housing issues at the local, state, and national level.



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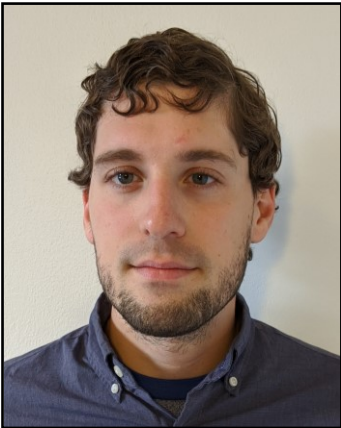
Sandra Veszi Einhorn is Executive Director of the Coordinating Council of Broward (CCB), a coalition of local health and human service stakeholders that address systemic change to some of Broward's most critical issues. While with the CCB, she led efforts to create the voter-approved Broward Housing Affordable Housing Trust Fund and worked to update the County's fair housing ordinance. She also serves as the Executive Director of the Nonprofit Executive Alliance of Broward, a coalition of non-profit CEO's that advocates for increased education and collaboration on housing issues. Ms. Veszi Einhorn was recently appointed by Florida Governor Ron DeSantis to the Florida Housing Finance Corporation (FHFC) Board of Directors. She is a member of the Broward County's Children's Services Board and the Homeless Continuum of Care Board, Chair of the Greater Fort Lauderdale Alliance's Partner Council and member the Broward Days Board of Directors, where she chairs the Housing Impact team.



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David Sanchez is Director of Research and Policy at the National Community Stabilization Trust (NCST). At NCST, he advocates for policy, promotes neighborhood stabilization initiatives, and fosters the rehabilitation of distressed properties. He also coordinates the Middle Neighborhoods initiative, which marshals support and attention to reverse the decline of middle- and working-class neighborhoods across the country. He also leads NCST's research projects, which utilize NCST's proprietary database on distressed property renovations and sales. Previously, Mr. Sanchez served as a senior policy analyst at the Federal Housing Finance Agency, Division of Housing Mission of Goals, and the Office of Director Mel Watt (D-NC). He also worked in housing and consumer finance policy at the Center for American Progress. He holds a master's degree in Sociology from Cambridge University and a bachelor's degree from Haverford College.



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Ralph Stone is Director of the Broward County Housing Finance and Community Redevelopment Division and serves as a (non-voting) member on the Broward Housing Council. He earned a bachelor's degree in English from the University of Central Florida and master's degree in Urban and Regional Planning from Florida State University. Mr. Stone has held numerous senior positions in local government in Florida including City Manager, Assistant City Manager for Economic Development, Executive Director of Downtown Development Authority, Community Redevelopment Agency Executive Director and Planning Director. He has supervised various programs that address housing, planning, zoning, building and permits, code enforcement and neighborhood service. He has written and/or directed plans and programs that received over 3 awards, at the national and state levels, including the Governor's Award for the Best Large City Comprehensive Plan in the State of Florida.



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ADDITIONAL BIOGRAPHIES

Darrell Cunningham proudly serves as the Director of the Community Partnership Division for the Broward County Human Services Department. He has over 16 years of experience in overseeing and directing a variety of social services programs. He is a results-driven servant leader who desires to improve the lives of residents and the community. The Community Partnerships Division is responsible for planning, coordinating, administering and evaluating a comprehensive array of human service programs for children and adults including behavioral health, health care, HIV/AIDS, and homeless services with a total budget of over \$88 million. He holds a master's degree in Public Policy and Administration from Northwestern University. Darrell resides in Tamarac, Florida with his wife April and their dog Cannon. They are proud parents of two adult children; Natalie who resides in Charlotte, NC and Xavier who attends Marshall University.



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