

Background of the MLK Walk-A-Thons:

The Riverside African American Historical Society, Inc. and The Riverside Martin Luther King Monument Visionaries Foundation reached a milestone in honoring Dr. King's legacy. The 12th & 13th MLK Walk-A-Thons, were held in January of 2005 and 2006. These two African American organizations together, with the Mayor's Youth Council, and support from diverse ethnic persons, institutions and city officials in sponsoring the annual January walk-a-thon is their efforts to keep Dr. King's social justice dream alive by walking because he walked – even facing risking his life.

The first annual Walk-a-Thon was held in January, 1993 and co-chaired by the late Dr. Barnett and Eleanor Jean Grier. The walk always winds from Bordwell Park down Martin Luther King to 14th street, to Riverside City Hall on Main Street – passing the Historical Riverside Courthouse. – Passing the courthouse was significant because it was a reminder to remember the life of this great humanitarian. A program is held on the City Hall mall near the site of Dr. King 's huge magnificent bronze statue with pictorial symbols depicting major events in the 1960's Civil Rights Movement . The 2005, and 2006 Walk-A-Thon was chaired by Attorney Katie Greene.

Honorary chairs for 2005 were Nick Tavagolione, Dr. Damon Castillo, Charles Bibbs and Dr. Germaine Strother. The 2006 honorary chair was Dr. Larry Geraty, President of La Sierra University. The RAAHS, President, Rose Mayes, said that funds raised by the Annual Walk-A-Thon go toward maintenance of the Dr. M.L. King, Jr. statue and a future cultural center to house artifacts that will tell the story of African Americans in Riverside and beyond. Also, a portion of the funds raised at that time in the 2005 Walk-A-Thon was given to the City of Riverside for its fund-raising effort for the Tsunami victims. The effort was chaired by Dr. James Erickson, Vice Chancellor Emeritus of the University of California, who is renowned for his fund-raising ability. He served on the Riverside Mayor's Blue Ribbon Committee for fundraising for the Dr. King statue.

On January 16, 2017, The Riverside African American Historical Society, Inc., Riverside MLK Visionaries Foundation and the Mayor's Youth Council announce the 24th Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. 5k Walk-A-Thon. The walk provides an opportunity for residents of the greater Riverside Community to gather in celebration of the life of this great American Nobel Peace prize winner and Civil Rights Leader. The Walk will also celebrate the Federal Holiday which marks Dr. King's birthday.

The theme for this year's walk: **Remember, Inspire and Unite**. It was chosen by the Mayor's Youth Council under the leadership of Maya El Jawhari, the president of the Council.

This year the MLK Walk-A-Thon Committee has chosen the following Honorary Chairpersons:

FeRita Perna Carter, Ph.D – Vice President of Student Affairs, Riverside Community College

David Chandler, RAAHS Board Member & Past Human Relations Commissioner

Andy Melendrez- Ward 2, Riverside City Councilmember

Joshua Beverly, Mayor's Youth Council, John W. North High School

Deborah Deas, MD, & MPH – Dean & CEO of UC-Riverside's School of Medicine

Let us hear a word from each of our Honorary Chairs who were able to attend tonight's City Council Meeting.

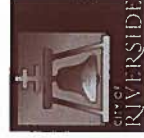
24th Annual
Martin Luther King, Jr.
Walk-A-Thon
PO Box 209
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CALIFORNIA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

LA SIERRA UNIVERSITY

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SCHOOL DISTRICT



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RELATIONS
COMMISSION

All proceeds from the Walk-A-Thon
will benefit both the MLK Visionaries
Foundation and the Riverside African-
American Historical Society.

Proceeds will be used to support the
Civil Rights Institute, Clarke and Grier
College Scholarships and for the
maintenance and upkeep of the Martin
Luther King, Jr. statue.

Please join us after the Walk
for a short program

Booths

Entertainment

Performances

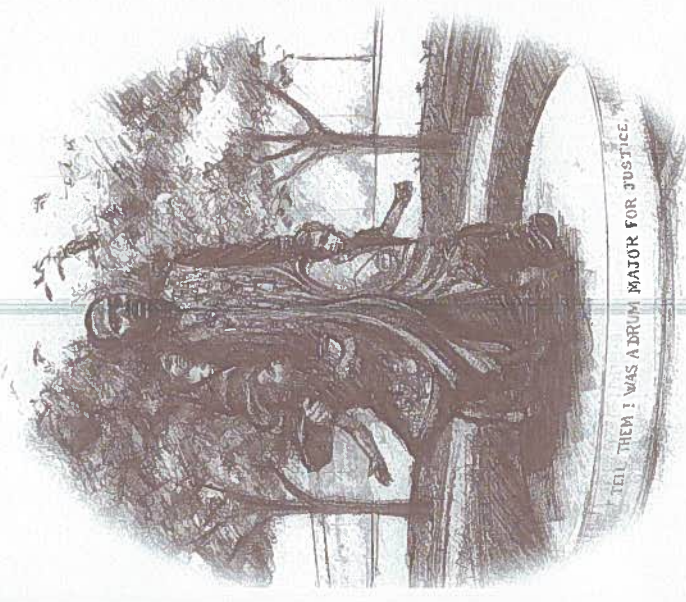
A contest for the organizations with the
most number of walkers with a cash
prize

Riverside African-American
Historical Society

Riverside Martin Luther King
Visionaries Foundation

Celebrating 19 Years
Recording and
Preserving History

REMEMBER,
INSPIRE,
AND UNITE



Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
24th Annual Walk-A-Thon
5K Walk

January 16, 2017
7:30 - 9:30 am
Walk starts at 10 am

From Stratton Center to White Park

For information: (951) 682-6581

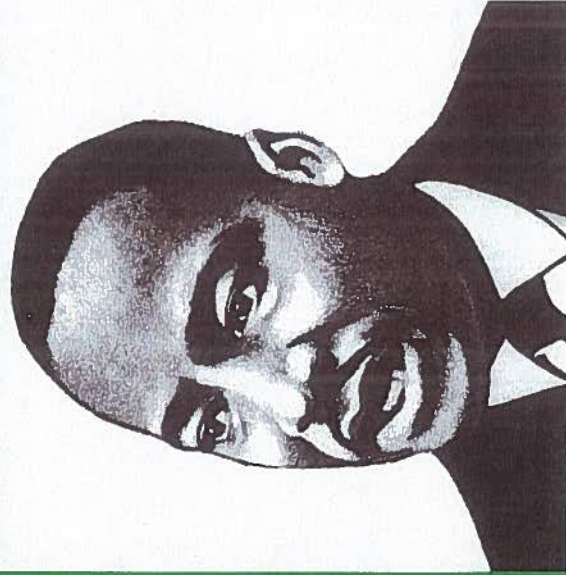
Registration for the Walk-A-Thon

January 16, 2017 • 7:30 - 9:30 am

Stratton Center
2008 MLK, Jr. Blvd. • Riverside

Walk-A-Thon starts promptly at 10 am
(This is a 3.5 mile walk)

The Walk-A-Thon will start at Stratton Center
and proceed to White Park by way of the King
Monument in downtown Riverside



REMEMBER, INSPIRE
AND UNITE

Register online at: raahsinc.org or
make registration checks payable to RAAHS
(Riverside African-American
Historical Society)

Thank you in advance for your
participation and support

For information contact

(951) 682-6581 or www.raahsinc.org

Walk-A-Thon Entry Form

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

School Name _____

Fee: \$15 per Walker - w/ T-shirt included

T-shirt size (circle one): s m l xl xxl xxxl

Includes walk t-shirt and free entrance to the special schedule
program at the Riverside City College Digital Library

Pledges

WAIVER:

I hereby release the Riverside African-American Historical Society
and the MLK Monument Visionaries, the City of Riverside, the
Riverside Downtown Partnership, government agencies, co-
sponsoring companies and/or individuals from responsibility for any
injuries or damages I may suffer as a result of my participation in
the 24th Annual MLK Walk-A-Thon. I am in good condition and am
able to safely compete in this event. I will additionally permit the
use of my name and pictures in broadcasts, telecasts, newspapers,
brochures, etc., and I also understand that the entry fee is non-
refundable and non-transferable. As a participating walker, I certify
that all information provided in this form is true and complete. I have
read the entry information provided for the event and certify my
compliance by signature below.

Signature of Participant _____ Date _____

If you are under the age of 18: This is to certify that my son/
daughter has my permission to participate in the MLK Walk-A-Thon,
is in good physical condition, and the Walk-A-Thon Committee has
my permission to authorize emergency treatment if necessary.

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____ Date _____

*All proceeds from the Walk-A-Thon will be used to support the
Civil Rights Institute, Clarke Scholarship, Grier College Scholarships, and for
the maintenance and upkeep of the Martin Luther King Jr. Monument.*

Martin Luther King, Jr. Program

scheduled after the Walk

at

White Park, Market / 9th streets

January 16, 2017

10:00 am - 4 pm

Honorary Chairs:

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A Message From The Riverside Youth Council



Dear Students:

The Martin Luther King, Jr. Walk-A-Thon/Rock-A-Thon is sponsored by the Riverside African-American Historical Society to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

By participating in the January 16, 2017 MLK Day Walk-A-Thon and Rock-A-Thon, Riverside youth give tribute to this pioneer for social justice and carry forward his message and spirit of service.

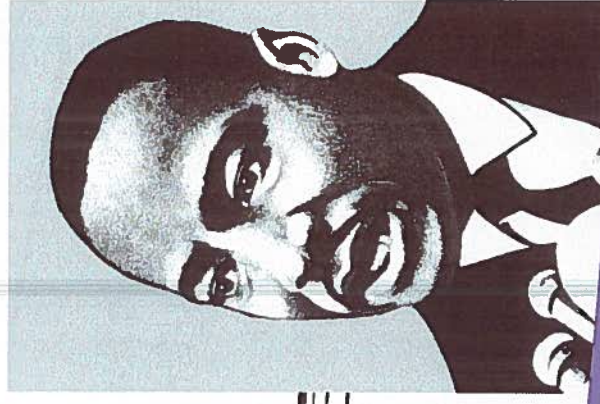
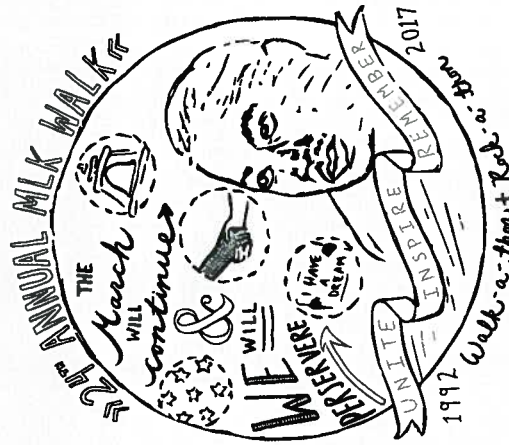
The challenge for young people in 2017 is to realize Dr. King's vision - a community in which people of all backgrounds share common values and actions. We must make a pledge to strive for cultural understanding as a way to bridge communication with one another so that we may discover that the more we learn about each other, the more we will find how alike we really are.

Young people must also share the value of service. The Riverside Youth Council's Season of Service will encourage youth to harness their talents, leadership, grassroots mobility, ideas, and energy to stand for a cause and strengthen our community's social capital. As we celebrate Dr. King, strive to leave behind your own legacy of service.

Sincerely,
Maya El Jawhari

Sarah Naameh	Yusuf Haque	Nicole Odulalu
Kaini Chen	Dyala Harb	Omkar Panse
Zainab Qadir	Yash Korde	Jasmine Perez
Daniel Gerges	Kayla Lara	Arwa Qadir
Maya El-Jawhari	Jack Lee	Aaliyah Roberts
Kenley Hendrawan	Aislin Liu	Matthew Saenz
Alvin Agatep	Jaden Locke	Susan Su
Blake Dennis	Anabel Lopez	Timothy Wilbur
Slimina Desai	Lauryn Miramontes	Angela Xu
Jennah Espino	Aliya Narvasa	Meilee Zhou
Naomi Garcia	Claudia Nguyen	
Edana Gonzalez	Dionne Nguyen	

50 Years Later
Our Journey Continues
UNITE, INSPIRE,
REMEMBER



Martin Luther King, Jr.

Walk-A-Thon



Rock-A-Thon

5K Walk and Concert
January 16, 2017

MLK Walk-a-thon
5K Walk and Concert
January 16, 2017

Riverside Youth Council
Riverside Police Department
402 Orange Street
Riverside, CA 92501

YouthCouncil@RiversideCa.Gov
951-826-2436

Martin Luther King, Jr. Walk & Rock-A-Thon

January 16, 2017

10:00 A.M. to 2:30 P.M.

Create a culture of service...
Join Season of Service!

All proceeds from the Walk-A-Thon will be used to support Civil Rights Institute, The Clarke and Grier College Scholarships and the maintenance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Statue.

Walk-A-Thon Entry Form

Name _____
Address _____
City _____
Phone _____
School Name _____

FEE: \$10.00

Includes a t-shirt and free entrance to the Rock-A-Thon and Family Fair at Riverside City College.

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Date _____

Make checks payable to RAAHS (Riverside African American Historical Society)

Rock-A-Thon

11:00 A.M. - 2:30 P.M.

Riverside City College

Digital Library

4800 Magnolia Ave., Riverside, CA

Performers

Tribute to Maya Angelo

Dancers

Endless fun!

Pledge to Make a Difference...
Join the Riverside Youth Council's

Season of Service

Creating a Culture of Service in Riverside

MLK Day to Global Youth Service Day

Check-in for the Walk-A-Thon

January 16, 2017
7:30 A.M.

Stratton Community Center
2008 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.,
Riverside, CA

Walk-A-Thon starts promptly at 10:00 A.M.

The Walk-a-Thon will start at the Stratton Center and proceed to Riverside City College via the Martin Luther King Jr. statue.

50 YEARS LATER
OUR JOURNEY
CONTINUES

Thank You For Your
Participation And Support!



"Life's most persistent and urgent question is: What are you doing for others?"

- Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.