

# "What They See Is What They'll Be"

*News from the 100 Black Men of Madison, Inc.*

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## "Change the World, One Youth at a Time" Become a Mentor



January is National Mentoring Month.

During this time of year, attention is focused on the need and value of mentors, and the positive effect that mentoring has on young lives.

Through the effort of mentoring individuals, businesses, government agencies, schools, faith communities and non-profits can work together to increase the number of mentors to assure positive outcomes for young people.

To realize positive outcomes of mentoring in our Community, the 100 Black Men of Madison have initiated Project SOAR to expand our ongoing training efforts for both mentors and mentees.

Through the successful implementation and promulgation of our Mentoring the 100 Way Across a Lifetime® curriculum, the 100 Black Men of Madison will endeavor to serve more than two (250) hundred and fifty African American male students, ages 12 -17, enrolled in either a middle school or high school of the Madison Public School District.

If you have interest in participating as a mentor in this effort to change the world, one youth at a time, please [click here](#) to register.

Note, seventy percent of African American youth in the Madison Metropolitan School System (MMSD) are from economically challenged families. Poverty and a lack of reliable resources such as transportation, parents working long hours in poorly paid jobs with little flexibility, unstable and unaffordable housing, inadequate health care and escalating community violence all contribute to chronic absenteeism.

Many children don't have a problem learning as much as they have a problem living.

## Chapter Member Noble Wray to Lead National Policing Practices Reform Program

Current 100 Black Men of Madison member and former Madison

[Calendar of Events](#)

### MISSION

The Mission of the 100 Black Men of Madison, Inc. is to improve the quality of life within our communities and enhance educational and economic opportunities for all African Americans.

### VISION

100 Black Men of Madison, Inc. seeks to serve as a beacon of leadership by utilizing our diverse talents to create environments where our children are motivated to achieve, and to empower our people to become self-sufficient shareholders in the economic and social fabric of the communities we serve.

### VALUES

100 Black Men of Madison, Inc. is committed to the intellectual development of youth and the economic empowerment of the African American community based on the following precepts: respect for family, spirituality, justice, and integrity.

### CONTACT INFORMATION

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Police Chief, Noble Wray, has been appointed to lead the newly created Policing Practices and Accountability Initiative, a program within the U.S. Department of Justice's Office of Community Oriented Policing Services.

The Office of Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS Office) is the component of the U.S. Department of Justice responsible for advancing the practice of community policing by the nation's state, local, territorial, and tribal law enforcement agencies through

information and grant resources.

The initiative that Chief Wray will direct was a recommendation from the President's Task Force on 21st Century Policing, formed in response to public unrest after the fatal police killings of unarmed black men in Ferguson, Missouri and New York.

Wray's new initiative will oversee "collaborative reform and critical response technical assistance programs," according to the Justice Department.

Chief Wray is widely respected (and deserving so) as an expert in building public trust through community policing, having provided training for the Justice Department to more than two hundred (200) police agencies on fair and impartial policing.

## 16 January 100 Black Men of Madison Annual Meeting



Mayor Paul Soglin



Alder Barbara  
Harrington-McKinney



Alder Maurice S.  
Cheeks



Alder Sheri Carter



Alder Samba Baldeh

The 2016 Annual Meeting of the 100 Black Men of Madison will take place Saturday, 16 January, at the Bonefish Grill, 7345 Mineral Point Road, Madison, WI 53711.

Slated Speakers at the Annual Meeting are Mayor Paul Soglin, Alder Barbara Harrington-McKinney, Alder Maurice S. Cheeks, Alder, Sheri Carter and Alder Samba Baldeh

This meeting is restricted to members of the 100 Black Men of Madison.

Please [click here to register](#).

## 17 January 32nd Annual Martin Luther King, Jr.,

## Outstanding Young Person Breakfast



Urban League of  
Greater Madison

8:00-10:00 a.m.; Edgewood High School,  
2219 Monroe Street, Madison, WI; Tickets  
are \$10. For more information and  
registration, please

visit <http://www.ulgm.org/mlkevents>.

## 18 January

### Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration



The City-County  
Observance will take place  
on Monday, 18 January,  
2016 from 6:00 to 7:30  
p.m. at the Overture  
Center for the Arts, in  
downtown Madison,  
Wisconsin. This year's  
observance continues the  
popular tradition of kicking-  
off with a "Freedom Songs  
Sing-in" from 5:00 to 5:30  
p.m. in the Rotunda of the  
Overture Center. The City-

County Observance will then take place beginning at 6:00 p.m. in the Overture Center's Capitol Theater.

The 31st Annual City of Madison & Dane County observance of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday will feature Earnest Green, one of nine students, known as the "Little Rock Nine" to first integrate Central High School following the 1954 U.S. Supreme Court decision in *Brown v. Board of Education*.

## Now Accepting Articles & Photos

We are currently accepting stories and photographs for future issues of "What They See Is What They Will Be." Please submit your stories and event photos for consideration. Submission does not guarantee placement in this publication.

Stories should be 200 words or less and electronic photos should be 300 DPI or better in .JPG format (NO SCANNED PHOTOS). Include captions for each photo (who, what, when, and where). Photos without captions WILL NOT be considered.

Submit your stories and photos (with captions) to [president@100blackmenmadison.com](mailto:president@100blackmenmadison.com).



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