



37TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
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 EQUALITY: EQUANOMICS”
 JUNE 28 – JULY 2, 2008
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SATURDAY, JUNE 28, 2008 - RAINBOW PUSH COALITION HEADQUARTERS	
DAY THEME	REUNION/ COMMUNITY DAY: 54-08
9:00AM-4:00PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION Point Person(s): Twyler Jenkins
10:00AM-11:30AM	RAINBOW PUSH COALITION'S SATURDAY MORNING FORUM: LIVE TELEVISION BROADCAST FROM Rainbow PUSH Coalition Headquarters MODERATOR: Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., Founder and President, Rainbow PUSH Coalition TOPIC: JOURNEY 54-08 (Ghandi, King, Jackson, & Obama) SUGGESTED SPEAKERS: *Congressman John Conyers; Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee (D-Texas); *Attorney General Lisa Madigan; Representatives from FDIC, Representative from Federal Reserve, Federal, State and Local elected officials, *John Taylor, President and CEO, National Community Reinvestment Coalition (NCRC) , Congressman Charles Rangel, *Dr. Ron Walters, Professor University of Maryland Point Person(s): Janice Mathis, Butch Wing, Reverend Greg Livingston, Marshette Turner
12:00 PM-3:00PM	BAR B QUE Location: Rainbow PUSH Coalition Headquarters Back Lawn Sponsor(s): Kenny's Ribs and Chicken Point Person(s): Fannie Smith, Betty Magness, Barbara Cox, Alice Tregay
1:00 PM ?????	PRESS CONFERENCE Focus: Point Person(s): Rashida Restaino, Althea Conyers
1:00 PM – 3:00PM	SESSION I – Criminal Justice SUGGESTED SPEAKERS: Invited -- Speaker Cedric Richmond, Louisiana, Congressman Bobby Scott, *Congressman John Conyers, Jonathan Jackson, *Atty. Tamara Holder, Chicago, IL; Public Defenders office, Dallas, TX; Barbara Arnwine, Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law; Sentencing Project, *Dr. Ron Walters, Professor University of Maryland Location: Point Person(s): Rev. Gregory Livingston, Bobby Lewis, Jonathan Jackson, Atty. Tamara Holder
2:00 PM-4:00PM	SESSION III – SAVE THE CHILDREN MOVIE (2 HOURS)

	Location: Community Hall Point Person(s): Mrs. Jacqueline Jackson
SUNDAY, JUNE 29, 2008 HYATT REGENCY MCCORMICK PLACE	
DAY THEME	THE STATE OF RAINBOW AMERICA
8:30AM-10:30AM	“PUSH at the Ship” Location: Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church, 4543 S. Princeton, Chicago, IL (773) 924-3232 Point Person(s): Reverend Charles Jenkins
11:00AM-5:00PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION Location: Hyatt Regency McCormick Place Point Person: Twyler Jenkins
	PRESS CONFERENCE Focus: The State of Rainbow America Location: Point Person(s): Althea Conyers, Rashida Restaino, George Korn, Stephanie Gadlin
12:30PM-2:30PM	THE STATE OF RAINBOW AMERICA (KERNER REPORT) BLACK AND BROWN DISPARITIES EQUAL OPPORTUNITY: The refrain, “free but not equal” sings from Katrina to Jena to cities around the nation. Nothing short of a state of emergency looms over America today. Leading civil and human rights leaders will present an analysis of measurable racial and economic disparities facing African and Hispanic Americans today: in health, employment, business, education, life expectancy, and other social-economic-political categories. They will also present new strategies and solutions in the political, economic and social arenas to lead our communities on the pathway to racial equality and parity. A particular emphasis will be placed on the need for the rebuilding of a coalition of conscience and operational unity to tackle the problems confronting Black and Brown America today. Special emphasis in Part II of this workshop will focus on the criminalization of Black men – the fact that there are more black youth in jail than in college in every state in the nation; that sentencing disparities criminalize our youth and lock them up rather than lift them up; that we are losing another generation to unfair laws. Unjust laws must be challenged and changed. The time for justice and equality is ALWAYS NOW. MODERATOR: *Dr. Charles Ogletree, Harvard Law Professor *Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., Founder and President, Rainbow PUSH Coalition PROPOSED PANELISTS/RESPONDENTS: * Charles Steele, Jr., President and CEO, Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC); * Dr. Ron Walters, Professor, University of Maryland; * Attorney Janice L. Mathis, Exec Dir, and V.P. Rainbow PUSH Peachtree Street Project; Gen Fujioka, Asian Law Caucus, Ricardo Meza, MALDEF, Regional Counsel; Dr. Juan Andrade, President, USHLI; * Gary Flowers, Black Leadership Forum; *Congressman John Conyers; * Tony Hill, State Senator, Florida; *Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee (D-Texas);, Davey D, Hip Hop Historian, Journalist, and Community Activist; Bill Lan Lee; *Dr. Ramona Houston Location: Grand Ballroom Point Person(s): Janice Mathis
2:30 PM BEGIN 3:00 PM ADDRESS	PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS Mass Choir REVEREND JESSE L. JACKSON, SR.
6:00PM-7:00PM 7:00PM-9:00PM	COCA-COLA OPENING RECEPTION CLAY EVANS GOSPEL CONCERT Location: Grand Ballroom Point Person(s): Roger Johnson, Anthony Taylor, Darius Brooks, Yvonne McNair, Tina Jones
MONDAY, JUNE 30, 2008 HYATT REGENCY MCCORMICK PLACE	
DAY THEME	REALIZING THEIR DREAMS: WOMEN, YOUTH, AND BUSINESS
7:00 AM-5:00PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

7:30 AM-9:30AM	<p>BUSINESS BREAKFAST</p> <p>MODERATOR: SPEAKERS: *John Hofmeister – Retired CEO, Shell HONOREES: SPONSOR(S): Northern Trust Location: Grand Ballroom Point Person(s): Marshette Turner, Andrew Carr, John Mautner, James Smith, Joe Moore, Francis Cook, Wynona Redmond, Glenda Gill, Butch Wing</p>	
9:30AM-10:00AM	<p>PRESS CONFERENCE</p> <p>Focus: Lack of minority asset/ investment managers participating in corporate/public pension funds and the lack of deal flow in the IPO, Mergers and Acquisition market and media and telecommunication ownership.</p> <p>Location: Point Person(s): Press Department</p>	
<h3>Morning Sessions</h3>		
10:00 AM – 4:00PM	<p>CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES OF ILLINOIS FAIR</p> <p><i>The City Colleges of Chicago, in cooperation with CPS and RPC partner together to provide a smooth transition from high school to college, get students into a safe learning environment, and to help these students get a "jump" on beginning their college careers.</i></p> <p>SPONSOR(S): City Colleges of Chicago, Chicago Public Schools, Rainbow PUSH Coalition Location: Point Person(s): Dr. Bonita Carr, John Mitchell</p>	
10:00AM-4:00PM	<p>CAREER OPPORTUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT EXPO</p> <p>Corporations seeking qualified employees will be on hand to take resumes'; possible interviews</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Marjorie McKinnon-Price, Billy Fowler, Debra Bolton, Felicia McQuitter</p>	
10:00AM-11:30AM	<p>SESSION I - Exploring the Economic and Commercial Dynamics of the Hip Hop Generation</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: Location: Point Person(s): TJ Crawford, Al Weems – Rolling Out Urban style Weekly</p>	<p>SESSION II - John Mautner – Cycle for Success</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: Location: Point Person(s): John Mautner, Cycle for Success</p>
10:00AM-11:30AM	<p>SESSION III - HBCU DEANS and HIGH SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS ROUNDTABLE</p> <p>In this session, the Deans of some of the most prestigious HBCUs and a student panel will discuss the required preparations for students to compete for 21st century opportunities.</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S):</p>	<p>SESSIONS IV – PETROLEUM RETAILING: DISTRIBUTORSHIP OWNERSHIP is a 90 minute workshop offering entrepreneurs insight on becoming a fuels distributor. Attendees will be provided information on the oil and gas industry and financial requirements for becoming a branded fuels distributor.</p> <p>Content: Session panelists will discuss the evolution of the oil and gas industry from service stations to convenience stores and provide an insight on critical elements in structuring a bid.</p>

	<p>Location: Point Person(s): Dr. Bonita Carr, Dr. Glenda Glover; Dr. Joann Roberts</p>	<p>Minority entrepreneurs are making a vibrant and wide-range contribution to business innovation by highlighting petroleum. Retailing will inspire entrepreneurs and encourage economic self-sufficiency.</p> <p>MODERATOR: *Leonard James, III (Confirmed) U.S. Business Development Manager ExxonMobil Fuels Marketing</p> <p>PANELISTS: Jim Coleman (Invited) ExxonMobil Midwest Distributor Area Manager Fuels Marketing Company</p> <p>Ulice Payne (Invited) President and CEO, Esquire Petroleum</p> <p>*Eric Lyons Partner Impact Strategies Consultants</p> <p>Location: Point Person(s): EXXON MOBIL, Leonard James</p>
10:00AM-11:30AM	<p>SESSION V - TAKING HER PLACE AT THE LEADERSHIP TABLE: CHANGING THE GAME Women Leaders have traditionally had to navigate a complex labyrinth of challenges, including vestiges of prejudice, issues of leadership style, life family and family responsibilities. It is no wonder that many women leaders feel they are caught in a game where winning is only a remote possibility. The long-term legacy of this losing game has led to a pronounced lack of women in positions of power and authority. Recent research indicates that in the Fortune 500 companies only 15% of the Boards, 6% of senior managers, and merely 2 % of the CEOs are women. With a looming talent shortage, especially in the area of leadership, it is time to change the game. And now the ball is in the women's court since by some calculations the "Women's Economy" is the third largest in the world. Our panelists will discuss the implications and how women are using this power to achieve corporate, social and political goals.</p> <p>MODERATOR: Ella Bell, Tuck School at Dartmouth University</p> <p>PANELISTS: Gayle King, Sr. VP of Human Resources, Nationwide Insurance (invited); Connie Lindsey, Sr. VP, Northern Trust; Pat Harris, Global Chief Diversity Officer, McDonald's Corporation; Joyce Tucker, VP Global Diversity, Compliance and Policy Administration, Boeing Corp.</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Janice Mathis, Andrew Carr; Patricia Keenan Andrews, Glenda Gill</p>	
12:00PM-2:00PM	<p>WOMEN'S LUNCHEON</p> <p>This Luncheon will spotlight phenomenal women leaders that have made outstanding benchmarks and inroads toward the "holistic" health and prosperity of today's women, their families and their communities. We will celebrate the exemplary accomplishments and generosity of spirit of stellar women that are addressing "head-on" a woman's right to total health and well being in the medical, hospice, financial, spiritual, social justice and community-capacity development and building sectors.</p> <p>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: *Susan Taylor, Editor Emerita of Essence Magazine and Founder, National Cares Mentoring Movement; *Attorney General Lisa Madigan, Illinois *Naomi Churchill Earp, Chair of U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission Angela Glover Blackwell, Founder and CEO, PolicyLink (invited)</p> <p>MODERATOR: *Connie Lindsey, Sr. VP, Northern Trust</p> <p>PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Coca-Cola; Jewel Osco</p> <p>HONOREES: Location: Grand Ballroom Point Person(s): Jacqueline Jackson, Carolyn Curry, Janice Mathis, Bonita Parker, Rev. Willie Barrow, Joyce Tucker, Angela Ingram, Henrietta Leak, Janice Bryant-Howard</p>	
Afternoon Sessions		
2:30PM-4:00PM	SESSION I – EQUANOMICS: A NEW STRATEGY	SESSION II - MCDONALD'S PRESENTS: "ARE

	<p>AND MOVEMENT FOR ACHIEVING RACE AND ECONOMIC EQUALITY: Last year the UK commemorated their 200th anniversary of England's Slave Trade Act and the Ghandi-led 60th anniversary of Indian independence. But today we are "free, but not equal," and a new movement – Equanomics – is being launched to seek racial equality through an economics lens.</p> <p>Equanomics is an ambitious attempt to transition from poverty to equality, from economic disadvantage to parity and a level playing field for all communities. 'Equanomics' is also a movement. Equanomics – UK was launched with the Rev. Jesse Jackson via a UK-wide tour covering 35 events in nine cities throughout the UK in August 2007. Equanomics UK is now an official affiliate of RPC.</p> <p>This workshop will explore how Equanomics UK will create economic intelligence and a new dynamic for equality aimed at future generations. It will "model" Equanomics as the new language and strategy for achieving racial and economic rights and equality.</p> <p>Panelists: Karen Chouhan, CEO, Equanomics-UK; David Weaver Viv Ahmun; Equanomics – UK Leaders.</p> <p>Location: Point Person(s): Butch Wing, James Gomez</p>	<p>YOU THE NEXT AMERICAN SUCCESS STORY?" <i>The future U.S. workforce is woefully ill-prepared for the demands of today's (and tomorrow's) workplace—so say employers in a unique study conducted in 2006 by The Conference Board, Corporate Voices for Working Families, Partnership for 21st Century Skills, and the Society for Human Resource Management.</i> Among the most important skills cited by nearly 400 employers surveyed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Professionalism (behavior, appearance and work ethic) <input type="checkbox"/> Oral and Written Communications <input type="checkbox"/> Teamwork/Collaboration <input type="checkbox"/> Critical Thinking/Problem Solving <p><i>McDonald's is embarking on a program, to be introduced at the annual PUSH/Excel conference in June. The goal is to provide an interactive environment that engages youth in developing these skills for future success.</i></p> <p>Location: Point Person(s): Suzie Kostolansky</p>
2:30PM-4:00PM	<p>SESSION III - TAPPING AND RESPECTING THE POWER OF THE BLACK CONSUMER MARKET African American marketing and media issues have been dominating the headlines. From the beginning of 2008, corporate America is searching for ways in which the \$744 billion African American market can improve the bottom line. This panel will discuss the opportunities and challenges in advertising campaigns, minority hiring practices, media ownership, minority vendor relationships, consumer research, the 2010 Census, and consumer empowerment.</p> <p>MODERATOR: Al Anderson, Anderson Communications</p> <p>PANELISTS: Hermene Hartman, N'Digo; Robert Dale, RJ Dale; Carol H. Williams, Carol H. Williams Advertising; Pepper Miller, The Hunter Miller Group; Gwendolyn Kelly, Wal-Mart;</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Janice L. Mathis, Glenda Gill</p>	<p>SESSION IV – WORLD OF WALGREENS One of the largest healthcare and retail chains in the world is presenting its world of: advertising, marketing, healthcare, product sales, manufacturing, financial services and the rest of its world.</p> <p>MODERATOR: Walgreens Executives</p> <p>PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): John Gremer</p>
2:30PM – 4:00PM	<p>SESSION V - TITLE IX SESSION</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location:</p>	

	Point Person(s): Dextor Clinkscale
6:30PM-9:30PM	<p>PUSH EXCEL SCHOLARSHIP GALA</p> <p>Entertainment: Yvonne McNair and Kenny Johnson</p> <p>Location: Grand Ballroom Sponsors: Coca-Cola; McDonald's Point Person(s): Damayanti Vasudevan, Bonita Carr, Michelle Chambers, Malcolm Calhoun, Keith Andersen, Dextor Clinkscale, Joe Moore, Jason Robinson, Michelle Watkins</p>
TUESDAY, JULY 1, 2008 HYATT REGENCY MCCORMICK PLACE	
DAY THEME	LABOR, CLERGY AND EQUANOMICS: BUILDING AN INCLUSIVE ECONOMY
7:00AM-5:00PM	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION
7:30AM-9:30AM	<p>LABOR BREAKFAST</p> <p>Corporations are declaring bankruptcy at alarming rates. As they recognize, they are putting hard earned employees' pension funds and health care at risk from coal miners to steel workers, from airlines and auto workers-at risk. A pension fund and health care crisis is emerging, threatening to turn the dream of retirement into a new American nightmare. What can be done to prevent corporations from turning their backs on retired and retiring workers, and to secure employee pensions in the next era?</p> <p>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: John Sweeney, International President, AFL-CIO HONOREES: SANITATION WORKERS FROM MEMPHIS SPONSOR(S): Nielsen Company Location: Ballroom Point Person(s): Butch Wing, George Korn, Denise Dixon, Bob Borosage, Felicia McQuitter</p>
Morning Sessions	
10:00AM-1:00PM	<p>PROPOSED -- TRAIN THE TRADER</p> <p>INSTRUCTOR: Dr. Joann Roberts, Craig Glicken, Jeff Oliff SPONSORED BY: Location: Point Person(s): Dr. Joann Roberts; Craig Glicken; Bonita Carr</p>
10:00AM-4:00PM	<p>CITY COLLEGES OF CHICAGO AND COMMUNITY COLLEGES OF ILLINOIS FAIR <i>The City Colleges of Chicago, in cooperation with CPS and RPC partner together to provide a smooth transition from high school to college, get students into a safe learning environment, and to help these students get a "jump" on beginning their college careers.</i></p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s):</p>
10:00AM-4:00PM	<p>CAREER OPPORTUNITY AND DEVELOPMENT EXPO</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Marjorie McKinnon-Price, Billy Fowler, Debra Bolton, Felicia McQuitter</p>
10:00AM – 4:00PM	<p>HEALTH SCREENING, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION HEALTH SCREENING, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION During this session health care and service providers, sponsors, partners and supporters send their representatives to meet conference delegates, exhibit resource materials, perform screenings and share innovative developments in their respective areas:</p>

10:00AM-11:30AM	<p>SESSION I – ELIMINATING RACIAL and ETHNIC HEALTH DISPARITIES By any measure, racial and ethnic health disparities are a major quality of care issue and a blot and blight on the American Health system. Data consistently demonstrates that minorities are subject to defacto discrimination with substantially reduced qualitative and quantitative access to and delivery of, preventive and treatment options.</p> <p>MODERATOR: *Dr. Leon Dingle and *Dr. Brian Smedley PANELISTS: *Dr. Therman Evans; *Dr. Claudia Johnson; *Dr. Jim Webster; *Dr. Arnold Widen; *Dr. Quentin Young; *Dr. Carl Bell; *Dr. Eric Whitaker SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Tommy Bennett, Felicia McQuitter, Dr. Leon Dingle</p>	<p>SESSION II – AMERICAN GROCERS</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Greg Calhoun, Malcolm Calhoun</p>
10:00AM-11:30AM	<p>SESSION III: PROPOSED CHAPTER DEVELOPMENT AND AFFILIATE WORKSHOP</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Rev. Greg Livingston, Carolyn Wiggins</p>	<p>SESSION IV- THE ROLE OF THE CHURCH IN THE 21ST CENTURY</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Rev. Charles Jenkins, Rev. Major Jemison</p>
12:00PM-2:00PM	<p>MINISTERS' LUNCHEON</p> <p>The One Thousand Churches Connected Breakfast will consider the myths and the facts about predatory lending practices that are projected to result in more than 2 million foreclosures over the next few years. The One Thousand Churches Connected Breakfast and following inter-active OTCC plenary sessions will focus on creative strategies, opportunities and action plans that will ensure the growth, transformation and renewal of the Church and community through and beyond the challenging times ahead.</p> <p>KEYNOTE SPEAKER: *Reverend Otis Moss, Jr, Olivet Institutional Baptist Church ATTENDEES: Reverend Steven J. Thurston, Sr., Dr. Susan Thistlewaite, Reverend Lounne Rouse, Reverend Jasper Williams, Rev. Marshall Hatch, Reverend Gerald January, Reverend Ragland, Reverend Clyde Anderson HONOREES: Reverend Otis Moss, Jr.; Reverend Dr. Gardner Taylor SPONSOR(S): Fannie Mae Location: Grand Ballroom Point Person(s): Axel Adams, Veronica Black, Reverend Jenkins, Reverend Jemison, Reverend Thurston Jr., Reverend Livingston, Fannie Smith</p>	
3:00PM-5:00PM	<p>SESSION III – THE STATE OF HOME FORECLOSURES The sub prime mortgage crisis has the potential to rival just about anything in recent financial history from the savings-and-loan crisis of the late 1980s to the post-Enron turndown at the beginning of this decade. The “spill-over” effect is now beginning to undermine states and cities around the nation – as property values are driven down, with resulting declines in revenues...with resulting declines in state and city investment in social services, education, and infrastructure development. Members of Congress, State legislators, mayors and other political community leaders will highlight the impact of the sub-prime mortgage crisis on their cities and states, the strategies they are employing to combat predatory lenders and combat the crisis.</p> <p>Reverend Jesse L. Jackson, Sr., Founder and President, Rainbow PUSH Coalition</p>	

	<p>INVITED PANELISTS: Honorable Chris Dodd, US Senator, Connecticut Ms. Sheila Bair, Chairman, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Honorable Andrew M. Cuomo, Attorney General, New York State *Honorable Lisa Madigan, Attorney General, Illinois State (confirmed) Honorable Frank G. Jackson, Mayor, City of Cleveland Ohio *Mr. John Taylor, President and CEO, National Community Reinvestment Coalition *Mr. Alan Fisher, Executive Director, California Reinvestment Coalition</p> <p>Location: Point Person(s): Sheila Williams, Janice Mathis, Bonita Parker</p>	
<p>Afternoon Sessions</p>		
<p>3:30PM-5:00PM</p>	<p>SESSION I: NEW MEDIA, THE INTERNET AND THE DIGITAL REVOLUTION</p> <p>MODERATOR: Londell McMillan, Attorney PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s):</p>	<p>SESSION II – HIV / AIDS PANEL DISCUSSION</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s):</p>
<p>3:30PM-5:00PM</p>	<p>SESSION III - AFRICA, THE LAST ECONOMIC FRONTIER: THE ROLE OF THE DIASPORA This panel will focus on the role the Diaspora can play in Africa's economic resurgence and growth. While foreign investors, governments and major and minor corporations across all sectors are actively engaging and reaping the benefits of doing business with and in Africa, the Diaspora is still significantly absent. Business opportunities are growing in not only the obvious industries like oil and gas and other natural resources, but also in energy, telecommunications, technology, entertainment (movies and music), construction, financial services, hospitality/tourism, insurance, and trade. Africa's tremendous economic growth merits attention and participation from its Diaspora, especially African Americans who should not overlook investment opportunities. The last great economic frontier awaits our involvement.</p> <p>MODERATOR: *Emira Woods, Co-Director of Foreign Policy In Focus – Institute for Policy Studies</p> <p>PANELISTS: *Mr. P. Nathanel Boe, Attorney and Counselor-At-Law – Liberian American; *Mr. Fredrick Huges, Executive Director, Huges Hospitality – Ghana; *Honorable Welile A. W. Hhlapo, Ambassador, Embassy of the Republic of South Africa; *Dr. Ayesha Hakeem, Executive Director, African Connections – Ghana Ltd.</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): James Gomez</p>	<p>SESSION IV – Sports Panel</p> <p>MODERATOR: Dr. Myles Brand PANELISTS: Dr. Richard Lapchick SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Dextor Clinkscale</p>
<p>7:00PM-9:30PM</p>	<p>Entertainment Event</p>	

	<p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Yvonne McNair and Kenny Johnson</p>	
WEDNESDAY, JULY 2, 2008 HYATT REGENCY MCCORMICK PLACE		
DAY THEME	HEALTH AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS	
7:00AM-12:00NOON	CONFERENCE REGISTRATION	
Morning Sessions		
8:00AM – 10:00AM	<p>HEALTH SCREENING, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION HEALTH SCREENING, EDUCATION AND PREVENTION During this session health care and service providers, sponsors, partners and supporters send their representatives to meet conference delegates, exhibit resource materials, perform screenings and share innovative developments in their respective areas: Health Focus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Young people’s health concerns – HIV/AIDS, violence ▪ Preventing and managing chronic disease ▪ Health/Wellness/Fitness. <p>MODERATOR: Dr. Leon Dingle and Dr. Ronald Hickombottom</p> <p>PANELISTS: *Dr. Reed Tuckson, United Health Care *Billye Avery *Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith, Harvard University *Dr. William Johnson *Ludmilla Scott</p> <p>EXHIBITORS: American Cancer Society, American Diabetes Association; Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS); VITAS; National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS, Inc. (NBLCA); United Health Foundation Screenings/Complementary Services: Flu Shots, Blood Pressure and Glucose (Diabetes) testing SPONSOR(S): United Health Care Location: Point Person(s): William Dickerson, Janice Mathis, Dr. Leon Dingle, Tommy Bennett, Philip Coleman</p>	
10:00AM-12:00PM	<p>SESSION I - CLOSING THE HEALTH GAP: THE CIVIL RIGHT TO HEALTHCARE <i>Race-based disparities in the American health care system are well documented. This unfortunate reality has sparked much debate in recent years amongst health professionals, government officials, and communities. However, within the current dialogue the issue of racial discrimination is rarely discussed, even ignored. This workshop will look at the role that discrimination and other factors play in explaining the health gap. The objective is to further outline civil rights and other interventions that can be put into place to address these disparities.</i></p> <p>MODERATOR: Philip Coleman</p> <p>PANELISTS: *Dr. Debra Toney, President, National Black Nurses Association *Dr. Lucie Perez, Past President, National Medical Association *Dr. Richard Payne, Director, Duke Institute on Care at the End of Life *Rev. Otis Moss, III, Pastor, Trinity United Church</p>	<p>SESSION II – THE WORLD OF VERIZON</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: Verizon Execs SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Ms. Debra Speed</p>

	<p>of Christ *Ms. Linda Blount, VP, Health Disparities, American Cancer Society *Dr. William Johnson, Luck Care Center *Dr. Iva Carruthers, Samuel Dewitt Proctor Conference *Dr. Terry Mason, Health Commissioner, City of Chicago *Ms. Harriet A. Washington, Author, Medical Apartheid *Dr. Shafdeen Amuwo, University of Illinois-Chicago, SPH</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): VITAS, American Cancer Society Location: Point Person(s): Philip Coleman, Tommy Bennett, Felicia McQuitter</p>	
10:00AM-12:00PM	<p>SESSION III- ENERGY POLICY SESSION: ALTERNATIVE ENERGY: OPTIONS AND OPPORTUNITIES Panelists will discuss emerging trends in the development of alternatives to fossil fuels. They will examine the options that appear most viable as well identify business and investment opportunities that merit investigation by minority entrepreneurs interested in the energy sector.</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: ExxonMobil, Medical Dr. from Pasco, Washington SPONSOR(S): Location: Point Person(s): Francis Cook</p>	<p>SESSION IV – NATIONAL CABLE AND COMMUNICATIONS ASSOCIATION</p> <p>MODERATOR: PANELISTS: SPONSOR(S): Location:</p> <p>Point Person(s): DeDe Lea</p>
10:00AM – 12:00NOON		
12:30PM-2:30PM	<p>THE DIGITAL TRANSITION – TELECOMMUNICATIONS LUNCHEON Americans first experienced a change in broadcasting with the advent of television supplementing the popularity of radio. Later, Americans experienced the switch from black and white television to color television. On February 17, 2009, Americans will once again experience a change in television. However, this change will be a massive shift, as broadcasters will turn off their traditional analog signals and switch to digital signals. Please join the Commissioners of the Federal Communications Commission as they discuss what the digital transition means for the American people, whether Americans are prepared for this massive change, and what is being done to ensure that Americans do not suffer the loss of a television signal.</p> <p>MODERATOR: Martin L. King, Chairman, Rainbow PUSH Coalition</p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Chairman Kevin J. Martin, FCC Chairman PANELISTS: * Jonathan S. Adelstein, FCC Commissioner *Michael J. Copps, FCC Commissioner Robert M. McDowell, FCC Commissioner Deborah Taylor Tate, FCC Commissioner</p> <p>SPONSOR(S): LOCATION: Grand Ballroom POINT PERSON(S): Steven Smith , Butch Wing</p>	