



A LETTER FROM LUCIA

OUR VOTE IS OUR VOICE!

Electing representatives who will advocate for our people and our best interests is one of the most impactful ways to improve life in our communities. Local and national elections are an opportunity to choose informed leaders who take thoughtful positions on the economy, healthcare, our education system, civil rights, and critical issues shaping our lives. Activated and mobilized voters are this nation's greatest asset in preserving democracy.

Congresswoman Carrie Meek believed in freedom and equality for all. Our ability to protect that freedom depends on us staying proactively engaged in primary and general elections, especially in this year of redistricting. Be sure you know how your state, federal and local elected seats are changing. Many district boundaries have shifted and your [polling precinct may have changed](#). You can also look up your [Sample Ballot](#) so you know who is running to represent you.

Equally important to the voting process and civic engagement is galvanizing support for candidates who share your position on issues. Before you get to the ballot box, consider volunteering for campaigns that resonate with you, donate to those who will amplify your voice and support advocacy organizations that align with your core values.

Implementing change requires broad action. There is power in our movement as a collective and now is the time to use it.

Lucia Davis-Raiford
President & CEO
The Carrie Meek Foundation

COMMISSIONER KIONNEE L. MCGHEE SPONSORS RESOLUTION AWARDING THE CARRIE MEEK FOUNDATION \$8.9 MILLION FOR COMMUNITY VIOLENCE INTERVENTION INITIATIVES



The Miami-Dade Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved a resolution sponsored by District 9 Commissioner Kionne L. McGhee, to award The Carrie Meek Foundation funding to administer \$8.9 million for community-based violence intervention initiatives throughout Miami-Dade County. The Foundation, in partnership with Miami-Dade County, will administer, manage, and disburse funds over three years to non-profit organizations that will provide re-entry services, high-risk intervention work, mental health and survivor outreach and support services. Additionally, a portion of the funding will support organizations that address career training, food scarcity, youth development, and capacity building.

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MOTHERS, VICTIMS AND RESIDENTS UNITE AGAINST GUN VIOLENCE AT FLORIDA CITY'S INAUGURAL SURVIVORS PEACE AND PRAISE WALK



The Carrie Meek foundation joined The Office of Miami-Dade County Commissioner Kionne McGhee, The City of Florida City, Survivors Affected by Violence, The Jack Brown III Foundation (2022 Meek Mobilize Grants Winner), and mothers who've lost children to gun violence to host Florida City's Inaugural Peace and Praise Walk at Florida City's City Hall.

The event memorialized children who lost their lives to gun violence and united community members with mothers who lead the peace walk through the streets of Florida City. During the mile-long walk, community residents were energized to take action as the crowd chanted "Peace and love in Florida City." There was also a resource fair linking residents to services and information on access to healthcare, housing, and educational programming.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO AUDE EMMANUEL ON BEING NAMED THE 2022 CARRIE MEEK FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP WINNER



The Carrie Meek Foundation, through ASPA South Florida, has awarded scholarships to support outstanding students for the past several years. Aude Emmanuel, this year's scholarship recipient, completed her bachelor's degree in public administration with a certificate in leadership at Florida International University. Aude is currently working on her Master of Public Administration degree with a certificate in human resource policy and management. She is motivated by a deep appreciation for public policy and public administration. Aude believes that the implementation of government programs and policies encourage positive change and common good within our communities, which she promotes in her leadership positions. She is a member of the ASPA South Florida Organization, ICMA, Pi Alpha Alpha, NFBA and is the Vice President of ASPA SFSA (South Florida Student Association) at FIU.

MEEK MOBILIZE GRANTS WINNERS ACTIVATED OUR KIDS ALL SUMMER!



Support Congresswoman Meek's legacy in action.

Donations go directly to funding grassroots and community impact organizations that further Congresswoman Meek's work in economic development, education, health and housing.



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