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Mission

The MISSION of MBK is to establish a coalition of public and private entities that work together to improve life outcomes for boys and young men of color through internal agency policy review, mentoring, education and employment opportunities.

Vision

Create a Network that houses all initiatives within Palm Beach County that are improving outcomes for boys and young men of color.

Goals

- 1) Ensuring all children enter school cognitively, physically, socially and emotionally ready
- 2) Ensuring all children read at grade level by 3rd grade
- 3) Ensuring all youth graduate from high school
- 4) Ensuring all youth complete post-secondary education or training
- 5) Ensuring all youth out of school are employed
- 6) Ensuring all youth remain safe from violent crime

My Brother's Keeper Network (MBKN), in partnership with ***Birth to 22: United for Brighter Futures***, brings forth the 2019 Race to Equity Summit: *Facing, Embracing and Leading with Equity*. As a community, Palm Beach County recognizes the vital importance of collective convening, connecting and collaborating to address the systemic barriers that limit opportunity for communities of color. This work falls naturally within the scope of MBKN and Birth to 22, two of Palm Beach County's flagship initiatives dedicated to advancing equity for youth of color. Together, we know that advancing equity is the surest path to ensuring *ALL* of Palm Beach County's children and youth reach their optimal development and can fully contribute to the health and wealth of our community.

The goals of this conference are to:

- **Boldly face** racial inequities by examining how many of our systems have perpetuated institutional, structural and systemic barriers adversely impacting children, youth and young adults of color.
- Intentionally *embrace* strategies using a racial equity lens to challenge reforms in our government, education, health, labor, housing, social services and criminal justice systems.
- Unapologetically *lead* with race, tackling burning – as well as deep-rooted – issues and bringing forward innovative and inclusive solutions to positively transform the lives of children, youth and young adults of color.

Birth to 22 Mission:

To support the healthy growth, development and education of our children and youth prenatal through youth adulthood, so they can graduate from high school and succeed in life. Visit www.pncbirthto22.com for more information.

Please visit our website at www.MBKPBC.com for more information as well as to view our previous conference highlights.