

Mount Zion Community Development, Inc. (MZCD)



PROJECT NAF

Nurturing Asheville & Area Families

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(Advocacy & Support)

Royanna Williams: Business Owner,
TBN Designs & Former NAF Participant



The HHS Office of Minority Health will observe Wear Blue Day on Friday, June 19, 2022.

This day is a part of the year-round Wear BLUE® awareness campaign that was created by Men's Health Network to raise awareness about the importance of male health and to encourage men to live longer and healthier lives.

Source: US DHHS Office of Minority Health.

PROJECT EMPOWER

Education Means Power

Project EMPOWER Community Advisory Council

Johnnie Grant: *The Urban News*

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Health & Human Services

ECHO (Enhancing Collaborative Health Options & Opportunities)

Congratulations Mariq Dymani Ray Williams

Many years ago, a very special lady enrolled in the Project NAF Program. Nineteen years later, Royanna Williams remains one of Project NAF's staunch supporters, serving on Project NAF's Community Advisory Board (CAB).

The CAB is comprised of members of like-minded organizations and programs who advise the program on continued development, implementation, evaluation, and maintenance. The advisory board is made up of individuals with life experience and expertise in their given field.

Project NAF salutes and congratulates Mariq on the occasion of his graduation from the North Carolina Cyber Academy. Mariq is the son of Royanna Williams and the grandson of the one and only Ms. Roberta Todd.



Mariq proudly holds his diploma, surrounded by family and friends. Photo courtesy of the Williams

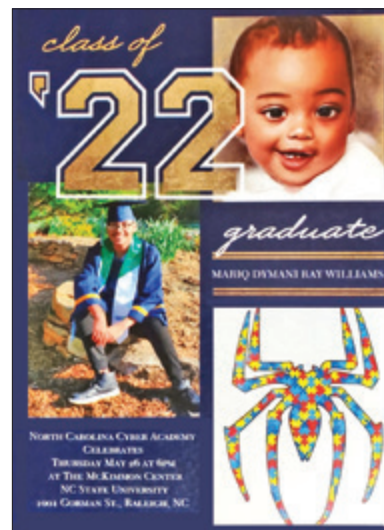
supporter of the Project NAF Program—an endearing relationship.

Royanna's dedication to the Project NAF program is impeccable and beyond words. For more than nineteen years, she has remained a strong advocate, providing recommendations to the Project NAF program and ensuring optimal delivery of program goals, objectives, and services. During a recent Project NAF CAB meeting, she stated, "I do not believe in just sitting on the board, but participate in virtual and educational group sessions so participants can see that we care about them."

Like mother, like daughter, Ms. Roberta remains an integral part and

MARIQ'S ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Member of the National Jr. Honor Society.
- Since 2010, Mariq has donated and raised money for Autism Speaks' "Light It Up Blue" campaign every April.
- Received two art awards: one award was presented by Rev. William Barber, and another from artist Robert Shetterly. His art has been displayed in the Asheville City Schools Art Show at YMI Center two years in a row.
- Participated in a campaign to plant trees worldwide at treecycle.com.
- Collected coats for a clothing drive.
- Written letters, notes, and drawn pictures and presented them to First Responders, Veterans, Active Duty Service men and women, and Essential Workers to express his gratitude for their service and commitment.
- Volunteered at ABCCM's Steadfast, which is now Transformation Village.



Mariq is dependable, organized, punctual, friendly, creative, hardworking, and polite.

MESSAGE FROM SAPPHIRE DE'BELLOTT

June is National Men's Health Month!

This month is all about encouraging the men in your life (including you, men out there!) to take care of their bodies by eating right, exercising, and working to prevent disease.

The official symbol for the month is a blue ribbon. The purpose of Men's Health Month is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of diseases including cancer, heart disease, and depression.

Source: CDC



Sapphire De'Bellott

Happy Father's Day

Parents are among the most important people in the lives of young children. From birth, children rely on parents to provide them with the care they need to be happy and healthy, and to grow and develop well.



Dr. John H. Grant, Founding Chairman, President, CEO of Mount Zion Community Development, Inc.



Belinda K. Grant, Chief Executive Director of Mount Zion Community Development, Inc.

June is...

National Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Month

National Safety Month

Men's Health Week (June 13-19)

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