National TRIO Achiever Award Recipients By Year

Celebrating the success of TRIO students and the TRIO programs, the Council for Opportunity in Education and members of the college access and success community are proud to honor the National TRIO Achievers. These men and women have distinguished themselves in their chosen professions and are making remarkable contributions to their community. The public recognition of TRIO alumni is an exceptional opportunity to acknowledge that TRIO makes a difference in the lives of thousands of students whose future success depends on their access to higher education. We congratulate this year's TRIO Achievers and past award winners who continue to inspire both college access and success professionals and current students.

2023

Ruben Canedo: Director, Strategic Equity Initiatives, University of California-Berkeley. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of California -Berkeley

James Brett: President and CEO, New England Council. Upward Bound, Boston College.

Lesia Crumpton-Young: Former President, Texas Southern University. Upward Bound, Texas Southern University.

Cheryl Johnson: Radio Free America. Upward Bound, Loyola University – New Orleans; Student Support Services, University of Iowa.

Fernando Cardenas: Director, Partnerships Development and Community Relations, Comcast. Upward Bound, California State University-Fresno.

2022

Sarah Smarsh: Journalist and Author of "Heartland." Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Kansas.

Aaron Ford: Attorney General, State of Nevada. Upward Bound, Southern Methodist University.

James Monteiro: Executive Director, Reentry Campus Program. Educational Opportunity Center, Community College of Rhode Island.

Kiesha King: Senior National Education Administrator, T-Mobile Education. Upward Bound, Arizona State University.

Marinilda Diaz: Professor, Social Work; Coordinator, Public Policy, Doctoral Program, University of Puerto Rico. Student Support Services, University of Puerto Rico.

2021

Rabih Najjar: Senior Director, Strategic Projects, Hertz Corporation. Upward Bound, Montana Technological University; and Student Support Services, Montana State University.

Roberto Padilla: Superintendent, Newburgh Enlarged City School District; Superintendent, New York City Department of Education. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, State University of New York-Brockport.

Lewis Williams: Chief Creative Officer, Burrell Communications Group; Head of Brand Impact, Weber Shandwick. Upward Bound, Mercer University.

Nikema Williams: U.S. House Representative for Georgia's 5th Congressional District. Talent Search, Upward Bound, Student Support Services, and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Talladega College.

2020

Antoinette Danvers: Attending Physician, Montefiore Medical Center; Program Director, OBGYN Residency, Montefiore Health System. Upward Bound, Bronx Community College.

Richard Perez: President and CEO, San Antonio Chamber of Commerce. Educational Talent Search, Project STAY, South San High School.

Leon Venegas: Associate Scientist II, AstraZeneca; Antibody Discovery Scientist II, MarcoGenics, Inc. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, St. Edwards's University.

Ashley Doukas: Clinical Psychologist II, Bellevue Hospital; Clinical Director, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai. Talent Search, Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of New Hampshire.

Marvin Pendarvis: South Carolina State
Representative, House District 113, Charleston
and Dorchester; Senior Attorney, Pendarvis Law,
LLC. Student Support Services, University of
South Carolina.

2019

Lacy Durham: Assistant General Counsel, Benefits and Compensation, Constellation. Upward Bound, Grambling State University.

David Estrada: Associate Director, Center for Advanced Energy Studies; Associate Professor, Micron School of Materials Science and Engineering, Boise State University; Deputy Director, Academic Research, Idaho National Laboratory, Advanced Manufacturing. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Boise State University.

Erica Klampfl: Manager, Global Data Insights and Analytics, Ford Motor Company; Director, Operations Analytics, Ford Motor Company.
Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate
Achievement Program Scholars, Louisiana State University.

Awale Osman: Associate Manager, Best Buy;
Associate Consultant, Cultivating Leadership,
LLC. Upward Bound, Rochester Community and
Technical College; Student Support Services,
North Hennepin Community College; Ronald E.
McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement
Program, Augsburg University.

Carlos Mariani Rosa: State Representative, Minnesota House of Representatives; Executive Director, Minnesota Educational Equity Partnership, Inc. Student Support Services, Macalester College.

Tobie Smith: Senior Principal Data Scientist, Team Lead, SAIC. Upward Bound Math-Science, Student Support Services, Morehead State University.

2018

Karletta Chief: Assistant Professor and Extension Specialist-Hydrology, Department of Soil, Water, and Environmental Sciences, University of Arizona; Director, Indigenous Resilience Center. Upward Bound, Southern Utah University.

Darcel D. Clark: Bronx County District Attorney; Bronx Attorney General. Talent Search, Tremont Improvement Program Neighborhood House (TIP), and Student Support Services, Boston College.

Charlene Mickens Dukes: President, Prince George's Community College. Upward Bound, Saint Francis University.

Everett L. Glenn: Founder and President, ESP Education and Leadership Institute; Of Counsel, Alvarado Smith, APC. Upward Bound, Case Western Reserve University.

Stephanie Peterson: Director, Risk and Compliance, Global Business Operations, Microsoft Corporation; Senior Director, Product Delivery and Data Operations, Meta. Upward Bound, University of Nevada-Reno.

Patricia Roe: Vice President of Philanthropy, Strada Education Network. Student Support Services, Indiana University.

Christopher J. Rosa: Interim Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs, CUNY Division of Student Affairs; President and CEO, The Viscardi Center. Student Support Services, Queens College.

Aaron Rahsaan Thomas: Creator and Executive Producer, "S.W.A.T.," CBS; Creator of Content.

2017

Hector Balderas: Attorney General, State of New Mexico; President, Northern New Mexico College. Upward Bound and Student Support Services, New Mexico Highlands University.

Timothy Granfield: Director and Associate Vice President, Strategy, Planning & Operations, Corporate Finance, Liberty Mutual Insurance; Liberty Mutual Insurance, Director of Financial Analysis. Upward Bound, University of New Hampshire.

Tamara P. Nash: Special Assistant United States Attorney, State of South Dakota; Director of Experiential Learning and Lecturer, University of South Dakota. Talent Search and Student Support Services, Wayne State College.

David Pérez Jiménez: Assistant Research Scientist and Associate Director, Institute for Psychological Research, University of Puerto Rico. Student Support Services, University of Puerto Rico-Río Piedras.

Simon K. Shannon: Lean Six Sigma Black Belt, 3M; Director, Business Development, Transportation, Electronics Business Group. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

2016

José Cruz: Executive Director, Barrio Logan
College Institute; Deputy Director, Catalyst
Family, Inc. Ronald E. McNair PostBaccalaureate Achievement Program, San Diego
State University.

Marco Davila: Associate Member, Department of Blood and Marrow Transplantation, H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute, Associate Professor, Department of Oncologic Sciences, Morsani College of Medicine, University of South Florida; Senior Vice President, Translation Research; Vice Chair, Cellular Therapies, Department of Medicine; Physician, Transplantation and Cellular Therapies Service. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Texas Christian University.

Jacquelyn Elliott: President, Central Arizona College. Upward Bound, Emporia State University. Harry Lee Williams: President, Delaware State University; President and CEO, Thurgood Marshall College Fund. Student Support Services, Appalachian State University.

Victor Woolridge: Vice President, Cornerstone Real Estate and Chairman, University of Massachusetts Board of Trustees; Independent Director, Fallon Health; Board Member, Owl Rock Capital Corporation. Upward Bound, University of Massachusetts-Amherst.

2015

Brian Black: Senior Manager, Level M, Global Diversity and Corporate Administration, Spirit AeroSystems, Inc., Wichita, KS; Thermo-Fisher Scientific, Director, Diversity and Inclusion, Customer Channels and BioProduction Groups. Talent Search, Greenville Urban League, Greenville Technical College.

Molly Clough: Law Partner, Carrothers & Clough PLLC, Ogdensburg, NY. Student Support Services, State University of New York-Potsdam.

Aaron Payment: Tribal Chairperson, Sault Ste. Marie Tribe of Chippewa Indians, Sault Ste. Marie, MI. Upward Bound, Lake Superior State University.

Rene Rosado: Actor, Los Angeles, CA. Upward Bound, Wesleyan University and Student Support Services, University of Connecticut.

Sarah Silvafierro: Executive Director, NM Communities in Action and Faith, Las Cruces, NM. Upward Bound, New Mexico State University and Upward Bound Math-Science, Trinidad State Junior College.

2014

Stephanie Joy Calhoun: Assistant Attorney General, New York Office of the Attorney General, Buffalo, NY. Student Support Services, Medaille College.

Carol Cheatham: Associate Professor,
Psychology and Neuroscience, University of
North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Nutrition Research
Institute, Kannapolis, NC. Ronald E. McNair
Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program,
University of Wyoming.

Carlos Colon Ramos: Chancellor and Associate Professor, Education, Inter-American University of Puerto Rico-Barranquitas. Upward Bound, Inter-American University of Puerto Rico-Barranquillas.

Reynard Eaglin, Jr.: Executive Director, YMCA of Metropolitan Washington, DC, and YMCA of Potomac Overlook, Washington, DC. Talent Search, Upward Bound, and Student Support Services, University of Louisiana at Lafayette.

Dana Hilliard: Mayor, Hilltop City, NH. Upward Bound, University of New Hampshire and Student Support Services, Keene State University.

LaKiesha Tomlin: Project Mechanical Engineer, Northrop Grumman Corporation; Senior Manager, Software Engineering, Northrop Grumman. Student Support Services, Saint Louis University.

Michael Muse: CEO, Muse Recordings, New York, NY. Upward Bound, Michigan State University.

2013

Mildred Edwards: Executive Director, Kansas African American Affairs Commission, Office of the Governor, Topeka, KS; Chief of Staff to Mayor, CEO Tyrone Garner, Unified Government of Wyandotte County and Kansas City. Student Support Services, Wichita State University.

Cornelius D. Griggs: Senior Project Manager & Lead Estimator, Walsh Group, Chicago, IL; President, GMA Construction Group. Talent Search, Introspect Youth Services, Inc.; Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Chicago State University.

William Sanchez: CEO and Co-Founder, CoolChip Technologies, Boston, MA; COO, TalkingHeads Wireless. Upward Bound, Bronx Community College.

Trinity Thorpe-Lubneuski: Manager, Government Affairs, Reporting and Analysis, Comcast Corporation, Philadelphia, PA; Executive Director, Partnership Development and Community Activation, Comcast Corporation. Upward Bound, University of Wyoming.

Lois Vosika-Weir: Assistant Principal, American Indian Magnet School, St. Paul, MN; Assistant Principal, AGAPE High School. Upward Bound, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

Juan Zalapa: Research Geneticist, Assistant Professor, Horticulture, University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Texas Technological University.

2012

Rodelyn Alcidonis: Principal Attorney, Alcidonis Law Office LLC, Philadelphia, PA; SR. IOT Legal Consultant, DJSR Technology. Student Support Services, Plattsburgh State University of New York.

Raquel Aldana: Professor, Law and Director of the Inter-American Program, McGeorge School of Law, Sacramento, CA; Professor of Law, University of California Davis, School of Law. Upward Bound, Arizona State University.

Alvin Brown: Former Mayor of Jacksonville, Florida; Member, National Transportation Safety Board, (Nominated by President Joe Biden in August 2022). Student Support Services, Jacksonville University.

Nannette Brown: Judge, United States District Court for the Eastern District of Louisiana, New Orleans, LA. Upward Bound, University of Southwest Louisiana.

Jungmiwha Bullock: Founder and CEO, J. S. Bullock & Associates—The Brokerage for Dreams and Co-Managing Partner, The JKBN Group, LLC, Washington, DC. Upward Bound, University of Maryland-Baltimore County.

Stephen D. Perry: Principal and Founder, Capitol Preparatory Magnet School; Commentator, CNN; Writer and Columnist, Essence Magazine; Author; Education Contributor, CNN. Upward Bound, Wesleyan University.

2011

Joyce Bell: Associate Professor and the Don E. Martindale Chair of Sociology, University of Minnesota, Pittsburgh, PA. Upward Bound and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of Minnesota-Twin Cities.

Quintin Bullock: President, the Community College of Allegheny County, Allegheny, PA. Upward Bound, Prairie View A&M University.

Robert Jackson: Former Councilman, New York City Council, New York, NY. Upward Bound, Union Settlement Association.

John MacLean, III: East Coast Communications
Liaison for U.S. Department of Homeland
Security; U.S. Appointed Civil Emergency
Communications Expert to North NATO;
Lieutenant Commander Information
Professional / Information Warfare Officer (IWO),
Knoxville, TN. Veterans Upward Bound,
University of Pennsylvania, and Student Support
Services, Peirce College.

Carolyn Mosley: Retired Dean, College of Health Sciences, University of Arkansas-Fort Smith, Fort Smith, AR. Upward Bound, Dillard University.

Pedro Santiago: Vice President, ENPULSE Energy Conservation Inc.; Detroit, MI. Upward Bound and Student Support Services, University of Connecticut.

2010

James Bennett: Area Executive, First Citizens Bank; Board Member, Columbia Urban League Inc., Columbia, SC. Student Support Services, University of South Carolina.

D. Antonio Bridges, II: Member of House of Delegates, State of Maryland; Professor, Business Studies, University of Maryland Global Campus, Hanover, MD. Upward Bound, University of Maryland.

Guy Gadson: CEO and President, Mindful Bookkeeping LLC; Business Development Manager, EcoSpec. Upward Bound, The Pennsylvania State University.

Florentina Staigers-Held: President and CEO, Paradise Nutrients LLC. Upward Bound, Eastern Michigan University.

Kimyata Venson: Counselor, Texas Southern University, Houston, TX. Talent Search, Texas Southern University.

2009

Raydean Acevedo: President and CEO, the Raydean Acevedo Foundation, Inc., Philadelphia, PA. Upward Bound and Student Support Services, New Mexico Highlands University.

Michelle Beedle: Customer Success Manager, IBM Corporation; Director of Global Cybersecurity Programs, General Electric (GE), Schenectady, NY. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Southern Illinois University Edwardsville.

Alberto Cabrera: Professor, Higher Education Program, University of Maryland College Park, College Park, MD. Upward Bound, University of Puerto Rico-Mayaguez.

Deirdre Childress Hopkins: Director, Media and Public Relations, Pennsylvania Convention Center Authority, Philadelphia, PA. Upward Bound, Boston College.

Peter Espinosa: Justice of the Peace, Precinct 3-1, Dallas, TX. Talent Search, Mountain View College, Dallas County Community College District.

James S. Jackson: Founding Board Member and Vice President, Housing Development Fund,

Stamford, CT; Executive Director, Neighborhood Housing Services, Waterbury, CT. Upward Bound, The University of Connecticut.

Carlos Lopez Estrada: Director of Early Childhood, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, IL. Talent Search and Student Support Services, University of Illinois at Chicago.

Teresa Sherard: Board Member, ECFMG
Certification Committee; Secretary and
Treasurer, National Board of Medical Examiners
(NBME), Philadelphia, PA. Upward Bound, Xavier
University.

2008

Michael Geisel: Principal, Meadowbrook High School, Chesterfield County Public Schools, Richmond, VA. Upward Bound, Boston University.

Willie Jean Hannah: Retired Director, Student Support Services, Southern University-Baton Rouge, Baton Rouge, LA. Talent Search and Upward Bound, Louisiana State University.

Ronnie Hopkins: President, Voorhees University; Vice President for Academic Affairs, University of North Carolina-Pembroke, Pembroke, NC. Student Support Services, the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Cheryl Jefferson: Senior Director of Human Resources, American Cancer Society, Chicago, IL. Upward Bound, The University of Illinois.

Olivia Jones: Director, Multicultural Affairs and Student Services, University of Wisconsin-La Crosse, La Crosse, WI. Talent Search, St. Olaf College. Harriet Rice: Project Director, Student Support Services. East Los Angeles College, Monterey Park, CA. Upward Bound, Central State University.**2007**

Jill Biden: First Lady of the United States; English Professor, Northern Virginia Community College, Washington, DC. Student Support Services, University of Delaware.

Josephine Carino: Assistant Director, Nursing Services and Adjunct Faculty, Samuel Merritt University, Oakland, CA. Student Support Services, Sonoma State University.

Lynne Goodstein: Vice Provost for Academic Affairs, University of Nevada, Reno, NV. Talent Search, University of Nevada, Reno.

Gloria Isler: Executive Director, Higher Achievement, Baltimore, MD. Upward Bound, Howard University.

Sally J. Johnson: Program Manager, Department of Energy, Washington, DC. Upward Bound, Spelman College.

Monica Little: Dean, College of Education, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI. Student Support Services, Wayne State University.

2006

David Adame: President and CEO, Chicanos Por La Causa, Phoenix, AZ. Upward Bound, Arizona State University.

Ryan Clayton: Senior Director, Public Policy, PayPal, Washington, DC. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, University of California, Irvine.

Kimberly Norwood: Senior Director, HR Operations, Microsoft Corporation, Seattle, WA. Talent Search and Student Support Services, Seattle Central Community College.

Jesus Peña: Vice President, Legal and Compliance, Univision Communications, Inc., Los Angeles, CA. Student Support Services, University of California, Los Angeles.

Kevin Templin: Vice President, Field Development, United Way Worldwide, Alexandria, VA. Student Support Services, University of Arizona.

2005

Michael Bolding: CEO, Bolding Consulting Group, LLC; Executive Director, National Math and Science Initiative, Dallas, TX. Upward Bound, University of Texas-Dallas.

Richard E. Pannell: Retired Dean, Math and Science, Prince George's Community College, Largo, MD. Upward Bound, University of Pennsylvania.

Mildred Williamson: CEO, M. Williamson & Associates, Inc.; Executive Director, YWCA Metropolitan Chicago, Chicago, IL. Student Support Services, University of Chicago.

Carlos Solis: Chief Operating Officer, Goodwill of Delaware and Delaware County, Wilmington, DE. Upward Bound, Delaware Technical Community College.

2004

Linda Brown: Principal, Guilford College, Greensboro, NC. Upward Bound, Fayetteville State University.

Rosemary Chmura: Assistant Principal, Roosevelt High School, Fresno, CA. Student Support Services, Fresno State University. Ricardo Gómez: CEO and Principal Consultant, R. Gomez and Associates, Houston, TX. Student Support Services, University of Houston-Downtown.

Matthew Nelson: Vice President, Educational Services, The Princeton Review, New York, NY. Upward Bound, University of Connecticut.

Aracely "Selina" Ramos: Principal, Orozco Academy, Chicago Public Schools, Chicago, IL. Student Support Services, Northeastern Illinois University.

2003

Gabrielle Bosché: Founder, The Millennial Solution, Washington, DC. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, The University of Kansas.

Michael Chaney: President and CEO, Twin Cities RISE!, Minneapolis, MN. Upward Bound, Minnesota State University-Mankato.

Michelle Crozier: President, Crozier Strategies, Seattle, WA. Upward Bound, Seattle Central Community College.

Liza Inman: Senior Policy Advisor, Office of U.S. Representative Raul Grijalva, Tucson, AZ. Talent Search, Pima Community College.

Marisa Ortega: Chief of Staff, AmeriCorps; Director, Outreach and Recruitment, The Opportunity Network, New York, NY. Upward Bound, University of Notre Dame.

2002

Derrick Adams: President and CEO, Derrick Adams LLC; Dean, College of Business, Chicago State University, Chicago, IL. Upward Bound, University of Chicago. Gregory Brown: Vice President, Institutional Advancement, American Museum of Natural History, New York, NY. Upward Bound, The City College of New York.

Jessica Davis: Dean, School of Medicine, Meharry Medical College, Nashville, TN. Student Support Services, Tennessee State University.

Deborah Hall: Dean, School of Education, University of North Carolina-Greensboro, Greensboro, NC. Upward Bound, Winston-Salem State University.

Stephanie Hightower: President and CEO, Hightower Enterprises LLC, Columbus, OH. Upward Bound, University of Illinois.

2001

Byron Black: President and CEO, KIPP Jacksonville, Jacksonville, FL. Student Support Services, Jacksonville University.

Maria Briones: Director, Education Services, Medgar Evers College, New York, NY. Upward Bound, City University of New York.

Rodney Graves: Vice President, Corporate Communications, Dell Technologies, Round Rock, TX. Upward Bound, Texas A&M University.

Tony Hendrix: Director of Human Resources, Howard University, Washington, DC. Student Support Services, Howard University.

Sherley Stewart: Senior Policy Advisor, Department of Health and Human Services, Washington, DC. Upward Bound, University of California, Berkeley.

2000

Elaine Alexander: President and CEO, The Alexander Company, Dallas, TX. Student Support Services, Southern Methodist University.

Kimberly Brown: CEO, AGB Investigative Services, Chicago, IL. Upward Bound, Northern Illinois University.

Michael Byrd: President and CEO, 100 Black Men of America, Atlanta, GA. Upward Bound, Georgia State University.

Marisela Chavez: President, Chavez Group LLC, Los Angeles, CA. Upward Bound, University of Southern California.

Dana Hill: Executive Director, YWCA Greater Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA. Upward Bound, University of California, Los Angeles.

1999

Guadalupe Cervantes-Ortega: Elementary School Teacher, St. Paul, MN. Student Support Services, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN.

Jose Cervantes: Director, Minneapolis City Hall/Hennepin County Court House, Minneapolis, MN. Students Support Services, Macalester College.

Juan A. Cervantes: Multicultural Sales Manager, The St. Paul Companies, St. Paul, MN. Student Support Services, Macalester College.

The Late Manuel Cervantes: Referee of District Court, Administrative Law Judge, St. Paul, MN. Upward Bound, Macalester College.

Raquel Cervantes-Bethke: Elementary School Social Worker, LEAP High School Social Worker, St. Paul, MN. Upward Bound, Macalester College. Ricardo X. Cervantes: Assistant Supervisor for Housing Inspections, Minneapolis, MN. Upward Bound, Macalester College.

Ramona C. Garcia: Educator, Edinburg School District, Edinburg, TX. Upward Bound, Macalester College.

Terry L. Miller: Ph.D. candidate, Politics, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA. Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Texas Christian University.

Virginia Martinez Victorin: Retired Vice President, Senior Community Affairs Regional Manager, Los Angeles, CA. Upward Bound, University of California-Los Angeles.

1998

Michael Baker: Research and Development Engineer, Corvallis, OR. Talent Search and Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Achievement Program, Florida A&M University.

Donnell Collins: Partner and Shareholder of Hall Booth Smith, P.C., and Special Assistant to the Attorney General of the State of Georgia, Atlanta, GA. Upward Bound, Georgia Southern University.

Alex Martinez: Attorney, Stamford, CT. Upward Bound, Center for Academic Programs, University of Connecticut.

Gwendolynne Moore: U.S. Congresswoman, Wisconsin. Student Support Services, Marquette University.

Kevin Shibilski: Madison, WI. Upward Bound, University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point.

Melek Zimmer: Founder and Executive Director, PeaceWorks. Student Support Services, University of Connecticut.

1997

Bertice B. Berry: Author, Award-Winning Lecturer, Comedian, Talk Show Host, Richmond Hill, GA. Upward Bound, University of Delaware.

Gwendolyn Elizabeth Boyd: Senior Executive Search Consultant at AGB Search, LLC; Engineer, Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory; former President of Alabama State University, Laurel, MD. Upward Bound, Alabama State University.

Lawrence P. Hernandez: Director, Quality Improvement; Interim CCO, Kindred Hospital Aurora. Upward Bound, University of Southern Colorado.

Marcus Mosely: Physician, Meridian Medical Group, College Park, GA. Student Support Services, Langston University.

The Late Rev. James L. Nadeau, S.T.I.: Rector of the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Portland, ME. Upward Bound, Bowdoin College Brunswick, ME.

1996

Franklin R. Chang-Diaz: Chairman and CEO of Ad Astra Rocket Company, Director of Cummin Inc. Student Support Services, University of Connecticut.

Judith R. James: Vice Chancellor of Student Services and Special Programs for the Chancellor's Office of the California Community Colleges. Upward Bound, Mills College. The Late John Jenkins: Upward Bound, Princeton Cooperative School Program, Princeton University.

Lynda Marie Jordan: Associate Professor, Chemistry, North Carolina A&T State University; Associate Minister, Holy Temple Church; CEO and Founder, A Place to Heal Ministries, Inc. Upward Bound, Brandeis University.

Brian Mitchell: Advisory Board Member, BGS Consulting; Co-Host, The BMITCH and Finlay Show, 106.7; Show Host and Sports Analyst, NBC Sports Washington; Former Running Back, Washington Commanders, Centreville, VA. Talent Search and Upward Bound, Southern University A&M.

Viet T. Nguyen: Assistant Process and Development Engineer, Noven Pharmaceutical, Inc. Upward Bound, Jacksonville University.

John Quinones: ABC News Correspondent, Reporter for "20/20," "Nightline," "ABC World News Tonight," and "Good Morning America." Upward Bound, St. Mary's.

Pedro J.C. Rubio: Software Engineer, Intel Corporation. Upward Bound, Arizona State University.

Cynthia A. Smith: Senior Advisor to the Director, Indian Health Service. Student Support Services, University of North Dakota, Grand Forks.

1995

The Late Robert (Bob) Bozarjian: Specialist, Program Quality Assurance Unit, Massachusetts DOE. Educational Opportunity Center and Student Support Services. Stephen C. Emery: Partner, Van Norman & Emery LLP. Student Support Services, University of South Dakota.

A.C. Green: A.C. Green Youth Foundation, Athletes for Abstinence. Student Support Services, Oregon State University.

Barbara Harmon-Schamberger: Upward Bound, Salem-Teikyo University.

Wil Haygood: Author, The Washington Post.
Upward Bound, Ohio Dominican College.

Donald Lyons: University Endowed Professor, Physics, Hampton University. Upward Bound, Grambling State University.

Garry D. Norris: Former Director of Software Strategy & Strategic Relations, IBM. Student Support Services, University of South Carolina.