MEASURING The Dream

Measuring the Dream SymposiumTHE LAST 50 YEARS

FEATURING:



Ambassador Andrew Young

Former Aid to MLK, Former US Ambassador to the United Nations, Congressman and Two-Term Mayor of Atlanta



Dr. Bernard Lafayette

Cofounder of the Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (SNCC), Freedom Rider, and National Coordinator of the Poor People's Campaign



Rep. Park Cannon

GA House Representative for District 58. Youngest & 1 of 3 Openly Gay Lawmakers



Mary Hooks

Co-Director of Southerners on New Ground (SONG), a Regional Queer Liberation Organization for People of Color, Immigrants, Undocumented People, People With Disabilities



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THURSDAY, MARCH 15 2018

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In 1963 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. addressed a crowd of over 250,000 people at the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom. Joined by community, religious and political leaders, he called for full equality for Blacks and others cut off from the American Dream. The March was a defining moment in the Civil Rights Movement, and is credited with leading to a host of legislation aimed at reducing racial and economic disparities.

However, almost 50 years after Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s iconic "I Have a Dream" speech, data suggests that not enough has changed. The educational, economic and racial divide is as pronounced as ever -- giving rise to groups like Black Lives Matter and inspiring women, LGBTQ and other groups to rally for equal treatment under the law. Demands for affordable housing, quality schools, LGBTQ Rights have become a mainstay in today's political climate.

The Measuring the Dream symposium looks critically at available data and explores issues of equity in the areas of Education, Health, and Criminal Justice.

Join scholars, professionals, community leaders and students as they discuss historical trends, key events and suggested new directions for action in addressing disparities and realizing the American Dream for all communities.

Register on the web at www.measuringthedream.com

CO-CONVENERS:



Andrea Young, JD

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