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PROGRAMMING GUIDE



Delivering programs with impact.

Chicago United is the premier thought leader in advancing inclusion. Our year-long program series is designed to provide platforms for attendees to learn, collaborate and engage with peers, and ultimately lead transformative change throughout Chicago's business ecosystem.

CEO Roundtable Series: Confidential, peer-to-peer, host-facilitated forums that discuss the issues and challenges critical to implementing bold actions that develop, advance, and sustain an inclusive culture.

Diversity Officer Roundtable Series: Peer-to-peer learning sessions facilitated by executives responsible for their organization's diversity, equity, and inclusion strategies, that investigate current trends and leading practices for less common challenges.

Employee Resource Group Symposium: A prime opportunity to learn best practices from experts on creating models for highly effective resource groups that advance business imperatives.

NEW! Mid-level Manager Series: Programs that equip managers with the leadership skills to build collaborative, diverse and effective teams.

NEW! Emerging Leader Series: Young diverse professionals gain insights from executives on navigating corporate culture toward career advancement.

Minority Business Partnerships: A network of Chicago-area corporations who select five local minority firms and commit to helping them develop and grow in scale over a period of five years. Participating companies receive benchmarking tools and partnering minority firms receive capacity-building assistance, including coordinated resources from technical assistance agencies and nonprofits to address their individual needs.

NEW! Business Leaders of Color (BLC) Series: This new program series supports the growth and achievement of selected Business Leaders of Color. Participants will learn innovations and share ideas to become prime candidates for corporate Board of Directors' positions.

Corporate Inclusion Institute (CII): Established in 2019, this nine-month comprehensive talent development program helps organizations harness the power of inclusion, deliver cultural transformation and drive business performance. Participating corporations are improving their employee experience and retention and strengthening their ability to return value to shareholders.

Inside Inclusion: A research publication that provides a complete review of the status of diversity and inclusion progress in Chicago's top corporations.

Our Vision

To transform the Chicago region into the most inclusive business ecosystem in the nation.

Our Mission

To achieve parity in economic opportunity for people of color by advancing multiracial leadership in corporate governance, expanding the talent pipeline for executive level management, and growing minority businesses.

Tiffany Hamel Johnson President & CEO

Chicago United

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ANNUAL MEETING

Chicago United's highly anticipated Annual Meeting welcomes Chicago-area business leaders who are committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. The meeting includes the election of the 2022-2023 Board of Directors and Executive Committee members, and a special awards presentation, recognizing our Members' outstanding, mission-advancing contributions in 2021.

Attend if you are:

- A member of the CU Board of Directors
- A member of CU's CEO Council or Leaders Council
- A Diversity Officer in your organization
- A Business Leader of Color or a CU member company guest
- An invited guest interested in learning about Chicago
 United and inclusion advocacy
- A Five Forward Initiative[™] committed corporation executive

🛍 Wednesday, March 30 💿 8:00 - 9:30 AM

Virtual Event



CEO ROUNDTABLE SERIES

Regardless of business, industry or organization, seniorlevel leaders and C-suite executives share certain common responsibilities. Chicago United's unique CEO Roundtable Series is a collection of confidential, peer-to-peer, hostfacilitated forums that allow participants to identify and discuss the issues and challenges critical to implementing bold actions that develop, advance, and sustain an inclusive culture throughout their enterprises.

Attend if you are:

• A member of Chicago United's CEO Council (guests and representatives are not eligible.)



Tuesday, March 10 9:00 - 10:30 AM Virtual Event Virtual Event Hosted by: Carrie Steyer General Manager, Slalom Chicago Tuesday, June 14 9:30 - 11:00 AM 33 South State St, Suite 750, Chicago, IL Hosted by: Helene Gayle President and CEO, The Chicago Community Trust

- 🛍 Tuesday, September 20 💿 8:00 9:30 AM
- 353 North Clark Street, Chicago, IL



Hosted by: Natalie Brown President, Mesirow Financial

🗃 Thursday, October 13 💿 8:00 - 9:30 AM

• 2 Lincoln Center, Oak Brook Terrace, IL



Hosted by: Gil C. Quiniones Chief Executive Officer, ComEd

Wednesday, October 26 S:00 - 9:30 AM

• 320 South Canal Street, Chicago, IL



Hosted by: David Casper U.S. Chief Executive Officer, BMO Financial Group



Darrel Hackett President, BMO Wealth Management - U.S.

Chicago United's Diversity Officer Roundtable Series features peer-to-peer learning sessions facilitated by executives responsible for their organization's diversity, equity, and inclusion strategies. With a focus on instructive analysis of current trends and leading practices, these programs provide participants with the insight needed to lead an organization towards an inclusive culture.

Attend if you are:

- A Human Resources Executive
- A Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Officer
- A business leader responsible for inclusive talent development

🛍 Tuesday, March 15 💿 8:30 - 9:30 AM

Virtual Event



Hosted by:

Kathryn Medina Senior Vice-President of People & Culture, Chief Human Resources Officer and Director of the Office of Minority and Women Inclusion Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

🛍 Tuesday, May 24 💿 8:30 - 10:00 AM

• 1844 West Ferry Road, Naperville, IL



Hosted by: Emeka Igwilo

Chief Data Officer and VP Operations Support Nicor Gas

🛍 Wednesday, September 28 💿 8:30 - 10:00 AM

• 110 North Carpenter Street, Chicago, IL



Hosted by: Reginald J. Miller Vice President, Global Chief Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Officer McDonald's Corporation

BUSINESS LEADERS OF COLOR (BLC) SERIES

Through the Business Leaders of Color (BLC) Series, Chicago United identifies innovative, global thinkers to share insights on corporate board governance. Programming in this series brings together BLCs to connect to corporate board directorships and engage with accomplished and diverse Chicago-area business executives.

Attend if you are:

A 2021 Business Leader of Color

Introduction to Corporate Governance

🛍 July 🛇 5:00 - 7:00 PM

9 300 East Randolph Street, Chicago, IL



Hosted by: Hille Sheppard Partner, Sidley Austin LLP



Hosted by: Nilofer Umar Partner, Sidley Austin LLP



MID-LEVEL MANAGER SERIES

Mid-level managers often face unique challenges as their teams grow and diversify. Chicago United has established this series of programs to equip mid-level managers with the leadership skills to build collaborative and effective teams and further impact their organization's diversity, equity, and inclusion practices.

Attend if you are:

- CII Corporate Guide
- Employee Resource Group Leader
- Employees of Member Companies

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WINTRUST

🛍 Thursday, October 6 💿 9:00 - 11:00 AM

• 9700 West Higgins Road, Rosemont, IL

What's Trust Got to Do With It? Managing Intercultural Conflict



Expert Speaker:

Andrés T. Tapia Senior Client Partner, Global Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Strategist, Korn Ferry

EMERGING LEADER SERIES

Chicago United works to empower young, diverse professionals to pivot their careers and advance multiracial leadership within their organizations. Our Emerging Leaders series highlights Business Leaders of Color who provide insight into assessing and navigating corporate culture toward career advancement.

Attend if you are:

- CII Fellow
- Employee Resource Group Member/Leader
- Employees of Member Companies

🛍 Tuesday, April 5 💿 1:00 - 2:00 PM

♥ Virtual Event

A Guide to Advancing Your Career



Tracie Morris U.S. Chief Human Resources and Diversity and Inclusion Officer BMO Financial Group

- 🛍 Wednesday, June 22 🕓 5:00 7:00 PM
- The Metropolitan 233 South Wacker Drive, 67th Floor

Making the Net Work Reception



Billy Dexter Partner and the Americas Regional Diversity Leader Heidrick & Struggles





EMPLOYEE RESOURCE GROUP SYMPOSIUM

Chicago United convenes Employee Resource Group Leaders through this series of programs to create an incomparable peer-to-peer learning experience. Participating Senior-level ERGs will learn from thoughtleaders and experts as they share actionable strategies towards systemic change and cultural inclusiveness.

Attend if you are:

- A Chief Human Resources Officer/Chief Diversity
 Officer
- An executive or senior human resources professional responsible for resourcing and/or developing ERGs in your organization
- An ERG Executive Sponsor
- An ERG Chair/Leader
- 🛍 Wednesday, March 2 💿 1:00 2:00 PM

• Virtual Event

Employee Resource Group Excellence



Dr. Robert Rodriguez Founder and President DRR Advisors LLC

🛍 Tuesday, October 25 💿 8:30 - 10:30 AM

• 1 N. Wacker Drive, 9th Floor, Chicago

Leading with Purpose



Shannon Schuyler Chief Purpose and Inclusion Officer PwC US

CU THERE! EVENTS

Offering a chance to engage outside the office, Chicago United's CU There! Events are special occasions welcoming the Chicago United community to interact outside the office or boardroom. These informal, festive social gatherings are created to inspire conversations that ultimately lead to advocacy initiatives and solutions.

October 2022

Inside Inclusion Member and BLC Reception

BRIDGE AWARDS

Established in 2004, Chicago United presents the Bridge Awards to Chief Executive Officers whose efforts have helped drive inclusion in corporate governance and executive-level management. This highly anticipated evening of celebration and entertainment features the presentation of two awards – the National Bridge Award and the Chicago Bridge Award — and gathers advocates together to share aspirations and experiences.

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🛍 Wednesday, November 16 🛇 5:30 - 9:00 PM



2022 MEMBER MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JUL	AUG	SEP	ОСТ	NOV	DEC
Annual Meeting			30 8:00 - 9:30 AM									
CEO Roundtable Series			29 8:00 - 9:30 AM		10 9:00 - 10:30 AM				20 8:00 - 9:30 AM	13 8:00 - 9:30 AM		
Diversity Officer Roundtable Series			15 8:30 - 9:30 AM		24 8:30 - 10:00 AM				28 8:30 - 10:00 AM			
Business Leaders of Color Series					* 8:30 - 10:30 AM		* 5:00 - 7:00 PM				* 8:30 - 10:30 AM	
ERG Symposium			2 1:00 - 2:00 PM							25 8:30 - 10:30 AM		
Mid-level Manager Series			24 8:30 - 10:00 AM							* 8:30 - 10:30 AM		
Emerging Leader Series				5 1:00 - 2:00 PM		22 5:00 - 7:00 PM						
Bridge Awards Dinner											16 5:30 - 9:00 PM	
C U There!										* 5:00 - 7:00 PM		

* Date coming soon.

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