

## NCNW Pledge

It is our pledge to make a lasting contribution to all that is finest and best in America, to cherish and enrich her heritage of freedom and progress by working for the integration of all her people regardless of race, creed or national origin, into her spiritual, social, cultural, civic and economic life, and thus aid her to achieve the glorious destiny of a true and unfettered democracy.



## Our Mission

NCNW's mission is to lead, advocate for and empower women of African descent their families and communities.



**"Women Do Get Weary, But They Don't Give Up"**  
Alice Patrick

## Join NCNW Today

If you have been looking for a place where you can realize your potential with the help of a positive, supportive network of sisters, NCNW is the place for you. Through national programs and through the work of over 200 community-based sections and 32 national affiliate organizations, NCNW helps women enhance their health, knowledge, and personal satisfaction to improve their communities.

Your membership helps NCNW to promote and recognize leadership among women of color; champion women's rights and civil rights; celebrate and strengthen the African American family; and work toward the economic empowerment of African American women all over the world.

To learn more about membership in NCNW, please visit us online at

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**ncnw**

commitment | unity | self reliance

**NATIONAL COUNCIL OF NEGRO WOMEN,  
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## History Makers



Leave no one behind. That was the challenge left to us over 70 years ago by Mary **McLeod Bethune**. Born of slave parents in 1875, Mary McLeod Bethune was a noted educator, humanitarian, and an advisor to four U.S. Presidents. In 1935, Mary McLeod Bethune had vision.



In 1966, **Dr. Dorothy I Height** established NCNW as a nonprofit organization to further the growth of the organization. She worked in the capacity of Executive Director and Chairman of the Board until her death in 2010.



In 2012, **Ms. Ingrid Saunders Jones** served as National Chair. She accomplished Sponsor-for-Change through leadership in social investment and philanthropy, with focus on the development and engagement of women as advocates for quality of life and community.



**Dr. Johnnetta Betsch Cole** became Spelman College's Seventh President and the first Black woman to lead the College that was founded specifically for the education of women of African descent. In 2020, Dr. Cole was selected as National Chair and 8th President of NCNW during the virtual session of the 59th Biennial National Convention in Washington, D.C.



**Dr. Thelma Thomas Daley** 8th National President of NCNW a Distinguished Counselor-Educator, Organization leader and Administrator, and college professor. She is an American counseling Association Fellow and a National Board-Certified Counselor.



**Dr. A. Lois Keith** was elected to serve as the NCNW's Chair of the Board during the 60th National Convention in December 2022 in Washington, D.C. Dr. Keith will steer the organization's vision into 2023 and beyond. Dr. Keith will bring her years of experience in leadership, advocacy, and education to guide the NCNW and ensure that the organization's goals of promoting social justice, STEAM education, entrepreneurship, and health equity are further

## An Accomplished Past

The creation of the National Council of Negro Women, Inc. (NCNW) marked a unique aspect of African American history. NCNW was the first national coalition of black women's organizations. Through the early work of Mary McLeod Bethune, and with the support of like-minded organizations, NCNW worked tirelessly to promote its agenda of uniting and educating women on the effective participation in civic, political, and economic activities.

Known as the major advocate for black women, NCNW served as a unifying force – forming a power block determined to focus on key social and political issues, and influence legislative decisions that directly impacted black women and their families.

Its humble beginnings held great promise of coalition building and collaboration. Working together, with a unity of purpose and action, NCNW has used its collective strength to create an effective and influential movement. And NCNW continues to play a powerful role in the lives of black women worldwide.



NCNW IS ALIVE AND WELL!!!

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## Signature Section Programs

SoCal has 14 NCNW Sections including: Los Angeles and Moreno Valley Life Member Guild providing services throughout the community from Bakersfield to San Diego.

### Athens Westmont Section

Operation Shoebox- 1st Saturday in June -Collect decorative shoeboxes with toiletries for transitional homeless shelters

### Mary McLeod Bethune Section

Feed Homeless Community

### Compton Section

Community Support: Educational Scholarship, Homeless, Holiday Care Baskets and Toy Drive Projects.

### High Desert Section

Bethune Leadership Academy

### Inland Empire Section

Bethune Center- Ongoing yearly Services provided: Pre-employment skills training & community resources

### Long Beach Section

Food & Toy Drive

### Los Angeles View Park Section

Reading Proficiency Program- Wednesdays 3pm -4:30pm-

### Los Angeles Section

Volunteers at WLA Veterans Medical Center

### Orange County Section

Crittenton Services- Back to School Drive

### Pomona Section

Mental Health Initiative -Human Trafficking Project

### Riverside Section

Community Services

### San Diego Section

Girl Power- Workshop Preps Youth for Promising Careers- STEAM

### San Gabriel Valley Section

Young Women's Auxiliary- Young Legends

### Local Affiliates

- Top Ladies of Distinction
- Coalition for 100 Black Women
- Fraternities/Sororities

### ANNUAL AREA FUNDRAISER

Bethune Height Recognition Luncheon (BHRL) - Honors Life Members, Legacy Members, and Associate and Community Leaders.