



CBDOC International Conference, July 2024

Program

Thursday, July 4, 2024

Time	Activity	Responsible person
8:30AM-9:00AM	Registration and Welcome coffee	Lead- Ritah Sanyu Volunteers
9:00AM-9:30AM	(Introducing the Master of Ceremonies) Land Acknowledgement and Opening ceremony Tonny Muzira, CBDOC Co-Founder & Vice President Partnerships and Advocacy Acknowledgement of sponsors	Gloria N Oluwakemi Akinsola Tonny Muzira

<p>9:30AM-10:45AM</p>	<p>Opening Remarks by Conference Chair</p> <p>Remarks from CBDOC CO-Founder & President Ali Kaviri</p> <p>Entertainment interlude: Watmoni introduced by Ajok Acii</p> <p>Speaker: Councillor Chris Moes Representing Mayor Oliva Chow, City of Toronto</p> <p>Keynote Address:</p> <p>“Challenges and Opportunities for Black Refugees and Immigrants globally”</p> <p>Agnes Igoye Immigration Expert</p> <p>“Government Initiatives and Support for Black Refugees and Immigrants”</p> <p>Speaker Minister Piccini, Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development</p>	<p>Event MC -</p>
<p>10:45 AM-11:00 AM</p>	<p>Break and Entertainment interlude</p>	<p>Poem by Angela Watmoni</p>
<p>11:00 AM -12:30 PM</p>	<p>High-level Panel Discussion 3:</p> <p>Navigating Immigration: Government Initiatives and Support for Integration</p> <p>Moderator: A. Muhaari Director of Services Turning Point Youth Services - Toronto</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Ibukun Abejirinde MD, MSc., PhD Scientist - Institute for Better Health, Trillium Health Partners, Mississauga, Ontario, and Assistant Professor at the Dalla Lana School of Public Health, University of Toronto. ● Azadeh Tamjeedi, senior legal officer at UNHCR, 	<p>A. Muhaari Director of Services Turning Point Youth Services - Toronto</p>

	<p>the UN Refugee Agency, in Canada.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Lens Chris Bouchard - Executive Director of Turning Point Youth Services • Dennis Wamala - Program officer Crisis Response Rainbow Railroad 	
12:30PM-1:30PM	Lunch Break	Grammy performance Nomini
1:30PM-2:15PM	<p>Initiatives supporting immigration and integration</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Presentation on Ontario Immigrant Nominee Program (OINP) Nathalie Wuta - Team Lead Immigration Promotion and Employer Outreach Unit Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills development 2. Leadership in Action: Empowering Change and Building Resilient Communities Mike Perry - Executive Director Institute for Change leaders 3. Tereza Coutinho Manager, Community Investment United Way Greater Toronto 	
2:30PM-3:30PM	<p>Breaking Down Barriers: Opportunities and Challenges for Black People in Accessing Affordable Housing</p> <p>Moderator: Savhanna Wilson Executive Director Toronto Alliance to End Homelessness TAEH</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Barry N. Thomas Director - The Centre for Advancing the Interests of Black People in Toronto Community Housing Corporation 2. Mwarigha is the Vice President of Housing, Homelessness, Asset Sustainability & New Development at WoodGreen. 3. Francisco Executive - Director Sojourn House 4. Pastor Eddie Jjumba - Senior Pastor Milliken Church 5. Shernett - CAYR Community Connection 	Toronto Alliance to End Homelessness (TAEH)
3:30PM-3:45PM	Closing Remarks	

	Janet Amito Nyeko Director of Programs and Services Centre for Black Development Options - CBDOC	
3:45-4:00 PM	Recap and Closing Remarks for Day 1	Rapporteurs Winnie Ikilai and Kasajja Joseph

Friday, July 5, 2024

9:00AM-9:30AM	Welcome Coffee day 2	Registration Volunteers
9:30AM-9:35AM	Land Acknowledgement and Opening ceremony	Yolo Foundation Oluwakemi Akinsola
9:35AM-10:00AM	Recap of day one	Rapporteurs
10:30AM-12:30PM	Newcomer Youth Experiencing Homelessness: Trends, Impact, and Responses Lead convenor - Turning Point Youth Services Speaker: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jahmoyia Smith - Manager, Corporate Engagement-Asylum Seekers ACCES Employment Vice Chair, Black Action Coalition for Change (BACC) ● Medina Esmail, RN Health Care Services Manager (Interim) Covenant House Toronto ● Kaleab Covenant House Toronto ● Natalie Comrie Manager of Housing and Youth Programming YouthLink 	Turning Point Youth Services
12:30PM-1:30PM	Lunch and Networking	
1:30PM-3:00PM	Session: Empowering Black Communities through Education and Skills Development Speakers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Jahmoyia Smith - Manager, Corporate 	

	<p>Engagement-Asylum Seekers ACCES Employment Vice Chair, Black Action Coalition for Change (BACC)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Henry Ssali- University of Toronto African Alumni Association ● Fatemeh Alhosseini, Executive Director Impakt Foundation For Social Change ● Representative employers ● Vanessa Wong - Regional Manager, Toronto United for Literacy ● Elizabeth Nakato - Director, Brownskin Fully Emancipated Hub & Counselor violence against women and children(VAW) 	
2:15-2:30PM	Performance from Aiden and Perindah	
2:30-3:15 PM	Conference outcome document and communique	<p>Rapporteurs</p> <p>Winnie Ikilai & Kasaijja Joseph</p>
3:15PM-3:45PM	Guest of honor	
3:45PM-4:30PM	Rebecca Bell - CBDOC Board Representative Thank you and Acknowledgement of sponsors	
4:30PM-5:00PM	Official closure	MC