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Subject: File No. 211318 Dream Keeper Initiative - 2 letters
Date: Thursday, April 25, 2024 12:59:05 PM
Attachments: [File No 211318 Dream Keeper Initiative - 2 Letters.pdf](#)

Dear Supervisors,

Please see the attached two letters regarding

File No. 211318 - Hearing on the resources allocated for the Dream Keepers Initiative.

Regards.

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Subject: FW: In Support of The Dream Keeper Initiative Rev Dr. Carolyn Ransom Scott
Date: Tuesday, April 23, 2024 4:42:04 PM

Dear Supervisors,

Please see the below communication regarding File No. 211318.

File No. 211318 - Hearing on the resources allocated for the Dream Keepers Initiative, specifically on which programs have been funded by the allocated \$120,000,000 and assessing other needs that the Dream Keepers Initiative can support; requesting the Human Rights Commission, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, Department of Children Youth and their Families, Arts Commission, Department of Public Health, Office of Early Care and Education, Fire Department, and Department of Human Resources to report.

Thank you,

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From: Dr. Carolyn Ransom-Scott <drcrscott71@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, April 17, 2024 11:29 PM
To: BOS-Supervisors <bos-supervisors@sfgov.org>; Walton, Shamann (BOS) <shamann.walton@sfgov.org>
Subject: In Support of The Dream Keeper Initiative Rev Dr. Carolyn Ransom Scott

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Dear Board of Supervisors, Government Audit, Oversight Hearing Committee

Out of a mountain of despair a stone of hope... Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

My Name is Rev. Dr. Carolyn Ransom Scott, I am a proud African American native-born, raised and I have resided in this fine City of San Francisco since 1946. I am in full support of the Dream Keepers Initiative.

It is because of the Dream Keeper that I am pleased to say, that through a mini-grant, I was able to continue to move forward with my Black Excellence Black Inventors/ Innovators Project. This educational project of a bookmark series and exhibit dating back to the 1700s up until 2022 tells stories of thousands of African American innovators who changed the way we live through meaningful contributions they are responsible for some of the world's greatest technological and social achievements. These inventors and scientists have made life easier, more comfortable, and safer through science and technology for businesses and communities well into the 20th and 21st centuries. Highlighting the achievements changes the global narrative that African Americans are noncontributors to the world around them. Dream Keepers helped my project to be placed into a Public learning institution for the first time in the history of San Francisco or the nation. The Bookmark series is in every San Francisco Public Library, and Stanford University HSSG Green Library, The exhibit was on display for six months in the SF Main Library. As a result, I was a recipient of the 2023 National Presidential Lifetime Achievement Award, received in Atlanta GA in September 2023.

The Dream Keeper Initiative has created space and capacity for Black-led and Black serving businesses and organizations in San Francisco to make a more effective impact within our diverse African communities, which have been so long underserved in San Francisco.

The Dream Keeper Initiative programming has enhanced critical services supporting children and youth in the city and has especially made space for amplifying Black youth voices to make critical change. I ask that you keep the Dream Keeper Initiative alive to continue this good work. Dream Keeper is a stone of hope that gives help for today and hope for a brighter tomorrow.

Thank you for your consideration of keeping hope alive through this justice by doing the right.

**In Community with Care,
Rev. Dr. Carolyn Ransom-Scott
SF Faith Base Coordinator**

From: [carolyn.gage](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: DKI
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024 5:14:02 PM

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I was just informed there was an open forum to speak of/about the DKI programs. I am involved in 2 different opportunities with DKI that would never have happened if it wasn't for these programs. I would like to Thank you for supporting and giving opportunities to what are called "marginalized" communities and people. Please continue to support these programs to enhance San Francisco as still the most unique city of all. After all the negative attention that we receive there's a need for positive attention, let DKI be that force.

Thank you,
Carolyn Gage

From: [Omar Del Real](#)
To: [Board of Supervisors \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Public Comment | 4/18/24 10:00am | Dream Keepers Initiative
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024 1:13:48 PM
Attachments: [Outlook-bj4e1gzm.png](#)

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I, Omar Del Real, General Manager of Mission Hiring Hall, support the Dream Keepers Initiative. At Mission Hiring Hall, we are proud to offer free employment services to any person who seeks them. We serve all people across San Francisco and are proud to partner with all community-based organizations (CBOs) across San Francisco to better strategize and support any incoming clientele with employment referrals, vocational training, or simply lending an ear to listen to the vastly underserved and underemployed communities of San Francisco. We stand in solidarity with all grantees of the Dream Keepers Initiative, and whether or not funding is ever appropriated to Mission Hiring Hall, we will continue to serve all people who seek our services. Because at Mission Hiring Hall, and in San Francisco specifically, landing a job and earning an income is the first step to becoming a self-sufficient citizen of San Francisco. Thank you.

Omar Del Real
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From: [Paméla Michelle Tate, Ph.D.](#)
To: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Cc: [Davis, Sheryl \(HRC\)](#); [Leatutufu-Burch, Saidah \(HRC\)](#)
Subject: Statement of Support for Dream Keeper Initiative
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024 11:33:35 AM

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April 18, 2024

Thank you for taking this written letter of support to be sent to the San Francisco Board of Supervisors.

My name is Pamela Tate and I am the Co-Executive Director of Black Women Revolt, which is a Dream Keeper Initiative Program. We are honored to be recipients of DKI Funds and we are grateful for their ongoing support in our efforts to eradicate domestic violence from the lowest percentage of residents in San Francisco - the Black Community.

We have grown from a donated office with a volunteer staff to a paid staff of six with six interns (4 in college and 2 in high school), which is housed in the Bayview Hunters Point.

We have made in impact in District 10 and in spaces all around the City. We are supporting employees whose employees are experiencing domestic abuse. We are teaching youth and adults about healthy relationships. We are helping to repair families and helping them learn habits that will keep their families safe. None of this would be possible without Dream Keepers Initiative.

On Monday, April 16, 2024, which was Tax Day, we were informed that we would not be receiving funds from DCYF for the next five (5) years. That was truly disheartening! We are fortunate that we are receiving DKI finds, but I know that we would cease to exist without their expertise and support. Please continue to support the Dream Keepers Initiative! They are vital to the survival of Blacks in San Francisco.

In Community Solidarity,

Paméla Michelle Tate, Ph.D. (she/her/hers)

Co-Executive Director (Operations, Case Management, and Educational Programming)

Black Women Revolt Against Domestic Violence

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"What we refuse to repair we will continue to recreate."

For Client Referrals and Intake Information [Click Here](#)

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Subject: FW: Dream Keeper Initiative
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024 2:40:41 PM

Hello,

Please see below communication regarding **File No. 211318**:

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Regards,

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From: Breonna McCree <breonna@transgenderdistrictsf.com>
Sent: Thursday, April 18, 2024 10:32 AM
To: Board of Supervisors (BOS) <board.of.supervisors@sfgov.org>
Subject: Dream Keeper Initiative

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I, Breonna McCree from the Transgender District, am here to provide my public comment on the Dream Keeper Initiative. This initiative has created opportunities and resources for Black and Brown-led initiatives, as well as Black-serving businesses and organizations in San Francisco, to greatly enhance their impact within our diverse African American communities.

The HRC-DKI grants specifically aim to address the longstanding under-service of these communities in San Francisco. Furthermore, the programming of the Dream Keeper Initiative has strengthened vital services for supporting Trans and non-binary youth in San Francisco, while also establishing designated spaces to amplify Black voices and catalyze significant change within their communities.

The Dream Keeper Initiative has been instrumental in supporting my organization's partnership with the Transgender Cultural District. Through this collaboration, we have been able to enhance infrastructure and capacity building efforts. Additionally, the initiative has played a crucial role in fostering the growth of trans and non-binary entrepreneurs, facilitating the establishment of brick-and-mortar businesses, and demonstrating a commitment to addressing trans homelessness. These efforts are indispensable to our work here in San Francisco. We urge the continued support of the Dream Keeper Initiative to further empower and uplift our diverse communities.

Thank you,
Breonna

Breonna McCree *(she/her/hers)*

Co-Executive Director

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From: [Leslie Pittman](#)
To: [Crayton, Monique \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Agenda Item 211318
Date: Thursday, April 18, 2024 9:39:44 AM

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Hello

My name is Leslie Pittman-Johnson representing on behalf of Cool Rolls Ice Cream and I just wanted to take the time to share a few words about my experience with the En2Action Ujamaa Kitchen small business cohort. My son and I decided to go into the rolled ice cream business after visiting a shop in LA during his senior year of high school. We were so impressed. We bought machines and begin booking events. However, the demand for our product was so high we could not keep up. We were hoping to get a truck and more machines so we could serve more customers however that was impossible because I simply couldn't afford it with my paycheck at the bank so we had to put our dream on hold indefinitely.

If it were not for the cohort, we would not be able to continue to pursue our dream. The cohort provides the necessary training and funding to expand our business and we are now able to provide professional, high quality product and service and we would not have been able to do this without Ujamaa Kitchen small business cohort.

So I'd like to say thank you to the City for making this possible and I sincerely hope the City continues to work with En2Action to provide opp opportunities for other members of the community moving forward.

Kind Regards
Leslie

From: [Nafy at Teranga](#)
To: [Kwajo Opoku Ware](#); [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: En2Action
Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 11:05:39 AM

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Hello, John,

My name is Nafy Flatley and I am the owner of a business called **Teranga in San Francisco in the Tenderloin**. I am writing in support of the continuation of funding for the Dreamkeeper Initiative's stipend based programs. As a participant in En2action's Sell Black program, I am a direct recipient of the Dreamkeeper Initiative's investment in the City's Black-owned businesses. Through the program, I gained critical e-commerce skills from very talented entrepreneurs and digital marketing skills, and worked with professionals to develop an e-commerce platform and business photography. These assets—combined with the stipends received through Sell Black and the business relationships I've built through the program—have allowed me to improve my skills as a business owner, while stimulating sales and affording me opportunities to reinvest in my community

Thank you for your time and consideration and keeping the program going .

Cheers,

Nafy

From: [Ms Yoland R Jones](#)
To: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: Dream Keeper
Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 10:49:53 AM

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I would like to inform you that the Dream Keeper Problem has changed my life. I am proud owner of my own insurance Independent agency. This program provided me with training, and helped with the cost. The city should do an event to show case the small businesses that have completed the program. I would have never opened my own business if I had not been in this program.

I just wish there was a mentor program, to assist with more funding for rent or help with smaller loans to help establish business credit.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yolanda Jones

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Please see my attached public comment on behalf of the Dream Keeper Initiative / En2action. Thanks for the opportunity.

On Wednesday, April 20, 2022, 06:42:48 PM PDT, HRC-dreamkeepersf <dreamkeepersf@sf.gov.org> wrote

This is happening TOMORROW!

Meeting Details:

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Item 3 - "Hearing on the resources allocated for the Dream Keepers Initiative, specifically on which programs have been funded by the allocated \$120,000,000 and assessing other needs that the Dream Keepers Initiative can support; requesting the Human Rights Commission, Office of Economic and Workforce Development, Mayor's Office of Housing and Community Development, Department of Children Youth and their Families, Arts Commission, Department of Public Health, Office of Early Care and Education, Fire Department, and Department of Human Resources to report".

https://sfbos.org/sites/default/files/gao042122_agenda.pdf

Thank you,

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The **Dream Keeper Initiative** would like to invite you to the **SF Board of Supervisors Government Audit and Oversight Committee** hearing happening **Thursday, April 21, 2022, at 10 am**. The meeting will be held in a hybrid modality. Please join us in person or remotely.

Meeting Details:

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Thank you,

The Dream Keeper Initiative Team

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April 21, 2022

Hello, my name is Tyiesha Jones and I am the owner of Pulse Check 101. I am speaking today in strong support of the continuation of funding for the Dreamkeeper Initiative's stipend based programs. As a participant in En2action's Sell Black program, I am a direct recipient of the Dreamkeeper Initiative's investment in the City's Black-owned businesses. And as a native of San Francisco, it's been my pleasure and duty to allow my business to provide free resources & services to our underserved populations. This program afforded me the capability to be its student, the economy's entrepreneur and a community resource all at once.

Through the program, I gained critical e-commerce and digital marketing skills, and worked with professionals to develop an e-commerce platform and business photography. These assets—combined with the stipends received through Sell Black and the business relationships I've built through the program—have allowed me to improve my skills as a business owner, while stimulating sales and reinvesting in my community. Thank you.

Tyiesha Jones

Pulse Check 101

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From: [Brandy S](#)
To: [Carroll, John \(BOS\)](#)
Subject: My Statement
Date: Thursday, April 21, 2022 4:53:41 AM
Attachments: [statement for public hearing BOS.pdf](#)

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As a participant of Sell Black here is my statement

Hello, my name is Brandy Smith and I am the owner of S.O.F Essentials. I am speaking this Morning in strong support of the continuation of funding for the Dreamkeeper Initiative's Stipend based programs. As a participant in En2action's sell black program, I am a direct Recipient of the Dreamkeeper Initiative investment in the City's Black-Owned businesses. Throughout the program, I gained critical e-commerce and digital marketing skills, and Worked with professionals to develop an e-commerce platform and business photography. These assets combined with the stipends received through Sell Black and the business Relationships I build through the program have allowed me to improve my skills as a Business owner, while stimulating sales and affording me opportunities to reinvest in my Community. As a Black native woman of San Francisco, opportunities come far and in Between for my community and this program has put me in a position where I can see Light at the end of the tunnel. Growing up in San Francisco and knowing the cost of living It's pretty hard to survive with just one income. The sell black program gave me the tools to Create and start my own business. In the past, having my own business was something That I dreamed of doing and this program made it a reality.

Thank you.