

Past City of Tempe MLK Diversity Award Winners



2018

Individual Adult: Cammy Bellis, Belinda Chiu, and Amy Palmisano
Individual Youth: Brian Cerda and Kyle Simpson
Educational: Hablar Para Integrar (HA.P.I) and Bob & Yvonne Pipkin

2017

Individual Adult: Dr. Neal Lester and Jay Scherotter
Individual Youth: Perla Jaquez, Elanor McDevitt, Destiny Medina, and Velen Leon
Community Group: Dayspring United Methodist Church and Hood 2 Hood Foundation
Educational: Challenge Day School Coordinators

2016

Individual Adult: Flora Farago, Athena Salman, Tonia Smith and Benjamin Taylor
Individual Youth: Kristyn Taylor St. Yves and Tyra Simpson
Educational: Kyrene del Norte Equity Team and Southwest College of Naturopathic Medicine

2015

Individual Adult: Randy Keating, Dr. Jed Maddela and Jeff Procter-Murphy
Individual Youth: Safiya Aden, Olivia Altamirano, Elijah Quin Chevalier and Selena Urbalejo
Community Group: Juneteenth Subcommittee, TCAA Food Pantry Volunteers
Educational: Kathleen M. Espinoza

2014

Individual Adult: Gregg Smith
Individual Youth: Constance Kennedy, Laraib Mughal, Dania Simpson and Darryl St. Yves
Community Group: The Church of the Epiphany – Tempe, Tempe Emanuel
Educational: Charles Calleros, City of Tempe Police Department School Resource Officer, Dr. Gabriel Escontrias, Jr.

2013

Individual Adult: Normalicia Blanco, Ira King, Hector and Genie Zavaleta
Individual Youth: Nic Atkins
Community Group: AGC Collector’s Club of Arizona, Tempe High Stand and Serve, Tempe Gay/Straight Alliance
Educational: Julieta Desrosiers, Jan O’Malley, Elizabeth Whitesell

2012

Individual Adult: Charles Cobbs, Gerri Mattern, Ed Mitchell
Individual Youth: Cristian Castro, Gabriella Chevalier, Mia Khan, Leilani Redmond
Community Group: Tempe Neighbors Helping Neighbors, Mulligan’s Manor
Educational: Fabiha Alam, Fatima Warsame

2011

Individual Adult: Cecelia Esquer, Jennifer Rauhose, Edward Smith
Individual Youth: Mariah Berryhill, Medhi Hobeheidar, Emily Monahan, Gabriel Wesson
Community Group: First United Methodist Church of Tempe, City of Tempe African American Advisory Committee
Educational: Natasha Alston, Scott Werner

2010

Individual Adult: David Carey, Angelita Reyes
Individual Youth: Irais Arreola, Keyana Blakemore, Tiffany Dayton, Laura Wilde
Community Group: Desert Palm United Church of Christ
Business: Veolia Transportation
Educational: Kate Glenn, Eileen Yellin

2009

Individual Adult: Zita Johnson, Deborah Kearns, Catherine Mayorga, Chief Tom Ryff
Individual Youth: Morgan Johnson, Laura Neff, Shya Reeves
Community Group: Community Christian Church, Muslim Advisory Committee to the Tempe History Museum, Tempe Convention and Visitors' Bureau
Educational: Wiley Davis
Diversity Supplier: Sundaram Engineering, Inc.

2008

Individual Adult: Rev. Trina Zelle
Individual Youth: Jessica Cooper, Elizabeth Gonzales, DeAnna Stout
Community Group: 1 in 10, Dayspring United Methodist Church, Hayden's Ferry Girl Scout Neighborhood Service Team
Educational: Corona del Sol High School Unity Group, Tempe High School Centennial Celebration Committee

2007

Individual Adult: Graciela Calderon, Dr. Mark Duplissis, Colleen Jennings-Roggensack
Individual Youth: Katie Poirier, Salimeh Hobeheidar
Community Group: Foundation for Inter-Cultural Dialogue, Tempe Tardeada Advisory Board, "The Tempe 10"
Educational: Kyrene Middle School
Supplier Diversity: Waxie Sanitary Supply

2006

Individual Adult: Deedra Abboud, Sogol Homayoun, Alice Kossack, Santos Vega
Individual Youth: Huda Shrourou
Community Group: Southeast Asia Advisory Committee to the Tempe History Museum, University Presbyterian Church
Educational: Cook College & Theological School, McClintock High School Stand & Serve
Business: Mary Contreras – State Farm Insurance Agency

2005

Individual Adult: Tamarla Forrest, Danna Kundrat, Christine Puzauskas, Sue Ringler, Bevie and Virginia Sanders
Individual Youth: Chelsea Janesky, Natalia Perez
Community Group: Arizona Dragon Boat Association
Business: Wyndham Buttes Resort

2004

Individual Adult: Edward Ableser, Melissa Denton, Dr. Ralph & Alice Goitia, Jerry Mack, Larry Power
Individual Youth: Natasha Bhuyan, Sulaiman Stephens, Lauren Wolchik
Educational: Shari Solberg-Ayers, Alicia Holt, Kyrene Middle School Site Based Council Frank Elementary School, & Tempe Union High School District Adult Education
Community Group: Tempe Empty Bowls, Desert Vista Stand and Serve, Tempe History Museum, City of Tempe Public Works Department
Business: Bank One, Bashas Store #19
Chuck Malpede Neighbor of the Year: Susan Malonis, Nancy Harvey, & Michael Hoffman

2003

Individual Adult: Suzanne K. Goldstein, Douglass Bland, Karyn Dempsey, Van and Melissa Montoya
Individual Youth: Nicole Alberti
Community Group: Tempe Emergency Assistance Ministry (TEAM), Tempe Stand and Serve

2002

Individual Adult: Gustavo Gutierrez, Samuel Thompson, Melinda Corando
Individual Youth: Megan Hanley, Kenya Clark, David Meza, Troung Pham
Community Group: First Congregational Church, Islamic Cultural Center, Tempe Sister Cities
Educational: Academic Program Promoting Leadership Enrichment & Service (APPLES)

2001

Individual Adult: Pastor Roger Gordon, Darnell Frazier, Sergeant LeRoy Betts
Dennis G. How

Individual Youth: Roy Herrera

Community Group: University Lutheran Church, MLK Dialogue & Service Group 1,
Homeless Task Force, Los Vecinos de Northwest Tempe

Educational: Tempe Stand and Serve, "Grow-A-Teacher"

Business: Terry Bowersock

2000

Individual Adult: Don and Kathy Dietz, Colleen Jennings Roggensack, Rich Nolan
Jan O'Malley, Rebecca Zaremba

Individual Youth: Lawrence Robinson

Community Group: Tempe Kiwanis Club Nuevo, Valley of the Sun YMCA Minority Achievers
Program, East Valley Interfaith

Educational: Scales Professional Development School, Unitown/McClintock & Tempe
High Schools

Business: SRP

1999

Individual Adult: Patricia Brody, Dr. Bert Lewis, Mario Mendia, Andrew Ortiz, Nancy Selby

Individual Youth: Shyla McGriff, Raquel Ranton

Community Group: Tempe Community Council, Tri-City Jewish Community Center,
University Presbyterian Church

Educational: ASU Intergroup Relations Center, Tempe Union High School District

Business: Chase Manhattan