

Power of Place: Pathways to Mobility

October 15-17, 2025

Manchester Grand Hyatt, 1 Market Place, San Diego, CA

Day 1: Wednesday, October 15

- 2:00-7:00 PM Registration Open
- 5:30 PM Opening Reception

Day 2, Daytime Programming: Thursday, October 16

- 8:00 AM Breakfast (optional)
- 9:15 AM Welcome and Opening Remarks
 - Kwame Owusu-Kesse, Chief Executive Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone and Co-Founder, William Julius Wilson Institute at Harlem Children’s Zone
- 9:45 AM Keynote Address: Introduction to National Impact
 - Christian Rhodes, Chief National Impact Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone
- 10:15 AM Break
- 10:35 AM Panel Discussion | Why and Where Pathways Bend: Understanding Mobility in our Present Moment
 - Heather McGhee, Author, Speaker, and Advocate
 - Samantha Tweedy, CEO, Black Economic Alliance
 - JP Julien, Partner, McKinsey & Company
- 11:20 AM Break
- 11:35 AM Fireside Chat | From the Streets to the Boardroom: Building the Jordan Brand and Breaking Barriers to Mobility
 - Larry Miller, Chairman, Jordan Brand Advisory Board, a division of Nike Inc.
 - Christian Rhodes, Chief National Impact Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone
- 12:15 PM Keynote Address: Social Determinants of Thriving
 - Kwame Owusu-Kesse, Chief Executive Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone and Co-Founder, William Julius Wilson Institute at Harlem Children’s Zone
- 12:45 PM Lunch
- 2:00 PM Fireside Chat | AI and Place-based Work in a Changing Economy
 - Ryan Patel, Global Business Executive / Board Director, Drucker School of Management
 - Tarik Ward, Chief Operating Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone
- 2:40 PM Fireside Chat | The Role of Corporate America in Opening Pathways to Mobility
 - Dalila Wilson-Scott, Executive Vice President and Chief Impact & Inclusion Officer, Comcast Corporation; President, Comcast NBCUniversal Foundation
 - Christian Rhodes, Chief National Impact Officer, Harlem Children’s Zone

Day 2, Evening Programming: Thursday, October 16, on the USS Midway

6:00 PM	Cocktail Hour
6:30 PM	Evening Reception - Emceed by Jazmine Lewis, Chief Strategy Officer, Harlem Children's Zone Dinner Performance by Sing Harlem HCZ Scholar Remarks Presentation of Founding Trailblazer Award to and remarks from Jeff Edmondson, Executive Director, Community Impact, Ballmer Group Fireside Chat - Kwame Owusu-Kesse in Conversation with Special Guest
9:00 PM	After Party

Day 3: Friday, October 17

8:00 AM	Breakfast (optional)
9:00 AM	Reflections and Opening Keynote Christian Rhodes, Chief National Impact Officer, Harlem Children's Zone
9:30 AM	Panel Discussion Pathways in Place: Reflections from the Field - Karen Matthews, President and CEO, Delta Health Alliance - Mauricio Torre, Executive Vice President, SBCS - Marland Cole, Executive Director, Evolve502 - Cecilia Gutierrez, Managing Director, Portfolio Lead, Blue Meridian Partners
10:10 AM	Break
10:30 AM	Panel Discussion Gamechangers: Sports Franchises and Pathways to Mobility - Ay'Anna Moody, Executive Director, Warriors/Valkyries Community Foundation - Kerry Watson, Executive Vice President, Public Affairs, Baltimore Orioles - Genisha Metcalf, Partnerships Lead, NBA Foundation - Othello Meadows, Managing Director, Blue Meridian Partners
11:20 AM	Closing Remarks Christian Rhodes, Chief National Impact Officer, Harlem Children's Zone
11:35 AM	Closing Keynote Geoffrey Canada, Founder and President, Harlem Children's Zone and Founder, William Julius Wilson Institute at Harlem Children's Zone
12:15 PM	Lunch and Departures