## The League Letter: ULCC News You Can Use



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ULCC's mission is to advocate for and equip African Americans and all under-served communities with the tools to achieve social and economic equality.

**LET FREEDOM RING** 



"The people of Texas are informed that, in accordance with a proclamation from the Executive of the United States, all slaves are free. This involves an absolute equality of personal rights and rights of property between former masters and slaves, and the connection heretofore existing between them becomes that between employer and hired labor.

The freedmen are advised to remain quietly at their present homes and work for wages. They are informed that they will not be allowed to collect at military posts and that they will not be supported in idleness either there or elsewhere.

#### By order of Major General (Gordon) Granger"

When this general order was announced in Galveston, Texas on June 19, 1865, it is easy to imagine that the enslaved hearers of this message stopped listening after the first sentence. And if not the first, certainly after the second. The words "all slaves are free" and "equality of personal rights" were enough. This was more freedom than any Galveston slave had experienced legal right

to before that day.

Most enslaved people in southern U.S. states had been freed with Abraham Lincoln's issuing of the Emancipation Proclamation in 1863. However, slaves in Galveston did not receive the word until two years later.

That year was celebrated as a year of Jubilee.

Read more about the history of Juneteenth and celebrations of Jubilee.

# **LOCAL JUNETEENTH EVENTS**



On Saturday, June 18 the Urban League of Central Carolinas join community organizers at For the Struggle, Inc. for the 3rd Annual Juneteenth Celebration on the Historic West End Corridor.

ULCC will serve with the community to acknowledge our history as we strengthen and prepare for the future.

Here are 20 ways to spend Juneteenth. Courtesy of Livin' Charlotte.

### **GRADUATION 2022**

Urban League of Central Carolina's workforce development classes ended with a packed graduation on Wednesday, June 8.

Families, friends and supporters came to celebrate and congratulate over 100 students who successful completed certifications in our Career Bridge programs.

Mecklenburg County Commissioner, Mark Jerrell, District 4, served as the keynote speaker -- reminding graduates that education can not only change the trajectory of one's life, but also the destiny.

Each instructor read the names of their graduates from classes representing, SAP, Certified Nursing Assistant, Medical Coding, High School Equivalency, EKG Technician, Phlebotomy Technician, HVAC, Amazon Web Services and Universal Banking.

At one point, after a name was read aloud, an enthusiastic mom yelled, "That's my son!"

The crowd applauded with her.

It takes a village, and everyone in this village very is proud.





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## **URBAN LEAGUE MERCHANDISE**





It is the perfect time to show your Urban League of Central Carolina's pride with our **Effective Voice**, **Effective Hope** t-shirts and sweatshirts.

Your donation goes towards the Empowerment Fund which allows us to continue our mission of *Empowering Communities*. *Changing Lives*.

Make a statement and turn every moment into a movement.

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### **HEADLINES & CURRENT EVENTS**

'1619 Project' journalist lays bare why Black Americans 'live sicker and die quicker' | WFAE 90.7 - Charlotte's NPR News Source

Why The Racial Wealth Gap Is So Hard To Close I WFAE 90.7 - Charlotte's NPR News Source

<u>Dads Got This: With Dovetail Project, Chicago Dad Helps Fathers (today.com)</u>

As the mercury spikes, Charlotte's homeless population faces the heat - Q City Metro











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