

# CREATING A FUTURE OF OPPORTUNITY



**Convening** Wednesday **September 25, 2019** 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.

**8:00 AM REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST**

**9:00 AM OPENING PERFORMANCE**

Aaron Jafferis, Tahj Galberth, Paul Bryant Hudson

**9:15 AM WELCOMING REMARKS**

Khalilah L. Brown-Dean, Ph.D.  
Chair, Board of Directors,  
The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven

**9:25 AM CREATING A FUTURE OF OPPORTUNITY IN GREATER NEW HAVEN: OUR CHALLENGE, OUR ASSETS, OUR COMMITMENT**

William W. Ginsberg, President & CEO,  
The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven

**9:40 AM BREAK**

**9:55 AM ROTATING BREAKOUT SESSIONS (30 MINUTES EACH)**

**BREAKOUT SESSION A**

**Creating Opportunity Through an Inclusive Entrepreneurial Ecosystem**

*Session Leader: Christopher Gergen, CEO & Co-Founder, Forward Cities*

*Speakers: Peter Hurst, President & CEO, Greater New England Minority Supplier Development Council  
Margaret Lee, Co-Founder & Co-Director, Collab  
Caroline Smith, Co-Founder & Co-Director, Collab*

**BREAKOUT SESSION B**

**Creating Opportunity Through Career Pathways in Local Growth Sectors**

*Session Leader: Shelly Saczynski, Former Director, Economic and Community Development at UIL Holdings Corp.*

*Speakers: Dorinda Manner, Executive Director, Talent Acquisition, Yale New Haven Health  
Patricia Melton, President, New Haven Promise  
Jamison Scott, Executive Director, New Haven Manufacturers Association*

**BREAKOUT SESSION C**

**Creating Opportunity in Neighborhoods: Dixwell-Newhallville**

*Session Leader: Lee Cruz, Director of Community Outreach, The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven*

*Speakers: Erik Clemons, President & CEO, ConnCAT  
Kim Harris, Founder, CERCLE and Inspired Communities Inc.  
Michael Piscitelli, Interim Economic Development Administrator, City of New Haven*

**11:35 AM BREAK**

**11:50 AM KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**Creating an Economy That Works for Everyone: The Twin Cities Example**

Tawanna Black, Founder & CEO,  
Center for Economic Inclusion

**12:20 PM QUESTION & ANSWER SESSION**

**12:40 PM BOX LUNCH PICK-UP**

**12:55 PM MAKING OUR GROWTH TRULY INCLUSIVE: A Diversity of Perspectives**

*Moderator: Onyeka Obiocha, Managing Director, Tsai Center for Innovative Thinking at Yale*

*Speakers: David Addams, Executive Director, William Caspar Graustein Memorial Fund  
Patrick Dunn, Executive Director, New Haven Pride Center  
Jacob Padrón, Artistic Director, Long Wharf Theatre  
Alexis Smith, Executive Director, New Haven Legal Assistance*

**1:55 PM CLOSING REMARKS**

Flemming Norcott Jr., Vice Chair, Board of Directors,  
The Community Foundation for Greater New Haven

**2:00 PM CONTINUE THE CONVERSATION Informal Discussion (Optional)**



WiFi Network: Omni Meeting

Password: cfnh19

#GNHOpportunity

#InclusiveGrowth

**Download the App**

For additional materials and the complete interactive experience, download the **Whova** event app to your mobile device and type in the invitation code **CFOTIG**  
Available in the App Store (iPhone) and Google Play Store (Android)

Translation services provided by *Fabiola Rinaudo and Jill Savarese*

Get *Whova* for

Creating a Future of Opportunity Through  
Inclusive Growth

## Official Event App

- Explore the **professional profiles** of event speakers and attendees
- Send **in-app messages** and **exchange contact info**
- **Network and find attendees** with common affiliations, educations, shared networks, and social profiles
- Receive **update notifications** from organizers
- Access the **event agenda**, GPS guidance, maps, and parking directions at your fingertips



Download Whova and take  
your event mobile.



Get Whova from the App Store or  
Google Play.

Please sign up for the app with  
your **social media account** or  
**email**

The event invitation code is:

**CFOTIG**

You will be asked for an event invitation code after  
installing Whova