



Nomination for 2020 MANNA Board

Nominee's name: Keynon Lake

Person making nomination: Hannah Randall

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Nominee Background and Skill Sets:

Keynon is a Social Worker for Buncombe County Department of Social Services. In his spare time, Keynon is also the founder and Executive Director for My Daddy Taught Me That, a youth development program for under-privileged youth in Buncombe County. Keynon is a native of Asheville, and a leader in the local black community and the local community at large.

How do you feel this nominee would be able to contribute by being on the MANNA board?

As someone who is both an Asheville native as well as a county social worker, Keynon truly understands the needs of people facing food insecurity in Asheville and the surrounding area. As the Executive Director of a local non-profit, he understands the challenges of that role and is also looking for opportunities to connect My Daddy Taught Me That with other people and resources as the organization continues to grow.

Please comment on the candidate's current involvement with MANNA and/or their demonstrated commitment to the MANNA mission:

Keynon and MANNA's previous board member, Rasheeda McDaniels were both early leaders of what is now known as the Community Connectors program, which among other things, partners with MANNA to distribute food to multiple public housing and lower income neighborhoods in Buncombe County. Keynon also participates with Hannah in Leadership Asheville's Executive Director Roundtable, a monthly gathering of area Non-Profit Executive Directors, where Hannah was a founding member.

Other information that might be helpful to the Membership & Governance committee: