

Black Leadership Advisory Council: James Arnold

Name: James Arnold

Title: Director, Service and Support

Location: Atlanta, Georgia **Date of Hire:** August 2019

Why did you choose to be a part of BLAC?

I chose to participate in BLAC to be the voice of the unheard and to help facilitate change in underserved communities.



What do you hope to accomplish as a member of BLAC?

I hope to be able to help establish programs and initiatives that give back and provide assistance to our most needy communities.

What is your vision for current and future Black professionals?

My vision for our current and future Black professionals is to create a culture of mentorship, guidance and employment for our Black youth.

Why does representation matter to you?

Representation matters because there is a systematic culture of exclusion, lack of opportunity and unfair treatment in the Black community. History has shown that these barriers were purposely put in place and that progress has only resulted in changing the form of oppression with no genuine intention to remove them entirely. Representation is a way to bring issues to the table that are relevant to the Black community.



