

**Date:** January 17, 2019  
**Time:** 4:00p.m. - 6:15p.m.

**Location:**  
**Center for Science and Industry (COSI)**  
**333 West Broad Street**  
**Central High Meeting Room**

**Commission on Black Girls**

Meeting Purpose	A convening of key stakeholders to collectively study factors that impact the quality of life (QOL) for Black girls in Columbus, Ohio
Columbus City Council Visionary	Council Member Priscilla Tyson
Co-Chairs	Fran Frazier, Rise Sister Rise Dr. Frederic Bertley Ph.D., Center of Science and Industry (COSI)
Project Manager	Patricia Lyons Ph.D., LISW-S

**Attendees:** **Key: P=Present, PT= Present Tele, A=Absent, C= Conflict**

<b>Rev. Timothy Ahrens</b> (M.Div. Tracy Ross) First Congregational Church		<b>Mary Cusick</b>	<b>DeShauna Lee JD</b> Nationwide Children's Hospital
<b>Sgt. Lindsey Alli</b> (Officer Wil James) Columbus Division of Police		<b>Dr. Kevin Dixon</b> (Nettie Ferguson) Franklin Co. ADAMH Board	<b>Dr. Mysheika Roberts</b> (Makeda Porter) City of Columbus
<b>Linda Brown</b> The Links Inc. Columbus Chapter		<b>Hon. Elizabeth Gill</b> Juvenile and Domestic Relations Division, Franklin County Court of Common Pleas	<b>Toshia Safford</b> (Samantha Heedy) Center for Healthy Families
<b>Crystal Causey</b> (Iris Cooper) Coalition of 100 Black Women		<b>Alesia Gillison</b> (Dr. Keisha J. Hunley-Jenkins, Esq.) Columbus City Schools	<b>Dr. Wendy Smooth</b> (Dr. Camille Quinn) The Ohio State University
<b>Clytemnestra L. Clarke</b> First Church of God		<b>Tom Grote</b> (Karen Hewitt) Grote & Turner	<b>Chip Spinning</b> (Deborrha Armstrong) Franklin County Children's Services
<b>LaShanda Coleman</b> National Pan-Hellenic Council of Col.		<b>Mia Hairston</b> (Rhonda Burns) Nationwide	<b>Ben Tyson</b> Easton Town Center
<b>Michael Corey</b> Human Services Chamber of Franklin County		<b>Kim Hooper</b> (Shatora Thomas) Walmart	<b>Paiden Williams</b> Rise Sister Rise Black Girls Think Tank
<b>Dr. Lisa Courtice</b> United Way of Central Ohio		<b>LC Johnson</b> YWCA	

Agenda	Details
Welcome (5)	CM Priscilla Tyson 4:05-4:10
Discussion of 2019 Commission goals & meeting series (10)	Co-Chairs Frederic Bertley and Fran Frazier 4:10-4:20
Engagement of Black girls in leadership through Sorority Auxiliaries (15)	LaShanda Coleman and Tonya Thurman, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. 4:20-4:35
Q & A (10)	4:35-4:45
Presentation on Safety and Community Policing of Black girls (15)	Sgt. Lindsey Alli, City of Columbus-Division of Police 4:45-5:00
Q & A (10)	5:00-5:10
Engagement of Black girls in leadership through Sorority Auxiliaries (15)	Deborah Pickens, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. 5:10-5:25
Q & A (10)	5:25-5:35
Engagement of Black girls in mentoring programs (15)	Jamie Blunt, Brown Girls Mentoring 5:35-5:50
Q & A (10)	5:50-6:00
Response from a Black girl (5)	Paiden Williams, Black Girls Think Tank 6:00-6:05
Closing Discussion and Adjournment (10)	Co-Chairs Frederic Bertley and Fran Frazier 6:05-6:15

**Follow Up Items for Next Meeting:**

Owner	Issue/Description
<b>PUBLIC TESTIMONY:</b>	Anyone who is interested in offering public testimony is invited to do so. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. If you wish to speak, a speaker slip must be completed. We will accept slips between 8:00 a.m. until the meeting begins.

The Commission on Black Girls (COBG) meeting for January 2019 will be held in the Central High Meeting Room at COSI, 333 W. Broad St., Columbus, Ohio 43215, from **4:00-6:30p.m.** The 2019 COBG’s meeting series is updated to reflect quarterly meeting that will remain on the third Thursday of the month from 4-6:30p.m. The meeting locations will be communicated in advance. [Please see the 2019 meeting schedule below:](#)

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**Subject Matter Expert(s) to present on Safety and Risk Management and Social Engagement**

January 31, 2019

Draft report submitted to Commission Leadership

February 14, 2019

Feedback on Draft report submitted to Thoughtwell

February 21, 2019

Integrated Draft Report submitted to Commission Leadership

March 21, 2019

**Full Commission Meeting**

April 18, 2019

May 16, 2019

June 20, 2019

**Full Commission Meeting**

July 18, 2019

August 15, 2019

September 19, 2019

**Full Commission Meeting**

October 17, 2019

November 14, 2019\*

December 19, 2019

**Full Commission Meeting**

\* Denotes change in meeting series as Thanksgiving falls on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of November\*