

Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls

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February 8, 2021

Dear Sir or Madam:

Let this serve as notice pursuant to Open Meeting Law, M.G.L.c. 30A sections 18-25 of a meeting of the Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women & Girls (HCCSWG).

On April 25, 2017, the Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women inaugurated nine commissioners to a newly formed regional commission created to study and report the status of women and girls in Hampden County. The Massachusetts Commission on the Status of Women is "a state-established body charged with reviewing the status of women in Massachusetts and offering recommendations regarding policy that would improve access to opportunities and equality." The regional commissions have been created to target specific geographical regions to make sure that the needs of women across the state are met.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, February 11, 2021, from 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM. In light of current public health recommendations for social distancing and state restrictions around public gatherings, and in observance of the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Required Provisions of the Open Meeting Law (M.G.L. c.30A, §20 dated March 12, 2020), this meeting will take place online at:

<https://zoom.us/j/6895726626?pwd=aDdCTEpPSlkwa2pxd29VZDRqZStkQT09>

Attendees are asked to contact hccswg@gmail.com in advance of the meeting to receive the meeting password.

This meeting is open to the public, and we encourage members of the community to attend. The first fifteen minutes of the meeting will be set aside for members of the public to present anything they wish the Commission to consider. Anyone who wishes to speak during this allotted time should email the HCCSWG Chairperson, Gabrielle Jackson, at HCCSWG@gmail.com with their intention so the HCCSWG may plan accordingly. Members of the public will only be recognized by the Commission to speak during the opening public presentation segment, and only if prior notice is provided.

Sincerely,

Tara Marshall
Secretary, HCCSWG

Hampden County Commission on the Status of Women and Girls

Agenda

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Online via Zoom:

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- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. Discussion with our featured guest, Erika Slocumb, Doctoral Candidate focused on Black Studies and Public History at The University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- III. Public Speak Out (15 min.)
- IV. Approval of minutes from January 14, 2020
- V. Chair Report
- VI. Vice-Chair Report
- VII. Old Business
 - a. Collaboration with Hampshire-Franklin
 - i. April Event: Trivia Night - Social Event with Hampshire-Franklin
 - ii. Pioneer Planning Commission - Domestic Violence Taskforce
 1. May Event: Invitation to co-plan and have Monica Speak.
 - b. Coffee Chat Winter Events Updates
 - i. Collaboration with Hampshire-Franklin
- VIII. New Business
 - a. MCSWG Women of Color: Walk In Our Power
 - i. Feb. 24, 2021
 - b. Swearing in of recommended Commissioner, Jacqueline Velez
 - c. Planning for International Women's Day
 - i. Save the Date
 - ii. Theme
 - iii. Invited Guests
 - d. Policy Discussion
 - e. Internship Program
- IX. Adjournment

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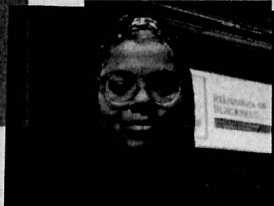

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HAMPDEN COUNTY COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN AND GIRLS PRESENTS:

February Public Meeting


Thursday, February 11th
6:00PM



Featured Guest
Erika Slocumb
Doctoral Candidate - Black Studies and Public History
University of Massachusetts - Amherst

Erika Slocumb, is a Ph.D. student of Black Studies and Public History at UMass, Amherst. Her current research focuses on the use of oral histories as a means to empower Black communities, retell the history of communities where Black voices have been obscured, and claiming space in public museums and archives.

Upcoming MCSWG Events:



WOMEN OF COLOR:
**LET'S WALK IN OUR POWER BY
RAISING OUR VOICES FOR ACTION!**

MCSW CHAIRWOMAN DENELLA CLARK WELCOMES YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN A HEARING HELD TO HIGHLIGHT THE EXPERIENCES OF ALL WOMEN OF COLOR AND HOW THEY WERE EXACERBATED BY COVID-19 WITHIN THE COMMONWEALTH.

SAVE THE DATE

Wednesday, February 24, 2021
6:00-8:00pm
DETAILS TO FOLLOW