

DEMOCRATIC BLACK CAUCUS OF FLORIDA

Our History

Black Delegates attending the 1981 Florida Statewide Democratic Party Convention in Hollywood, Florida were alerted to the need for increasing the power and influence of Black Democrats within the party.

A decision was made at the Convention to unite Black Democrats throughout the State. That resulted in the organization of the Democratic Black Caucus of Florida.

History was made on September 24, 1983, when the Florida Democratic Party (FDP) recognized the Democratic Black Caucus of Florida (DBCF) as an official organization.

DBCF Chapters were established statewide per county availability. Today we have 23 active chapters. To become an ACTIVE voting member and enjoy the privileges of full participation in programming and decision-making, an annual assessment is required to be paid each year. If there is no chapter in a county, at large membership is available (Info at www.DBCFlorida.org).

The Democratic Black Caucus (DBC) is not exclusionary by means of race, ethnicity, gender, preference nor religion. All registered Democrats *who subscribe to Caucus objectives* are welcome to join.



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*“Sustaining,
Maintaining, Gaining
BLACK POWER:
Economical, Political,
Social, Educational”
-LET’S BUILD*



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Democratic Black Caucus**

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MISSION

Here to raise overall social, economic and political awareness, support elected and appointed Democratic officials in Orange County, and offer advocacy & outreach to all demographics and classifications of Blacks

Meeting the Mission, **Our Objectives are to:**

- **Sustain, Maintain, Gain Black Power:** Economical, Political, Social, Educational
- **STAND UP for the voiceless** and bring their concerns to the forefront
- **Educate and mobilize** voters in the **Black Community** at large
- **Get Black issues addressed** to the Orange County Democratic Party
- **Establish LOYALTY** amongst active Democrats
- Get Non-Party Affiliated (NPA) **voters converted to Democratic Party**
- **Get more Blacks active and vocal** with Orange County Democratic Executive Committee (D.E.C.)
- **Groom potential future leaders** and influencers – **work on succession plans**
- Use latest technology to **spread messages and bolster activism**

ORANGE COUNTY DBC

5 Reasons to Join

1. To be part of a forum to discuss and act on common issues affecting Blacks and Black communities
2. To merge ideas, resources, skills and notions to advance Blacks socially, economically and politically
3. To help develop a UNIFIED agenda for Blacks in Orange County
4. To learn more about the political process, and be a part of sharing knowledge with others; especially those who seek growth in the process
5. To network and build relationships with persons of similar interest in upward mobility

FAQ: What Will Caucus do for Me?

ANS: Membership Has Its Privileges

- Caucus *Connects Us* and is Your *Avenue to Reach People* You wouldn't ordinarily be close to
- Caucus *Supports ALL Members*
- Caucus is *Covering* for candidates & elected officials, and *Fights for You*
- Caucus *Educates You* and *Learns from You*
- Caucus *Highlights You*, your efforts and causes
- Caucus utilizes *Innovative Ways and Means to Support You*

JOIN US TODAY!!

Membership Type:

Adult \$55 _____ Senior \$30 _____ Student \$30 _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ County: _____

Congressional District: _____

FL House: _____ Senate: _____

E-mail: _____

Phone Number: _____

Occupation/Skill: _____

_____ New Member

_____ Renew

Signature

Date

Make checks payable to:
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JOIN US ONLINE

Go to:

OrangeCountyDBC.org/events.html

In **Membership** area, there is an interactive menu for payment