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WKF Partner Organization Co-Founder Receives *Honoring Living Legends of 2011* Recognition and Award



Mr. Patterson was among nine awardees being recognized for their distinct service to their communities and the world.

“I accept this award on behalf of all those who contribute to the service of others.” said Patterson.

(From left to right: William Patterson, Walter James, Jr., Anita Rice, Lori Rinker, Wanda Steptoe, Reginald Beverly, Robert Frye, Patricia Nalls, and Tyrone Parker)

UHMSDC, a family company, was established in 1999 by William F. Patterson (COO) and Terry Patterson, M.Ed. (CEO).

Born out of their passion for service, UHMS is committed to empowering children, youth and families to transcend adversity and achieve their fullest potential. UHMSDC partners with families and other community organizations to provide comprehensive and community-based mental health services.

UHMSDC's mission is to provide children, youth and families with quality, effective mental health care in a professional and pleasant atmosphere. Their clinical team provides state of the art treatment with measurable outcomes for success.

Join The William Kellibrew Foundation in congratulating William Patterson and all the honorees as we celebrate living legends.

“We were riding home from visiting someone in the hospital who had just a week to live.” remarked Olivia Payton, who conceptualized the idea, “I am going to get a committee together so that we can start honoring people while they are still alive so that they can smell their roses.”

Since 2006, Payton’s committee has been honoring individuals for their service, many of whom work behind the scenes avoiding the spotlight and cameras.



“These are the unsung heroes.” Payton added. “Four people have passed away since receiving their awards. It is important to honor them while they are alive.”

The Committee includes Wilbert Shaw, Olivia B. Payton, Shirley Tolbert, Arsonia Peterson, Pauline Jefferson, Linda Coats and Theresa Sheffey.