



THE STATE OF BLACK NEW JERSEY 2023 ECONOMIC SUMMIT



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12 APRIL, 2023
8:30 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

APA HOTEL 120 S WOOD AVE,
ISELIN, NJ 08830

1 PANEL I - 9:35 A.M. -10:45 A.M. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

HOME OWNERSHIP, TRANSPORTATION
& ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES

2 PANEL II - 12:20 P.M. -1:20 P.M. LEGISLATIVE PANEL PUBLIC & PRIVATE SECTOR OPPORTUNITIES

AGENDA GOALS & PROGRESS

3 PANEL III - 1:30 P.M. -2:30 P.M. THE STATE OF CANNABIS IN NJ

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Dr. Kimberly K. Holmes
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The Honorable
Verlina Reynolds-Jackson,*
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Acting Director, Dept. of Housing
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