

# Under President McDaniel’s leadership, AAUL strengthened economic viability, responding to community needs

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greater Austin community for their unwavering support throughout my tenure. Austin will always have a special place in my heart. Although I’m leaving the city, I’m not leaving the Urban League Movement. I’m truly excited to serve as the next President and CEO of the Urban League of Central Carolinas (Charlotte) effective August 1, 2017.

McDaniel has served as the President and CEO for five years. In that time, he repositioned the League as one of Austin’s foremost civil rights organizations through its strategic focus on workforce development, housing, and education programs. Under his leadership President McDaniel strengthened the AAUL’s economic

viability and transformed the internal structure of the organization, making it more effective in responding to community needs. “I’m most proud of the impact we’ve made in helping thousands of underserved Austinites become economically self-sufficient through educational advancement and middle-skills job training,” said McDaniel. His relationship with Austin’s corporate, political and civic leaders has positioned the AAUL for continued success upon his departure.

The AAUL will commence a national search for a new President and CEO. To ensure leadership and stability in the interim, Earl Grant, current CFO,

will assume day-to-day management of the AAUL in partnership with Marissa Jones, who will serve as Chief of Staff, and Board Chair Dr. Leonard Moore who will provide oversight until a permanent successor is named.

“The Board is thankful for President McDaniel’s leadership over the past five years, as the organization’s influence throughout Austin has grown tremendously” said Dr. Moore. “We are happy for President McDaniel and his family. Charlotte is gaining a true gem in the Urban League Movement and we look forward to hearing about the great work he’ll do in the future.”

# Six Square Moves Forward on Mural Repainting Project



Austin, Texas - On June 12, Six Square took its first steps into having a mural that had been removed from a wall located on E. 12th and Chicon streets repainted. On June 12, 2017, around 10:30am, the Executive Director of Six Square, Nefertiti Jackmon, and the original muralist, Chris Rogers, spoke with the media about what the community could look forward to. In honor of Juneteenth, a quote by Thurgood Marshall will be placed on the wall.

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## Greater Austin Black Chamber Announces Keynote Speaker For the 2017 State of Black Business Luncheon

AUSTIN, Texas – May 19, 2017 - The Greater Austin Black Chamber of Commerce will host its annual State of Black Business Luncheon on, July 11, 2017 at the Google Fiber Space located at 201 Colorado St. from 11am-1pm.

Michael Gibson, who has over 25 years of experience creating, developing, and managing successful businesses in industries ranging from consumer electronics and video gaming to real estate and logistics and fulfillment, will be this year’s keynote speaker. Recently, he acquired EBONY Media operations through Clear View Group LLC for which he is co-founder and Chairman. Mr. Gibson has held various executive level positions with a range of corporations including, IBM, Sanmania-SCI, Boxx Technologies, Augmentix, Heatwave Interactive, an Austin-based gaming company, and Calxeda. Mr. Gibson is also the co-founder of KMM investments and currently serves on the boards of Advantis Healthcare Solutions, Heatwave Interactive and the Gamma Gamma Foundation, a non-profit that supports programs for underserved youth.

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