

Promoting Excellence in
INCLUSION
for ALL Ohio Businesses 

Ohio Chamber of Commerce 2024 DEI Summit Agenda

What:

The Ohio Chamber of Commerce's third annual DEI Summit provides a rich and engaging experience to deepen understanding of how to effectively promote inclusion for all Ohio businesses. Participants are invited to learn more about DEI issues, hear from leaders in the DEI space, and network with others who are interested in promoting DEI.

Diversity and inclusion initiatives have become a topic of national debate after the US Supreme Court's 2023 decision overturning affirmative action programs at universities. This has ignited questions about how to stay the course while mapping a path forward. This year's Summit focuses on connecting with your Why for DEI (#YDEI) while offering clarity on how to meet at the intersection of workplace culture and compliance and move forward with passion, purpose, and impact.

When:

September 24th, 9:00 am to 2:30 pm

Where:

Renaissance Columbus Downtown Hotel
50 N 3rd Street
Columbus, OH 43215

Agenda:

9:00 am – 9:30 am: Registration and Networking – “Start Your Day Networking”

9:30 am – 9:45 am: Welcome and Greetings

Steve Stivers, President & CEO, Ohio Chamber of Commerce

Eric Kearney, Director of Diversity & Inclusion, Ohio Chamber of Commerce



Keith Borders, Chief Responsibility Officer and VP of Community Development, Union Savings Bank & Guardian Savings Bank

9:45 am – 10:45 am: Opening Keynote - The Rise, The Fall, The Resurrection of DEI

Introduction: Derrick Ransom, Senior Vice President & Key Private Bank Market Executive, KeyBank

Speaker: Kevin Clayton, Executive Vice President, Head of Social Impact and Equity for the Cleveland Cavaliers

10:45 am – 11:00 am: Break

11:00 am – 12:00 pm: Leading with Your Why for DEI Interactive Experience

Exercise supported by collaboration with the Central Ohio Diversity Consortium (CODC)

Speakers: Patrice Borders, Esq., Founder/CEO, AmplifyEI

Margaret Finley, Head of DEI and Corporate Affairs, Advanced Drainage Systems/President, Central Ohio Diversity Consortium

Ankit Shah, Manager of Culture & Engagement & Corporate Affairs, Advanced Drainage Systems/ Vice President, Central Ohio Diversity Consortium

Facilitators: Alex Lefeld, Learning Experience and Technology Consultant, Kane Learning/Co-Founder, WitWorks

Mari Taylor Floyd, Marketing & Communications Manager, Fortuity

Jennifer Dunlap, Client Engagement & Talent Acquisition Director, Turnberry Solutions

Suresh Rachuri, CEO, Founder, Maven

Kioshana LaCount Burrell, Principal, Beyond Media and Consulting

Kristen Reymann, Event Planner, Self-Employed

Ikran Warsame, Talent Acquisition Partner, Columbus State Community College

Lisa Dent, Associate Director of Equity & Inclusion, Franklin County Public Health

Tami Chapek, CEO/Founder and Executive Leadership Coach, WelnspireWe

Angela Montville, Director of Diversity, Equity & Inclusion, Lineage Logistics

12:00 am – 12:30 pm: Networking & Lunch

*****Stop by a booth and record your “Why”**

12:30 pm – 1:30 pm: Keynote & Fireside Chat with EEOC Commissioner Kalpana Kotagal

Commissioner Kotagal will help to illuminate the path forward against a backdrop of uncertainty and challenges to DEI. Providing clarity on how to create welcoming workplaces that are not only compliant, but also embody vibrant cultures of belonging.



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Introduction: Keith Borders, Chief Responsibility Officer and VP of Community Development, Union Savings Bank & Guardian Savings Bank

Fireside Chat Moderator: Kyle Utter, Regional Director – Central Region, Western Governors University

Speaker: Commissioner Kalpana Kotagal, Commissioner, U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

1:30 pm – 1:55 pm: 2024 DEIB Business & Individual of the Year Awards

Announcer: Rachel LeMaster, Strategic Partnerships Manager, Western Governors University

1:55 pm – 2:00 pm: Program Close

Closing Speaker: Keith Borders, Chief Responsibility Officer and VP of Community Development, Union Savings Bank & Guardian Savings Bank

2:00 pm – 2:30 pm: Dessert and Networking

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