

The 2nd Annual Florida Women's Conference Was Held For The State's Elite Businesswomen



Winners of the Glass Ceiling Award

The 2nd Annual Florida Women's Conference was held on Friday, March 2, in North Miami at the Kovens Conference Center. Over 200 influential professionals gathered to celebrate the theme of the event, "Looking Past Their Limits."

"With this theme, we wanted to bring forward discussions of the need for leadership in the professional world," said National Diversity Council Founder & CEO, Dennis Kennedy. "By addressing this with the state's most powerful businesswomen, we make way for a priority change across Florida."

Following the opening remarks, the Glass Ceiling Award Ceremony took place. This award recognizes and honors women who have not only achieved personal success, but who have also made it possible for other women to more easily follow in their footsteps. Recipients of this award demonstrate leadership excellence, maintain records of accomplishments in areas of expertise, bear records of a steady increase in responsibility within their careers, exhibit positive influences on those underneath their leadership, display integrity, and portray the highest ethical standards among colleagues and individuals.

The awards ceremony was followed by six informative panel sessions designed to help participants excel in their leadership endeavors, from which attendees chose two to attend. The topics varied from "Understanding Implicit Bias in the Workplace" to "Managing Personality & Communication."

The keynote speech was delivered during lunch by Donna Brazil – Veteran Democratic Political Strategist and the Founder and Managing Director of Brazile & Associates LLC. The prosperous businesswoman spoke about the importance of having a diverse group of female leaders in today's global marketplace and the new goals that can be attained when women reach their full potential.

The final two panel sessions were held after recognizing event sponsors and corporate partners that made the Conference possible. The topics for these sessions were "Identifying Leadership Positions Outside of Your Organization" and "Pathway to the C-Suite;" attendees were free to choose one session to attend.

The conference ended with closing remarks, and a reception for attendees.

ABOUT THE FLORIDA DIVERSITY COUNCIL

The Florida Diversity Council (FLDC) is a non-profit organization that was established in 2008 to help organizations and people expand their knowledge about diversity and inclusion in today's global society. The Council provides organizations with the opportunity to share best practices and learn from top corporate leaders about diversity and inclusion efforts. The Florida Diversity Council is part of the larger National Diversity Council, and has regional chapters in Jacksonville, Orlando, South Florida, Southwest Florida, and Tampa Bay.

More information about the Florida Diversity Council can be found at www.floridadiversitycouncil.org