

High School Females are Inspired at the 3rd Annual Greater San Antonio Young Women in Leadership Symposium



Symposium attendees and mentors

On Saturday, October 27th, the Texas Diversity Council held its 3rd Annual Young Women in Leadership Symposium at Trinity University in San Antonio. Approximately 30 high school females gathered to receive insight and knowledge from successful women leaders. This year's symposium theme was "Today's Girls, Tomorrow's Leaders."

This event was created to provide young women with knowledge and information that would help support them in their academic journey, as they move forward into becoming future leaders of the 21st century. It also presented opportunities for the young women to speak with mentors as well as network with other young women from schools in the San Antonio area.

"We wanted to create an environment where young women could be mentored by successful business women who have achieved their personal and professional goals," said Dennis Kennedy, CEO & Founder of the National Diversity Council.

The symposium began with breakfast and a student and mentor roundtable. Following the roundtable, the Honorable Judge Christine D. Lacy delivered the keynote speech. Judge Lacy was appointed judge since 2008. During her service, she has presided over several different municipal courts with primary duties involving Quality of Life cases. This docket gives Judge Lacy a unique opportunity to affect change in individuals' lives -- with the help of local resources -- while at the same

time, working to ensure that the City of San Antonio is a safer and cleaner community. Her speech addressed the importance of using life experiences and skills as tools for developing personal development.

After the keynote speech, the students attended several workshops which were held during the course of the event. The workshop topics included "America's Next Top Leaders: YOU!"; "I Got This! KNOW Who you are"; and "Table Etiquette 101: Which Fork is Which?" These workshops were facilitated by an array of female executives from the San Antonio area, who gathered to share their professional and personal goals and to answer questions that were important to the students' success.

The Texas Diversity Council would like to thank the sponsors, mentors, volunteers, panelists, and the young females for helping make the Greater San Antonio Young Women in Leadership a huge success.