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# **NCBI Monterey County Newsletter**

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Recommitting to End Racism

Join us in 2016 for a training series to move each of us forward in leadership for racial and social justice!



Dear Sue,



## **NCBI** Facts

23 years in Monterey County

50 - 60 students participate in Diversity Leaders Training each year

## 900 - 1000

students attend Welcoming Diversity workshops each year

### 100+

community members participate in workshops, on-site organization trainings and other NCBI events each year

# NCBI Board & Leadership

Elena Loomis President Asya Guillory Vice-President Benjamin Bruce Treasurer Cecilio Aviles-Mejia Alexandra Richardson Jesse Tamayo

Sue Parris Chapter Director Michael Frederiksen Chapter Administrator NCBI has had a busy start to this year, including our **"Recommitting to End Racism"** project, which was supported by generous donors to our Monterey County Gives Campaign. We have held two community workshops in this series prompted by the terrible murders in Charleston and sadly so many other racially based deaths. Our kick-off event, held on Jan. 30th, was an encore presentation of the successful **"Coming Together for Racial and Social Justice"** workshop. **Read** more ...



# **Combined Destinies Workshop**

### By Evelyn Kahan

Saturday, March 12, a multi-racial/ethnic group of 24 attended an exciting and thoughtful workshop based on a book entitled COMBINED DESTINIES: WHITES SHARING GRIEF ABOUT RACISM edited and authored by NCBI's own Ann Todd Jealous and Carolyn T. Haskell. Workshop participants had read two specific chapters (made available by download) from the book before arriving on Saturday. The afternoon began with two focus pieces: Sue Parris and J.T. Mason each read their short yet powerful writings from the book. Armed with all that, we were launched directly into the heart of an experience. Read more ...

# **Recommitting to End Racism**

#### **Training Series continues through 2016**

Following recent and ongoing violence against African Americans and other people of color, in particular the killings in Charleston, South Carolina, NCBI began presenting a series of workshops, "Recommitting to End Racism," addressing racism and other forms of oppression. We are providing a space for people to heal from the wounds of discrimination and generate action steps that they can take to help end racism. <u>Please make</u> <u>sure you are on our email list in order to receive announcements and</u> <u>Follow us on Facebook for updates.</u>

NCBI in Schools Young Leaders Making a Difference!



Dr. Timoteo Vasquez speaks to Carmel HS NCBI Club

**Carmel High School** NCBI leaders went to **Carmel Middle School** and conducted a mini-workshop with their Diversity Club and leadership class. Our schools are jointly sponsoring an Anti-Bullying/Anti-Discrimination poster contest this month. We were also fortunate to host **Dr. Timoteo Vasquez**, a friend of both Cesar Chavez and Dolores Huerta, and father of one our members, Maya Vasquez. <u>Read more ...</u>

## **Recognizing Young Leaders**



"... NCBI showed us that there are other people like us, and together we can make our voices even bigger. I felt blessed to receive the scholarship from them. I worked so hard for what I believe in, and it was gift from the lovely family of NCBI. And I promise, I won't ever stop fighting." <u>Read more ...</u> Taylor Rae Smith-Heun, 2015 Carmel High Grad

Each year, we recognize graduating seniors who have demonstrated commitment to the NCBI program in their schools. We invite you to contribute to the Scholarship Fund. Watch for more information in the coming month.

# NCBI Creates Communities in which Everyone Wants to Belong

This tagline was created by Robert Dungey, an African-American Senior Leader with NCBI International, as well as the founder of NCBI Canada and former Director of the NCBI Campus Affiliate Program. This sentiment guides everything we do!

## Thank You to Our Supporters

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