

## The Columbia Urban League's 44th Annual Fund Campaign and Equal Opportunity Day Dinner Honorees

Every year, the Urban League uses this event not only as one to display its importance in the community, but to highlight the importance of empowering disadvantaged people to enter the economic and social mainstream. Equally as important, the event is also an opportunity to honor individuals in the community who do astonishing work to assist the Urban League in its mission.



Paul V. Fant, Sr., chairman of the Columbia Urban League Board of Directors and President and Chief Operating Officer of Carolina Gas Transmissions, a subsidiary of SCANA was awarded with the Anthony & Alice Hurley Award for his dedicated leadership as chairman of the Columbia Urban League Board of Directors (2010-2011) and for launching a board giving campaign. The Anthony & Alice Hurley Award is named in honor of charter board members, who led the effort in establishing the Columbia Urban League affiliate. Mrs. Hurley is a retired school social worker and Mr. Hurley is a businessman.



Donald Gist, Esq., civil rights attorney specializing in employment law was awarded with the Lincoln C. Jenkins, Jr. Leadership Award in recognition of his commitment, leadership and passion in representing and leveling the playing field for those in pursuit of fairness and social justice. The award is given in honor of the charter board member, civil rights attorney, and Municipal Court Judge, Lincoln C. Jenkins, Jr.



The recipient of the Virgil C. Summer Corporate Award was BI-LO, LLC in recognition for its outstanding corporate social responsibility, philanthropic leadership and sponsorship of need-based college scholarships. The Virgil C. Summer Corporate Citizens Award is named and given in honor of the former Board Member and past Chairman of SCANA Virgil C. Summer. This award recognizes exemplary achievements of a business or company that has made corporate responsibility an integral part of their business.



This year, we recognized Katharine "Kappy" Hubbard, a long-time advocate for the well-being of children for her trailblazing leadership in promoting diversity within the Columbia Junior League Chapter. The Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award is named and given in honor of the past President of the National Urban League and one of American's most charismatic, courageous and influential civil rights pioneer.



The recipient of the David Wallace Award was Cindy Cox, former Chairman of the Columbia Urban League Board of Directors and Executive Director, Regulatory and Legislative Affairs for AT&T for her compassion to others, outstanding volunteerism, and with personal financial support of the Columbia Urban League. The David Wallace Award is given in recognition of critical financial support given to support establishing the Columbia Urban League.



Gary Goodman and the South Carolina State Fair were the recipients of the President's Award in recognition for their commitment to education and sponsorship of the Ride of Your Life Scholarship Program. The President's Award is presented in honor of current President and CEO of the Columbia Urban League, James T. McLawhorn, Jr. and in recognition of outstanding leadership and commitment to promoting equal opportunity and leveling the playing field.