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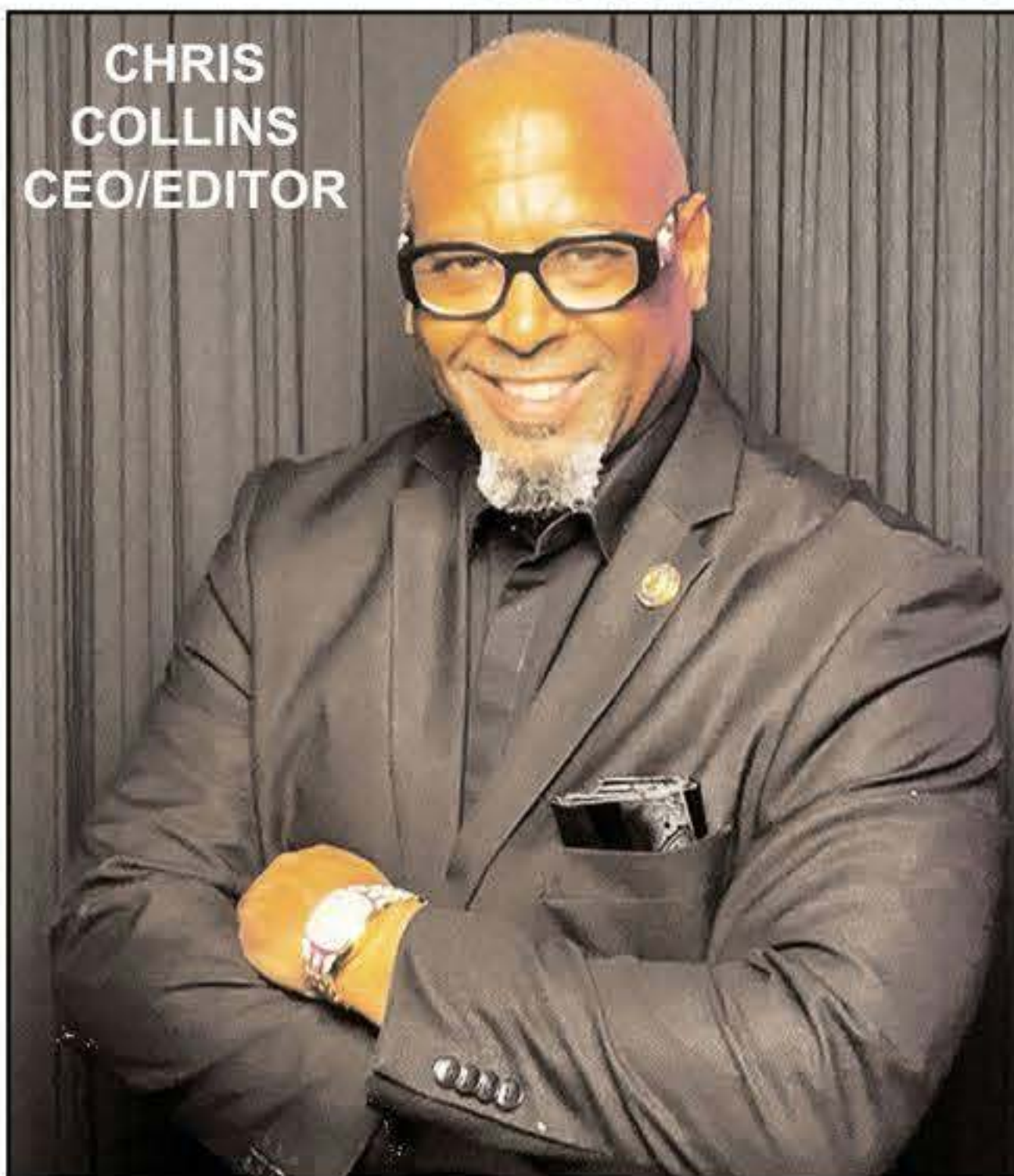
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A Word from the Editor

Celebrating 32 years of providing quality news to our readers

Dear Readers of the nation's premier faith-based and professional newspaper for winners, Anointed News Journal (ANJ). I am taking this time personally to thank each and every individual that has read the Anointed News Journal. I hope you have been inspired by the many positive people interest stories, and stories that have uplifted and empowered our communities.

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I am also thanking those individuals that have given resources to support our mission of publishing positive press. Your contributions are paramount and my heart continues to be filled with joy from the smallest contribution to the largest, every time I receive a contribution, I cannot hold my smile in. I am forever grateful. For those that have been reading ANJ for many years and have never given a contribution, now is a great time to do so.

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About Anointed News Journal

In May 1994 the CEO/Editor-in-Chief, Chris Collins received a vision from the Creator to write a business plan to seek funding for a grass-roots newspaper. For eight months and through Divine intervention, the business plan was rewritten for the ministry of the Anointed News Journal. The Holy Scripture given divinely to Collins was Habakkuk 2:2 (Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry). As a result, and with prayer and seeking God's direction, the name "Anointed" was given.

Knowing that English was not his favorite subject while attending school, and that his career goal had nothing to do with journalism, Collins completely trusted in the Creator while developing this business.

The name "Anointed" comes from the hands that God has anointed to master this work and profession. Collins left a career in law enforcement to pursue the vision he received from the Creator.

Using his hands cutting and pasting stories and artwork is how it all began. Typing, proofreading, and making sure things were camera-ready before the layout was the process before technology was included.

Today, 32 years later, ANJ is recognized as a leader in the newspaper industry. ANJ was awarded Best100 Small Businesses consecutively since 2017. In 2021 Chris Collins was recognized by CIO Magazine as a Top 50 Innovators of the Year.

Although it may seem as if newspapers are becoming obsolete, ANJ continues to thrive. As the daily press struggles due to increase rates that have simply priced them out of the market. Weekly newspapers continue to make their mark serving the community and its advertisers. Although many have embraced the digital divide, people still want their physical newspapers. Because of the types of "Peoples Interest Stories" found in ANJ, most readers save their copies for years. Although mainstream media focus on negative press, ANJ has built its legacy on positive stories. "We have written a lot of stories in the past 32 years, and in 32 years we still have not run out of great stories to write about the great people of Camden and surrounding areas," said Collins. "As we look at the rise of Camden, NJ and the great positive image it has today, I believe we helped to increase that image by sharing the positive stories Camden has to offer, and we've been doing that for 32 years now," said Collins.

My Ask!

This is what I am asking from you today. I am asking every reader of ANJ, those of you who believe in positive press and grass-roots press to make a financial contribution to support our mission. Many have been reading ANJ for 32 years and have never made a contribution but would like to. Now is the perfect time as we have entered into our 32nd season. For those who are unable to financially contribute, we are thankful for your continued prayers.

The Holy Scriptures in Matthew 7:7-8 (KJV) states, "Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you: For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened."

Luke 6:38 (KJV) states, "Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again."

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Yours truly,
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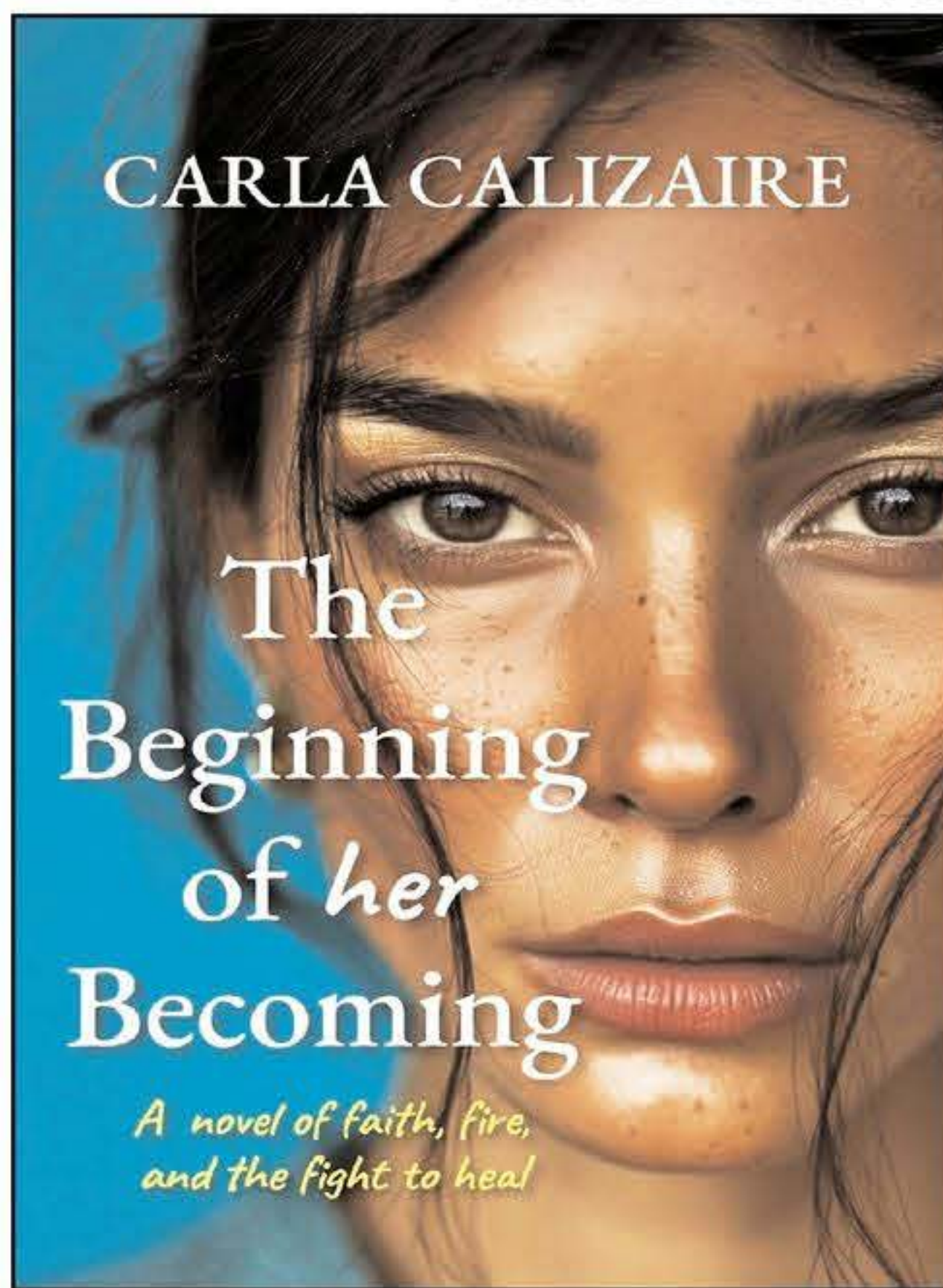


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The Beginning of Her Becoming: A Novel of Faith, Fire, and the Fight to Heal, is the First Installment of the Her Becoming Series

The Novel is Debut Author Carla Calizaire's powerful story of resilience, healing, faith, and rediscovering the courage to begin again.

PHILADELPHIA, PA - Author Carla Calizaire invites readers into a powerful and moving story of courage, healing, and hope with *The Beginning of Her Becoming: A Novel of Faith, Fire, and the Fight to Heal*, the first installment of the *Her Becoming* series. Released in June 2026, the book explores the emotional journey of reclaiming one's identity after abuse, rebuilding trust, and discovering that healing often begins where seasons of challenge can become seasons of change.

Through loss, perseverance, and quiet moments of grace, *The Beginning of Her Becoming* explores the reality that healing is rarely linear. It is a story about finding the strength to move forward after disappointment, learning to trust again, and embracing the possibility that life can still unfold in beautiful and unexpected ways.

At the center of the story is Chelsea, a woman who finally finds the courage to leave a controlling and emotionally abusive marriage, believing freedom will bring the peace she has long prayed for. Instead, she discovers that leaving is only the first step. As she rebuilds her life, Chelsea opens her heart to healing, faith, and the possibility of love again, only to face new heartbreaks that challenge everything she believes about relationships, purpose, and her own worth.

At a time when conversations surrounding emotional abuse, mental well-being, personal growth, and reclaiming one's identity continue to resonate across communities, *The Beginning of Her Becoming* offers readers a compassionate and hopeful perspective on resilience, forgiveness, and transformation. While rooted in finding faith, the book speaks to anyone who has ever faced heartbreak, questioned their worth, or searched for the courage to begin again.

"Every person's journey toward becoming is different," said Calizaire. "I hope readers see that healing isn't about erasing our past—it's about discovering that our past doesn't define our future. Chelsea's story will remind people that hope, purpose, and new beginnings are always possible."

As the first book in the series, *The Beginning of Her Becoming* lays the foundation for a larger story centered on healing, identity, faith, and transformation. Since its release, Calizaire has connected with readers through interviews, book signings, literary events, book clubs, faith-based conversations, and community discussions that inspire meaningful dialogue about

resilience, purpose, and hope.

The Beginning of Her Becoming: A Novel of Faith, Fire, and the Fight to Heal is available through Amazon and independent bookstores.



About Carla Calizaire

Carla Calizaire is a debut author, ordained minister, global commercial executive, entrepreneur, leadership mentor, speaker, and educator whose work is grounded in faith, purpose, service, and the transformative power of storytelling. Born and raised in New York, Carla has built a distinguished career leading growth, innovation, and strategic initiatives across Fortune 500 healthcare organizations and emerging ventures. Known for her integrity, compassion, and visionary leadership, she has dedicated her career to helping organizations and individuals navigate change, discover potential, and create meaningful impact.

A lifelong learner and advocate for spiritual discernment, Carla's academic journey reflects her commitment to leadership and service. She earned a bachelor's degree from Syracuse University, a Master of Divinity and Doctor of Ministry from Drew University, a Master of Arts in Theological Studies from New Brunswick Theological Seminary, and an MBA from Saint Joseph's University. As an ordained minister, Carla encourages others to embrace faith, resilience, and purpose through life's defining seasons.

Beyond the boardroom and pulpit, Carla is passionate about helping people heal, grow, and recognize the power of their own stories. Her experiences as a leader, mentor, mother of two sons, and faith leader have shaped the themes that inspire her writing: identity, redemption, resilience, transformation, and hope.

Her debut book, *The Beginning of Her Becoming: A Novel of Faith, Fire, and the Fight to Heal*, published by Vine Publishing, is the first installment in the *Her Becoming* series exploring heartbreak, healing, faith, and the sacred journey of how seasons of challenge can become seasons of change. Through her storytelling, Carla creates space for honest conversations about identity, restoration, and the resilience of the human spirit.

Carla believes every life carries a meaningful story and that seasons of challenge can become seasons of change. Whether writing, mentoring leaders, speaking to audiences, or serving her community, her mission remains the same: to inspire others to recognize that where they are today is not the end of their story—it is often the beginning of who they are becoming.

For more information, visit CarlaCalizaire.com and follow Carla Calizaire on Instagram.

About Vine Publishing

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September 19 Camden Comes Alive: A Day of Music, Culture, Family, and Opportunity

PBCIP 2026 "Haddon Avenue" Street Festival Event Saturday, September 19, 2026 from Noon to 6pm.

CAMDEN, NJ – Get ready for an unforgettable day of music, food, shopping, family fun, and elevated culture on Saturday, September 19th, as Parkside Business & Community In Partnership, Inc. (PBCIP) brings its annual Haddon Avenue Street Festival celebration to Farnham Park - 1648 Baird Blvd Camden NJ!

We are thrilled to announce an incredible entertainment lineup headlined by Grammy Award-winning artist Chrisette Michele and Stellar Award-winning gospel group FIRE! The stage will also feature an exciting mix of regional and local talent, including Vertical Current, Johnnie Crooms, Sol Chyld, and many more. Adding to the excitement, WDAS radio personality Patty Jackson will serve as our host, bringing her signature energy to the celebration and introducing Chrisette Michele for her highly anticipated performance.

Presented in collaboration with Curate Noir and the Masked Melanin Market, this year's celebration will feature a vibrant marketplace showcasing more than 60 entrepreneurs, alongside a Small Business Resource Hub connecting entrepreneurs with valuable opportunities for capital, technical assistance, and business support.

Admission is FREE! This family-friendly festival will be filled with giveaways, engaging activities, and valuable resources focused on healthy living, demonstration cooking, and eco-friendly practices, including offerings from local organizations such as PBCIP's Roots to Market program. Virtua Our Lady of Lourdes will also be onsite providing free health and wellness screenings, giving families an opportunity to connect with vital resources while enjoying a day of fun, food, music, and celebration.

Because literacy is a pathway to social justice and opportunity, this year's festival will feature local children's book authors through *Stories of a Colorful World*, showcasing diverse voices, cultures, and identities. Authors will be onsite for book signings and conversations, with engaging literacy-focused activities taking place throughout the day to inspire young readers and celebrate the power of seeing oneself reflected in stories.

PBCIP is a non-profit community development corporation working in the Parkside neighborhood of Camden, NJ. The organization's work includes development of affordable housing, economic development along the Haddon Avenue business corridor and community-building programs to build a healthier, more resilient Parkside community.

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Milan Harris, Founder and CEO of Milano Di Rouge — the Official Dreamer's Uniform to Visit Camden County Council On Economic Opportunity (CCCOEO)

“Her message to the world is unwavering: Where you start doesn’t define where you end. Become the Dream.”

CAMDEN, NJ – On Thursday, August 27, 2026 from 2pm to 5pm, Milan Harris will visit CCCOEO at 538 Broadway, Suite 306, Camden, NJ 08103. She will present free clothing from Milano’s Dream Closet, while supplies last. This is a free event with required registration. For more information and to register, contact 856-964-6887.

Milan Harris — known to millions as Milan Rouge — is the Founder, CEO, and Owner of Milano Di Rouge, the Official Dreamer's Uniform. She is a serial entrepreneur, real estate investor, published author, philanthropist, and mother whose life is a living testament to the brand she built: Making Dreams Reality.

Born and raised in West Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, Milan's entrepreneurial journey began not in a boardroom or a business school, but in the driver's seat of her 2009 Nissan Altima Coupe. In 2012, after building a motivational blog — iammilanrouge.com — that attracted more than 100,000 readers in just three months, Milan recognized a deeper calling. She launched Milano Di Rouge with two shirts, a logo, and a belief in herself that the world would eventually share.

She drove those early routes herself, trunk-to-customer, across Philadelphia and the tri-state area — building a brand the hard way, the honest way. No investors. No blueprint. Just vision and an unbreakable work ethic. When the brand faced public scrutiny and a viral controversy in 2018, Milan didn't retreat. She used it as rocket fuel — pivoting to fully proprietary designs and tripling her sales as a result.

Today, Milano Di Rouge is an 8-figure luxury streetwear empire that surpassed \$100 million in total sales in 2024. The brand was recognized on the Inc. 5000 list of America's fastest-growing private companies and has collaborated with the Atlanta Hawks on the exclusive FLY Collection. Milano Di Rouge is worn by celebrities, entrepreneurs, athletes, and

everyday dreamers who believe they are building something worth wearing.

Milan's influence stretches far beyond the fashion industry. She is the founder of The Womanaire Club, a platform delivering resources, community, and empowerment to women entrepreneurs, and The Mamanaire Club, its sister platform dedicated exclusively to boss moms. She is a Forbes Business Council member and has been featured in Forbes magazine for her competitive business strategies. She is also the co-author of "Because of Them: Czar's Story of Black Inventors and Their Inventions" (2021) — a children's book designed to educate the next generation about Black innovation and legacy.

Her accolades include the NAACP Community and Civic Engagement Award, Ernst & Young Entrepreneurial Winning Women Class of 2023, the 2024 Entrepreneurs Access Network (EY), and the JPMorgan Chase 2024 Entrepreneurial Woman of Impact Award presented by the Women Presidents Organization. She has been honored at Nasdaq MarketSite and spoken at InvestFest alongside the country's most prominent business voices.

At the core of everything Milan does is one unwavering belief: if one person can do it, so can you. The Dreamer's Uniform is not just clothing. It is a reminder that you are worthy of everything you are working toward — and that where you start does not define where you end.

Social Security Administration Celebrates 91 Years of Service to the American People

Commissioner Frank J. Bisignano marks anniversary with year of transformative customer service improvements

BALTIMORE, MD – The Social Security Administration (SSA) today marks the 91st anniversary of the Social Security Act, signed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt on August 14, 1935. The program remains one of the most trusted institutions in American history.

This year, 75 million beneficiaries will receive over \$1.6 trillion in payments, making Social Security a promise fulfilled for retired workers, survivors, people with disabilities, and the most vulnerable, and a cornerstone of retirement security across generations.

“For more than 90 years, Social Security has guaranteed older Americans, families facing loss, and people with disabilities can live with dignity,” said Commissioner Frank J. Bisignano. “Our historic performance shows we are delivering better, faster, higher-quality service to the American people. Under President Donald J. Trump’s leadership, we are protecting and strengthening Social Security for generations to come.”

As a result of Commissioner Bisignano’s digital-first strategy, the agency has improved service delivery, streamlined operations, and strengthened its control environment to deliver the best performance in the history of the agency. The double-digit improvements in customer service achieved for the American people include:

- Reducing the National 800 Number average speed of answer from 34 minutes in fiscal year (FY) 2024 to 0.6 minutes in July 2026, a 98 percent reduction; and maintaining a 0 percent busy rate over the last four months.
- Growing online services, surpassing more than 104 million total my Social Security accounts created and completing 505 million online transactions FY 2026 to date, a 35 percent increase from the same period in FY 2024.
- Shortening the average field office wait times by 30 percent while serving 25 million visitors.
- Reducing the initial disability claims backlog by over 30 percent, from a high of nearly 1.3 million in FY 2024 to 884 thousand in July 2026; and decreasing disability hearing wait times over 90 days, reaching historic lows.

- Saving \$16 billion with a better control environment.
- Reconciling the Social Security Number (SSN) database for the first time ever to remove deceased people, update citizenship data, and verify status of individuals — over 10 percent of all active SSNs have been updated.

These service and control improvements have saved the public nearly 50 million hours in time that would have been spent waiting for service in fiscal year 2024 and billions of dollars.

For more information about Social Security’s services, visit www.ssa.gov. Americans who have not yet created a personal my Social Security account, can get started today at www.ssa.gov/myaccount.

For more Social Security news, follow the agency on X @SocialSecurity.

76ers Making History and Preparing for a Championship Run?

The Sixers haven’t just had an active spring and summer—they are making franchise history with an off-season both for the record books and full of excitement.

After nearly twelve years of enduring a Process that began with the trading of Sixers Guard Jrue Holiday in 2013 and never having even given Philadelphia advancement out of the NBA Eastern Conference Semi-Finals let alone a Championship—the Sixers are now the favorites to represent the East in the NBA Finals next season if not to win it with the acquisition of perhaps the best player in NBA history in LeBron James.

The addition of King James to the Sixers ends weeks of speculation about whether he would join Philadelphia, Cleveland, or Miami after informing the L.A. Lakers that he would not be resigning with the team that he himself had made history with by being the only NBA Player ever to play on a roster with his son (Bronny James.)

LeBron James is the latest free agency acquisition in Philadelphia on a two-year contract that has extended over the last several months that has seen the Sixers add such talent as Boston Celtics superstar Jaylen Brown in exchange for Paul George, two (1st-round) selections and two (2nd-round) selections. Philadelphia also took University of Alabama Forward Labaron Philon Jr. in the 2026 NBA Draft—and acquired Anfernee Simons (Guard,) Dean Wade (Forward,) Caleb Love (Guard,) and Ariel Hukporti (Center) among others.

The Sixers also made changes in the Front Office including parting ways with President of Basketball Operations Daryl Morey and replacing him with management including President of Basketball Operations Mike Gansey and promoting former St. Joseph’s Hawk and now Executive Vice President of Basketball Operations Jameer Nelson—who have been part of a team with a series of changes since March that has perfectly positioned Philadelphia into a favorite for the NBA Finals.

If you are looking for history then you don’t have to look far. LeBron is the only NBA Player to play with his son. James is the oldest, active player in the National Basketball Association. He is the only NBA player become a Finals MVP on three different teams while winning four championships with three different teams. And he’s just taken less money from the previous contract with the Los Angeles Lakers last year to roughly \$4 million next season in Philadelphia.

The acquisition of LeBron James propels the 76ers to the top of the Philadelphia expectations list for 2026–2027. The Philadelphia Eagles may be taking the Practice Fields for Training Camp at the Novacare Complex with Lombardi Trophy hopes—but they’ll also begin the fall campaign with a somewhat diminished chance of winning a professional championship within Philadelphia City limits in 2027 behind the 76ers.

And if you are looking for another reason that we may have a parade in June of 2027 for the first time since 1983? Did I mention that they just managed to add LeBron James?

Michael Thomas Leibrandt lives and works in the Philadelphia

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Camden County OEO Summer Wrestling Program Building Skills, Character and a New Wrestling Culture in Camden

CAMDEN, NJ - A summer wrestling program at Camden County OEO is helping introduce a new generation of Camden youth to the sport while providing mentorship, discipline, leadership opportunities and experiences beyond the wrestling mat.

The program idea took off as Camden County OEO, Executive Director, James Wynn & Camden High Wrestling Coach Ray Rossi shared a unique vision of restoring wrestling in Camden. This program brought together young wrestlers, high school athletes, coaches and community volunteers with a shared goal: creating opportunities for Camden youth and building a stronger wrestling culture throughout the city.

Leading the program was Head Coach Ray Rossi. Rossi was joined by assistant Coach Jeremiah Wynn, along with Coach Al Bright and several other coaches, volunteers and experienced wrestlers who contributed throughout the summer.

For Rossi, the program represents an extension of the work he began after taking over Camden High's wrestling program last year. After seeing the potential among Camden's young athletes, he wanted to find additional ways to introduce children to wrestling and develop a pipeline that could strengthen the sport at every level.

"The biggest thing is just building a culture of wrestling, a culture of character building," Rossi said. "This sport really teaches you how to be tough, persevere through things, be successful and never quit."

That vision quickly found a partner in Jeremiah Wynn, who has a personal connection to the program. Now 24, Wynn wrestled in the same building as a child as a member of the Wolverines. Returning as a coach has given him an opportunity to provide younger wrestlers with mentorship and resources that he said were not always available during his own childhood.

Beyond wrestling instruction, participants received free breakfast and lunch, trips and wrestling gear, including shirts, hoodies, sweatpants, shorts, wrestling shoes and headgear. High school students were also given opportunities to serve as paid volunteers, allowing them to earn money while developing leadership skills and mentoring younger children.

"We're giving discipline. We're instilling integrity," Wynn said. "We're showing the kids how to fight through different situations and different adversities mentally and physically."

The program also exposed participants to experiences outside their normal surroundings. Among the summer activities was a trip to Cape May that included traveling on the water to Delaware and back. Wynn recalled speaking with children who told him they had never experienced anything like it before.

Those experiences were intentionally designed to expand the young participants' perspectives and encourage them to envision possibilities beyond what they may encounter in their everyday lives. Coaches also emphasized the value of networking, friendships and relationships that can develop through athletics and last well beyond a competitive season.

On the wrestling mat, the program produced encouraging results almost immediately.

At its first tournament, Camden entered 33 wrestlers—more than twice the 14 participants entered by the next-largest team. The Camden group finished first in team points and brought home four gold medals. According to Rossi, the wrestlers won approximately 58 percent of their matches despite many of the participants having only trained for about two-and-a-half weeks. For some, it was their first experience participating in any organized sport.

The size of the team itself represented a significant shift from recent years. Rossi said Camden High had previously fielded approximately eight wrestlers annually, while last year the program grew to around 30 participants and sent five wrestlers to districts. The coaches now envision sending an entire team to postseason competition as interest continues to grow.

The summer initiative has also welcomed outside coaches and experienced wrestlers to share their knowledge, giving participants exposure to different techniques and perspectives. Coaches Bryant and Collins, who previously coached Wynn, were among those who contributed, while college wrestlers and other members of the wrestling community also visited the program.

For organizers, that willingness to collaborate is central to the program's long-term potential. Rather than relying solely on their own experience, the coaching staff has sought to build a network of people who can contribute to the development of Camden's young wrestlers.

Wrestling also provides an athletic opportunity for children of varying sizes and backgrounds. Unlike some sports where height or body type can become a barrier, wrestling's weight-class system creates opportunities for athletes across a wide

range of sizes to compete. Coaches also believe the sport can benefit athletes who participate in football, basketball and other sports by improving stamina, explosiveness, balance and body awareness.

Perhaps most importantly, the summer program is part of a larger effort to restore wrestling's presence in Camden.

Although Camden High has maintained a wrestling program, limited participation has prevented the team from hosting home matches at the new high school. Rossi said the city is now experiencing renewed enthusiasm for the sport, with families already reaching out about future opportunities.

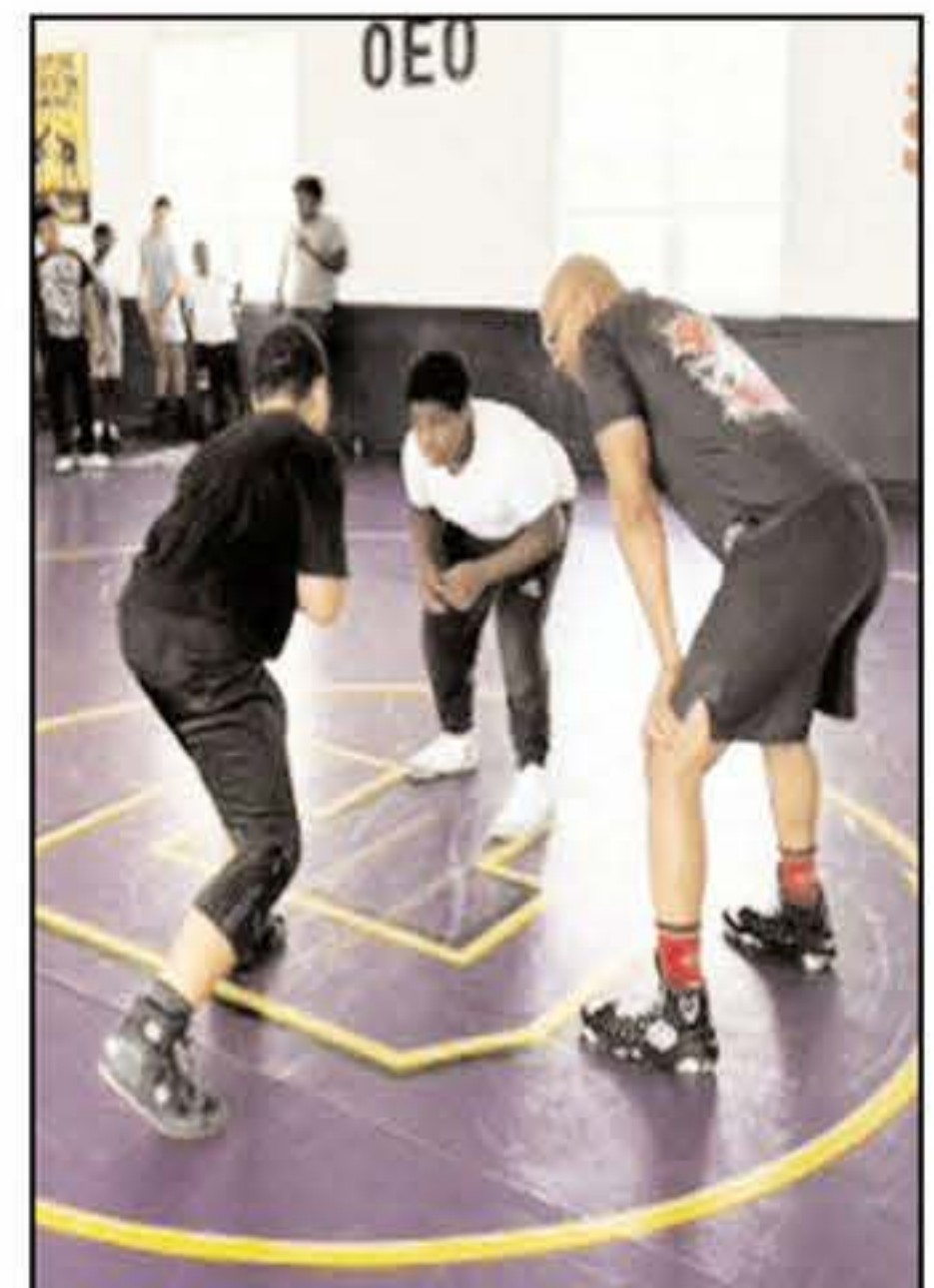
Longtime Camden wrestling figure Coach Tommy Johnson has spent more than a decade working to keep wrestling opportunities available to local youth, often with limited resources. With new coaches, volunteers and community partners joining that effort, organizers believe a more sustainable structure is beginning to take shape.

For Rossi and Wynn, the ultimate goal stretches far beyond tournament victories and medals. They envision wrestling joining football and basketball as another sport Camden can become known for—while simultaneously creating another pathway toward college, mentorship, leadership and future opportunities.

"The athletes are here," Rossi said. "They just need the door opened for them."

With its inaugural summer program now complete, Camden County OEO has begun opening that door. What started as a summer wrestling initiative has become part of a larger vision to build a lasting wrestling culture in Camden—one capable of developing competitors on the mat, leaders in the community and young people prepared to persevere when life's toughest matches begin.

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Camden City School District Host Back-to-School Enrollment Extravaganza

Free community event offered enrollment assistance, school supplies, food, games and family activities

Camden, NJ - The Camden City School District's Superintendent Alfonso Q. Llano Jr., Camden City School District leaders and staff, community partners, students and families hosted its 2026 Back-to-School Enrollment Extravaganza on Thursday, August 13, to help Camden families prepare for the upcoming school year.

The event took place at the Camden City School District Administrative Building, 990 Morgan Boulevard, Camden, NJ 08104. Families had an opportunity to register their children for school, receive assistance completing the enrollment process and connect directly with District representatives. The free event also featured bookbags and school supplies, food, games, giveaways and activities for children and families.

What an incredible day for CCSD!
As we wrapped up today's Back-to-School Extravaganza, we want to extend a heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who helped make today such a success!

To our community partners, sponsors, school leaders, staff, volunteers, and everyone who contributed their time and resources — thank you for showing up for our students and families and helping us kick off the new school year with excitement and energy.

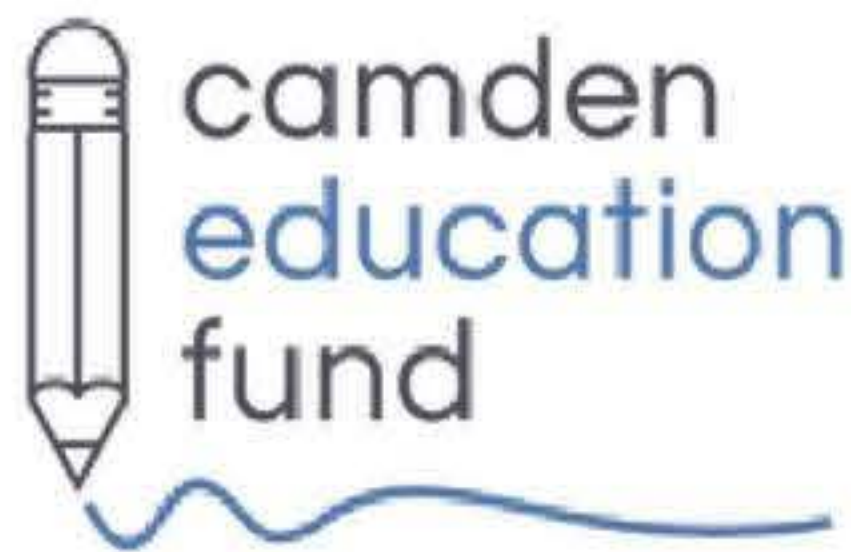
And most importantly, thank you to our CCSD families and students who joined us today! Seeing our community come together is what this work is all about.

Today was more than a back-to-school event — it was a reminder of what is possible when an entire community comes together around our students.

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The Camden Education Fund (CEF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to accelerating progress in Camden's public school system. CEF works with families, school partners, and community leaders to identify citywide needs in education. CEF then provides grants and develops strategic partnerships to address these citywide needs. Grantees may include schools, non-profits, and universities.

Our Vision

Camden will be home to a vibrant public school system that inspires all students and prepares them for success after high school.

Our Mission

To sustain and accelerate progress in Camden's public school system.

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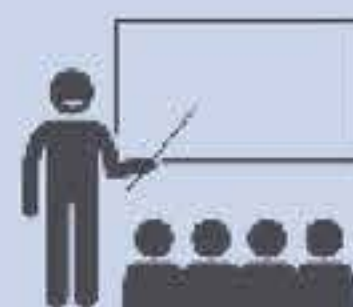
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When preparing meals or cleaning up after your cookout, be sure to scrape and trash fats, oils and grease (FOG). These three troublemakers can wreak havoc on your pipes. Many sewer blockages occur between the house or business and the utility's sewer main, where the property owner is responsible for correcting the problem. Avoiding blockages could mean avoiding an unnecessary plumbing bill.

For more tips on how to protect your pipes, check out our video on YouTube!

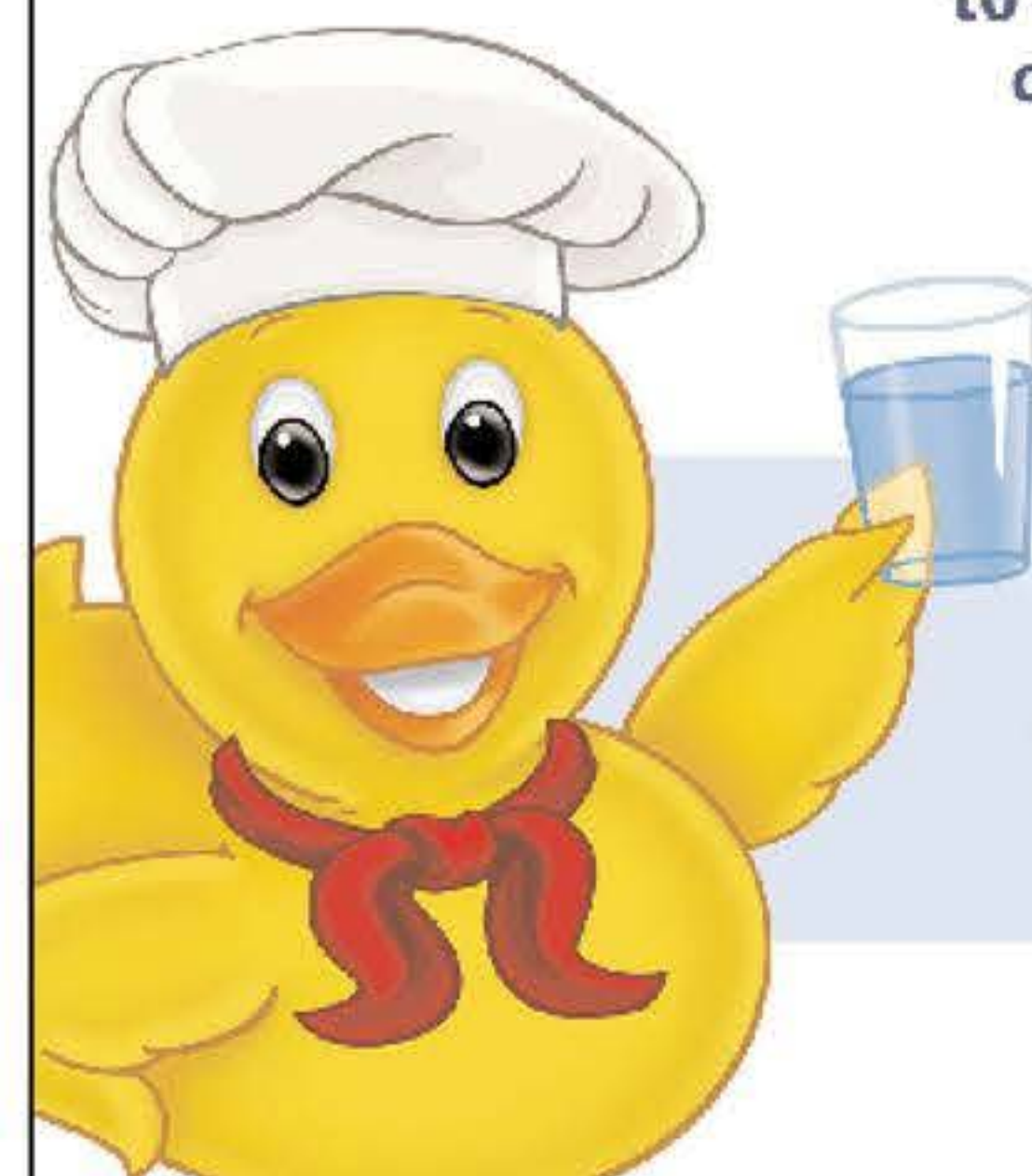


Other items you should avoid flushing down the drain (throw them in the trash instead).

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- Cotton swabs or rounds
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American Water Charitable Foundation Awards \$75,000 in Workforce Readiness and STEM Education Grants Across New Jersey

New Jersey American Water partners with four nonprofit organizations to support career readiness, STEM education and workforce development programs

CAMDEN, N.J. – Aug. 17, 2026 – The American Water Charitable Foundation, a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water (NYSE: AWK), the largest regulated water and wastewater utility company in the U.S., recently announced four organizations supporting communities served by New Jersey American Water received grants, including two Workforce Readiness grants and two STEM Education grants. The Workforce Readiness and STEM Education grants are part of the American Water Charitable Foundation's Keep Communities Flowing Grant Program, focusing on three pillars of giving: Water, People and Communities. These grant programs support general career readiness, financial and business literacy, positive youth development and access to high-quality learning.

"The American Water Charitable Foundation is proud to partner with organizations across New Jersey that are helping prepare students and young adults for future success," said Carrie Williams, president, American Water Charitable Foundation. "Through these grants, we are investing in programs that expand access to education, career exploration and workforce readiness opportunities."

This year's New Jersey Workforce Readiness and STEM Education grantees include:



Junior Achievement of New Jersey

Junior Achievement of New Jersey was awarded \$25,000 to expand career readiness and financial literacy programming that helps students develop essential workplace skills, explore career pathways and gain practical experience through hands-on learning opportunities. The program prepares young people to succeed in a rapidly changing workforce while strengthening their confidence and leadership abilities.



"Support from the American Water Charitable Foundation plays a vital role in helping us fulfill our mission. Every dollar invested in career-connected learning is an investment in a young person's ability to see and reach a future filled with opportunity," said James Horne Jr., president and CEO, Junior Achievement of New Jersey. "With the Foundation's generosity, we can continue ensuring that every JA student, regardless of circumstance, has the skills, confidence and connections needed to thrive in tomorrow's economy."

Students 2 Science

Students 2 Science was awarded \$25,000 to support immersive STEM learning experiences that connect students with real-world science, technology, engineering and mathematics careers. Through hands-on laboratory programs, mentorship opportunities and engagement with STEM professionals, the organization helps students develop critical thinking and problem-solving skills while exploring future career pathways.

"Hands-on, real-world STEM education is integral to solving many global challenges," said Dan Barnett, chief development officer, Students 2 Science. "Through our partnership with the American Water Charitable Foundation, we can offer students immersive STEM experiences that build critical thinking and problem-solving skills, opportunities to engage with STEM professionals, and options to explore dynamic career paths in multiple STEM fields. Together, we are building stronger communities by ensuring great STEM education is available to all students."



meaningful. The grant will allow us to create a preschool rain garden that transforms our outdoor space into a hands-on learning environment where children can explore nature, develop an appreciation for environmental stewardship and engage in meaningful STEM experiences. The rain garden will not only enhance our school grounds but also teach our youngest learners about conservation, water quality and the important role they can play in protecting the environment. We are proud to partner with the American Water Charitable Foundation to create a lasting resource that will benefit our children, families and the Plainfield community for years to come."

St. Joseph Social Service Center

St. Joseph Social Service Center was awarded \$10,000 to support workforce development programs that provide individuals and families with resources, training and support services that promote economic mobility and long-term self-sufficiency for adult learners in Elizabeth. The funding will help expand opportunities for participants to gain skills and access pathways toward meaningful employment.

"We are honored to receive this generous grant from the American Water Charitable Foundation," said Bernadette Murphy, executive director, St. Joseph Social Service Center. "The Foundation's support strengthens our commitment to helping adult learners gain the digital and workforce skills needed to pursue meaningful employment, economic stability and long-term success. Guided by our mission to bring people and communities together to serve our neighbors by providing food, health programs and support services with love, dignity and compassion, this investment will help create lasting opportunities for individuals and families in our community."

"At New Jersey American Water, we know that investing in people today helps create stronger communities tomorrow," said Mark McDonough, president of New Jersey American Water. This year's Foundation recipients are providing meaningful educational, workforce development, STEM and career exploration opportunities that help individuals build skills, achieve their goals and contribute to a brighter future for New Jersey."

Learn more about New Jersey American Water's community impact at www.newjerseyamwater.com.

About American Water Charitable Foundation

The American Water Charitable Foundation, a philanthropic non-profit organization established by American Water, focuses on three pillars of giving: Water, People, and Communities. Since 2012, the Foundation has invested over \$25 million in funding through grants and matching gifts to support eligible organizations in communities served by American Water. The Foundation is funded by American Water shareholders and has no impact on customer rates. For more information, visit amwater.com/awcf.

About New Jersey American Water

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The King's Daughters Day School

Plainfield City Union of the King's Daughters Day School was awarded \$15,000 to support its rain garden and water education initiative, which combines environmental education with hands-on learning opportunities for preschool students and their families. The project will create a rain garden on the organization's campus that will help reduce stormwater runoff, improve water quality and teach water stewardship through interactive educational experiences.

"We are incredibly grateful to the American Water Charitable Foundation for investing in the children and families we serve through this generous \$15,000 grant," said Jameelah Newton-Jenkins, education and grants manager, King's Daughters Day School. "As King's Daughters Day School celebrates 120 years of serving the Plainfield community, this support is especially

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ICYMI: Kim, Dingell Introduce Bill to Include Long-Term Care as Part of Medicare

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Senator Andy Kim (D-N.J.) and Congresswoman Debbie Dingell (D-MI-06) introduced bicameral legislation to establish long-term care services benefits as part of the Medicare program. The Medicare At Home Act would help older adults and people with disabilities remain safely in their homes and communities by expanding home care coverage under Medicare Part B. Medicare Part B usually covers doctor visits and everyday medical care; this bill would also cover in-home support so people don't have to leave their homes.

"Whether it was his last few months living alone in his own place or now at a care facility, my top priority is making sure my dad can live with dignity and comfort. Like so many Americans though, too often that question becomes what care we can afford. Whether seniors are aging at home or elsewhere, this bill gives them and their families the options they deserve by making home care an affordable and accessible option everywhere. These moments of life are hard enough without having to worry about cost," said Senator Kim.

"Whether seniors are aging at home or individuals with disabilities need daily support, care should be accessible and affordable. This bill gives families peace of mind by ensuring Medicare covers the essential in-home support people need to live with independence and dignity. It is a common-sense solution that makes care more affordable for people on Medicare," said Congresswoman Dingell.

Currently, Medicare does not cover long-term care at home. As a result, families across the country face staggering out-of-pocket expenses, forcing many to deplete their savings to qualify for Medicaid or rely heavily on unpaid family caregivers. The Medicare At Home Act eliminates these financial barriers by making home-based care an accessible, affordable part of Medicare coverage. Specifically, the Medicare At Home Act would:

- Expand Medicare coverage by adding comprehensive home-based personal care benefits to Medicare Part B.
- Lower financial burdens by eliminating the need for families to drain life savings or go into debt for basic home care support.
- Give older adults and people with disabilities the choice to remain in their homes and communities.

The bicameral legislation is endorsed by the Service Employees International Union (SEIU), Caring Across Generations, Justice in Aging, Allies for Independence, National Domestic Workers Alliance, Care in Action, and LeadingAge.

"The Medicare at Home Act finally closes the gap between what people believe Medicare covers and what it actually does, and does it in a way families will feel immediately. Right now, needing help at home means paying out of pocket at costs that can top \$60,000 a year, spending down into poverty to qualify for Medicaid, or leaving a family member to do it all unpaid. This bill changes that calculus. The supports from this bill will allow older adults and disabled people to stay safely in their own homes and communities, which is exactly what they've told us they want. This isn't a fringe idea: 93 percent of adults believe Medicare should cover home care, and most already assume it does. The Medicare at Home Act makes the policy match that expectation," said Nicole Jorwic, Chief Program Officer, Caring Across Generations.

"Long-term care is one of the most significant expenses older adults and their families face. Yet, Medicare does not provide a comprehensive, accessible home care benefit. As a result, far too many older adults are forced to spend down their savings and fall into poverty to access essential care. Justice in Aging proudly supports the Medicare at Home Act because it would help older adults get the assistance they need with daily activities before they experience financial hardship, allowing them to age with dignity and independence," said Natalie Kean, Managing Director of Health Advocacy at Justice in Aging.

"LeadingAge applauds Congresswoman Dingell and Senator Kim's longstanding leadership in advancing access to care in the home and community. The Medicare at Home Act sets an agenda and important focus for the future by expanding Medicare coverage to include personal care services in the home—a critical need that many older adults and families mistakenly assume is paid for by the current Medicare benefit. We look forward to working with Congresswoman Dingell and Senator Kim to address this shortcoming in access and affordability while also ensuring our nonprofit and mission-driven members are equipped to deliver high-quality care wherever people call home," said Katie Smith Sloan, President and CEO of LeadingAge.

"Home care is essential to families of all backgrounds, our healthcare system, and our economy. Integrating long-term home care into Medicare ensures that seniors and people with disabilities can age safely at home without shouldering the immense financial burden on their own. A federal investment in home care can help transform these lifesaving jobs into good jobs that workers can afford to keep. We are proud to support this legislation from Senator Kim and Congresswoman Dingell, which would help make quality home care more accessible for those who need it," said Leslie Frane, SEIU Executive Vice President.

"The need for long term services and supports (LTSS) in the home has been a discussion for far too long in this country. Finally, we have a leader willing to address the issue by supporting individuals with functional limitations to be the best they can be in their homes and communities," said Connie Garner, Executive Director, Allies for Independence.

The Medicare At Home Act builds on Senator Kim's ongoing work to build a universal care movement. As one of millions of Americans who are a part of the sandwich generation caring for young kids and aging parents, he is working to deliver for all Americans throughout their entire lives. He recently helped lead a new Senate initiative to improve long-term care and introduced his landmark MediKids Act to guarantee healthcare to all children in America from birth to age 26. As a member of the Senate Aging Committee, he also helped organize a hearing to uplift fellow sandwich generation caregivers' needs and voices and introduced bicameral legislation to add a dedicated question on multigenerational caregiving to national surveys. Read more about his work in the Senate to build a universal care movement.

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New Jersey American Water Presents \$2,461.20 Grant to Oaklyn Fire Department

Funding Supports Purchase of Critical Firefighter Safety Equipment

CAMDEN, N.J. – AUG. 18, 2026 – New Jersey American Water presented Oaklyn Fire Department in Oaklyn, N.J., with a \$2,461.20 grant as part of the company's 2026 Volunteer Fire and EMS Grant Program, which awarded about \$50,000 to 21 volunteer fire and EMS departments across its service areas. The department will use the funding to purchase 15 Lion Red Zone Particulate Hoods, one case of Safety Suds Bunker Gear Detergent, and two Amerex 2.5-gallon Pressurized Water Extinguishers, helping enhance firefighter personal protection, equipment maintenance, and emergency response capabilities.

"Local first responders understand which tools and resources will have the greatest impact in the communities they serve," said Kim Schalek Downes, Vice President of Business Development, Government and External Affairs. "Through this program, we're proud to help departments make those important investments year after year."

This year's grants support a variety of initiatives across participating departments, including the purchase of gas leak detectors, gas meters, defibrillators, thermal imaging cameras, firefighter safety equipment, and other critical lifesaving resources.

Since launching the program in 2011, New Jersey American Water has awarded 353 grants totaling more than \$587,500 to 176 local volunteer fire departments and emergency response units in its service areas. More information about the program is available at www.newjerseyamwater.com/community.



Samaritan to Host Free Will, Tax & Estate Planning Workshops This September

Complimentary in-person and virtual workshops will help participants plan for the future with confidence

MOUNT LAUREL, NJ – Creating and updating a will is one of the most important steps individuals can take to protect their loved ones and ensure their wishes are honored. Yet more than half of American adults do not have a will, leaving important decisions about their assets, loved ones and legacy to the courts.

To help individuals navigate the estate planning process, Samaritan will host two free Will, Tax & Estate Planning Workshops this September. Whether participants are creating their first will, updating an existing estate plan after a major life event or simply have questions about wills, trusts or taxes, the workshops will provide practical guidance from experienced local estate planning attorneys in a welcoming environment.

Participants may choose from one of two sessions:

- In-person Workshop – Tuesday, September 15, 2026, from 5:30-7:00 p.m. at The Samaritan Center at Voorhees (265 S. Route 73, Voorhees, NJ 08043)
- Virtual Workshop – Thursday, September 17, 2026, from 5:30-7:00 p.m.

“Creating or updating a will is one of the most meaningful ways to protect the people and causes you care about,” said Chris Rollins, chief development officer at Samaritan. “Our Will, Tax & Estate Planning Workshops are designed to make estate planning less intimidating by provided trusted guidance from knowledgeable local attorneys. Whether you’re just getting started or revisiting an existing plan, you’ll leave with the confidence to help you make decisions to create a lasting legacy.”

The workshops are hosted by Samaritan’s Planned Giving Committee, comprised of some of the region’s leading financial advisors who volunteer their time and expertise to raise awareness about the potential advantages of charitable estate planning. This year’s panelists include:

- Melissa Osorio Dibble, Esq., Partner, Obermayer – A graduate of Rutgers University School of Law-Camden, Melissa serves as a partner at Obermayer and chairs Obermayer’s Trusts and Estates practice group. She is a fiduciary litigator representing individuals, financial institutions, universities, charities, fiduciaries and beneficiaries in complex estate, trust and guardianship disputes. She is a member of Samaritan’s Planned Giving Committee and serves on Samaritan’s Board of Trustees.
- Rachel Shaffer Gersie, Esq., Attorney, Fendrick Morgan Law – A graduate of Drexel University School of Law, Rachel joined Fendrick Morgan in 2013 and is a member of the Estate & Financial Planning Council of Southern Jersey. She concentrates her practice in a wide array of estate planning, estate administration, and elder law matters for New Jersey and Pennsylvania clients. She is a member of Samaritan’s Planned Giving Committee.
- Timothy J. Rice, Esq., Managing Partner, Timothy Rice Estate and Elder Law Firm – A graduate of Villanova Law School and Northwestern University, Timothy Rice Estate and Elder Law (TREEL) Founder and Managing Partner Timothy J. Rice provides peace of mind and security for clients during some of their most vulnerable moments. For more than 30 years, Tim has crafted personalized legal solutions that honor each client’s unique wishes and circumstances, ensuring their legacy and assets are protected. With a compassionate and client-centered approach, Tim prioritizes building trust and understanding, offering guidance and support every step of the way. He is a member of Samaritan’s Planned Giving Committee.

Registration for both the in-person and virtual workshop is required. Those interested in participating can register online at SamaritanNJ.org/Will-Workshop or by contacting Chris Rollins at (856) 552-3205 or CRollins@SamaritanNJ.org. More information about the event is also available at SamaritanNJ.org/Will-Workshop.

About Samaritan:

Samaritan is a not-for-profit, independent organization locally founded in Moorestown, New Jersey in 1980 as one of the first hospices in the country. Samaritan is now one of the State’s leading providers of palliative medicine, hospice care, social connections, grief support, advanced illness care, education and advocacy. Samaritan serves patients and families in

Atlantic, Burlington, Camden, Gloucester and Mercer counties who are coping with the stresses of aging, serious illness or grief wherever they call home. Samaritan also has two dedicated inpatient hospice centers in Voorhees and Mount Holly. Beyond the services covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and commercial insurance plans, Samaritan annually provides nearly \$1M in donor-funded non-reimbursed care for patients and families in the South Jersey region. A thrift shop in Westmont also supports Samaritan services and programs. Samaritan is accredited by The Joint Commission; a member of the National Partnership for Hospice Innovation; and is a four-star hospice in the national We Honor Veterans program. For more information, visit www.SamaritanNJ.org.

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The Michaels Organization Celebrates 101 Students Who Received Lifting Lives in Camden Scholarship Awards Totaling \$250,000

First Year of Michaels' New Program Benefitting its Corporate Hometown Awards College Scholarships to Graduates from all 10 public Camden High Schools

CAMDEN, NJ – The Michaels Organization, a national leader in residential real estate headquartered in Camden, New Jersey, celebrated 101 high school graduates in the city, who were awarded scholarships at a recognition ceremony held August 4th at its headquarters on the Camden waterfront.

U.S. Representative Donald Norcross, Camden Mayor Victor Carstarphen, and Camden County Commissioner Jeffrey Young were among the officials who joined Michaels' Leadership to recognize the academic achievements of the Michaels' Lifting Lives in Camden Scholarship Program recipients.

Michaels CEO John J. O'Donnell spearheaded the creation of the Scholarship Program for Camden High School students, as a unique opportunity to "give back" to the city and contribute to "Camden Rising." Becoming part of the Camden community, including supporting numerous nonprofits and hiring Camden residents, has become core to Michaels' mission of Lifting Lives, but the Lifting Lives Scholarship program is a specific investment in Camden's future. "There's no better investment than education," O'Donnell said.

The Lifting Lives in Camden scholarships can be used for tuition at any accredited college, university, or vocational school starting with the Fall 2026 academic year. To be eligible, students needed to be residents of the City of Camden, graduating from one of the 10 participating high schools, and hold a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

During the ceremony, Michaels Regional Vice President of Development Nicholas Cangelosi offered heartfelt thanks to the families, as well as the principals, guidance counselors, and



Pictured (left to right): Michaels Lifting Lives Scholars pose with the Mayor, The Michaels Organization's Leadership, and executives of the Camden Education Foundation. Photo by Rob Smith/The Michaels Organization.

teachers at Camden's public high schools for encouraging the students to take advantage of this unique program.

Cangelosi also gave thanks to the Camden Education Fund, whose support and partnership made the first year of the program an overwhelming success.

"Every Camden student deserves the opportunity to pursue their dreams after high school," said Giana Campbell, CEO, Camden Education Fund. "We're proud to partner with The Michaels Organization to expand access to postsecondary opportunities and invest in the next generation of Camden's leaders."

The Lifting Lives in Camden Scholarship Program is in addition to The Michaels Organization Educational Foundation program that bestows scholarship awards to residents of Michaels' housing communities. Michaels currently manages 1,200 apartments at 14 different properties throughout Camden neighborhoods.

About The Michaels Organization

The Michaels Organization is a national leader in residential real estate, offering full-service capabilities in development,

property management, construction and investment. Serving more than 200,000 residents in more than 550 communities across 39 states, the District of Columbia, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, Michaels is committed to crafting housing solutions that jumpstart education, civic engagement and neighborhood prosperity, and to creating Communities that Lift Lives.

About Camden Education Fund:

Camden Education Fund (CEF) is a non-profit organization dedicated to accelerating student success across Camden's public school system. As a cross-sector convener and grantmaking organization, CEF brings together educators, school partners, and community leaders to identify citywide needs in education and invest in solutions that strengthen schools and improve outcomes for students. Since its inception, CEF has mobilized more than \$20 million in national and local philanthropic investment to expand opportunity for Camden's nearly 17,000 public school students. Through strategic grantmaking, partnerships, and data-informed initiatives, CEF helps bridge the gap between schools and the community to ensure every Camden student has access to a high-quality education.

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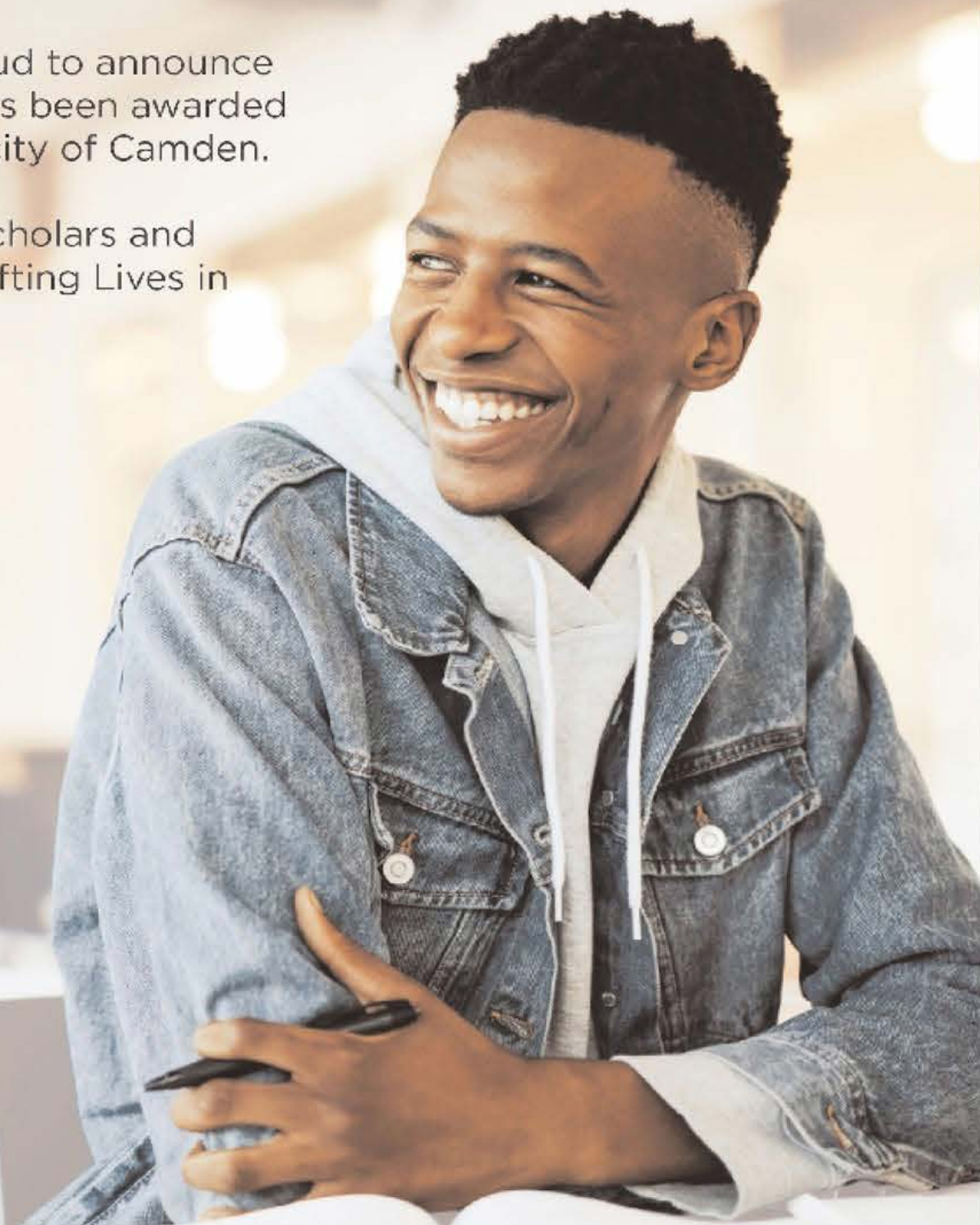
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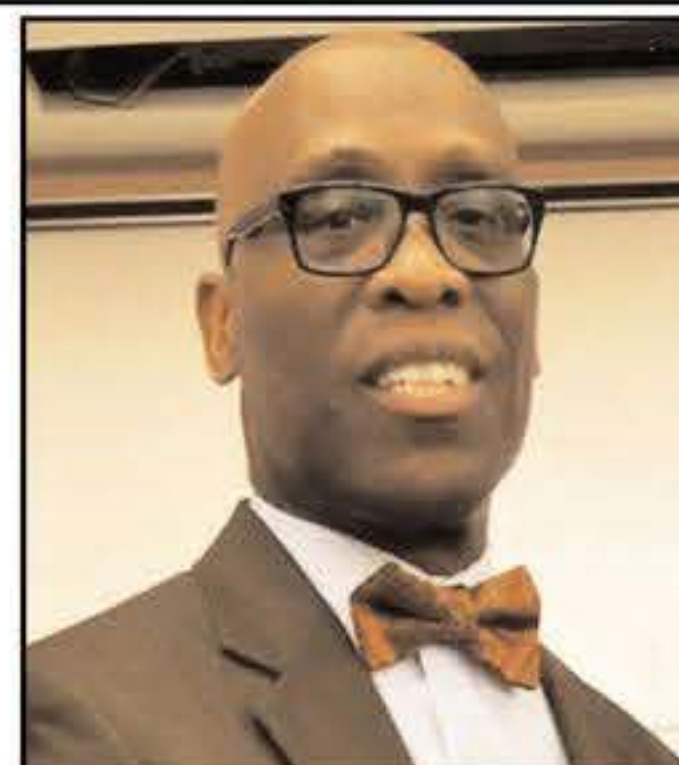
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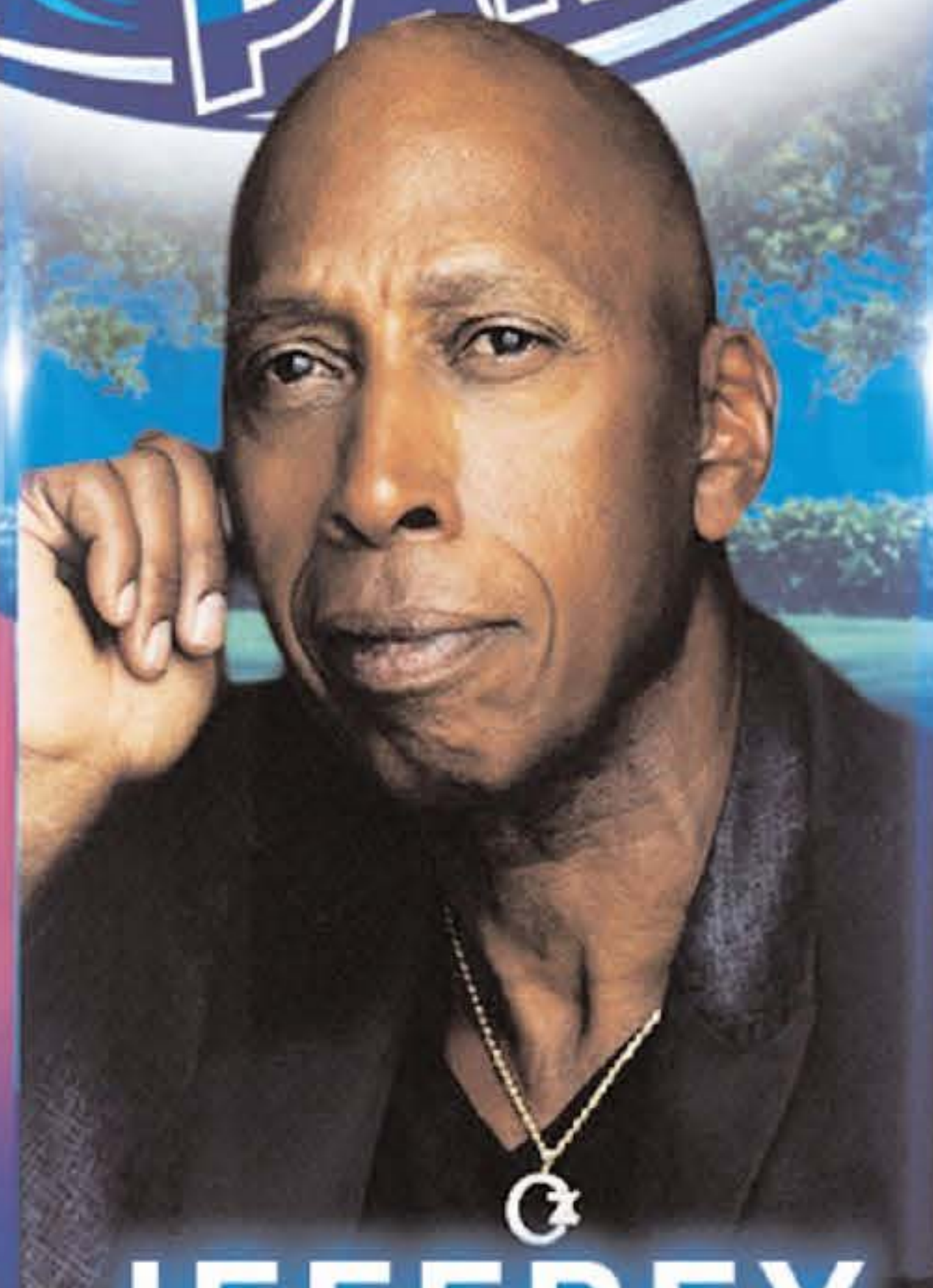
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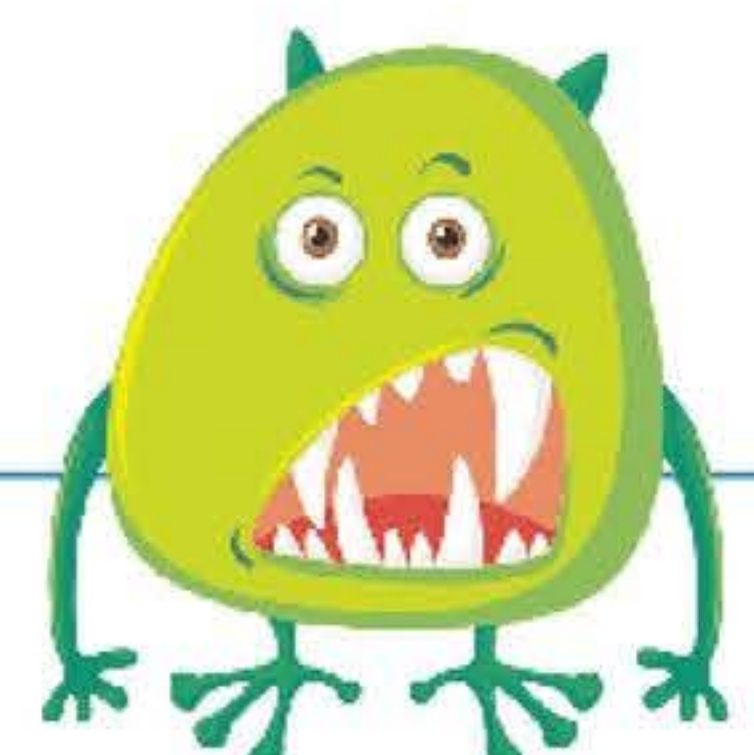
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