

Sunday, February 18, 2024

Today we celebrate Black History Month. This week's theme is Black History Achievements in Social Justice among Young Activists.

The St. James Presbyterian Church's Black History Month Planning Committee recognizes

## **Kay Brown.**

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Kay Brown has been serving as the president of the Greensboro branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) since January 2023. Prior to being elected to her current role, she served the branch for 6 years in various capacities, including Chair of the Young Adult Committee. She leads by example with innovations for multiple generations; for instance, she incorporates networking for young professionals along with civil rights activism.

She has many years of community organizing experiences. She has served on the Greensboro Criminal Advisory Commission for the City of Greensboro, where she advocated for police reform and collaborated with committee members to resolve grievances submitted about the Greensboro Police Department. She was also on the Steering Committee for Guilford for All, which is a group of people who believe the only way to make Guilford County better is by working across the lines that sometimes divide us: race, income, religion, sexual orientation, country of origin, or citizenship status. Brown also serves on the board of directors for the Interactive Resource Center (advocating to eradicate inadequate housing for Greensboro residents) and Jalloh's Upright Services (supporting our immigrant and refugee neighbors). Her advocacy experiences include protecting voter's rights and pushing for the expansion of Medicaid health insurance in North Carolina.

In December of 2023, she was the featured speaker for the City of Greensboro's Human Rights Boards and Commissions Meeting.

Brown was born in Reidsville, NC, and now lives in Greensboro while mothering two sons. She earned her B.S. in Journalism and Mass Communications at North Carolina A&T State University, and a Master of Business Administration from Fayetteville State University.

She is currently the Operations Director for People's Action in Greensboro, which is a national organization driven by local and state organizing, education, and training to advance long-term agenda for racial, economic and gender justice.