



# You're Invited

## RETURNING TO ONE AFRO-PHILANTHROPIC CONFERENCE

Global United Diaspora (GUD) is an organization of multinational professionals representing the unification of descendants from the Diaspora. We are devoted to developing/advancing essential sectors within our communities through sustainable and holistic solutions.

We would like to invite you to "Returning to One", a conference on philanthropy as part of Ghana's 2019 'Year of Return'. The goal of this conference is to organize resources and information that will better equip non-profits to strengthen our diaspora.

GUD is currently planning a conference in Accra, Ghana centered around philanthropy on August 6, 2019. The conference will highlight the attending NGOs' philanthropic causes, facilitate educational workshops geared towards increasing the capacities of small NGOs, build networks between organizations present while encouraging the brainstorming of innovative solutions to impact, improve, and uplift the African Diaspora worldwide. Organizations and its members will also have the opportunity to participate in other activities throughout the week.

We've cordially invited organizations and individuals making a positive impact in communities across the Diaspora. We welcome leaders and community activists that strive to make a difference through philanthropy.

We look forward to your organization's participation in this monumental event. This conference will serve as the catalyst for transformation within your organization's and ultimately our world.

*Going Back, Giving Back*

Warm regards,

Nia Muhammad  
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**Attn: Review**

**Location: Kempinski  
Hotel (Accra, Ghana)**

**Date: August 6, 2019**

**Day 2 of the HACSA  
Conference August 5th-11th**



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# GLOBAL UNITED DIASPORA

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## *Who is GUD?*

Global United Diaspora (GUD) is an organization of multinational professionals focused on sustainable, holistic development and representation of the African Diaspora. We represent the unification of descendants from the Diaspora and are devoted to developing and advancing essential sectors within our communities. With members across the globe, collectively and individually our passion for philanthropy and for communities within the Diaspora has lead us to become agents of change around the globe.

Our mission is to improve six sectors of community living including: education, health and medicine, infrastructure and engineering, agriculture and environmental preservation, water resources and sanitation, and sustainable design. GUD aims to improve infrastructure and lifestyle while also fostering meaningful relationships within these communities. Through collaboration within our international community and the promotion of equality, justice, identity and freedom, GUD envisions a stronger and more united Diaspora.

GUD has members from and/or living around the world including the countries of: Jamaica, Trinidad & Tobago, Turks and Caicos, USA, Canada, Liberia, Ghana, Nigeria, Sudan, France, Spain, Luxembourg, and The UK.

GUD is committed to building and sustaining a progressive global community and aims to become a leading international non-governmental organization and a pillar within the African Diaspora.

Warm regards,

**Nia Muhammad**

President/ Founder

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## Proposal for Diaspora Philanthropy Conference

Global United Diaspora (GUD) is currently finalizing the plans for a one-day conference in Accra, Ghana centered around philanthropy in August 2019. GUD intends to connect small Black/ African led NGOs and community organizations who are doing impactful work in their communities. This conference is necessary because Black led NGOs are extremely under resourced and underrepresented in the philanthropic sector, and it will create an opportunity for unity, familiarizing ourselves with each other and solving our common issues. This conference will serve as the catalyst for transformation within our organizations and ultimately our world.

GUD's Conference Goals are:

- Establishing awareness of resources for the attending organizations
- Creating a network that allows Black NGOs to connect with and support each other
- Connecting potential donors to causes that resonate with them
- Inspiring each other through our success stories and journeys as NGOs
- Providing a platform to increase exposure of under-resourced NGOs within the Diaspora

The conference will highlight the attending NGOs' philanthropic causes, facilitate educational workshops geared towards increasing the capacities of small NGOs, build networks between organizations present and encourage the brainstorming of innovative solutions to impact, improve and uplift the black community worldwide. We welcome your organization to participate in this monumental conference. Please contact us for further details.



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## **CONFERENCE ITENERARY**

<b>8:00-8:45</b>	<i>Registration/ Check In</i>
<b>9:00- 9:15</b>	<i>Opening Remarks</i>
<b>9:15 – 12:00</b>	<i>Engaging Sessions/ Focus Groups</i>
<b>12:00- 1:00</b>	<i>Lunch (Key Note Speaker)</i>
<b>1:00- 4:30</b>	<i>Work Shops/ Panel Discussions</i>
<b>4:30-5:00</b>	<i>Closing Remarks</i>

### **Focus Groups:**

Innovative Solutions for Community Development  
Improving Health Care across the Diaspora  
Educating our Children  
Women's Rights and Gender Equality  
Youth Development and Outreach  
Sustainable Design/ Infrastructure/ Water Sanitation & Resources  
Disaster Relief & Emergency Aid  
STEM & the Diaspora

### **Workshops:**

Understanding Funding Landscape and Strategy  
Leadership Development & Support  
Securing Donors  
Tell Your Story  
Recruiting Volunteers/ Productive Teamwork  
Grant Writing

*Additional Focus Groups and Workshops we will be added to the list and based on the needs of the participating organizations. A more detailed itinerary will be sent to your organization after confirmation of attendance.*