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Tri-County Cradle to Career Collaborative Welcomes New Staff Members: Akua Page, Digital Inclusion Project Manager; Vanessa Lambright, Organizational Effectiveness & Special Projects Manager; and Shanequa Renee Singletary, Office & Collaborative Partners Manager

NORTH CHARLESTON, SC, June 16, 2022 - Tri-County Cradle to Career Collaborative (TCCC) is proud to welcome 3 new staff members.

**Akua Page** has joined the team as the Digital Inclusion Project Manager, **Vanessa Lambright** as the Organizational Effectiveness and Special Projects Manager, and **Shanequa Renee Singletary** as the Office and Collaborative Partners Manager.

"We are excited to announce these additions to the Tri-County Cradle to Career Team. They bring the right experience, skill sets, and competencies to help us further our work, goals, and mission, and we could not be more thrilled to have them as part of our team," said Phyllis Martin, CEO of Tri-County Cradle to Career Collaborative.



Akua Page is the co-founder of Geechee Experience, an online platform preserving Gullah Geechee language and culture through digital storytelling. Akua currently has over 50k followers on social media and offers Geechee Living History Tours on Airbnb experiences. She is also the CJO, Chief Juice Officer, of Futnuss, a Gullah Geechee themed mobile juice bar preserving Gullah Geechee agricultural heritage, decolonizing wellness, and fighting food apartheid in North Charleston, SC with plantbased juices.

As the digital inclusion project manager, Akua will

serve as the Tri-County region's point person to build scalable, sustainable models that achieve digital equity and inclusion in our communities most marginalized communities.



Vanessa Lambright is a native Charlestonian. She is a graduate of Hampton University with a post graduate degree from Bowie State University. She has held numerous leadership positions in strategic communications, diversity, equity, and inclusion, and executive staff support throughout her 18 years of federal service. Most notably, she served as Chief of Protocol and Visits for the United States Cyber Command.

Lambright retired from the U.S. Air Force after 24 years of faithful service to her country in the field of nursing, personnel, and executive support.



**Shanequa Renee Singletary** wants to live in a world filled with tiny houses, street corner herb shops, and equitable access to education.

Singletary is a graduate of the College of Charleston, with a degree in Anthropology. As a business development professional with more than 18 years of experience, she's worked across real estate, engineering, and sales and marketing industries. Simultaneously, she has spent 9 years within a Montessori environment, 3 years as a homeschooling parent, and 4 years working within Charleston County School District. Shanequa was voted as one of Charlie Magazine's "50 Most Progressive", sits on the board for Enough Pie and Charleston GOOD, and was recently recognized as 'Teacher of the Year' at Allegro Charter School of Music.

When she's not teaching, or engrossed in the never-ending spiral of research, you can find her crafting herbal remedies for health & wellness, traveling, advocating for the rights of affordable housing by way of tiny house living, or actively engaged in supporting systemic changes within the education system.

About Tri-County Cradle to Career Collaborative

Tri-County Cradle to Career is a community movement in Berkeley, Charleston, and Dorchester counties committed to building collective power to transform education by changing systems that allow Black and Brown children to achieve their goals.

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