



UFSC Detroit Chapter 2024  
Dr. Aubrey W. Lee, Sr.  
Scholarship Awards  
Virtual Program

## Agenda

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- **Words of Wisdom** – Ketra Lewis





Ketra is a regulatory, compliance, and risk management professional with over twenty years of experience in bank operations, compliance, and auditing. Ketra has a Bachelor of Science in Corporate Finance from Wayne State University and MBA from University of Phoenix. Ketra is a Certified Regulatory Compliance Manager from the American Bankers Association. Currently, she works as a Risk Manager with Discover Financial. Ketra is the Chairman Build Our Economic Wealth Committee for the Omega Epsilon Omega of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Also, Ketra is a Trustee, and on the finance committee at Greater Grace Temple in Detroit, MI. Recently, she was appointed to the Wayne County Ethics Board of Michigan with her term expiring in 2024. Ketra enjoys spending time with her family, traveling and teaching various topics on financial literacy. Currently Ketra is the Director of UFSC Detroit Chapter and has been a member since 2000 and has served on various leadership roles.

## **Ketra Lewis, Director**

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Patrece has a bachelor's degree in Computer Information Systems and a master's degree in Curriculum, Instruction, and Leadership from Oakland University..

In 2002, Patrece started an insurance agency Onyx Benefit Resources, LLC and is currently the Director of Planning and Initiative Management at Blue Cross and Blue Shield of MI with experience in health care, management and compliance.

She has been an adjunct professor for Davenport University since 2013 in the Health Information Technology and Health Information Management program.

Patrece is active in her community and serves on several boards and organizations. Patrece has a husband and a daughter who is a recent alumna from Grand Valley State University.

# **Patrece Hamblin, Treasurer**

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Cameron is a native Metro Detroiter, but has spent the last 15 years in Chicagoland. He attended Northwestern University for his Undergraduate & Business School degrees & now leads a Regional Sales team.

This foundation is important to Cameron, because it represents a tangible opportunity to give back to his community, to support black students & to lay further foundations of giving back to the black community.

Additionally, Dr. Lee was his Grandfather. The early lessons he learned from Dr. Lee have not only taught him, but also inspired him to make a lasting impact for others.

## **Cameron Lee, Secretary**

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Selena Cade has obtained her Bachelor's degree in Information Systems with a minor in Business and a Master's degree in Applied Computer Science from Grand Valley State University. During her Master's program she was a Graduate Assistant for the Charter Schools Office.

She is now starting her first job outside of college at Owens Corning in their Information Systems Developmental Program.

Outside of school, she loves to spend time with family and friends, travel, and go shopping. In her professional time, she has completed three internships and had the opportunity of being a part of various professional leadership programs.

## **Selena Cade, Member-at-Large**

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Amber Feys (Lee) has lived in Metro Detroit for the last 20+ years and she is a proud granddaughter of Dr. Aubrey W. Lee, Sr. She obtained her Master's Degree in Physician Assistant Studies from the University of Detroit Mercy and Bachelor of Arts Degree in Economics & Business from Kalamazoo College.

She was an active member of the undergraduate Black Student Organization (BSO). She also served as her class Vice President of William Beaumont Society (WBS) during graduate school. She currently works as a practicing Internal Medicine and Urgent Care Physician Assistant. She enjoys spending her free time with her husband, four month old son, additional family and friends.

## **Amber Feys, Member-at-Large**

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1974

- The National Association of Urban Bankers (NAUB) was established in New York City. Robert J. Samuels, inaugural president, along with Nathaniel Harris, Charles Stewart and other minority pioneers in banking, founded the national organization by bringing together five local unaffiliated minority banking chapters located in Boston, Chicago, Detroit, Little Rock and New York. However, **Dr. Aubrey W. Lee was instrumental in starting the Detroit Chapter in the 60's.**

1997

- The organization expanded its membership base into Canada, growing the reach into an international location and coverage to international finance issues.

2000

- In May 2000, the organization expanded once again to encompass the entire financial services industry and changed its name to Urban Financial Services Coalition (UFSC) to reflect its industry wide focus.

# UFSC National Organization Timeline

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## Our Mission

The mission UFSC Detroit is "To be the pre-eminent financial services organization that provides professional development programs, **supports educational advancement** and promotes economic empowerment for its members and minority communities at large".

# **UFSC Detroit Chapter: Our Mission**

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- In 2020, the Detroit Chapter refocused the organization's mission statement to support educational advancement, and a small scholarship committee was formed to execute this plan.
- In 2021 the scholarship committee decided to start a scholarship to honor the late Dr. Aubrey W. Lee, Sr legacy of educating, informing, and providing opportunities to the next generation. Dr. Lee paved the way for himself and so many others who were able to stand on his back as current leaders in banking.
- In 2022, the scholarship committee executed Dr. Aubrey W. Lee, Sr. scholarship, received ten applications, awarded five scholarships totaling over \$8,000, and received a generous donation from Dr. William Pickard.
- In 2023, we awarded \$8,000 in scholarships and continue to sow into the lives of future leaders. Our efforts will make a difference to support our college educated students in business and financial services.

# Scholarship Timeline

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Requirements - Award Amount \$2,000 - \$2,500 per Awardee  
(Honorable Mention Varies)

- Must be going into your Junior or Senior year of college
- Must be majoring in Finance and Business-related discipline
- African American Student
- Michigan Residence

Deadline: April 30, 2024

# **Scholarship Requirements**

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2024 UFSC Dr. Aubrey W. Lee, Sr.  
Scholarship Awardees

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## Awardee Kyla Matthews

- University of Detroit Mercy
- Bachelor: Accounting
- Working towards completing 5-year accelerated MBA program
- Dean's List
- Deloitte Intern (2022-2023)

**Amount Awarded: \$2,500**



Quote: “ Networking is pivotal in this endeavor, as building strong connections within the financial community can provide valuable insights and opportunities for advancement. Engaging with financial experts and attending industry events can help expand one's network and access valuable resources. Effective money management involves understanding income sources, tracking expenses, and making informed financial decisions.”

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## Awardee Brandon Poplar

- Delaware State University
- Bachelor: Finance Law Studies
- Associate Banker at M&T Bank (2024)
- Resident Assistant at Delaware State University (2023-Present)
- Dean's List
- Intern: Rocket Mortgage Operations (2024)

**Amount Awarded: \$2,000**



Quote: “As someone who has witnessed the transformative power of finance and business in uplifting communities, Dr. Lee's pioneering spirit and his commitment to mentoring future leaders inspire me to pursue a similar path. This scholarship represents more than financial support; it embodies the aspiration to make significant contributions to the finance industry, much like Dr. Lee did, and to leave a legacy of empowerment and progress for African American students like myself.”

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## Awardee Jada Tullos

- Alabama Agricultural and Mechanical University
- Bachelor: Marketing, Minor: Entrepreneurship
- Honor Roll 2020-Present
- Baptist Student Ministries: Bible Study Leader
- Intern: General Motors (2023-2024)

**Amount Awarded: \$750 (Honorable Mention)**



Quote: “Being willing to show up as our imperfect selves, while humbly embracing learning opportunities is not always an easy task, but it’s essential for developing knowledge. By doing so, we allow ourselves to be led out of our comfort zones and into an area filled with challenges that aid in building our character and endurance.”

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## Awardee Trinity Lawrence-Williams

- Florida A&M
- Bachelor: Business Administration
- Working towards completing 5-year accelerated MBA program
- Honor Roll
- Crowe LLP Consulting Intern (2022-2023)

**Amount Awarded: \$750 (Honorable Mention)**

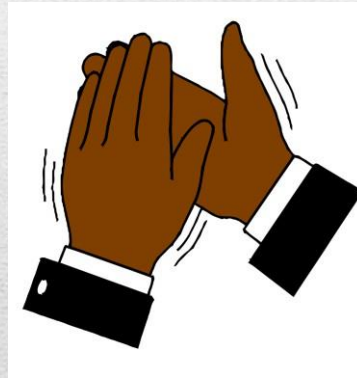


Quote: “Implementing financial literacy courses in schools is paramount to equipping students with essential life skills for navigating their financial futures. By introducing topics such as budgeting, saving, investing, and debt management into the curriculum, students gain practical knowledge that empowers them to make informed financial decisions. These courses not only provide students with the tools they need to achieve financial independence but also foster a sense of responsibility and preparedness for the challenges they may face in adulthood.”

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# Congratulations to the Scholarship Awardees



**Words of Wisdom**



Special thanks to our  
UFSC Supporters,  
Dr. Aubrey Lee's Family and  
friends!

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