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## **KEN CONSULTING Inc. Joins Innovation Transforms *What Works* in STEM National Campaign To Help Launch Innovation in Agriculture & Energy Summit 2019**

[KDM & Associates, LLC](#) and [KEN Consulting Inc.](#) have teamed to support data collection, analytics, and training services targeted for rural and urban Historically Black Colleges & University communities located in Opportunity Zones. The partnership will bring cutting-edge opportunities for key Federal agencies to collaborate with college faculty, future agriculture scientists, and technology professionals to better understand the application of STEM innovation in farming, energy, and food science. The first year of the 5-year Innovation in Agriculture & Energy Summit initiative is set to kick off December 4th-6th at Virginia State University in Petersburg Virginia

The KDM KEN Consulting partnership will provide precision analytics to ensure efficient, accurate, and comprehensive program evaluation for the five year initiative. The KDM-KCI partnership will assist the federal agencies effectively data collect and measure the economic development impact of the 52 identified Historically Black Colleges & Universities (1862 1890 Land Grant institutions) located in Opportunity Zones. KDM and KEN Consulting, LLC will work closely with the agriculture community and Universities around the country in concert with industry partners to link the science of agriculture, energy, and technology to the nation's workforce development, health innovation, and STEM innovation goals. The national Innovation campaign aligns with the federal government's initiative to advance a STEM Innovation to commercialization and manufacturing culture in America.

"The partnership between [KDM & Associates, LLC](#) and [KEN CONSULTING Inc.](#) is a timely addition to the KDM-Haynie Farms, Consulting LLC initiative" says Keith Moore, Chief Executive Officer of KDM, and Founder of Open Government TV, a Division of KDM & Associates, LLC. "We have been diligently searching for the right small business 8(a) company to provide our customers with data collection, data mining, statistical analysis, health information technology, survey research, program evaluation, performance measurements. "The partnership with KEN Consulting Inc. represents an exciting advancement for our business development, public relations, government affairs consulting firm Moore says, "

Dr. Herbert W. Thompson, PhD, Founder and CEO of KEN Consulting, LLC grew up on a farm and studied all facets of agriculture. Upon graduating from the Jamaica School of Agriculture, Dr. Thompson lead the University's small animal division where he assisted in conducting animal sciences laboratories, assisted instructors and students studying animal sciences and animal husbandry. For over 33 years, Dr. Herb Thompson has provided statistical/data analysis, application development, program management, SAS and SPSS programing. He has provided innovative statistical analysis, SAS programming, business intelligence and survey data analysis services. The firm's partial client list includes; CMS (Medicare and Medicaid), Pharmaceutical clinical studies, the U.S. Census Bureau, Banks,. "The Innovation in Agriculture & Energy Summit will inspire improved learning models and new ways of thinking as America seeks to recapture leadership in science, technology, engineering, mathematics and farming" says KCI's CEO, Dr. Herb Thompson. "KEN Consulting's proven metric evaluation capabilities will help the campaign confirm ***What Works*** in STEM in Ag & Energy".

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