



LEADERSHIP
OAKLAND

2026



WELCOME & ORIENTATION

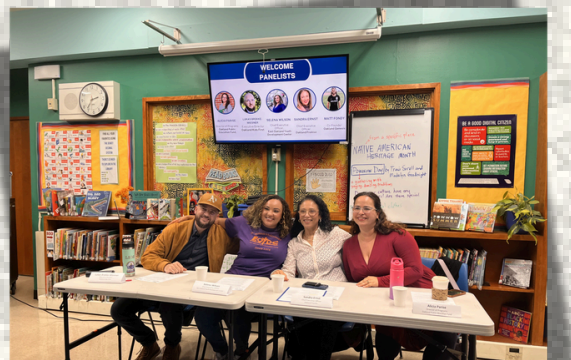
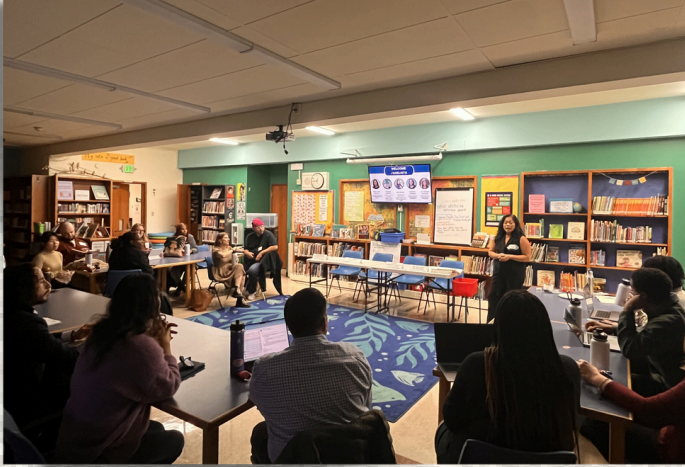
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SESSION 1: LEADERSHIP



SESSION 2: ARTS & EDUCATION



SESSION 3: GOVERNMENT, COMMISSIONS & BOARDS



SESSION 4: PUBLIC SAFETY



SESSION 5: HOUSING, HOMELESSNESS & EQUITY



SESSION 6: HEALTH & ENVIRONMENT



SESSION 7: CULTURE AND COMMUNICATION

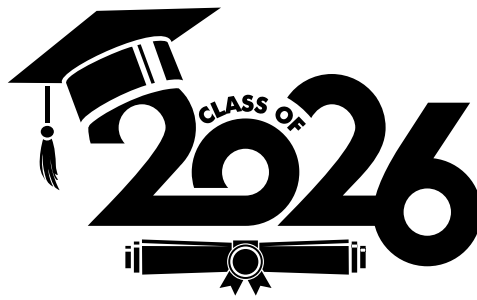


SESSION 8: BUSINESS & TRANSPORTATION



Graduation





CLASS OF
2026



Adrienne Batiste
Head Royce School



Amanda Chaudhary
McGuire and Hester



Brooke Shapiro
Self-Employed



Dondrea Morgan
League of Women
Voters



Eloise Middleton
Home By Eloise



Erika Benitez
Sister-to-Sister 2



Gian Fiero
Acumen Building
Enterprises



Harjit Singh
AC Transit



Heather Siglin
Montclair Village Association



Ida Hatchue
Boys and Girls Club



Isaiah Mays
Eden Housing



Katie DeWitt
Table 22



Kim Webb Palacios
SOS Meals on Wheels



Kira Pascoe
Oakland Parks and Rec



Latashia Perry
Munmon Real Estate



Leonel Cosio
The Unity Council



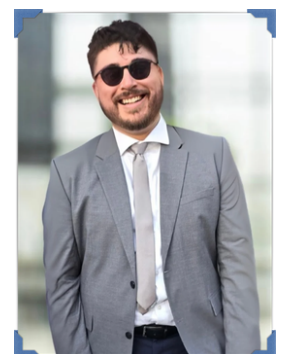
Linyi Nikki Yu
Oakland Chinatown
Chamber



Marjon Saulon
Port of Oakland



Mary Hekl
Hively



Richie Flores
Jack London Improvement
District



Sarah Sims
Claremont Resort and Spa



Sean Brekke-Miesner
Mandela Partners



Antonio Ruben Isais
Stanford Health



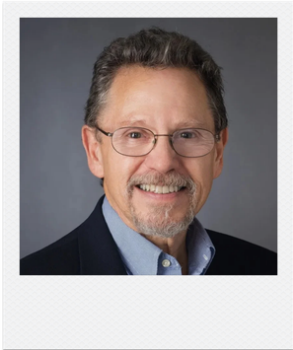
Valarie Taylor
Oakland Elizabeth House



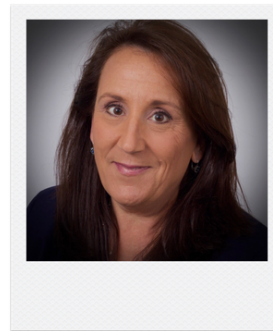
Congratulations to the Leadership Oakland Class of 2026!

As graduates of the program ourselves, we know firsthand the value and impact of the journey you have just completed. Congratulations on time well spent. We expect great things from this exceptional class.

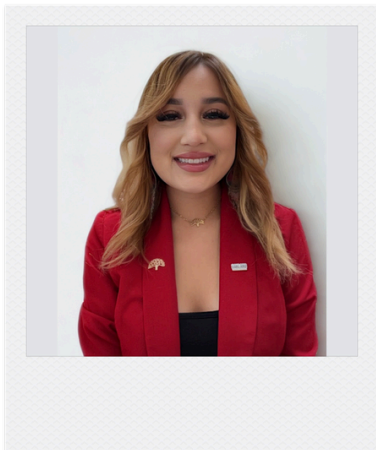
You now join the distinguished ranks of Leadership Oakland alumni, a network of business, nonprofit, and civic leaders deeply committed to strengthening and supporting the Oakland community. We hope you continue to apply what you learned through Leadership Oakland in both your personal and professional lives, and in your future civic contributions to our city. Most importantly, we encourage you to stay connected with one another and remain engaged with the broader Leadership Oakland alumni community. The relationships, perspectives, and experiences built through this program will continue to shape Oakland's future for years to come.



Zack Wasserman
Chair Emeritus
Oakland Metropolitan
Chamber of Commerce



Barbara Leslie
President & CEO
Oakland Metropolitan
Chamber of Commerce



Josephine Guzman
Leadership Oakland
Program Director

Congratulations to the Class of 2026! It has been an honor to support and lead this year's Leadership Oakland journey. Your commitment to leadership, collaboration, and community impact and service is truly inspiring. I'm excited to see how each of you continues to shape Oakland's future with purpose and vision.

THANK YOU

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