

MINORITY MILLENNIALS HOST 1200+ YOUTH AT NASSAU COLISEUM FOR 2ND ANNUAL "WE ARE THE FUTURE" SUMMIT POWERED BY SANDS NY

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Millennials, a nonprofit civic and youth development organization, hosted its 2nd annual "We Are the Future Summit," on Friday, May 31, 2024, from 9 AM to 1 PM at Nassau Coliseum. Powered by Sands NY, the summit featured an enriching lineup of groundbreaking sessions, keynote presentations from thought leaders, elected officials, and influencers. Additionally, the event showcased live performances by the 80 member Uniondale Marching Band & Steppers, Uniondale Jazz Band and Hempstead High School graduate Rising HipHop Star Chow Lee, adding a dynamic cultural element to inspire and engage attendees.

As the title sponsor, Sands NY is integral to the summit, supporting a new initiative to create a diverse local talent pipeline through pre-apprenticeships and procurement opportunities connected to their proposal for a multi-billion-dollar integrated resort at the Nassau Hub. This collaboration will enable Minority Millennials to further their mission of empowering young people of color with access to jobs, wealth building, and enhanced civic engagement.

Ron Reese, Senior Vice President of Global Communications and Corporate Affairs at Las Vegas Sands, added, "This partnership exemplifies our commitment to not only develop a world-class entertainment and hospitality facility but also to invest in the local workforce and community. We are excited to see how this summit will open doors for many young professionals across Long Island."

Dan Lloyd, Founder and President of Minority Millennials, highlighted the summit's

comprehensive approach: "We are thrilled to bring together an eclectic mix of culture, policy, and professional development at this year's summit. Alongside the inspiring talks and sessions, we will host a vibrant array of performances that reflect the cultural richness of our community."

Haugland Group and Vineyard Offshore led as Workforce Development and Clean Energy Sponsors, that helped to feature an extensive career fair, providing attendees the chance to connect with leading companies and organizations from emerging industries such as offshore wind, construction, manufacturing, and more. The career fair will include opportunities for onthe-spot job applications, interviews, and networking, helping to bridge the gap between Long Island's youth and local economic opportunities.

Although entrepreneurship is popular with a lot of young people, Billy Haugland II said not to count out trade careers such as construction and touted the benefits of a union job. He's CEO of Haugland Group in Melville, an infrastructure services holding company.

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"Clean energy not only preserves our environment for future generations, but it holds immense potential for sustainable and equitable career paths for youth and people early in their careers," said Andrea Bonilla, Senior Manager of External Affairs at Vineyard Offshore. "We are proud to partner with Minority Millennials to help make this clean energy future a reality."

About Minority Millennials: Founded in 2017, Minority Millennials, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) organization committed to bridging the gap between policy and culture. Their mission is to help young people of color access, jobs, build wealth and become civically engaged. https://minoritymillennials.org

About Sands NY: Las Vegas Sands, the world's leading gaming and hospitality company, has announced plans to build a multi-billion dollar casino, entertainment, and hospitality project on Long Island, New York. https://sandsnewyork.com/about/

About Haugland Group: Established in 1999, Haugland Group LLC is an infrastructure services holding company with affiliates that provide a wide range of energy and civil construction services. Our team brings decades of experience in the fields of engineering, design/build, project management, project finance and development. An extensive bonding capacity allows the Haugland Group Companies to manage projects of any size. https://hauglandgroup.us

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