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2023 Tabor 100 Crystal Eagle Awardees

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Happy October!

The leaves are turning brown and yellow, and here at Tabor 100, we are recovering from a successful Gala and looking forward to continue widening opportunities for Black and Brown businesses and our communities in the future.

I want to thank all of you who sponsored, attended, helped plan and worked at the Gala this year. I was pleased to see so many Tabor 100 member businesses in attendance. While the speeches were good and the food outstanding, I appreciate the chance to honor those who have toiled so long on our behalf and serve as role models for all of us.

Our keynote speaker talked about “moving through life with humility.” In observing, for many years, the individuals who received Crystal Eagle Awards, I must say the consistent bond among them is that they all “move through life with humility.”

I have watched each of them accomplish big things without wearing it on their sleeve. The kids who are now

prospering because of Annette Malveaux’s decades-long work, the businesses and workers doing well because of Leslie Jones’ commitment and the minority workers we see at Ezell’s everyday, are impressive. Let me not forget Doug Baldwin, a Hall of Fame-bound football player who has given much to his community on and off the field and Regina, an incredible individual who has ensured prosperity for many. And Paula Sardinias whose work in Olympia and elsewhere uplifts our community.

I am also bouyed by the entrepreneurial success of Efrem Fehasa and, of course, Mian Rice, toiling in the trenches carving out new opportunities for Tabor members and others. All of our inductees exhibit

humility and purpose and deserve our support and yours.

While I focus on those who have created a place for themselves as “givers” and not “takers,” I do not want to forget the young people Tabor 100 has helped achieve their dreams and become the next Doug Baldwin’s and Regina Glenn’s. We have now awarded significant scholarships to almost 100 students and will redouble our commitment to that effort in the future.

Ollie Garrett | CEO and President



Door Swings

October 2023 | 668
 2023 Year to Date | 6,428
 Since Opening | 15,546

September/October visitors breakdown WHAT THEY CAME FOR:

- 36.6% – Business Meeting**
 - 10% – Technical Assistance and Networking**
- Most popular days at the HUB –
 Thursday and Saturday



New Members

SEPTEMBER

Barbara Wingerson
 University of
 Washington

Carlondo Mitchell
 5th House Farms

Clarence Dancer
 ACE Academy

David Long
 Labr

Dr. William Bradford
 University of
 Washington

Kelsea Pullin
 PCL Construction

Lawrence Garrett
 Eight Twenty-Eight
 Consulting

Linda Kennedy
 LK Media

Siliveinusi Niu
 Concorde Electric Inc

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 TTYSON,LLC

Veronica Very
 Wonder of Women
 International

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Ayan Musse
 Musse & Associates

Gwen Hosea-Mimms
 QTDBusinessSolutions.
 com

Karlton Daniel
 Atkinson Construction,
 LLC

Martin Johnson
 Thurlow Group

Porsche Blake
 Kukula Wines LLC

Sabrina Smith
 Umpqua Bank

Souleymane Ba
 Keller Williams

Samatar Guled
 Safe Routes LLC

SAVE *the* DATE

- 7** November **Clases de RCP DEA en espanol**
 10:00 AM @ The Hub
- 9** November **King County Hybrid Workshop,**
 9 - 11:00 AM (limited to 20 people)
 @ The Hub
- 15** November **OMWBE Business Certification**
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
 @ The Hub
- 15** November **WA State Senators, PLAs & CWAs,**
 10:30 AM - Noon **Prevailing Wage, Apprenticeship**
 @ The Hub **Utilization**
- 16** November **Cornerstone General Contractors**
 2:30 - 4:30 PM **"Connect & Build Outreach"**
 @ The Hub

Tabor 100 welcomes Sharyka Webster

by Nija Sims

Tabor 100 is thrilled to welcome our latest addition to the team, Sharyka Webster. Sharyka has joined the Tabor 100 family as one of our new Project Program Coordinators.

Sharyka brings a wealth of skills, enthusiasm, and positivity that we are eager to embrace.

Sharyka has a strong background working in nonprofits with her last role being a Community-based Outreach Doula. It brings her joy to have a positive impact on the lives of others which is in perfect alignment with Tabor 100's core values.

Sharyka is a Native American\Alaska Native. She shares a strong will to advocate for others and fight for what she believes is right. In our diverse team, we value the unique backgrounds and talents that each member brings.

Sharyka's journey has been defined by her commitment to excellence and her desire to uplift those around her. As she embarks on this new chapter with Tabor 100, she is eager to apply her knowledge and skills to foster positive change in the lives of the community we serve.

When Sharyka isn't busy excelling at work, she enjoys indulging in her creative passions such as DIY projects, makeup and reading. She especially enjoys a good mystery. Sharyka is also a busy Mommy of 5 with her kids ages ranging from 2 to 14 years old.



If you see her around the hub, say hey! She is a great conversationalist and has already made a lasting impression on our team. If you would like to welcome her or have any questions please reach out her her;

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Please join us in extending a warm welcome to Sharyka Webster as she embarks on this exciting journey with us.

Electrifying the Road

by Nija Sims

As the world shifts towards sustainable and eco-friendly solutions, the transportation industry is undergoing a profound transformation. One of the most exciting innovations in recent years is the emergence of electric car share services such as ZEV Co-Op! Now available to Tabor 100 Members. Feel free to download the ZEV co-op mobile app to begin the process of getting approved to drive.

Underserved communities are often faced with the challenges of economic, health, environmental, and transportation burdens. Traditional gasoline-powered vehicles contribute to air pollution and are a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions, exacerbating health issues such as respiratory diseases. A lack of transportation options can hinder residents' access to essential services, job opportunities, education, and healthcare, perpetuating cycles of poverty.

Combining the convenience of ride-sharing with the environmental benefits of electric vehicles (EVs), ZEV is revolutionizing urban mobility and paving the way for a cleaner and more efficient future.

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This groundbreaking initiative promises to reshape the way we navigate urban landscapes, setting the stage for a cleaner and more sustainable tomorrow.

Now available to all qualified Tabor 100 members! So, whether you're a tech enthusiast, an eco-warrior, or simply someone who's curious about the electric revolution, it's time to buckle up and embark on a journey toward a brighter,

cleaner, and more thrilling future with ZEV co-op. The road ahead has never looked this electrifying!

Please contact Nija.Sims@tabor100.org for more information



Tabor 100 Membership Meeting/Workshops



Scholarship Winners

Fred Maxie - 3,000

Nyasha Chikwinya
Sophomore, North Carolina A&T
Major: Fashion Merchandising/ Design



Bio: My name is Nyasha Chickwina from Puyallup, Washington. Am a second year student attending North Carolina Agricultural and Technical state university pursuing a four year degree. My primary interests are music, arts, writing, and sports because they give me a sense of self expression. My future goals are to be a business owner and to create an organization for students who are struggling to pay for college. I believe that everyone has the right to an education if they choose to pursue it.

Langston Tabor- \$2,500

Grace Williams
Senior, Langston University
Major: Health & Physical Education



Bio: I am a senior at Langston University, majoring in Health and Physical Education. My main goal is to be able to work with professional athletes, so I'd love to become a Physical Therapist for the WNBA or the NBA. My father has had a long time relationship as a member of Tabor 100, and I'm happy that this scholarship helps to offset some of the cost of my college education.

Langston Tabor- \$2,500

Tre Seydel
Sophomore, Cornerstone University
Major: Health & Physical Education



Bio: My name is Tre Seydel and I am an incoming Sophomore at Cornerstone University in Grand Rapids, Michigan. I grew up in Western Washington living primarily in Raymond, Washington. I am currently playing college basketball for Cornerstone University and enrolled in Pre-med. My future goals are to attend medical school and become a trauma surgeon. As a doctor, I hope to be able to help my community in more ways than just physical healing, but also give back to others. This scholarship has been an incredible help for making college more affordable for me and my family. Being awarded a scholarship through Tabor 100, a business that my dad, Dan Seydel, has been involved in for many years, means so much to us. This scholarship is also one of the greatest reasons why I have been able to continue my education and athletic career at a college that aligns with my values. I am extremely excited to begin my second year of college and I am so thankful that Tabor 100 is assisting me in my education.

Langston Tabor-\$2,500

Aubrie Cheatham
Junior, Heritage University
Major: Nursing



Bio: My name is Aubrie Cheatham. Currently a Junior in my nursing program, I grew up in Federal Way and moved to Yakima to continue school at my small school Heritage. A new interest I have found while living out here is baking and trying new recipes. I have also started a new cooking adventure and am learning about that and just happy that in this past year I have not given myself any food poisoning. I hope that in the future I will be able to have an impact on my community being a black nurse. Healthcare can be intimidating and, without having representation of people who look like you it can be a rough time. This scholarship has meant that I am able to continue school without a large financial burden and able to relieve some of the stress of continuing my program

Langston Tabor- \$2,500

Shawn Liu
Junior, Oregon State University
Major: Bio Health Science; Chemistry Minor



Bio: My name is Shawn Liu, from Portland OR. I am a third-year Bio Health Science major with a Chemistry minor at Oregon State University. My primary interests include running an online marketplace I started in 2019, and spending time with my 3 year-old dog, June. In the near future, I want to attend medical school and become a medical professional. The Tabor 100 scholarship I received means more to me than financial assistance, to me it symbolizes an opportunity and validation of my aspirations to become a medical professional.

Langston Tabor- \$2,500

Kymri Euell
Freshman, Indiana University
Major: Finance



Bio: Kymri Euell, received her high school diploma from Graham Kapowsin High School and an Associate of Business from Pierce Community College in 2023. During her time in high school she participated in varsity volleyball, varsity track and field, leadership, student government ASB, National Honor Society and Wind Ensemble band as an euphonium player. Aside from sports and music, Kymri also enjoyed supporting her community as a long-time member of the Girl Scouts and Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. Rhoer Club. Kymri is currently attending Indiana State University as a direct admittance into the Kelley School of Business this fall and majoring in finance. Receiving the scholarship from Tabor 100 will aid me to achieve

my future plans and long-term goals of obtaining a degree in finance which will help me to master skills that will prepare me for real-world job responsibilities.

Having a degree in Finance will lead to interesting challenges, employer demand, returns on my investments, problem solving and increased attention to details. In turn I will be able to use these skills to help people in my community which will lead to building more generational wealth.

Mel Streeter- \$1,000

Harmony Grace
Freshman, University of Washington
Major: Human-centered Design and engineering



Bio: Hi, My name is Harmony Grace, and I was born in Seattle, WA! My passion revolves around art, but I'm also drawn to technology. That's why I've chosen to major in Human-centered Design and Engineering at UW. Through this major, my aim is to become a UX Designer, which merges creativity and design with technology. My future will incorporate my artistic passion, technological curiosity, which will lead me to a fulfilling creative-tech career. This scholarship means a lot to me because it showcases a group of people that supports me and my college endeavors.

PEMCO- \$900

Bradeon Gipson
Senior, Seattle University
Major: Computer Science

Bio: I am a Software Engineer as well as a Computer Science major graduating this fall 2023. My only goal is to live a financially stable, independent life and explore the world with my partner. The Tabor 100 scholarship is crucial to me because it represents not only financial support for my education but also an affirmation of my dedication and potential. It enables me to pursue my academic and career aspirations without the burden of overwhelming student debt, allowing me to focus on my studies and personal growth.

PEMCO-\$900

Amadeus Eckart
Senior, Seattle University
Major: Business



Bio: I am a Senior at Seattle University, majoring in Business with an interest in Graphic Design. All of my employers required me to be organized, attentive, efficient, reliable, consistent, and communicative. Three years of workforce experience in retail businesses has helped me gain the ability to adapt and learn multiple skills that are keys to completing an excellent job. Really pleased to have this Tabor 100/PEMCO scholarship, because every scholarship helps reduce my financial aid burden, and I appreciate the support from Tabor 100, which works with minority businesses.

PEMCO- \$900

Alexis B.C. Salomon
Freshman, Seattle University
Major: Business



Bio: I am currently attending the Albers School of Business and Economics at SU. Upon graduating in 2025, I plan to fulfill medical requirements to further my education in a Physician Assistant Graduate Program. This Scholarship is important to me because it gives me the financial opportunity to further my education and fulfill my dreams. I am honored to receive funding from Tabor 100/PEMCO in order to use my knowledge and skills to help improve the lives of others.

PEMCO-\$900

Briana Jones
Freshman, Seattle University
Major: Business

Bio: Briana is a freshman Business Marketing major at Seattle University, set to graduate in June 2027. Upon graduation, her immediate goals are to seek experience in the field of business, expanding her knowledge and skills in marketing and other aspects of business. To me, community service is a way of restoring balance to society. With my family in Atlanta, I've had some experience in working for and giving back to the community. This Tabor 100 scholarship means a lot to me as recognition around working together to provide for others.

William Bradford Scholar- \$4,500

Rachel Joshua
Junior, University of Washington
Major: Business



Bio: Rachel is from Auburn, Washington and is pursuing a dual degree in Sociology and Business, and minor in Data science. As an interdisciplinary thinker, Rachel finds the intersection of technology and social science fascinating. Rachel is incredibly grateful to be a Tabor 100 scholarship recipient. This scholarship has given her the courage to pursue experiential learning through a study abroad program, something she never even considered when beginning her college journey. (Rachel spent 5 months in New Zealand taking Sociology and Business courses) As Rachel is still exploring different career paths, a few that are of great interest to her are product management, management professor, and venture capitalist. In her spare time, Rachel likes to read, go on hikes, and play with her dog, Happy. This Tabor 100 scholarship made a significant impact on my financial aid for the past few years. I'm especially pleased to have a minority business organization such as Tabor 100 support my undergraduate degree work.

Tabor 100 | 2023 Crystal Eagle Awards



Breaking the Chains | 2023 Gala – Dessert Dash



Breaking the Chains | Scenes from the Tabor 100 2023 Gala





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