

2022 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Young Dreamers

Greizy Beckles

Greizy Beckles was raised by a single mother and started her volunteer journey at an early age. Greizy has lived in Winston-Salem all her life and has been an active participant in helping the lower income families through her volunteer activities. Since elementary school, she has been an asset for the Spanish-speaking community in assisting them with translation/interpretation/cultural diversity. Greizy has demonstrated compassion and empathy when dealing with the public and their challenges/problems. She has been an active part of many events that involve direct contact with the community and she continues to volunteer as her schedule permits. Greizy is committed to assisting those whose voice may not be heard or the population that may be overlooked.

Abrea Armstrong

Abrea Armstrong was nominated for her outstanding work with HUSTLE Winston-Salem and the Winston-Salem Urban League's Young Professionals. Armstrong led the voter side of the Winston-Salem Urban League's Reclaim the Vote effort. Her leadership resulted in six voter engagement events geared to energize and engage voters. There is no doubt Armstrong's leadership improved Forsyth County's voter turnout. Armstrong has been a visible and thoughtful leader for young people in Forsyth County. Abrea's leadership as president of the Winston-Salem Urban League Young Professionals strives to, and achieves, an inclusive thoughtfulness—by recognizing both the economic disparities present in Winston-Salem and the opportunities here to elevate yourself and live out their dreams. She has been successful in building authentic bridges to drive corporate collaborations and partnerships with companies such as Atrium Health, Inmar and Kaplan Early Learning. Ms. Armstrong is an amazing community leader who embodies the essence of the Young Dreamer award.