The Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Committee (MLKCC) was established by the Montgomery County Council in 1976 to foster our local community observance and recognition of the outstanding contributions of Dr. King. Montgomery County pays special tribute to him for having awakened our nation to the need for nonviolent social change and racial equality.

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Montgomery County Executive Isiah Leggett and the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemorative Committee Present the 19th Annual Birthday Tribute & Celebration

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Sunday, January 20, 2013
3:00 p.m.
The Music Center at Strathmore
5301 Tuckerman Lane
North Bethesda, Maryland 20852

HIS dream...!Act...WE change!
Welcome by Ms. Yvonne Stephens, Chair, MLKCC

*A Presentation of Colors: The Montgomery County Law Enforcement Color Guard

*National Anthem: Ms. Katherine Espinaza, James Hubert Blake High School

Invocation: Rev. Dr. Sterling King, Macedonia Baptist Church, Bethesda, Maryland

*Turning Around For Me: Mr. Mitchell Fleming and Company, Mr. Jarad Mata, Soloist

Greetings, Remarks and Proclamation Presentation: The Honorable Isiah Leggett, Montgomery County Executive

Remarks: The Honorable Chris Van Hollen, Congressman

Recognition of Elected Officials: The Honorable Nancy Navarro, President, Montgomery County Council

*If I Had A Hammer: Rev. Rick Hill

*Spring of Everlasting Hope: Mr. Mitchell Fleming and Company, Mr. Jarad Mata, Soloist

Presentation of Montgomery County Literary Award: The Honorable Nancy Navarro, President, Montgomery County Council

Presentation of the Montgomery County Literary Award: The Honorable Sidney A. Katz, Mayor of Gaithersburg

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Awardees
Miss Maya Walker 5th Grade, Gaithersburg Elementary
Master Joey Lambert 3rd Grade, Oakland Terrace Elementary

Honorable Mention
Miss Carol Lin 1st Grade, Ashbury Elementary

“We Win”: Ms. Kristian Lauren

“I Like Me”: Finest! IMPACT Performance Troupe!

A Tribute to Dr. King: Dr. Ulysses Glee

“You Raise Me Up”: Miss Candance Moore and Mr. Ralph Moore

Visual Arts Recognition: Dr. Gregory E. Bell, Supervisor, Equity Initiative Unit, Montgomery County Public Schools

*Presentation of Colors: Ms. Leah Onouha, “Ev’Liar”, Original Composition

Recognition of Partners and Sponsors: Ms. Susan Peavy, Staff Liaison, MLKCC

*Greatest Love of All: Ms. Angelique Perkins, Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart

Presentation of the Children of the Dream Award: The Honorable Isiah Leggett, Mayor of Gaithersburg

Awardees: Mr. Robert Zagorski

Circle of Honor Awardees: The Honorable Isiah Leggett, Mr. James Stowe

Circle of Honor: Mr. Bruce Adams, Director, Community Partnerships

Circle of Honor Recipients: Mr. George Sealy (posthumous), Rev. Dr. Ruby Reese Moore, Dr. Percy Thomas, Ms. Darlene Roots-Douglass, Commander James A. Fenner, Jr.

*“Never Give Up”: Ms. Valerie Dawkins

**“We Shall Overcome”: Everyone

Benediction: Rev. Adam Briddell, Bethesda United Methodist Church, Bethesda, Maryland