

CORDY TINDELL VIVIAN

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**PRESIDENTIAL MEDAL OF FREEDOM RECIPIENT DR. C.T. VIVIAN TO SPEAK ABOUT HIS VISION  
AND WORK UNDER DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR., THURSDAY, JAN.25 AT WCCCD  
DOWNTOWN CAMPUS**

DETROIT, Mich., – Jan. 16, 2018– The nationally renowned minister, author and Presidential Medal of Freedom Recipient, Reverend Dr. C.T. Vivian, will speak at the Wayne County Community College District Downtown Campus at 12:30 p.m. Thursday, January 25. The Downtown Campus is located at 1001 West Fort Street in Detroit.

The event, open to the public at no cost, is part of the District’s Global Speakers Series, and is presented in partnership with the WCCCD Student Services Division.

Dr. Vivian will discuss his history with Dr. King, as well as his “Upper Bound Movement,” a program that aims to help students attend college with scholarship opportunities.

Dr. Vivian, a prominent minister, author, and community organizer was a close friend and member of the executive staff of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. He has been at the forefront of the civil rights movement for the past 70 years.

In 2008, Dr. Vivian founded the Atlanta-based C.T. Vivian Leadership Institute, Inc., which developed a leadership model for the next generation of civil rights and global human rights leaders and organizers. In addition to the Institute, Dr. Vivian also founded the Black Action Strategies and Information Center which became the nation’s oldest multiculturalism and diversity consultancy firm.

Dr. Vivian received the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Obama in August of 2013. He has provided counsel to several former Presidents including Barack Obama, advised foreign Heads of State, has addressed the United Nations, and served many social and human progress causes.

For more information on this event, please call 313-496-2704 or visit [www.wcccd.edu](http://www.wcccd.edu).

**About WCCCD:** WCCCD, the largest urban community college in Michigan, is a multi-campus district with six campus locations, including the Mary Ellen Stempfle University Center and the Michigan Institute for Public Safety Education (MIPSE), serving more than 70,000 credit and non-credit students annually across 36 cities and townships, and more than 500 square miles. WCCCD is committed to the continued development of new programs, workforce transformation, hosting community-based training sessions, and improving student facilities and services. For more information, visit [www.wcccd.edu](http://www.wcccd.edu)

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