

Turning Philanthropic Purpose into Meaningful Practice

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Albert R. Walker, III, Th. M, M. Div. serves as Director for Health Equity and Community Engagement for Richmond Memorial Health Foundation (RMHF). In this role, Albert directs the Health Equity Action Leadership (HEAL) Initiative--a reimagination of civic action through place-based leadership development in communities of color in the Richmond Region. He also stewards the foundation's racial equity goals. For Albert, his current position is the perfect culmination of more than 18 years of working at the intersection of community and health equity. This journey began at Charity Family Life, a non-profit founded by his parents. He later went on to serve as Community-Academic Liaison at Virginia Commonwealth University's Center on Society and Health and as Director of Healthy Communities for Bon Secours Richmond Health System. Albert is a 2020 Civic Fellow at Seattle-based Citizen University where he is deepening his expertise civic engagement. Albert is passionate about reimaging neighborhoods and cities in a way that improves the social determinants of health for all but especially those on the margins. He believes doing so requires acknowledging our history, engaging those with lived expertise, and exploring innovative solutions to today's challenges. When he's not working, Albert enjoys walking his two rescue dogs or visiting the farmer's market with his wife, Jameca, and daughters, Jasmine and London. He is insanely curious and open to interesting podcast recommendations