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BLACK HISTORY MONTH '23

BHM SPOTLIGHT: LUDLEY HOWARD

Pride Youth Services, Inc.
Founder & CEO





Tell us a little bit about your organization.

The mission of PYS, Inc., is to positively influence and improve the social, emotional, and physical development of African American youth and their families by providing them with resources and skills essential to making healthy and positive choices as they deal with life's challenges.

Tell us a little bit about YOU!

Ludley Howard, LCSW-C, LICSW, received his B.A Degree in Psychology from McDaniel College and Master of Social Work Degree from Smith College located in Northampton, MA. He is a licensed clinical social worker (in MD, DC & PA), with over 33 years of expertise and experience in working with adolescents and adults in a variety of settings, including residential and community-based programs. Mr. Howard's vision of creating effective, culturally competent services for African American youth and their families led to the founding of Pride Youth Services (PYS), Inc. in February 2001 and The Howard Group, LLC in 2010.

How did you get into your particular field?

Ludley always had a passion for working with African American teenagers in developing their skills and talents in a host of areas, including the development of soft and hard skills needed to be successful in pursuing employment opportunities.





What do you enjoy most about your job?

The pleasure and privilege of being able to support African American teens (especially young men) as they strive to reach their full potential in various areas of their lives. For example, Pride Youth Services, Inc., has been in the position to offer former students involved in our programs as teens employment opportunities as they reach adulthood.

Tell us about your hobbies & interests outside of work.

Ludley is an avid scuba diver and enjoys listening to blues and jazz music, spending quality time with family and friends, and being actively involved in his church community.





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