

National Coalition of Black Women

Omaha Chapter, Inc.



POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

As a volunteer based advocacy organization, the National Coalition of 100 Black Women realizes that to truly impact systemic change, we must be engaged in policy making roles and bodies. To this end, it is vitally important that black women not only vote at every opportunity, but also seek opportunities to hold elected and appointed offices most impacting our communities.

The Omaha Chapter has partnered with the Women's Fund of Greater Omaha since 2005 for the "Ready to Run" program. This annual, one-day seminar unites current and former female elected officials, with perspective officer holders to share experiences and learn the keys for success when running for elected office. Topics include making the decision to run, getting the word out, raising money and spending it wisely, building a base of support and making your connections count.

NCBW supports this event specifically to assure that women of color receive the training, resources and motivation needed for perspective candidates. The program also allows NCBW to identify perspective candidates who can and will best represent the needs and the voice of women of color on elected boards, councils, commissions, and policy making bodies.