

National Park Service Partnership at UofSC





Brooker T. Washington High School

Event: On Tuesday, September 27, 2022, SCHAC Director of Consultant Service Division, Mr. Dan Koon attended the partnership announcement between the Center for Civil Rights History and Research at the University of South Carolina and the National Park Service at the former Booker T. Washington High School in Columbia.

Background:

Under a five-year agreement with the park service, the center will receive \$3.4 million to expand the center's existing work in civil rights education and scholarly research, including support for exhibits and programming at South Carolina sites in the African American Civil Rights Network. The center will help to grow the network in South Carolina by serving as a resource to property owners, community leaders and organizations interested in joining the network.

Congress created the African American Civil Rights Network in 2017 to present a comprehensive narrative of the people, places and events associated with the African American civil rights movement in the United States. The network encompasses historic sites, museums, libraries and interpretive programs to commemorate, honor and understand the history, significance and ongoing relevance of the movement.