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Recognition and Best Practice Sessions Highlight the Tri-State Diversity and Leadership Conference

On August 27th, 2015, the Tri-State Diversity Council hosted the 5th Annual Tri-State Diversity and Leadership Conference at The New Yorker Hotel in New York City, New York. Through partnerships with Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield, SMBC, and many others the conference provided a platform for dialogue on inclusion and diversity-related issues that impact the region. This year's theme was, "Imagine Inclusion!"

"The conference gave over 250 attendees the opportunity to explore tools and resources to transform diversity awareness into actionable results," said Dennis Kennedy, Founder and CEO of the National Diversity Council.



The event began with registration and a networking session, followed by a breakfast in which the Most Powerful and Influential Women of Tri-State were honored. Amy Whitley, Chief Diversity and Inclusion Officer of UPS, served as the breakfast keynote.

Following the breakfast the conference offered over 20 concurrent sessions addressing a variety of topics such as, "Navigating Your Career," "Succeeding at Work & Life 24/7," "Learning to Lead," and "Diversity Best Practice Round Table."

During lunch, business executives were recognized with the Multicultural Leadership Award for their career achievements. Laurel Richie President of the Women's National Basketball Association (WNBA), served as the luncheon keynote speaker.

The Tri-State Diversity Council would like to thank the sponsors, speakers, and attendees for helping make this year's conference a success.