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Khayriyyah H. Ali is a staunch supporter and advocate of adult and higher education initiatives that assist underserved and underrepresented populations.

Ms. Ali currently serves as the Executive Director of the Queens Educational Opportunity Center of the State University of New York. The Center, administered by York College of the City University of New York (CUNY), supports the academic and career training of more than 1,000 students annually to prepare them for the workforce or for future higher education opportunities. In addition to her work with CUNY, Ms. Ali is also the Project Director of the largest Test Assessing Secondary Completion (TASC) testing site in the United States. TASC replaced the GED exam in New York State.

Ms. Ali has worked for more than 40 years in the areas of adult education, youth development and human services, community and economic development and community mental health. She mentors youth and several non-profit organization leaders, sharing her professional expertise and commitment in service to her local community.

In addition to her membership with numerous community service organizations and agencies, Ms. Ali is currently an officer and board member of the York College Family and Child Center and the South East Queens Muslim Collective, and serves as Vice President of the EOC Director's Association. Ms. Ali is also a certified Holistic Aromatherapist and is the owner of a small business in Jamaica, New York.

A graduate of New York Institute of Technology's Master of Professional Studies (MPS) and Behavioral Science (BS) programs, Ms. Ali is married, a mother and grandmother.