

**“HISTORICAL AND LEGISLATIVE
CONTEXT FOR SECTION 21
AND THE
NEED FOR MINORITY RESEARCHERS”**

DR. BOBBIE J. ATKINS





Winona LaDuke

“We are a part of everything that is beneath us, above us, and around us. Our past is our present, our present is our future, and our future is seven generations past and present.”

1969/ Resolution 14

**Mr. Vernon Hawkins and Mr. Henry Williams plus
others**

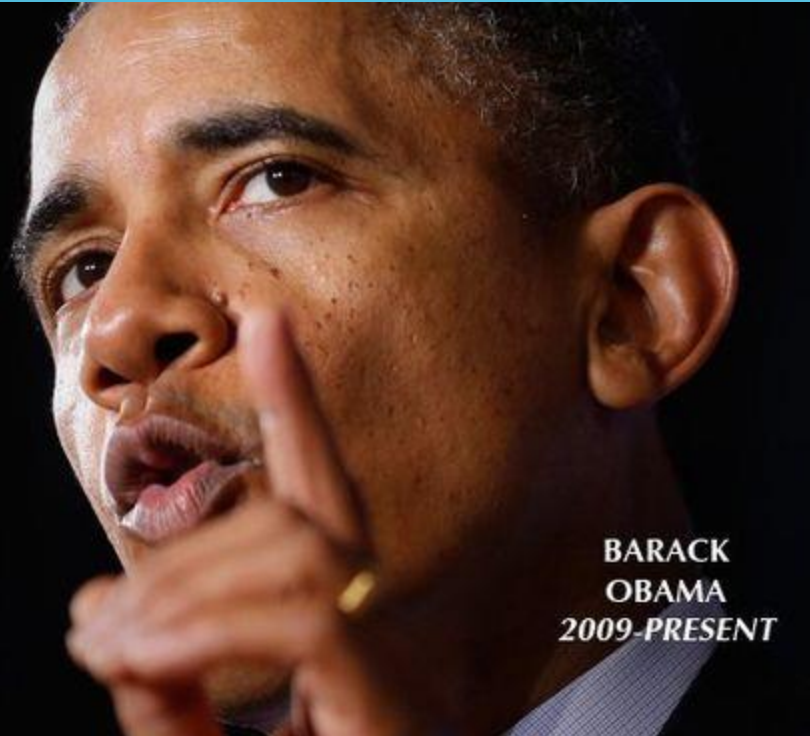
**National Association of Non-white Rehabilitation
Workers (NANWRW)**

**The National Association of Multicultural
Rehabilitation Concerns (NAMRC)**

**The first Rehabilitation Research & Training Center(RRTC)
funded through the National Institute on Disability and
Rehabilitation Research (NIDRR) Focused on POC
Howard University
The late Dr. Sylvia Walker (PWD)**

**Two RRTCs focused on American Indians located at the
University of Arizona in Tucson (UA)
Dr. Pricilla Sanderson
And
Northern Arizona University (NAU)
National Council on Disability (NCD)
Ms. Ethel Briggs**

**“Your
voice can
change the
world.”**



BARACK
OBAMA
2009-PRESENT



Cesar Chavez

“The people united will never be defeated.”

SIGNIFICANT LEGISLATIVE MANDATES

Section 610(j) of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA)

Section 21 of the Rehabilitation Act Amendments of 1992

Atkins' Seminal Research



Congressman Major Robert Odell Owens

Known as the Rapping Congressman
(1936-2013)

**Rehabilitation Cultural Diversity Initiative (RCDI), Dr. Bobbie J. Atkins,
National Coordinator**

**Consortia of Administrators for Native American Rehabilitation (CANAR)
Dr. Ken Galea'i and Ms. Treva Roanhorse**

American Indian Vocational Rehabilitation (AIVR) Programs

**Capacity-Building Projects (funding ended, 2013) (Ms. Ellen Chesley,
RSA, Project Officer and Mr. Dan Hopkins, National Project Coordinator)**

LU RRTC and Section 21



**THE 27TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES
ACT (ADA) THIS YEAR!**

**OWN YOUR GIFTS
DON'T BE AFRAID OF YOUR GIFTS
AND
SHARE YOUR GIFTS**

Needs of & for Successful Research Leaders of Color

“All the forces in the world are not so powerful as an idea whose time has come.”

▶ **Victor Hugo**

▶ **OUR CURRENT POLITICAL REALITIES!**

“America is in trouble, and a lot of that trouble- perhaps-most of it-has to do with race.”

▶ **Dyson (2017), p. 3**

ASSET ORIENTED FOCUS

Culture

Ceremonies

Rituals

Gender

LGBTQ Community



KNOW YOURSELF
FIND YOURSELF A MENTOR
COLLABORATE/ LEARNING COMMUNITY

***“Grant me courage to serve others;
For in service there is true life.”***

Cesar Chavez

Do Not Be Afraid To Blow Your Own Horn!

Social Media

Immigration

Wounded Warriors

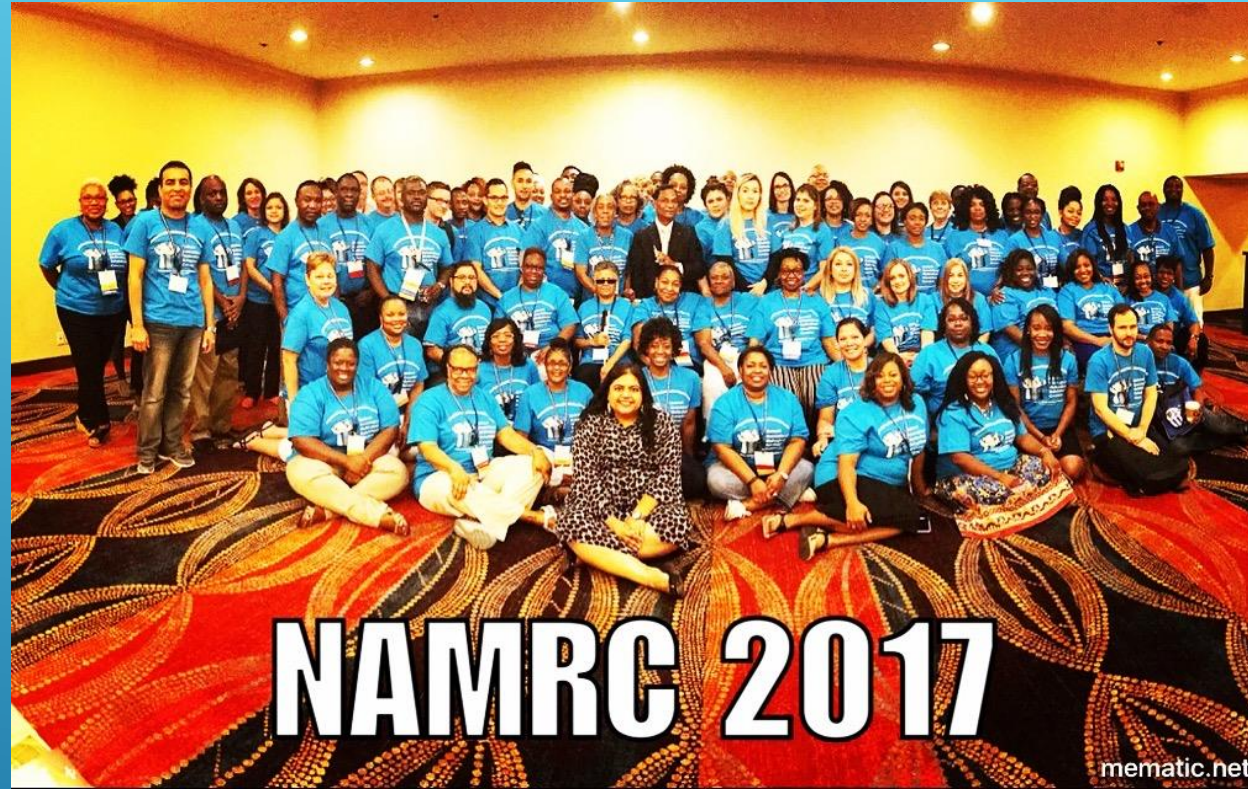
LGBTQ

Transgender

Professional Organizations

Federal Registrar

NEEDED AREAS FOR CONTRIBUTIONS



25TH Anniversary of NAMRC in 2018

Write & Publish

Editorial Boards

Develop Ted Talks (www.ted.com)

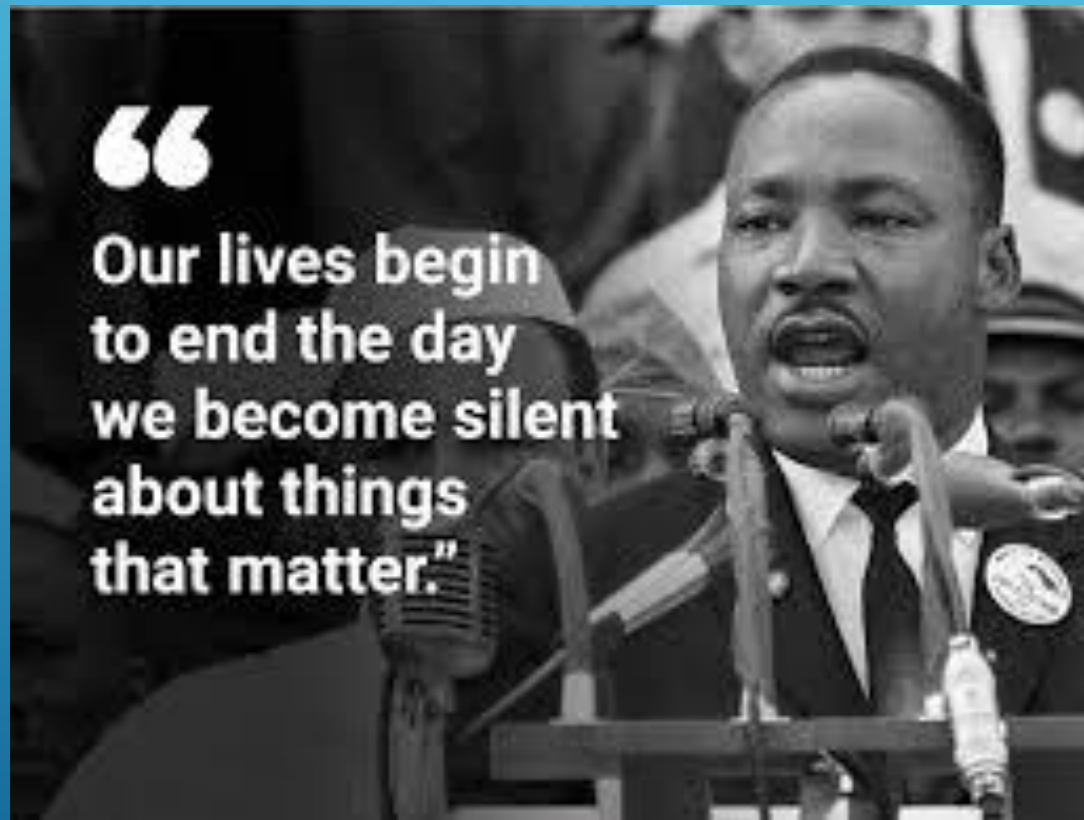
Replication of Research

Protection of Human Subjects

Be Proactive

Win-Win Perspective

IMPACT OF THE CURRENT POLITICAL CLIMATE ON POC



“

***WE PRAY FOR ALL LIFE: SPIRIT LIFE,
HUMAN LIFE, ANIMAL LIFE, INSECT LIFE...***

”

Mary and Carrie Dann
(Western Shoshone)
(Mankiller, 2004, p. xxxviii)



Chief Wilma Mankiller, (1945-2010)
First Woman To Serve As Chief Of The Cherokee Nation

ALL BROWN PEOPLE ARE DESERVING OF A QUALITY LIFE...

ALL PEOPLE!!