LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING
By James Weldon Johnson

Lift every voice and sing
Till earth and heaven ring,
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty;
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the listening skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.

Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us,
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun
Let us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chastening rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a way that with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who has brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who has by Thy might,
Led us into the light,
Keep us forever in the path, we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God, where we met Thee,
Lest, our hearts drunk with the wine of the world, we forget Thee;
Shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand.
True to our God,
True to our native land.
REALIZING THE DREAM
JUSTICE FOR ALL
Thursday, February 28, 2019, 6:00pm

OPENING REMARKS
Dr. Linda M. Smith,
Co-Chairperson RAAP

Chief Ed VanValey,
Co-Chairperson Renton Police Department

PURPOSE

INVOCATION
The Reverend Ken Curl

SONG
“LIFT EVERY VOICE AND SING”
Chris Robinson

REFLECTION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY

DVD PRESENTATION
Cry Out

TAPPING FOR JUSTICE
Lacy Lemon and Nayiel Robinson

DRAMA – SKY NEW POSSIBILITIES TEAM
Denasia Gordon, Youth Leader

GUEST SPEAKER
Sadiqa Sakin
President of Seattle King County NAACP

THE PANEL
Facilitated by: Jeremiah Thomas

What are the injustices African American/Black Youth and Young Adults face?

How can Justice become a reality in the lives of African Americans/Blacks?

CLOSING REMARKS
Police Chief Ed VanValey
Dr. Linda M. Smith

In what ways can we continue to make justice a reality in Realizing the Dream in our community moving forward?

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With gratitude we extend a special thanks to all who participated to make this a powerful event. We give thanks to Mayor Denis Law, Police Chief Ed VanValey, City of Renton and RAAP Pastors for their ongoing commitment to making the dream a reality!