

Heyy, Janell!

We're super hype to announce that we won the Essence + Pine-Sol Build Your Legacy Contest! This is honestly a dream come true. 🎉

A year ago, we never could have imagined #HIREBLACK would be stretched in so many ways, but you made it possible for us to DREAM BIGGER than our initial call for 19 resume reviews. You helped us create a safe space where social justice and professional development and advancement intersect, and we are forever grateful to you!



Thank you to each and every person who has supported, voted for, and amplified #HIREBLACK with a like, comment, or share. **Because of your votes we won \$100,000!** 🎉 We can't wait to invest every coin into our community.

Oh yeah, did we mention we also received 6 months of business coaching from *thee* Nicole Walters?! If you don't know who she is, we assume you live under a rock, but do yourself a favor and check her out on IG (@nicolewalters). She's about to get us all the way together, and we can't wait to get to work!

We're celebrating with a LinkedIn LIVE at 7 PM EST next Tuesday, and we'll be spilling some tea. 🎉 We hope to see you there!

COME CELEBRATE WITH US!

Q3 CHECK-IN: TELL US HOW WE'RE DOING BY TAKING A SURVEY REAL QUICK

Ok, we need you to keep it  with us. We're only 14 months in the game, but so much has changed. We'd love to hear about your experience with us. We also want to know your most valuable takeaway from #HIREBLACK so we can keep  going 

Since our last survey (or if this is your first survey)...

Did you make a new connection?

Did you get hired?

Did you realize your worth and start to move differently?

Tell us everything!

FYI, this survey is for members on the receiving end of the #HIREBLACK community (mentee, career development professional, etc.) and NOT recruiters/allies/mentors.

That survey is coming soon!

TELL US HOW WE'RE DOING (ONLY 3 MINS)

SLACK UPDATE: THE PARTY STARTS MONDAY! (FOR REAL THIS TIME 😊)

So... the first round of matches for the #HIREBLACK mixer on Slack will actually be connected on **August 23**. Sorry about that. 😊 For those who've signed up, this just means you have a little more time to practice your intros. If you haven't signed up, make sure to **join the #intro-mixer channel** by then!

As a reminder, here's your quick need-to-know:

- Make new connections: Members who opt-in will be randomly matched with other members via DMs (in a group of 3)
- Opt-in: In order to join the mixer, you must join our #intro-mixer channel!
- Frequency: Matchings are sent out every two weeks on Mondays at 10:00 AM ET / 7:00 AM PT
- *Our first mixer will take place on August 23, 2021.*

I'M READY TO MAKE CONNECTIONS

Speaking of Slack, you should join the conversation!

Simisola could use your help confirming an appropriate salary range for non-profit paralegals in New York. She has 7 years of experience, 3 of which are in the private sector. If you have experience in this field [help Simisola avoid low-balling herself](#).

Meklit's employer is looking for new Leadership Development interns for their **fall internship** program. **It's 6-8 weeks, remote, and paid!** And did we mention it's a tech company? 🚀 Meklit offered to refer candidates from #HIREBLACK. 🕵️ [Hurry and check out our Slack for all the deets!](#)

Jasmine needs advice about Dropbox's IGNITE Apprenticeship. [Can you share any advice?](#)

[JOIN OUR SLACK](#)

WCW AND #WINNINGWEDNESDAY

You know that feeling you get when you can finally leave your survival job? Well, if you don't know yet, let this week's #winningwomxn fill you in.

Rachel Ann landed her first digital strategist job less than a year after finishing grad school, *and we are so hype for her!* Before snagging this new role at an ad agency, Rachel was balancing multiple streams of income. And now look at her. She's movin' on up like the Jeffersons. \$\$\$

[Let Rachel tell it](#), “[#HIREBLACK] has been so helpful with the networking opportunities and the advice and stories shared on this platform really helped me prepare for this career transition.”

We love this for her, and we can't wait to share more success stories! In the words of our good sis, #dontneverstopifyouwannabeontop. 🎉