

Milwaukee County Sup.Johnson: Recognized with Distinguished Worldwide Humanitarian Award

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MILWAUKEE – County Supervisor Willie Johnson, Jr. recently [received](#) the Marquis Who's Who Distinguished Worldwide Humanitarian Award. Supervisor Johnson was also recognized as a Featured Member in *Marquis Millennium Magazine* and a Marquis Who's Who Top Professionals of the Year Inductee.

"I am honored to be a recipient of the Humanitarian Award," said Supervisor Johnson. "I have dedicated my career to helping those in need and look forward to continuing to serve my community for years to come."

The Marquis Who's Who Distinguished Worldwide Humanitarian Award is awarded to individuals who advocate for human welfare or social reform and strive to make a positive impact on their communities and the world.

Supervisor Johnson, Jr. has received [dozens of awards](#) for his work as a County Supervisor during his tenure on the County Board, including the "Equal Rights Champion" award from Equality Wisconsin the Community Advocate of the Year for 2012 award from Fair Wisconsin Education Fund. The Harambee Great Neighborhood Initiative recognized his unwavering commitment to the Harambee community and its residents with the 2014 Harambee Community "I'm In" Award, and in 2019, the Friends of Lincoln Park presented Supervisor Johnson, Jr. with appreciation for "Exceptional Service" to the Lincoln Park Community.

Supervisor Johnson was born in Waukegan, Illinois, on March 22, 1951. A resident of Milwaukee since childhood, he graduated valedictorian of his class at Lincoln High School and earned a Bachelor's Degree in Political Science with a concentration of courses in Economics from Northwestern University. He received his Master's Degree and a PhD. in Humanities from the Wisconsin University of Theology. Prior to his election, Supervisor Johnson worked for the County's Department of Human Services Financial Assistance and Child Welfare divisions.

Supervisor Johnson was first elected to the Board of Supervisors in 2000 and represents several neighborhoods in the City of Milwaukee, including Harambee, Riverwest, Brewers Hill, Williamsburg Heights, Lincoln Park, Hillside, Halyard Park, Haymarket, Schlitz Park, North Division, Arlington Heights, and Rufus King. He also represents a portion of Whitefish Bay.