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Celebrating

Black History Month

Learn and reflect on what inspires and motivates our colleagues, not only during Black History Month but 365 days a year.



The ***love***, ***support*** and ***respect*** I receive from my family motivates and inspires me to be a better human being. I know they have my back no matter what is going on in the world. That allows me to ***dream big and dare the impossible!***

Tanya Adams

Vice President, Inclusion & Diversity

You are entitled to wonder and to doubt - you're free.

—Tayeb Salih

One of my favorite inspirational quotes by Tayeb Salih. His books, novels, and stories encourage us to believe in ourselves and that everyone dictates who they are and what they want to become, not bound by any social, gender or racial limits set by what is perceived as a cultural norm. We have the right to doubt the established traditional barriers. There might be failures or setbacks along the road, but one should always believe in self, keep an eye on the final destination, and enjoy the journey.



Mohamed Ahmed, PE

Lead Civil Engineer

My parents are without a doubt who inspire me.

They both taught me the value of always looking forward and having a positive outlook. There are no problems, but opportunities for solutions. Treat people with respect and never stop learning. The main lessons, however, and the ones that inspire me every day, are their resiliency and the belief that every single human being has a purpose and is a gift to humanity.



Marie-Elsie Dowell, PE
Vice President
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My late Dad, Ralph Forde, is my inspiration and motivation. He impressed upon my brother and me the importance of education, giving back to your community and that the best gift we could ever give our children was time. He encouraged us to believe that we could succeed at anything we put our mind to, and in the words of Peter Tosh, if I did not succeed at something the first time then I needed to "Pick myself up. Dust myself off. Start all over again!"

Norman Forde

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