



## **The Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE) Announces the Connecting Leaders Fellowship Class of 2011 - 2012**

The Association of Black Foundation Executives (ABFE) is delighted to announce the members of the Connecting Leaders Fellowship Class of 2011 - 2012. The Fellowship, which began in 2005-2006, is a yearlong professional development experience which aims to promote the professional mobility and visibility of mid-career Black executives in the field of philanthropy. The program includes a multi-day community-based Leadership Summit designed to expose Fellows to key issues in Black communities and the role of philanthropy; monthly discussions with key leaders in the philanthropic, government and business sectors on pertinent topics in philanthropy and the Black community; exposure to seasoned Foundation executives in the field and personalized executive coaching based on rigorous assessments and an individualized Coaching Action Plan. The Class of 2011 - 2012 will begin their Fellowship year in January at the Leadership Summit in Newark, NJ. Please join us in welcoming the Class of 2011 - 2012!

### **Connecting Leaders Fellowship Class of 2011 - 2012**

#### **Abena Asante**

Senior Program Officer  
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Winston Salem, NC

#### **Joanna Jackson**

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Los Angeles, CA

#### **Lynn Larkin**

Senior Program Officer  
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Flint, MI

#### **Jennifer Roller**

Program Officer  
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Youngstown, OH

#### **Joe Scantlebury**

Senior Program Officer  
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  
Washington, DC

#### **Kandace Thomas**

Program Officer  
Irving Harris Foundation  
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#### **Lyord Watson**

Chair, Birmingham Change Fund  
Board Member, Community Investment  
Network  
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