

The West Virginia Black Heritage Festival
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2021 West Virginia Black Heritage Festival Single-Day Event and Youth Block Party Cancelled

Annual Golf Tournament/Scholarship Recognition Will Continue as Planned

The health and well-being of our community is very important to us. With that in mind, combined with the rising number of COVID-19 cases throughout West Virginia, the West Virginia Black Heritage Festival Board of Directors met to discuss our upcoming events on Tuesday, August 31, 2021. As of Monday, August 30, 2021, the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources announced that 188,660 total cases of the virus have been reported throughout the pandemic.

Therefore, the West Virginia Black Heritage Festival Board of Directors regrets to announce that we have decided to cancel the following events:

Friday, September 10, 2021 – Youth Block Party

Saturday, September 11, 2021 – Single-Day Modified Festival Event

Even though these events take place annually, we are taking a proactive approach. We will not be rescheduling these events for a later date in 2021. However, the Kelly Miller/West Virginia Black Heritage Festival Annual Golf Tournament will continue as planned on Friday, September 10, 2021, with preventative measures in place. Despite the cancellation of our festival, 2021 scholarship recipients will still be recognized for their accomplishments, and they will still receive all scholarship funding they were originally awarded.

Further announcements and updates considering the West Virginia Black Heritage Festival will be made at wvbhf.com and on our Facebook (@WVBHF), Twitter (@WVBHF), and Instagram (@wv_bhf) accounts. We wish to thank everyone who has worked tirelessly with our organization to coordinate this year's festival, events, and other community projects, and we will continue serving our community in the safest ways we can.

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