

# W. H. ADAMS

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## YOUTH FOUNDATION

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### William H. Adams Youth Foundation Newsletter

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## Mayor Coleman named Foundation Village Elder

Mayor Micheal B. Coleman was inducted into the Circle of Village Elders in honor of his outstanding record of public service. Coleman was the 52nd mayor of Columbus and the first African-American to serve as mayor of Ohio's capital. As he began his 15th year in office in 2014, Coleman achieved the distinction of being the longest-serving mayor in Columbus' history. His final term in office ended on January 1, 2016, when he was succeeded by Andy Ginther.

Coleman was a close personal friend of William Adams who worked tirelessly on the mayor's behalf over the years.



The Mayor looked to Adams for advice and input on the needs of the community, selecting him for several government committees, including the City's Veterans Advisory Board and the Recreation and Parks Commission. Mayor Coleman gave the eulogy at Adams' funeral services in 2013 and lead the effort to rename the William H. Adams Community Center at Krumm Park in his honor.

The Village Elders designation is based upon the Nigerian proverb, "*It takes a whole village to raise a child*". Village Elders are donors who help sustain the work of the Foundation and others recognized for outstanding community service aligned with the Foundation's mission. Mayor Coleman joins six other community and business leaders named to the Circle of Village Elders. See their stories on the [www.whadamsfoundation.org](http://www.whadamsfoundation.org) website.

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## Foundation starts soccer development program

The Foundation has been awarded a grant from the Columbus Recreation and Parks Department under the Youth First Program. The Foundation will use the Youth First grant to establish the East Columbus Soccer Development Program (ECSO). The program will help players from low-income families develop the advanced skills necessary for competitive club or high school teams. Contact the Adams

Community Recreation Center for details.

The Foundation will partner with the William H. Adams Community Recreation Center at Krumm Park and the Columbus East Soccer Association (CESA) to implement the program. The Columbus East Soccer Association offers a dedicated soccer program with emphasis on player development within a team structure. The CESA coaching curriculum and philosophy emphasizes teaching technical skills and tactical awareness.



The Foundation is seeking additional donations to fund expansion of the program. Visit the website for details on how to contribute.

## Adams inducted into Veterans Hall of Fame

William H. Adams was inducted into the Ohio Veterans Hall of Fame with the Class of 2015 in ceremonies held November 5th at the Lincoln Theater in Columbus. The Hall of Fame recognizes achievements of veterans in community service after their military service ended.

For information on the Hall of Fame and to watch the induction ceremony video, visit the Ohio Department of Veterans Services website at: [dvs.ohio.gov/veterams\\_hall\\_of\\_fame](http://dvs.ohio.gov/veterams_hall_of_fame)



## Columbus Foundation's Power Philanthropy

The William H. Adams Youth Foundation is now part of the Columbus Foundation's PowerPhilanthropy. Power Philanthropy (P2) was created to provide donors with the knowledge and resources needed to make effective giving decisions, and to promote the strengths of the local nonprofit sector.

Our portrait on the P2 online marketplace is a dynamic resource that helps donors make informed and effective charitable giving decisions.



Power Philanthropy provides vital facts about our management, finances and programs, and is validated annually by the Columbus Foundation staff.

Visit [www.columbusfoundation.org](http://www.columbusfoundation.org) to connect with the W. H. Adams Foundation and over 600 other local nonprofit organizations.

## Support the Foundation!



## Shop Amazon Smile - Support the Foundation

Remember that Amazon will donate 0.5 percent of purchases to the Adams Foundation when shoppers visit [www.Smile.Amazon.com](http://www.Smile.Amazon.com). Once registered the site will automatically remember your selected charity and continue to donate a percentage of your purchases.

Be sure to shop on [www.Smile.Amazon.com](http://www.Smile.Amazon.com) and select the William H. Adams Youth Foundation!



## VolunteerMatch

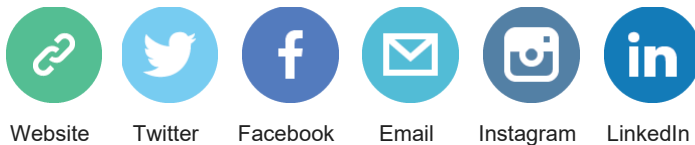
The Foundation is now a member of VolunteerMatch, the web's largest volunteer engagement network, with 100,000 active nonprofits, 170 corporate partners and 10 million annual visitors. VolunteerMatch.org makes it easy for good people and good causes to connect.



## Corporate Giving

The W. H. Adams Youth Foundation welcomes investment by business, government and other community organizations. Corporate employees are encouraged to ask their benefits administrators about Matching Gift Programs.

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### About the Foundation

#### *Building Upon a Legacy of Community Service*

The William H. Adams Youth Foundation supports programs and opportunities for residents of East Columbus in Education, Health & Wellness, Personal Growth & Responsibility and Community Service. The Foundation provides financial support and volunteer staffing for programs offered by organizations that serve the East Columbus community. The Foundation is a tax exempt, nonprofit association registered with the Ohio Secretary of State and the IRS. Additional information can be found on the website at [www.WHAdamsFoundation.org](http://www.WHAdamsFoundation.org).

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