

Diversity Training Organization Announces New Workshop Targeting the Legacy of Slavery and Race Relations

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Using a unique 13-step restoration process, "Healing From Slavery" delves into the sensitive issue of helping Americans heal from the racial divide caused by the legacy of the transatlantic slave trade. The restoration process will help both the descendants of the enslaved and descendants of those who were the enslavers begin a process to close cultural and racial divides and its negative effects in America. Upon request, the workshop or topic (in an abbreviated lecture/keynote format) can be presented anywhere in the United States or internationally for an employer as part of its cultural program, team-building event or leadership training.

"Healing From Slavery" will teach participants about the transatlantic slave trade in North America and its lasting effects on how we perceive race relations today, encourage dialogue about different perspectives on relevant constitutional and historical documents pertaining to slavery, study first-person slave narratives and learn how to use them as a dialogue and learning tool in the workforce to discuss cultural diversity. Any ethnic, cultural or racial group can apply the restoration process for use in their communities, which makes the workshop valuable for every member of an organization.

The workshop targets management leadership, human resources and cultural diversity professionals, school educators and administrators, human rights specialist, mental health professionals and anyone that is interested in exploring a new process to heal from the negative legacy of slavery. Community-based groups are also welcomed to participate.

Other cultural and personal development workshops offered by Diversity Restoration Solutions include "Genealogy 101: How Do I Get Started?", a beginners course on how to start ancestral genealogy research and "Freedom Process: The P Principles," a self development workshop on attaining internal freedom and self-actualization.

"Knowing who I am freed my soul," said Eric A. Sheppard, author, genealogist and founder of Diversity Restoration Solutions, Inc. "There are international support groups that serve humanitarian needs in drug abuse, alcoholism, chronic disease and a host of other physical and emotions complications, but our unique program provides the long overdue support that Americans need to acknowledge a shame, guilt or denial about

slavery and begin healing from its after-effects in the United States. Descendants of our enslaved ancestors need to get it 'right', meaning we need to ensure that we are taking the necessary steps to improve our overall condition in this country. Descendants of those who enslaved our ancestors need to make it 'right,' and that means accepting the responsibility for correcting historical wrongs."

About Diversity Restoration Solutions, Inc. -

Diversity Restoration Solutions, Inc. was originally created in 1991 by Eric A. Sheppard as The Sheppard Corporation, a technical management and general supply distribution company. In 2005, after years of genealogical researching and lecturing on the effects of slavery, Mr. Sheppard, who wrote and published, "Ancestor's Call" a genealogy and history book about his ancestor, Moses Grandy and his 1843 slave narrative, transformed Diversity Restoration Solutions, Inc. into a company that provides solutions to the complex and diverse problems of business leaders and their ever changing workforce. In addition Diversity Restoration Solutions, Inc., Mr. Sheppard is chairman and co-founder of Slave Descendants Freedom Society, Inc., a nonprofit slave history and genealogy organization (<http://www.slavedescendants.org>).

Other specialty areas include genealogy research training, book publishing, manufacturers representative services and business management consulting. For more information on workshops or lectures, please contact Lisa Sheppard at (443) 542-5815.

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