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#### January 2024 Recap

## A Successful Mid-Year Retreat!

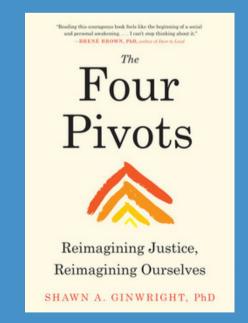
We kicked off this year on a high note with our 2024 Mid-Year Retreat from January 3rd-6th in Los Angeles.

With a vibrant LA backdrop, our Fellows connected with Alumni, engaged with dynamic leaders, and visited local institutions. They were exposed to innovative approaches to racial equity and social impact in the corporate, philanthropic, and public sectors.

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## **READING LIST**

Guided by the principles in the <u>Four</u> <u>Pivots</u>, by Dr. Shawn Ginwright, our Fellows explored transformative shifts in self-perception, relationship-building, opportunity creating, and a practice of flow.



These pivots served as a valuable framework for understanding and connecting ourselves to important social justice work. We were enriched through a series of educational visits and stimulating discussions, each providing unique insights into various aspects of social impact and leadership.



#### Liberating Philanthropy Panel

Liberating Philanthropy Panel at The California Endowment featured Joanna Jackson (NUF 2001), Margarita Luna, and Juliet Flores (NUF 2011), This enlightening panel delved into the concepts of trust-based philanthropy and harnessing passion for social change. Their perspectives offered a fresh look at the sector and its potential to drive meaningful progress.

### Confronting "The Bias Inside Us"

Confronting "The Bias Inside Us" at the National Center for the Preservation of Democracy (NCPD) of the Japanese American National Museum. Led by the NCPD Director and NUF Alum Jim Herr (ALOC 2), Fellows toured powerful exhibits and reflected on the systemic and internalized nature of marginalization and their impacts on communities of color.

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### Paramount Pictures Tour

Led by Paramount's Executive Director of Corporate Social Responsibility and NUF Alum Erin Jordan (2014), our tour was a rare glimpse into the entertainment industry. The subsequent fireside chat explored the challenges and opportunities in advancing racial equity and inclusion in this influential sector.

#### Lunch and Learn at LA City Hall

Lunch and Learn at LA City Hall: Our visit culminated in a lunch and learn session at City Hall, where we interacted with local leaders like Chief of Community and Affairs Government of Urban Alchemy and NUF Alum Kirkpatrick Tyler (2011) discussing local efforts to address the housing challenges and reparations for African Americans.









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#### Welcome to LA!

We basked in the LA warm welcome from our local Alum. Pictured: Top L: **Sylvia Perez Cash ('11)**, Top RL **Derric Johnson ('10)**, Bottom L: **Patrice Marshall McKenzie** ('13); Bottom R: **James Herr** (ALOC2), and **Juliet Flores** ('11).



## A Big Thank You to Our NUF Mentors!

We are thankful for our incredible mentors every single day. Their dedication and expertise are the bedrock of our program, fueling the rise of the next generation of social impact leaders.

### **Our Organizational Partners**

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#### National Urban Fellows is Celebrating 55 Years!

We are excited to celebrate this special anniversary.

Stay tuned for information about how we will celebrate our transformative legacy. Follow us on our socials for updates!



