

Welcome!

We are so glad you are here!

We will get started shortly.
In the meantime, we invite you to
intentionally enter this space.



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phone



Stretch



Close the door



Take a few deep
breaths



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windows



Emotionally release
your to-do list



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and video



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Moynihan Institute for Fatherhood Research and Policy Webinar

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1:00PM — 2:00PM ET

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Agenda

**Housekeeping &
Welcome**

Danisha Charles
HEALTHY START TA & SUPPORT
CENTER (TASC)

**Moynihan Institute
for Fatherhood
Research and Policy**

Dr. Jeffrey Shears
MOYNIHAN INSTITUTE FOR
FATHERHOOD RESEARCH AND
POLICY, FATHERS INCORPORATED

Wrap-up

Danisha Charles
TASC





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PARTICIPANTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO SHARE COMMENTS AND ASK QUESTIONS USING THE CHAT BOX.

Today's Speaker



Dr. Jeffrey Shears

CHAIR, MOYNIHAN INSTITUTE FOR FATHERHOOD RESEARCH AND
POLICY, FATHERS INCORPORATED

A photograph of a smiling man with dark curly hair holding a baby. The man is wearing a light blue t-shirt. The baby is wearing a white onesie and is looking to the right. The background is a soft-focus indoor setting with a patterned pillow and light-colored curtains. The right half of the image has a blue overlay with white and green text.

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The Moynihan Institute on Fatherhood Research and Policy

<https://fathersincorporated.com/moynihan-institute/>

1965 Moynihan Report A report on black poverty

- The Negro Family: The Case For National Action
- Daniel Patrick Moynihan, an American scholar & the Assistant Secretary of Labor under President Lyndon B. Johnson
 - The report concluded that the **high rate of families headed by single mothers** would greatly hinder progress of blacks toward economic and political equality
 - Moynihan argued that the rise in black single-mother families was caused not by a lack of jobs, but by a **pathological culture** which could be traced to slavery and continued discrimination in the south under Jim Crow.
 - **Major Critique** from liberals and academics especially African-American Scholars (Black sociologist E. Franklin Frazier had introduced the idea in the 1930s)

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for Fatherhood
Research and Policy

Project Synopsis

Dr. Jeffrey Shears
Dr. Stacey Bouchet

Presentation Overview



Why Moynihan
Institute?



The Vision



Focus Points



Meet the MI
fellows



Projects

Our Vision



Moynihan InstituteTM

- Fathers and father-figures will be engaged with and resources to their children, the mothers of their children, and their communities at large.
- The Moynihan Institute for Fatherhood Research and Policy (MIFRP or the Institute) will utilize the historical research and work of Daniel Patrick Moynihan, specifically *The Moynihan Report*, as a base to research Black fathers and families and advocate for policy that will positively impact them.

Our Mission:



Moynihan InstituteTM

MIFRP will serve as the research and policy advocacy arm of Fathers Incorporated. It will provide research, policy analysis/recommendations, and evidence-based advocacy for fathers, with a special emphasis on fathers of color.

Goal: Being viewed and called upon as thought leaders in the fatherhood field!

Impact Statement



Moynihan InstituteTM

- Conduct and publish original & secondary research using already existing data.
- Write and publish summaries, spotlights, or briefs of MI fellows previous research or work.
- Advocate for fathers and families and fathers of color via webinars, blogs, and social media posts.
- Provide expert consultation to Fathers Incorporated on research- and policy-related matters.
- Conducting conference presentations on behalf of the Institute.
- Monthly calls/communication.

Four Focus Areas: The Moynihan Institute



Family Stability



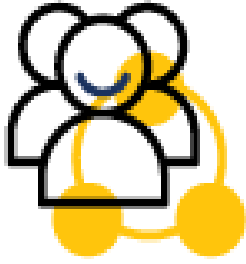
Education



Health and Wellness



Media Representation



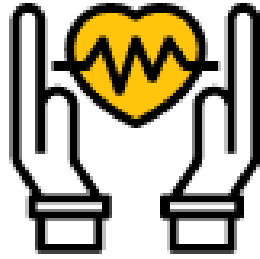
Family Stability:

- The Moynihan Institute will research and test best practices for cooperative co-parenting and keeping non-residential fathers connected to their children and part of the family equation.



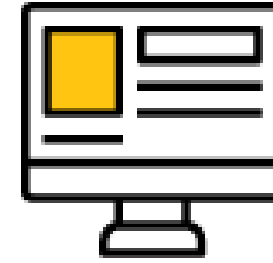
Education:

- The Moynihan institute will explore direct and indirect indicators of fathers' impact on children's education and provide community resources to assist agencies in improving fathers impact on child's educational outcomes.



Health & Wellness:

- The Moynihan Research Institute will explore how health and mental health disparities impact African American fathers and families. We will provide descriptive studies that address black fathers' need for mental health services. We will also explore how fathers can be a resource for children's health by providing resources for communities that can be used to target African American fathers.



Popular Media Representation:

The Moynihan institute will conduct descriptive research on how black fathers are portrayed in the media in addition to providing impact studies on how media images impact fathering activities and behaviors in young black men.



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Professor, University
of West Georgia



David Miller, M.Ed.
CEO and Chief Visionary
Officer; Dare to Be King



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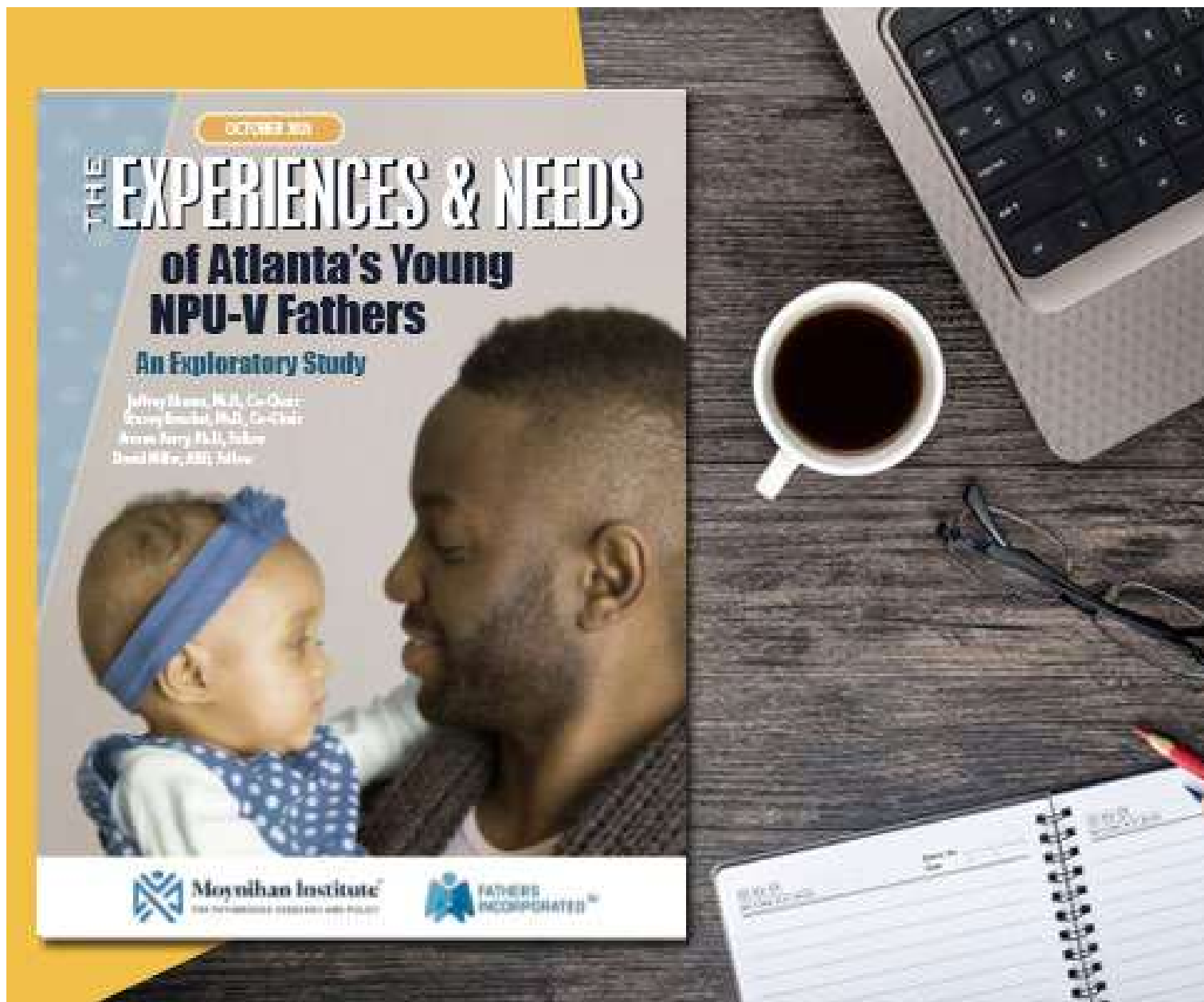


Jeffrey R. Gardere
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“America’s Psychologist”

Products



- Media representation of Black fathers – Dr Kelly
- Raising Daughters – David Miller
- Intergenerational Fathering – Dr Shears
- Fathers reducing stress in AA moms during pregnancy – Dr Shears
- Mental Health Matters Report – Dr Wilbon
- Fathers Social Justice and Youth Educational outcomes – Dr Wilbon



Moynihan Institute Fatherhood Projects



Moynihan Institute
FOR POLICY RESEARCH AND ACTION



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AE Casey Foundation – funded

- The Neighborhood Planning Unit V (NPU-V) community is a historically urban, Black community in the greater Atlanta Metropolitan area. The demographics of the community indicate a highly concentrated population of low-income, single, female-headed households
- The experiences of fathers in the NPU-V and their ability to contribute to their children's well-being is explored
 - 1) determine what community supports exist to support men as fathers in the NPU-V, and
 - 2) explore the lived experiences of being a father in this community.

Exploratory Study Methods

- **Neighborhood
Demographics**

- 46% of residents are MALE
- 27% Of all NPU-V households receive food stamps
- 92% NPU-V residents are AA compared to 54% of Atlanta
- 27.8% vs 56.9% HS grad rate
- 68% < \$25K Household income

- Identified as a Black Father between 18-30
- Lived , worked or worshipped in the NPU-V
- Recruited through churches, barbershops, community centers, and social media
- Three focus groups
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Interview Questions & Analysis

1. Regarding the NPU-V community, what do men need to be an impactful father?

2. What have your experiences as a father been in the NPU-V?

3. What community supports are available to help you do or navigate your job as a father in the NPU-V?

4. What additional community supports are needed for fathers in the NPU-V?

5. How has your affiliation with the NPU-V enhanced or limited your ability to do your job as a father?

- Data analyses included coding the focus group interviews based on
 - emerging concepts and themes gleaned from study participants.
 - the constant comparative method of qualitative analysis was used

Study Results & Policy Implications

- Fear and fathering
- Stigma associated with black fathers
- Fathers and support services
- Navigating fatherhood
- Importance of supporting low-income, Black fathers along their fatherhood journey
- Increasing community-based support for young fathers, addressing stigmas Black fathers face, and providing equal access to social services.
- Legitimization policy and process. Legitimation is the legal process for a non-married dad in the State of Georgia to become the legal father of his child.

Research Briefs

- Brief 1 examined the relationship between **father engagement and youth academic outcomes.**
 - Brief 2 examined fathers' mental health and academic youth outcomes
 - Brief 3 explored the GA state legitimation, father engagement and academic youth outcomes.
- Each brief stressed the importance of assisting fathers to become their best selves to indirectly and positively impact their children, families, and communities.



Satisfaction Survey

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Thank you !

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