

ELECTRICAL WORKERS MINORITY CAUCUS

2024 National Leadership Conference

January 10-14, 2024

Marriott Marquis Atlanta Hotel

265 Peachtree Center Avenue – Atlanta GA 30303

OFFICIAL CONFERENCE CALL

The EWMC Executive Committee proudly announces the 34th national leadership conference from January 10-14, 2024, at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in Atlanta, Georgia. The conference theme is *Vision to Reality – EWMC Celebrating 50 Years of Excellence, Wisdom, Mentorship, and Courage*.

Join the EWMC to celebrate the work of the past 5 decades that has fully embraced and led the way on inclusion, diversity, equity, access, and cultural change initiatives. Come take part in the further development of strategies to advance the mission and objectives of the EWMC yet to be realized. Join us in collaborating on workplace and occupational practices and career advancement, learn about opportunities for greater personal wellbeing, financial security and ways to combat civil and human rights challenges that threaten our communities.

As always, EWMC members will meet as a unified force to network and exchange information, enhance leadership skills, and learn more about issues important to workers and their families. Delegates will have an opportunity to Volunteer to give back to the greater Atlanta community by participating in community service projects on January 11, 2024.

The leadership conference begins with the all-day EWMC-RENEW pre-conference activities on Wednesday, January 10, 2024, from 7:30 am to 5:00 pm. The EWMC Opening Plenary begins on Thursday evening, January 11, 2024, at 6:30 pm and concludes on Sunday, January 14, 2024 at 2:00 pm. Please review the conference agenda carefully on the EWMC website at www.ibew-ewmc.org for scheduling details before making travel arrangements. You do not want to miss any of the scheduled activities.

During the conference delegates will participate in interactive skill-building workshops, plenary discussions, and Branch and District Caucuses to address workplace issues unique to those areas. Delegates should come prepared to share teachable experiences and best practices in their work environment to help shape and employ sound practices to build and strengthen our union (the IBEW), EWMC chapters and communities.

Conference Registration - Please Register Now!

EWMC-RENEW preconference meetings begin on Wednesday, January 10, 2024. The registration fee for *both* conferences is \$450 which includes your EWMC 2024 membership dues of \$75.00.

The Leadership Conference begins Thursday, January 11, 2024. The registration fee is \$375.00 which includes your EWMC 2024 membership dues of \$75.00.

Article IV, Section 4, requires payment of the current year's membership dues before admission to the meeting. To register online, please visit www.ibew-ewmc.org for conference details and to download the registration forms.

Conference Hotel - Marriott Marquis Atlanta Hotel

Make your hotel registration today to ensure room availability in the conference hotel. The EWMC discount room rate is \$179 plus applicable state and local sales taxes. Room reservations are available on a first-come, first-serve basis up to the maximum number of rooms in the EWMC room block. Hotel registrations must be made under Electrical Workers Minority Caucus or EWMC Jan 2024 at website: <https://book.passkey.com/go/ewmc2024>.

Reservations can also be made by calling Marriott's toll-free telephone number: (833) 669-1038. **Cancellations must be made at least 48 hours in advance of arrival, or one night's room and tax will be charged to your credit card. The hotel registration cut-off date is December 20, 2023 (6:00 pm Central Time).**

Day of Giving - EWMC Community Service Projects

Arrive early to take part in the *Day of Giving* on Thursday morning, January 11, 2024, at 6:00 am. This is one of the most rewarding conference activities so Volunteer and arrive a day before the conference begins to sign up for a community service project in the Atlanta community. The purpose is to honor the legacy of Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. by helping those in need who are unable to otherwise help themselves. ***"Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to***

make your subject and verb agree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love.” — Martin Luther King Jr.

We strive to leave the surrounding Atlanta community better than when we arrived by contributing our skills and talents in the areas in need.

The EWMC Local 613 Atlanta Chapter has identified disadvantaged communities with women, men, youth, dislocated families, and elderly residents. Projects include electrical work, painting, gardening, food bank worker assistance, special projects at homeless shelters, churches, juvenile and senior facilities, and schools in the area. EWMC members take great pride in their community service work. Let's show Atlanta the real meaning of sisterhood and brotherhood.

2024 EWMC Scholarship Awards

The EWMC will award scholarships to deserving students of a national EWMC member in good standing at the 34th National Meeting. A scholarship candidate must be a high school graduate in 2023. A copy of the diploma or a letter from the high school confirming graduation must be attached to the scholarship request.

Only scholarship requests **received by January 4, 2024** that comply with the requirements set forth herein will be considered. **Electronic Online Submission only:** Please submit requests to Jamell Thrower, National EWMC Secretary: jamellthrower.ewmc@gmail.com.

A 500-word typewritten Essay on *The Importance of Giving Back to Your Community* must be submitted in WORD format along with the Scholarship request. Students must also show approval for enrollment in a state certified trade school or a college certified by the Department of Education and accredited by the local accrediting association.