Reverend James Caldwell

Founder & Director, Coalition of Community Organizations

Reverend James Caldwell is a native Houstonian. He is a graduate of Phyllis Wheatley High School and Texas Southern University’s School of Public Affairs. He also attended Dallas Theological Seminary and has been an ordained minister for over 28 years. Reverend Caldwell has been a community advocate and activist for over 15 years. He is the founder and director of the Coalition of Community Organizations (COCO), which connects communities to the invaluable resources they need and connects organizations with one another. Aside from serving as the Chair and facilitator for monthly community meetings in both 5th Ward and Kashmere Gardens (North Houston), he is also a member of the following: Port of Houston Authority Chairman’s Community Advisory Committee, Healthy Port Community Coalition, Clean Gulf Commerce Coalition, PCORI Baylor College of Medicine’s Asthma Study Advisory Committee, Texas Organizing Project, Working America, and People Before Profits.

Environmental justice, quality education, financial independence, civil rights, and healthcare are several of the issues that Reverend Caldwell is passionate about. He firmly believes that these issues affect everyone, regardless of their age, gender, or religious affiliation.