



## Alaskans for Biden-Harris Inauguration Week Spectacular

### Alaska Inaugural Events At A Glance (AKST):

- Sunday, January 17th at 4:30PM: [Alaska's Interfaith Kin-dom in the Kingdom, moving toward our Beloved Community](#)
- Monday, January 18th at 1:00PM: [MLK Celebration of Diversity & National Day of Service](#)
- Tuesday, January 19th at 6:30PM: [Creative Showcase](#)
- Wednesday, January 20th at 6:30AM: [Bacon, Eggs, and Building Back Better](#)
- Thursday, January 21st at 12:00PM: [Alaska Policy Forum: Climate and the Arctic](#)
- Friday, January 22nd at time 6pm: [Alaska Democratic Party Winter Auction and Inaugural Celebration](#)

The 59th Presidential Inauguration on January 20, 2021 comes at a time of unprecedented national crisis in our country, from violence and polarization to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic. The [Alaskans for Biden-Harris](#) Presidential Inauguration Celebration Committee has planned a full week of virtual events and celebrations to bring Alaskans, and other Americans, together.

From Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup> to Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, Alaskans for Biden-Harris has prepared opportunities to engage in service, support our communities, discuss policy, and celebrate the incoming administration. Several of the events tie-in to the national [Day of Service](#), an opportunity for all Americans to honor the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. and unite and serve at a time when the global pandemic calls on all of us to work together and support our communities.

## Here is the Full Slate of Alaska Events!

- **[Alaska's Interfaith Kin-dom in the Kingdom, moving toward our Beloved Community - Sunday, January 17th, 430PM AKST](#)** - Join Alaskans for Biden-Harris for a multi-denominational celebration of faith and building back better our nation's moral identity.
  - **Rev Dr Patricia Wilson Cone** is Pastor of First American Baptist Church and Manager of Clinical Pastoral Education at Providence Hospital. Her latest book is Multicultural Diversity Opening Our Hearts 2019.
  - **Rev Matthew Schutz** is the pastor at First Presbyterian Church of Anchorage, AK, and is on the steering committee for Christians for Equality.
  - **Pastor Undra Parker** currently serves as the senior pastor of Shiloh Missionary Baptist Church Anchorage, AK. He is the acting president of Alaska Baptist Churches, Executive Secretary for Interdenominational Ministerial Alliance of Anchorage and Martin Luther King Jr. Foundation of Alaska.
  - **Linda Steiner** is a licensed Spiritual Practitioner at the Alaska Center for Spiritual Living. Her topic of discussion is "Grateful to God for being Gay."
  - **Fr. Michael Trefon** is the Rector of St. Sophia Orthodox Church in Bethel, Dean of the Kuskokwim Deanery and a graduate of St Herman Seminary. FR Michael will be speaking on the relationship of the Alaska Native Community in relationship and kin ship and kindom today.
  - **Rev. Rachel Simpson M. Div** is the minister at Unity Spiritual Center of Anchorage and is a member of Anchorage's Christians for Equality and is the Chair of the Unity Northwest Region board.
  - **Bishop Lattime** chief priest of the Episcopal Diocese of Alaska will address Build Back Better and Our Nation's Moral Identity.
- **[Alaska's MLK Day Celebration of Diversity & National Day of Service - Monday, January 18th at 1PM AKST](#)** – Join thousands of volunteers across Alaska and across the country united in service work while celebrating the wonderful diversity our home state has to offer. This virtual celebration will feature performances, presentations, and more, and spotlight some service organizations doing crucial work in our communities. Join in to celebrate and honor our diverse communities and offer support to local service organizations:
  - **[Best Beginnings](#)** is a public-private partnership that works with agencies across Alaska to encourage early childhood literacy, promote strong families, and engage community, all with the goal of ensuring all Alaska children begin school ready to succeed. **[Donate here](#)** to help Alaska's Children.
  - **[Camp Fire Alaska](#)** has provided a safe, nurturing place for families to send their children for more than 100 years. Today, Camp Fire Alaska is a leader in the youth development field serving more than 5,000 youth every year. **[Contribute here](#)** to help every child have the opportunity to discover the best in themselves and others in a fun, safe learning environment.
  - **[MLK Foundation of Alaska](#)** keeps the spirit of Dr. King alive by creating programs and events that promote justice and equality. Support diversity and social justice by giving to

the MLK Foundation of Alaska by mailing a check to PO Box 212686, Anchorage, Alaska 99521-2686.

- **[Alaska's Creative Showcase](#)** – **Tuesday, January 19th, 630pm AKST** – Are you a creative individual that is excited to see Joe Biden and Kamala Harris sworn into office on January 20th? Translate your feelings of the upcoming inauguration or past four years into a piece of art. It could be a song, dance, spoken word, painting, short film, or any creative medium of expression. Share your story or how you feel through your chosen art form for a chance to be featured at our live showcase event. [Submit your "expression of celebration" here.](#)
- **[Bacon, Eggs, & Building Back Better Breakfast Potluck / Virtual Inaugural Watch Party](#)** – **Wednesday, January 20th starting at 6:30am AKST / 10:30 EST** through the swearing in – Fuel up before swearing-in ceremony with a virtual community breakfast potluck. The Alaskans for Biden-Harris is crowdsourcing menu options and calling on creative chefs from around Alaska to submit recipes. It can be a favorite or traditional Alaska recipe; something you know Joe Biden or Kamala Harris loves to make or eat themselves, or a fun play on words celebrating the Inauguration and incoming administration. One recipe will be selected for submission to the White House chef, so there's a chance Joe and Kamala could enjoy your dish! [Submit your recipe here.](#) During the event, you will be invited to show your dish and explain your inspiration. Also, be ready to say a few words about why you are excited to celebrate the 59<sup>th</sup> Inauguration because Mr. Cal Williams will be managing the mic for a virtual "Alaskan on the street" interview. After breakfast, we will all watch the official ceremony, concert and virtual parade which begins at 8am.
- **[Alaskans for Biden Harris Policy Forum – Climate in the Arctic](#)** – **Thursday, Jan 21, at noon AKST** – The incredible energy and momentum of the last few months will be put towards long-term progressive organizing here in Alaska – starting with a series of policy forums. The first (or "inaugural") forum is scheduled right away to discuss climate and the Arctic. Future Alaska Policy Forums will focus on subjects such as social justice, rural development, and other topics, but we have chosen climate for the inaugural forum because of its timeliness and importance to the Biden-Harris agenda. Panelists will discuss how Alaska can achieve a just transition to a prosperous economy and "build back better" by expanding green jobs and incorporating traditional knowledge.
- **[Alaska Democratic Party Winter Auction and Inaugural Celebration](#)** - **Friday, January 22nd at 6:00pm AKST:** Topping off the inauguration extravaganza of Joe Biden and Kamala Harris, join the [Alaska Democratic Party](#) at their biggest fundraiser of the year! The auction theme this year is 'Save Our Stores' and they're encouraging those who want to donate items this year to patronize local merchants, restaurants, and services to buy items, baskets, or gift cards. Let's support our neighbors when they need us most after this tough year. Purchase ADP Winter Auction tickets [here](#) and to volunteer to help coordinate, email Anita Thorne at [bathorne@gci.net](mailto:bathorne@gci.net) or call 907-258-3050.