



REGINA TOWNSEND

ADVOCATE - SPEAKER - LIBRARIAN

PERSONAL SUMMARY

For more than a decade, I've provided an honest and personal look at the ways that infertility intersects physical, emotional, and mental health. Using my personal experience as a base, my professional skills as a librarian for research, and my passion for writing, I speak candidly about how and why infertility and reproductive health should be normalized and not scandalized.

CORE SKILLS & ASSOCIATIONS

- BIPOC Infertility Advocacy
- Young Adult Services Specialist
- Advocacy Consultant
- Grassroots Community Organization
- Advisor, Organic Conceptions, Inc.
- Board Member, Fertility Within Reach, Inc.
- Associate Board Member, New Moms, Inc.
- Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated

CONTACT DETAILS

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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder - Executive Director

The Broken Brown Egg, Inc. (NFP) | Est. 2009

- Pioneer in Black Infertility Advocacy
- Internationally Recognized Blog and Support Group
- PCOS, Maternal Mental Health Advocate

Young Adult Services Manager

Forest Park Public Library | Jun 2011 - Present

- Curator of reference, entertainment, and educational materials and opportunities for young people aged 12-24
- Librarian Mental Health Advocate
- Speaker at the American Library Association, Young Adult Library Services Association, Illinois Library Association



EDUCATION

Dominican University

MLIS | Conferred May 2011

Master of Library and Information Science

- Professionally trained in research sciences with a specialty in youth and teen services

Columbia College Chicago

Bachelor of Arts | Conferred May 2005

BA Fiction Writing

- Founder, Black INK Writer's Guild



AWARDS & PUBLICATIONS

What I Want People to Understand About Navigating Infertility as a Black Woman
Parade.com 2021

The Lasting Trauma of Infertility
New York Times 2019

The Significance of Michelle Obama's Fertility Story
The Atlantic 2018

Hope Award

Fertility For Colored Girls

Family Building Champion Award

Tinina Q. Cade Foundation

Health Activist Award

The Imani Pearls Community Development Foundation

The Root 100

TheRoot.com

Best Blogs 2020

Healthline.com

The Zeta 100

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