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Reflecting on its diversity mission by paying tribute to community leaders, the Portland Observer Foundation held its first annual service awards dinner on Friday. Pictured (from left) are Rakeem Washington, Kory Murphy, Sunshine Dixon, Chuck Washington, Raymi Elser, Andrae Brown, Clarina Boston and Karanja Crews.

# Community Service Awards

## Foundation dinner promotes diversity

BY CARI HACHMANN  
 THE PORTLAND OBSERVER

Gospel grooves from The Light Band poured into the room as more than 200 community supporters settled into their seats at the Portland Observer Foundation's first Community Services Award Dinner inside the Double Tree Hotel in northeast Portland on Friday.

Warm mingling and chatter came to a hush as KOIN 6 Anchor and Master of Ceremonies Ken Boddie welcomed the party and introduced the Rev. Dr. W.G. Hardy Jr. for a brief prayer.

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Dana Ingram and her youngest daughter Kai are honored guests at the first annual Portland Observer Foundation Awards Banquet.



City Commissioner Amanda Fritz gives an inspirational message about community building as keynote speaker for the first annual Portland Observer Foundation Awards Banquet.