



ADRIENNE BENNETT

PRESIDENT AND CEO

2nd generation Benkari LLC Plumbing

Adrienne Bennett is a proud mother of three: Ibn-Hashim, Takiyah, Adrian-Keith (A.K.) and grandmother of one, Adrianna. As President and CEO of 2nd generation Benkari LLC Plumbing, Water Conservation, Service Contracting, she holds the proud distinction of being a pioneer/groundbreaker in the construction plumbing/piping industry.

- North America's First African-American Licensed Female Master Plumber & Plumbing Contractor
- North America's First female Licensed Plumbing Inspector
- North America's First female Medical Gas Inspector/Contractor
- North America's First female to graduate a United Association (5) five-year plumbing apprenticeship

Adrienne's past and present experience in numerous leadership roles are; Corporate Management, Project Management, Court Enforcement Officer, Plumbing Inspector, Estimator, Licensed Master Plumber, Drain Layer, Sewer Jetting and Vactor Services Contractor.

In 2018, Benkari LLC was honored as one of Michigan's 50 COMPANIES TO WATCH, "Thank You" Award Detroit Longstanding Neighborhood Small Business, Spirit of Detroit Award, 2017 & 2018 AGC of Michigan's Outstanding Safety Performance Award. In 2019 was recipient of The National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs, Inc. and SBA's Michigan Women's Owned Small Business of the Year Award. In 2020 1st recipient FANN Ford Employee African-Ancestry Network, LGC Global/CONNECT 4, Michigan Chronicle Women of Excellence and Great Lakes Women's business Council awards. In 2023 inducted into The Detroit Historical Museum THE HUSTLE Exhibit and 1st Female and Minority to be elected to MCAA Plumbing Contractors of America Board of Directors-PCA.

Throughout her career, giving back to the community has remained Adrienne's mission. Her mission has resulted in numerous public speaking opportunities and she stays consistent with community service involvement, including: WOMEN BUILD NATIONS 2018 Conference, City Council President Brenda Jones' Skilled Trades Task Force; Black Caucus Foundation of America Drug & Violence Free Ambassadors Scholars Graduation, FLICS Foreign Language in Cultural Studies Elementary School Career Day ; Flint Water Crisis Response Team; National Multiple Sclerosis Society; COTS Women's Shelter; First Step Women's Shelter; American Association of University Woman Annual Conferences; Vista Maria Girls Center; American Society of Plumbing Engineers; Board member Mechanical Contractors Association of America and MCAA Plumbing Contractors Of America Board of Directors.

Looking towards the future with sustainability in mind, in 2018, Benkari began implementing a plan to help preserve our most precious resource. WATER