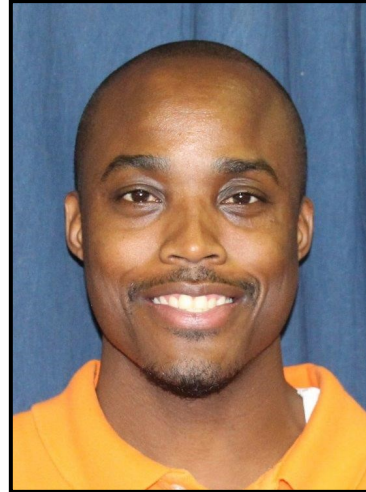
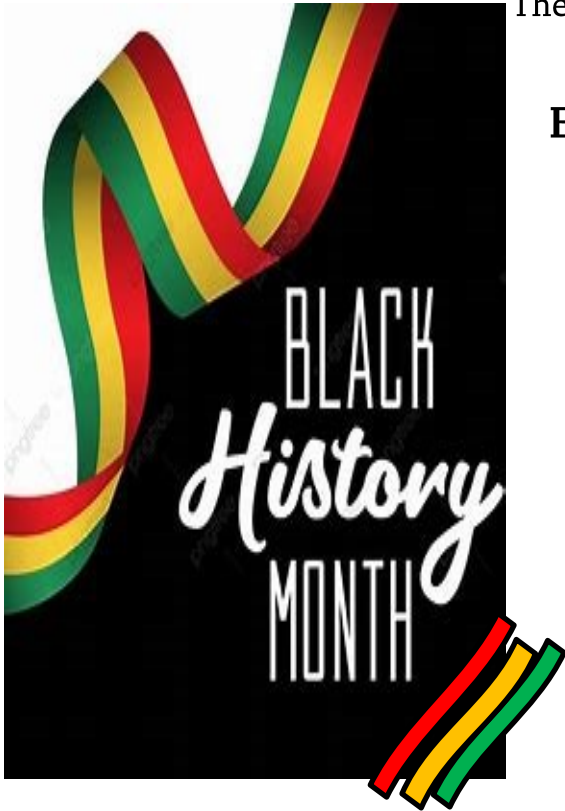


Tennessee Department of Transportation

The Civil Rights Division celebrates Black History Month by recognizing some of our employees.

Employee Spotlight: Willie B. Coleman



Transportation Project Specialist Senior
Region 4, Project Development
Utilities Division

He enjoys working on cars, hands on projects, woodworking, small building projects, and playing recreational basketball.

Joined TDOT Family June 2006

Tell us about a moment in Black History that influenced or shaped your career and life.

The moment in Black History that influenced my life was when Barack Obama was elected President of the United States of America. It was at this moment that I truly believed a person could achieve anything if they put their mind to it. I always knew that Black Americans could hold such a high office but felt it was unlikely to happen during my lifetime.

Which of the TDOT Values (Stewardship, Integrity, Safety, Consistency, Development, Innovation, Collaboration & Family) resonates with you and give an example.

Reflecting on the type of work that I perform daily, I would say collaboration resonates the most with me. In my role in project development, collaboration is essential because it brings several teams together to complete a task or project. This teamwork of collaboration achieves a common goal of delivering services within a certain amount of time.

Why is celebrating Black History Month important?

Black History Month is important because it recognizes and showcases the many talents and abilities of African Americans. These talents and abilities have impacted the world in more ways than many may know.

