



Mamie Parker

“I think about my cousins or people of color. They may not relate to an endangered species they will never see, but they will appreciate a butterfly.” - Mamie Parker

General Information

- Mamie Parker has served with the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) for over 30 years
- Became the first Black woman to serve as assistant director of Fisheries and Habitat Conservation
- First African American to lead a USFWS regional office as the Northeast Service Regional Director

Achievements

- Arkansas Hall of Fame
- Emmaline Moore Award
- Champions of the Chesapeake Award
- Recipient of The 2020 John L. Morris Award by the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies

Current Work

- Currently working on the passing the Recovering America’s Wildlife Act
- Collaborated on projects such as Safe Spaces Initiatives
- Motivational speaker and leadership coach in schools/conferences
- Advocates for a more diverse staff, especially women



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