

This bulletin is to inform the surrounding communities that the West Point, Mississippi, annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Celebration will be held on Monday, January 19, 2026. We will be focusing on involving the youth again this year so instead of having a Guest Speaker, we will be featuring the West Point High School Drumline, JROTC Drill Team, among others to perform. Our theme this year is "Building Bridges, Not Walls".

On Monday, January 19, 2026 assembly of marchers will be at the East Half Mile Street and Dr. Martin Luther King Street (now Navistar and the Old B & W Parking lot), in West Point, Miss. The procession, led by the Fire Department, Sheriff Department, Mississippi Highway Patrol, West Point Police Department, Board of Supervisors, etc. will commence at 9:00 a.m. down Martin Luther King Jr, Drive, go through town and end at Mary Holmes College Gymnasium, West Point, Miss. The program will commence at Mary Holmes College at 9:45 a.m.

In the event of bad weather the march will be cancelled and there will be a motorcade. The program will go ahead as planned at the Mary Holmes College Gymnasium, West Point, Miss. All communities, including churches, organizations and clubs, sororities and fraternities are encouraged to bring banners to show their representation at the march. Delta Sigma Theta Sorority will have a voter registration drive.

On Saturday, January 17, 2026 the Committee will hold a Dry Food Drive at the Gymnasium at the former Mary Holmes

College, West Point, Miss. The food collection will commence at 9:30 a.m at the Gymnasium and end at 1:00 p.m. The donation should consist of dry and canned foods, such as beans, rice, pasta, flour, sugar, etc. This will be donated to the Food Pantry here in West Point.

We are encouraging churches to provide transportation along the march route and to transport marchers back to Navistar Parking Lot after the program.