Indeed, the time is right for social work and it is imperative that social workers rise up and take a stand to determine what side of history our profession will be known for. Will we rise up and be brave in the face of adversity? Will we rise up and boldly lead NYC and the world as diverse advocates, professionals, educators, practitioners, and policy makers? It is time that we rise up and show the world the power of social work and the necessity of our profession!

Opening Speaker / Master of Ceremonies

Erica P. Sandoval, LCSW
NASW-NYC Board President
CEO & Founder of Latinx In Social Work

Closing Speaker

Emilio Tavarez, MSW
NASW-NYC Board President-Elect
Keynote Speaker
Karen Perischilli-Keogh, MSW
New York State Secretary to the Governor

Fireside Chat
The Time is Right for Social Work

Roy Kearse, LCSW, CASAC
VP of Recovery Services & Community Partnerships
Samaritan Daytop Village

Shanequa E. Moore, LMSW
CEO & Founder, iRaise Girls & Boys
2021 NYC Council Candidate - District 12

Dr. Manoj Pardasani
Dean of School of Social Work
Adelphi University
William R. Fletcher, LMSW

William Fletcher is a Deputy Commissioner with NYC/ACS Division of Child Protection, where he manages the implementation of child welfare initiatives. He received his Master's from Columbia University School of Social Work and has been a Licensed Clinical Social Worker since 1989. William's career at NYC ACS spans nearly 35 years of dedication to the field of Child Welfare. In 2014, the National Association of Social Workers New York City Chapter recognized him for Exemplary Mid-Career Social Work Leadership and he also served on the NASW-NYC Delegate Assembly.

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