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Food Justice – Urban Gardening & Food Security April 21, 2021, 11:30 – 12:30

## **Speaker Biographies**



**Dr. Nia Imani Fields** is the Maryland 4-H Program Leader and Assistant Director of Maryland Extension. Dr. Fields has a doctorate in Urban Affairs and Public Policy from Morgan State University and has a long career in youth and community engagement.

As the Maryland 4-H Program Leader, Dr. Fields provides leadership and direction for 4-H Youth Development programs, faculty and staff. Her true purpose in life is to expose as many young people as possible to new and exciting experiences—experiences that encourage youth to dream BIG!



**Thomasina Rogers** is the founder of Black Girls Grow, gardener and mentor for **Black Girl** empowerment, After nearly 40 years as an attorney, Thomasina has redirected her time and energy to her great passions – gardening and the empowerment of girls and women.

In her YouTube Channel, Black Girls Grow, and her soon to be launched website, All the Queen's Bees, Thomasina uses the metaphorical symbolism of growing in nature

and the environment with growing into the fullness of life.



**Sha'Von Terrell** is a Community Planner, Community Organizer, and Food System Planner in Black Communities. As the Deputy Director with the Black Church Food Security Network, Sha'Von manages a local market that steers thousands of dollars and support toward Black farmers and small business owners. Through her work, she advances local self-reliance in the food system.

A rising and inspiring voice in the Black Food and Land Sovereignty community, Sha'Von Terrell is a child of the deep south, freedom dreamer, and a strategic food systems planner specializing in food and land sovereignty.