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## **Newark Library's Literary Group Presents Black History Month Program**

The Frances E.W. Harper Literary Society is hosting a panel discussion on Wednesday, February 3 at the Newark Public Library, entitled, "Writing Our Story: Reflections of Us." The program will be held in Centennial Hall of the Main Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark and begins at 6:30 p.m.

Speakers include Junius Williams, Esq., director of the Abbott Leadership Institute; Library of Congress librarian and author Sibyl Moses; former Newark Teachers Union President Carol Graves; Elizabeth School District librarian Betty Crawley; welfare rights activist Juliet Grant; civil rights activist Catherine Peppers-Hill; and Dr. Ellen Culver of the People's Organization for Progress in Newark.

Funding for the Library's Black History Celebration and exhibit has been provided by a generous grant from the PNC Foundation.

The Frances E.W. Harper Literary Society has met at the Library for more than 20 years and is chaired by Dorothea Moore. The book group is named after the poet who was active in the prohibition and women's suffrage movements of the 19<sup>th</sup> Century

The discussion is free and open to the public. For more information, please call (973) 733-7793 or log on to www.npl.org.