

Third Ward Community Working Group
September 15, 2021
2 – 3 pm

NOTES

- I. Welcome and Introductions – New Members
 - Kristen Morrison, Program Manager, UH College of Medicine
- II. Revisit purpose of the Community Working Group

The group chose to hold discussion in the large group rather than breakout into smaller groups. We discussed each objective for the Working Group, framed by these four questions. A very brief synopsis of the discussion is listed after each question.

1. *Why is this an important purpose for the Working Group?*
There was agreement that these objectives are important.
2. *How would you change the wording?*
Edits to the wording are below in red.
3. *What activities would you like to see this group lead toward this purpose?*
There was limited discussion on this question.
4. *On a scale of 1 to 5, how are we doing on this objective? (new question added by the group)*
This question led to dynamic conversation. The information-sharing objective received high scores. The remainder of the objectives received low scores and show where we have work to do.

The Third Ward Community Working Group will:

1. **Mutually** share information about community and COM programs and events
 - Engage students, faculty and staff in community events
 - Create a platform to share information
2. Prioritize and respond to Third Ward health needs
 - Utilize existing research and reports
 - Jointly respond to funding opportunities
 - **Partnered events with community organizations**
3. Advise **and make recommendations to** COM on programs and research, such as:
 - Healthy Connections, community health program
 - Admissions Committee
 - Standardized Patients
 - Health Commons Advisory Committee
 - **Research Studies**
4. Hold College of Medicine accountable for service to the community
 - Co-create accountability metrics
 - Provide feedback to COM metrics reports

- III. Next Meeting – October 20, 2 pm
1. Review and endorse Working Group objectives.
 2. Who else should we invite to the working group? See attached member list.
 3. How should we enter this work, sub-groups?

Participants

Carla Ben, UH College of Medicine
David Buck, UH College of Medicine
Munish Chawla, Peaceful Planet
Linda Civallero, UH College of Medicine
Phylcia Coleman, Change Happens!
Jordan Everett, Center for Civic & Public Policy Improvement
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Kristi Rangel, Houston Health Department
Rev. Ken Rodgers, Operation Love