

**East End Community Working Group**  
**September 16, 2021**  
**10 – 11 am**

**NOTES**

- I. Welcome and Introductions – New Members
  - Kristen Morrison, Program Manager, UH College of Medicine
  - Peggy Goetz, Pro Salud Houston and UT Health School of Public Health
- II. Revisit purpose of the Community Working Group

Members asked about the Morehouse Model, after which working groups are modeled. Dave shared a document from the book.

The group was split into two groups. Group 1 discussed objectives 1 and 2. Group 2 discussed objectives 3 and 4. A brief summary of the discussion is listed below.

1. *Why is this an important purpose for the Working Group?*
  - Sharing information is super important to learn what each agency is doing in the community.
  - We're not in competition with each other but complement each other.
  - Save COM time finding research objectives that matter to the community.
  - Bring perspective of the community. Help identify community needs.
2. *How would you change the wording?*

No edits were made, however, members asked to see edits from the Third Ward Community Working Group, see edits below in red.
3. *What activities would you like to see this group lead toward this purpose?*
  - More standardized patients from community, inform on cultural context
  - More participation in community events, to reduce barrier to higher ed, COM
  - Presentations to organizations
  - Research on COVID hesitancy
  - Partner on funding
4. *On a scale of 1 to 5, how are we doing on this objective?*

Most responses were in the 3 to 5 range, with room to improve and grow.

The East End 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 21, 10 am

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

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