

## May 24, 2021 Update

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### EDUCATION

#### Board of Visitors (BOV) Education Task Force

- a. Virtual Appreciation Luncheon Tuesday, June 1 from 12:45-1:30 p.m.
- b. UH Public Art Opportunities and Financial Literacy Assistance

### ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT

- a. SURE Program received the Houston Business Journal's award for Diversity in Business.
- b. SURE has applied for the Prime Grant for \$147,000 if awarded the grant has an automatic annual renewal.
- c. SURE is a member of EPIC-N [Educational Partnerships for Innovation in Communities – Network \(EPIC-N\)](#) . Dr. Khumawala and Vice President Lee are working diligently to plans to get the Third Ward Initiative listed under Community Development on the EPIC-N website.
- d. SURE Academy Spring 2021 Update
  - The program was conducted virtually Monday evenings
  - **99** entrepreneurs were admitted
  - **76** entrepreneurs completed the program requirements
  - **43** entrepreneurs conducted their business pitches on Monday April 26<sup>th</sup>
- e. HISD and Mayor Turner want to pilot \$600,000 a “SURE type” program into 3 HISD high schools, Dr. Khumawala is interested in partnering with HISD on this project.

### HEALTH

- a. College of Medicine is interested in having vacation sites at local high schools
- b. TWI Volunteers participated in various Third Ward Community Service efforts
  - SHAPE food and necessities distribution April 14 and April 24.
  - Annual Third Ward Community Health Fair

### ART & CULTURE

- a. SHAPE Community Center International Festival (April 25<sup>th</sup>)
- b. Update on KGMCA-PRH 2021 Fellowship Applications
- c. Mobile Music Program