

TO:	GC3-Health Equity Alliance
FROM:	Justo Chalaire, Community Engagement & Data Specialist
SUBJECT:	Health Equity Alliance Meeting Summary
DATE:	September 12th, 2023

Below are the items covered and discussed:

Agenda #1	Welcome and Introductions
Discussion	Brenda Anderson welcomed everyone and initiated introductions. In attendance
	were Jimell Felder, Marisel Losa, Janet Phelps, Ashlee Redfern, Ebony Burgess,
	Earlean Boles, Patsy Garcia, Anna Guryan, Devin Butler, Bill Kimler, Brenda
	Anderson, and Justo Chalaire

Agenda #2	GC3 Overview/Update
Discussion	 Justo gave an overview and discussed the formation of GC3 working groups, steering committees, and the backbone organization. Justo updated the group on the nomination of Brenda Anderson as Chair of the Health Equity Alliance. An official vote took place resulting in favor of Brenda Anderson as Chair of the Health Equity Alliance. Justo confirmed the Alliances Unconscious Bias Training to take place at the Self Regional Support Service Building on November 14th from 10 a.m 12 p.m. This will be hosted by Ricaye Harris of Milliken and Company. The target audience are healthcare professionals, social workers, school district, local government, and leaders. Justo reminded the group of their discussion to continue to educate leaders in our community to improve decision-making and quality of services. He then updated the group on a 3-part series, starting with Cultural Competency, that the Weathers Group is willing to facilitate at the start of the year. The group suggested a training date of Tuesday, January 9th at 6 p.m. or the last week of January. Justo mentioned a PEACE training that has one more slot available on September 13th and 28th.

Agenda #3	GC3 Survey
Discussion	 The group reviewed the survey responses that are currently at 285 with a goal of 400. To increase responses all members agreed to share the survey within their local influence. The group discussed various strategies for community engagement and administering the survey including directly inviting participants, posting flyers in a lobby, and mentioning incentives for participation. Each member discussed how they would directly administer or advertise the survey



	 Justo mentioned that in addition to community surveys, the Food Insecurity Work Group is hosting community listening sessions for more feedback. The agreed this is something we could mirror.
Conclusion	Administer the Survey and strategize health equity Community Listening Sessions.

Agenda #4	Data Review
Discussion	Justo reviewed various health disparities in the community, including differences in median household income, death rates due to heart disease, infant mortality rates, and prevalence of diabetes and other health conditions among different racial and ethnic groups. They also mentioned the need for leadership roles within the community work group to address these disparities. The group showed concerns with the Infant Mortality Rate among the Black/African American population in Greenwood, SC. Dr. Felder shared that the focus of the Health Equity Task Force at Self Regional is Maternal Health and Lung Cancer. Devin Butler shared his concerns with our local transportation. Ebony Burgess expressed her concerns with ACEs.

Action items that came from the meeting:

Action Items	Next Steps
1.	Engage diverse community members to build the capacity of the Health Equity
	Group
2.	Register for the GC3 Unconscious Bias Training.
3.	Administer the GC3 Community Surveys- GC3 Community Survey
4.	Advertise the GC3 Community Survey flyer
5.	Create a GC3 onboarding shared folder
6.	Complete the Health Equity Alliance Leadership Roles Nomination -
	https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZJJKRQS
7.	Attend our next Meeting on October 10th at 1:00 p.m. at the United Center for
	Community Care (929 Phoenix St.)