



## **Racial Diversity, Opportunity and Harmony Strategic Alliance Meeting**

Tuesday, August 30 2005 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. WSU Metro Center

### **AGENDA**

- I. Welcome/Self Introductions** LaVonta Williams
  - Meeting Goals
  - July 7, 2005 Minutes – Action Needed: Approval Suzie Ahlstrand
  - Introduction of Self Help Staff
  - Announcement: Family Strengthening Conference Series
  
- II. Visioneering Wichita** Suzie Ahlstrand
  - A. **Be A Partner/Orientation at The Chamber**  
September 29: 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.
  - B. Visioneering Update
  
- III. Revisiting Vision and Benchmark** Suzie Ahlstrand
  - A. **Quality of Life Foundation Vision:**  
**Before 2024 the Wichita MSA will:** Be a healthy, safe community that has a vibrant recreation, entertainment and arts focus that embrace diversity and builds pride.
  - B. **Benchmark**  
Conduct a biannual attitude survey to measure changes in perception about racial diversity, opportunity and harmony. The survey will establish indices that measure diversity, opportunity and harmony in social interaction, jobs, education, healthcare and leadership. Benchmark to include: Attitude survey and improvement in income gap by 2010 and by 2020 eliminate one-half of each minority per capita income gap.
  - C. Proposed Survey
    - Timeline
    - Survey Instructions Barry Carroll
  
- IV. Racial Diversity, Opportunity and Harmony Strategies**
  - 1. **Understand, celebrate and embrace all cultures and racial diversity and make it evident in everything we do. Encourage interaction among all people and break down barriers.**
    - a) **Create thriving neighborhoods that are both ethnically and racially diverse.**
    - b) **Reduce the earnings gap between minorities and non- minorities.**
    - c) **Increase graduation rates.**
    - d) **Close achievement gap.**
  
- V. What? Why? Why Now?** Maas Thomas
  - Breakout Groups/Call Outs Barry Carroll
  
- VI. Thank You/Adjournment** All