



**COLUMBIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024**

The Columbia Community Development Committee will conduct a meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 2024 at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall (Mayor's Conference Room), 1737 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Columbia, SC 29201. Members of the public may view the meeting online at www.columbiasc.gov. Please contact the City Clerk's Office at (803)545-3045 or cityclerk@columbiasc.gov if you have questions regarding the meeting.

The Honorable Tina N. Herbert, District I, Chair
The Honorable William Brennan, District III

Prior to entering the meeting please turn all electronic communication devices to the silent, vibrate or off position. All presenters are asked to speak directly into the microphone for recording purposes.

CALL TO ORDER

PRESENTATION

1. Update from Home Works of America - Mr. Joe Huggins, Executive Director

COMMITTEE DISCUSSION

2. Columbia Town and Gown Committee - Ms. Missy Gentry, P.E., Assistant City Manager for Development Services and Ms. Krista Hampton, Director of Planning and Development Services

ADJOURNMENT



We Are Columbia

MEETING DATE: January 16, 2024

DEPARTMENT: City Clerk

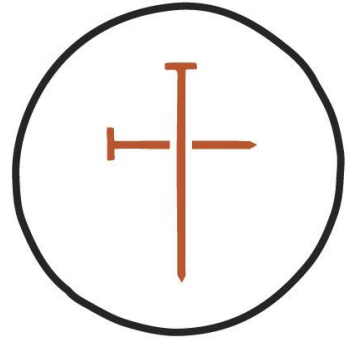
FROM: *Erika Hammond, City Clerk*

SUBJECT: Update from Home Works of America - Mr. Joe Huggins,
Executive Director

**FUNDING SOURCE &
ORIGINAL BUDGET:**

ATTACHMENTS:

- **#a:** Home Works of America 011624 (PDF)
- **#b:** A Home Works Story: Compassionate Home Repair



HOME WORKS



MISSION

The mission of Home Works is to *show God's love* through serving those in need by repairing homes, assisting in youth development and empowering communities to care for their own.



TRANSLATION: COMPASSIONATE CONSTRUCTION

We provide free home repairs to elderly, disabled and Veteran homeowners using primarily student volunteers.
(Recovery-based more than disaster response.)



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- HEALTH
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TYPICAL REPAIRS

Warm. Safe. Dry. Healthy.

Roof replacements

Weatherization

Safety / fall protection

Egress points

Painting

Bath and Kitchen Retrofits



Fast Facts



- Typical repair costs are \$5,000 - \$7500
- Average 120 homes repaired annually in SC, with 50% located in the Midlands
- Waiting list of 100+ homes with 1-2 year wait
- Average 20+ homeowner calls per day
- Life of structure extended an expected 7.5 years

Client Eligibility

- HOME OWNERSHIP
- LOW INCOME (BASED ON H.U.D. COUNTY-SPECIFIC RANGE)
- FAMILY SITUATION
- ESTABLISHED RESIDENCE
- HEALTH CRITERIA



City of Columbia Impact

Since 2017, **221** homes have been repaired in the City of Columbia.





CHRIS KEMP
Midlands Construction
Manager



MADelyn SMITH
Operations and Volunteers Director



ROY KRAMER
Midlands Project Manager

Experienced Team

Volunteer Depth

High School students

College students

Churches

Corporate groups

Civic groups

Contractor Relationships



Proven Program Experience

- Charleston County CDBG – Year 6
- Charleston County ARPA – Phase 3
- Richland County CDBG – Year 5
- Darla Moore Foundation – 3 Year Program Extended 3 Add'tl years



Bold Vision

\$500,000 for 100 homes repaired
(Average \$5k per home)



Return on Investment

Extension of structure life

Mitigating health and safety issues

Weatherization

100 homes = Estimated \$9 million costs avoided







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ATTACHMENTS:

- **#a:** Town and Gown Memo (PDF)
- **#b:** Town and Gown School Invite Letter v2 (PDF)



CITY OF COLUMBIA
SOUTH CAROLINA
OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

To: Community Development Committee
CC: Teresa Wilson, City Manager
From: Krista Hampton, Director of Planning and Development Services
 Payton Lang, Policy and Programs Advisor to the Mayor
Date: January 16, 2024
Subject: Updated Proposal for Columbia Town and Gown Committee

Columbia Town & Gown Committee

The primary body comprising the Columbia Town and Gown will consist of 20 representatives from the community's colleges and universities, neighborhoods, city government, and other related community sectors. There will be 15 voting members on the committee.

Seven college and university representatives (President or their designee)

- Allen University
- Benedict College
- Columbia College
- Columbia International University
- Lenoir-Rhyne University
- Midlands Technical College
- University of South Carolina

Five City of Columbia representatives

- Columbia Police Department (CPD)*
- Planning and Development*
- Code Enforcement*
- Parking*
- Mayor's Office*

Four neighborhood representatives

- Citizens from identified College/university communities to apply to be appointed by City Council

One hospitality sector representative

- Citizens from identified hospitality districts to apply to be appointed by City Council

One Collegiate Engagement Council representative

- Student from the mayor's council – students will appoint their representative

Two co-chairs

- Mayor, City of Columbia
- Representative from University of South Carolina

**City Staff representatives will act in an ex officio capacity*

Subcommittees

Beyond the full council, the Town and Gown will host multiple subcommittees. The amount of subcommittees may vary. The proposed permanent subcommittees are suggested to capture ongoing topics and relationships

- Planning
- Safety
 - Student behaviors
- Transportation and Parking
- Graduate Retention
 - Talent Pipeline
- Off-Campus Life
 - Off-campus housing
- Community Engagement

Once subcommittee chairs are confirmed, they will be tasked with creating the make-up of their subcommittee and determine the frequency of the meetings. Subcommittees will be responsible for self-reporting agendas/overviews of meetings.

Committee Meetings

The Columbia Town & Gown Committee will meet three times per year with a goal to meet in the winter (February/March), in the summer before students return (June/July), and in the fall (October). The first inaugural meeting will be held in June/July 2024 with a strategic planning session in February/March 2024.

Committee meetings will be public and documented. Meeting agendas and minutes will be maintained for accountability and transparency.

Next Steps

- Formally invite all Columbia schools to participate (letter attached)
- Open applications for community and hospitality representatives (through City)
- Plan a strategic planning session for the committee in February/March 2024
 - Plan to ask ITGA to recommend a facilitator
- Send delegates to the ITGA 2024 Conference – June 5-7, 2024
- Convene the first Columbia Town and Gown Committee in Summer 2024

January XX, 2024

NAME

President

INSTITUTION

ADDRESS

Columbia, SC XXXXX

Dear **PRESIDENT**,

Happy New Year! As the City of Columbia continues to innovate and grow, it is important now more than ever to strengthen our partnerships and expand opportunities for collaboration. To do that, we must prioritize sharing information and having discussions as a community. We must have every voice at the table to truly promote the Midlands region.

Columbia is home to seven institutions of higher learning, not just one. Collectively, we must come together to discuss the challenges and trends of our students faculty with the City of Columbia to ensure we are all making decisions that align with our communities' needs.

That is why I am writing you today. **I would like to personally invite UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE to join the inaugural Columbia Town and Gown.**

I have invited every college and university in Columbia to participate with their President or their appointed delegate serving as an official member. In addition, City of Columbia staff and appointed community members will be a part of the full committee. University of South Carolina President Michael Amiridis and I will serve as the founding co-chairs of the Columbia Town and Gown.

The committee will publically meet formally three times annually to discuss updates, look into challenges, and celebrate successes. Then, subcommittees will meet to discuss more specific topics and accept presentations from guests and the public when needed. Once committee membership is finalized, we will hold a strategic planning session to build the framework of the committee together.

The Columbia Town and Gown's will require intentional ongoing efforts to engage and a commitment to participate from all. I hope you will join us in creating space for widespread collaboration to make the City of Columbia one of the best places to study, work, and live in the country.

To accept this invitation, please email me at mayor@columbiasc.gov and we will share next steps for registering with the International Town and Gown Association (ITGA).

Sincerely,
Daniel J. Rickenmann
Mayor