



SHAKER HEIGHTS

Human Relations Task Force Shaker Heights City Hall, Council Chambers January 16, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

1. Updates on Current Projects

a. Welcoming New Neighbors To Shaker

1. Acclimating New Residents

- Distributing postcards - Fernway starting; other ideas?
- Starting K-12 welcoming program.

2. Welcoming International Newcomers

- Ambassadors program - Training at Library February 20, list of mentors available online - How to connect new residents with ambassadors?
- Crossing Borders Exhibit February 26-27 - Promotion, invitations, advertising for ambassadors program, mentoring opportunities.
- Library ESL Program - New monthly conversation program, need temporary location, still seeking support for scheduling/promotion.

b. Connecting with Current Shaker Neighbors

1. Community Conversations

- Towards Racial Harmony - next event?
- "Here and Now: Personal Stories and Community Discussion" on February 8-9 - Monica Boone's event.
- Social inclusion for people with disabilities.

2. Fun Community Events

- Garage band/Garage Sale date?

3. Better Sharing of Information about Events

- Shaker Engagement Collaborative.
- Forward Together.

2. Possible New Projects

- Interfaith dialogue - Dalia to organize.
- Art in public spaces commemorating Shaker's values - Discuss with Shaker's Public Art Task Force.
- Neighborhood grant programs - Bring people together for bids on smaller

neighborhood projects.

- Educational equity - Erica Merritt at future meeting.
- Listening to/mentoring high school students.

3. HRTF in 2021 and Beyond

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