

Workshop 1: Buyouts and Other Forms of Strategic Relocation in Greater Houston

Executive Agenda | Hilton, North Houston | 12400 Greenspoint Dr.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2022 (all times CDT)

Objectives

- Hear from residents, local officials, and other experts about buyouts and other forms of strategic relocation in the Greater Houston area.
- Learn about and discuss issues relating to mandatory and voluntary buyout programs, local decision-making, and public engagement.
- Learn about and discuss the implications of equity on displacement and relocation.

10:00-10:10

Welcome and Introduction to the Study

Dr. Chandra L. Middleton, Study Co-Director and Program Officer, National Academies
John Ben Soileau, Study Co-Director and Program Officer, National Academies
Dr. Lynn Goldman, Committee Member, Dean of the Milken Institute of Public Health at George Washington University

10:10-10:15

Welcome from the Sponsor: The Gulf Research Program

Dr. Lauren Alexander Augustine, Executive Director, The Gulf Research Program at the National Academies

10:15-11:30

Community Testimonials: Buyouts and other forms of Strategic Relocation in Greater Houston

Facilitator: Ms. Cleo Johnson-McLaughlin, President, Black United Fund of Texas

Darnell Ozenne, *Black United Fund of Texas*

Marcus Glenn, *Black United Fund of Texas*

Kevin McKinney, *Flood Victims of Richwood*

Barbara McEntyre, *Coalition for Environment, Equity, and Resilience (invited)*

Marcial Sanchez, *Coalition for Environment, Equity, and Resilience (invited)*

Perla Garcia, *Coalition for Environment, Equity, and Resilience (invited)*

11:30-12:00

Discussion and Q&A with Community Testimonial Panelists

Moderator: Ms. Cleo Johnson-McLaughlin, President, Black United Fund of Texas

12:00-1:00

Lunch Break

1:00-2:10

Panel 1: Challenges, Opportunities, and Lessons Learned from Buyout Programs and Houston as a Receiving Community

Moderator: Dr. E. Barrett Ristroph, Committee Member, Principal and Founder, Ristroph Law, Planning and Research

Ray Beltran, M.P.S, Community Engagement Coordinator, Harris County, Precinct 1 (*invited*)

Ryan Slattery, Senior Advisor of Sustainability and Resilience, Houston Mayor's Office

Dr. Shannon Van Zandt, Professor, Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University at College Station

Shirley Ronquillo, Co-Founder and Community Activist, Houston Department of Transformation

Q&A with Committee Members and Audience

2:10-3:35

Panel 2: Implications of Inequity for Displacement, Health, and Community Wellbeing

Moderator: Dr. Lynn Goldman, Committee Member, Dean of the Milken Institute of Public Health at George Washington University

Deborah January-Bevers, JD, President and CEO, Houston Wilderness

Susan Rogers, Associate Professor and Director of the Community Design Resource Center
University of Houston College of Architecture

Elizabeth Van Horn & Carolyn White, Urban Planners, Harris County Public Health

Dr. Andrew Rumbach, Associate Professor of Landscape Architecture and Urban Planning, Texas A&M University at College Station

Q&A with Committee Members and Audience

3:35-3:45

Summary and Closing Remarks

Dr. Lynn Goldman, Committee Member, Dean of the Milken Institute of Public Health at George Washington University

Workshop 1: Strategic Relocation and Environmental Perception: Community Perspectives from Port Arthur, Texas

Executive Agenda | Golden Triangle Empowerment Center | 617 Proctor St.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022 (all times CDT)

Objectives

- Hear from residents and local leaders about perceptions of environmental risks and hazards.
- Learn about and discuss forms of strategic relocation under consideration, including issues relating to local decision-making processes and public engagement in this context.
- Learn about and discuss the implications of equity for displacement and relocation.

5:30 pm

Dinner Buffet

5:45-6:00

Welcome and Introduction to National Academies and the Study

Dr. Chandra L. Middleton, Study Co-Director and Program Officer, National Academies
John Ben Soileau, Study Co-Director and Program Officer, National Academies

6:00-6:20

Keynote Speaker: Mr. Hilton Kelley

Founder and Director, Community In-Power and Development Association Inc.

6:20-7:40

Community Testimonials

Facilitated by Community In-Power and Development Association Inc.

7:40-8:15

Community Discussion and Q&A with Committee

Moderator: Dr. Craig Colten, Professor Emeritus, Louisiana State University

8:15-8:30

Summary and Closing Remarks

Dr. Craig Colten, Professor Emeritus, Louisiana State University

8:30 pm

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