

**WESTCHASE DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUND**

**AGENDA**

September 15, 2021

**TO: THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WESTCHASE DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUND AND TO ALL OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:**

Notice is here by given that a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Westchase District Community Fund (the “Corporation”) will be held on Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at 7:30a.m., in the Westchase District Conference Room – 10370 Richmond Ave., Suite 1350, Houston, TX 77042, or via Zoom Conference Call (Zoom.us, Meeting Number: 915-070-8950, or call in number: +1 253-215-8782, 915-070-8950#), open to the public, to consider, discuss and adopt such orders, resolutions or motions, and take other direct or indirect actions as may be necessary, convenient, or desirable with respect to the following matters:

1. **Call to Order.**
2. **Guests.** Introduce guests, if any. Dozie Oheri with Choose To Do Inc.
3. **Board Members.** Discuss potential new board members.
4. **Westchase District Update Report.** Receive a report on Westchase District.
5. **Administrative Report.** Review and approve the minutes of August 11, 2021 meeting. Review and approve Treasurer’s report.
6. **Donation Submission(s).** Receive donation request(s), if any, from our community.
  - a. Review and approve the Green Mountain Energy Sun Club awarded grant agreement.
  - b. Review Harmony Public Schools submission.
7. **Pillars & Committee Reports** (2021 planning meeting notes attached for reference)
  - a. Receive reports from each pillar area:
    - i. Community Thru Connections (John D.)
      1. Discuss Legislative Update Event
    - ii. Health & Wellness (Keitha G.)
    - iii. Literacy Outreach
    - iv. Safety Awareness (Ricky G.)
    - v. Website/Social Media (Blair J.)
      1. Discuss WDCF shirts.
8. **Upcoming Board Meetings.** Proposed next meeting dates are: October 13.
9. **Adjourn.**

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Louis Jullien, Director

# Meet the Founder/CEO

Hi! My name is Dozie Oheri and I am the Founder/CEO of Choose to DO, Inc. I started Choose to DO, Inc. because of my experience as an educator, as a caregiver and from personal growth and development. Through my experiences listed above and through Choose to DO, Inc., I have made it my job to empower our youth.

[Home - Choose to DO, Inc. \(choosetodoinc.org\)](http://choosetodoinc.org)



I am the child of Nigerian immigrants and I was born and raised in Houston, TX. I enjoy entrepreneurship and servicing marginalized communities. Majority of my work is to support and empower youth, which I enjoy doing the most.

# Westchase District Update 9.15.21

## **Projects**

### Elmside/Woodchase Path

- October 2021 Completion

### Walnut Bend

- October 2021 Completion

### Woodchase Park

- Hired 5 Guest Service Attendants
- Opens October 2021
  - 10 Days of Events – October 28<sup>th</sup> – November 6<sup>th</sup>
  - Trick or Treat – October 31, 2021, 5pm-8pm
  - Christmas Celebration – December 3, 2021, 5pm-8pm
  - Soliciting sponsorships for both events
- [www.woodchasepark.com](http://www.woodchasepark.com)

### Westheimer

- Completion February 2022

### Camden Park

- Completion Summer 2023

## **Greenspace for Westchase**

- \$3.2M goal achieved
  - Confirmed \$200K gift from Sun Club
  - Pending grants from Hershey Foundation & Wortham Foundation

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF  
WESTCHASE DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUND**

**THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF HARRIS**

The Board of Directors of the Westchase District Community Fund met in an official session, open to the public on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, at 7:30a.m., in the Westchase District Conference Room – 10370 Richmond Ave., Suite1350, Houston, TX 77042, or via Zoom Conference Call (Zoom.us, Meeting Number: 915-070-8950, or call in number: +1 253-215-8782, 915-070-8950#), The roll was called of the duly appointed members of the Board, to-wit: Blair Johnson, Louis Jullien, John Dombrowski, Craig Eichhorn, Kimberly Crow, Lisa Iparrea and Ricky Gonzalez thus constituting a quorum.

**1. Call to Order** by C. Eichhorn. **Time:** 7:35am B. Johnson acting secretary

**2. Guest:** No Guests

**3. Board Members:** Review and approve letter of resignation from Tim Johnson.

**Motion to reluctantly accept the resignation of Tim Johnson:** K. Crow. **Second:** L. Jullien. **Board Vote:** Unanimous reluctant vote.

**Motion to honor T. Johnson with a plaque not to exceed \$100 for his contributions to WDCF**

**Board:** K. Crow. **Second:** J. Dombrowski **Board Vote:** Unanimous.

Tim will be recognized at WDAB Meeting on October 14<sup>th</sup>.

**4. Westchase District Update Report.** Receive a report on Westchase District.

**5. Administrative Reports.** Review and approve the minutes of July 14, 2021 meeting. Review and approve Treasurer's report.

**Motion to approve minutes as amended:** K. Crow **Second:** L. Jullien **Board Vote:** unanimous

**Motion to approve Treasurer's Report:** K. Crow **Second:** J. Dombrowski **Board Vote:** unanimous

**6. Donation Submission(s).** Receive donation request(s), if any, from our community. None

**7. Pillars & Committee Reports -** Receive reports from each pillar area

**a. Community Outreach (John D.) –**

\*Resource/Tools Flyer for area.

\*Upcoming Job Fair – 30 vendors scheduled.

\*Legislative Breakfast,

\*Park Events

**b. Health/Fitness (Keitha G.) –**

\*shared ideas for health and fitness partnerships and events.

**c. Education (L. Jullien) –**

\*School supply drive was a success. Over \$500 in donations

\*Men reading in school program – need volunteers

**d. Safety (Ricky G.) –** no report. Plan to meet with new Public Safety Dir.

**e. Website/social media (Blair J.) –**

\*Over 109 likes/124 Followers on WDCF Facebook page.

\*WDCF uniformed shirts for Board.

**8. Upcoming Board Meetings.** Proposed next meeting dates: Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, Oct 13th

**9. Adjourn. 8:34a**

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**Blair Johnson – Acting Secretary**

WDCF

9/14/2021

	2016		2017		2018		2019		2020		2021	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual*
<b>Income:</b>												
Donation Income:	15,000	5,434	5,000	700	1,500	2,840	1,500	760	1,000	50,995	1,000	700
20th Anniversary / Anchor Annual Fundraiser	60,000		60,000									
Program Income:												
Corporate Challenge	25,000	22,700	24,000	23,500	27,000	27,776	27,000	24,500	30,000	18,300		
Other/Legislative Breakfast		1,165	3,000	3,730	3,000	4,345	3,000	3,140	3,000	1,475	2,500	
Other/Whole Foods		2,244	3,000	2,522	2,000							
Corporate Donation - W Foods / Cantina L.				1,200				250				
Misc. Income					360		100		100		100	425
Grant Income								3,000				
Interest Income	10	17	20	21	20	21	20	17	20	26	20	11
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>100,010</b>	<b>31,560</b>	<b>95,020</b>	<b>31,673</b>	<b>33,880</b>	<b>34,982</b>	<b>31,620</b>	<b>31,667</b>	<b>34,120</b>	<b>70,796</b>	<b>3,620</b>	<b>1,136</b>
<b>Expenses:</b>												
Administrative (filing and bank fees) :	200	126	200	85	100	84	100	46	100	196	100	47
Marketing / Supplies	0	650	500		2,660		500	643	600	8	500	62
Professional (audit & tax)	2,000	2,250	2,300	2,600	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,750	4,000	4,000	4,250	3,000
Insurance	750	676	750	716	750	716	750	716	750	716	750	752
Legal	500	0	500									
Grant Application Fees	500	0	500									
Website / Paypal	150	13	100	13	60	198	25	5	2,025	3,298	100	51
Trail Equipment						2,055		2,850				
Anchor Annual fundraiser	45,000	0	45,000									
Program Expenses:												
Corporate Challenge	9,000	8,974	9,000	9,427	10,000	8,049	10,000	7,789	10,000	471		
20th Anniversary / Leg Bkf. / other	0	11,364	1,000	992	1,000	1,128	1,200	866	1,000	(120)		
Other - W Foods / Public Art			300					1,500				
<b>Total Expenses:</b>	<b>58,100</b>	<b>24,053</b>	<b>60,150</b>	<b>13,833</b>	<b>17,570</b>	<b>15,730</b>	<b>16,075</b>	<b>18,165</b>	<b>18,475</b>	<b>8,569</b>	<b>5,700</b>	<b>3,912</b>
<b>Donations</b>	50,000	16,700	25,000	23,355	15,000	24,936	15,000	16,404	15,000	66,065	5,000	3,914
<b>Surplus / (Deficit)</b>	(8,090)	(9,193)	9,870	(5,515)	1,310	(5,684)	545	(2,902)	645	(3,838)	(7,080)	(6,690)
WDCF Accounts Receivable (A/R)												
<b>Asset - Cash in Bank</b>		<b>38,440</b>		<b>35,187</b>		<b>30,881</b>		<b>27,979</b>		<b>23,141</b>		<b>16,542</b>

\*as of 8/31/21

<b>Name of Organization</b>	Harmony Public Schools
<b>Is your organization a 501c3?</b>	Yes
<b>Non-Profit Federal ID Number</b>	76-0615245
<b>Contact Name and/or Title</b>	Michelle Morin / District Development Coordinator
<b>Office Phone Number</b>	832 831 9174 x 107
<b>Contact Email</b>	<a href="mailto:mmorin@harmonytx.org">mmorin@harmonytx.org</a>
<b>Address</b>	9321 W Sam Houston Pkwy S Houston, TX 77099
<b>Please tell us a little about your organization (History and Mission)</b>	<p>Harmony Public Schools is a high-performing public charter school in Houston that focuses on STEM education and college and career readiness. We have a culture of close community and togetherness at our campuses amongst a diverse student and parent population.</p> <p>The first Harmony campus was established in 2000. To this date, we have 21 campuses in Houston and 58 campuses in the state of Texas. For over 20 years, Harmony has served Houston with only state and federal funds but we have learned the joys of partnering with our local community. We want to hear your vision for education and see if we can make a bigger impact together.</p> <p>Our mission is to prepare each student for higher education by providing a safe, caring, and collaborative atmosphere using a quality, a student-centered educational model with a strong emphasis on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics.</p> <p>- 61% of Harmony students are economically disadvantaged, with</p>

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several campuses reaching as high as 80%

- 64% of Harmony alumni are the first in their family to attend college  
(Texas Average: 35%, US Average: 30%)

- 70.4 % of our Economically Disadvantaged Graduates choose STEM  
Majors in College (Texas Average: 27.2%, Us Average: 18.3%)

All of Harmony high school campuses were named in the U.S. News &  
World Report's Best High Schools List. Harmony is helping minority  
populations and students of economically disadvantaged  
backgrounds achieve more.

<https://harmonytx.org>

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**When are you in need  
of the donation?**

We are accepting donation for Harmony Gives Program on a rolling  
basis.

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**What is the amount  
requested?**

\$3000 - \$5000

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**Please be specific on  
what the donation will  
benefit or how it will  
be used.**

This application for Donation is for the Harmony Gives Program.  
Harmony Gives project helps families struggling with a variety of  
challenges...

Between schoolwork, housework, homework, actual work, and all the  
other demands our complex world can place on a family, it's no  
wonder that some of us could use a little extra help sometimes.

However, for students and families facing difficulties like poverty,  
food insecurity, homelessness, or other critical issues, sometimes just  
a little extra help can be a lifesaver.

That's why we're writing today to ask for your help in supporting  
these students and their families by donating to our newest family  
outreach program, Harmony Gives.

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Harmony Gives is a compassion project from Harmony Public Schools which provides extra assistance and resources to students and families struggling with a variety of personal or family crises that fall outside the traditional school support model.

As we have a high percentage of students from economically disadvantaged backgrounds (some campuses reaching as high as 80%), the donation requested will be put in a Harmony Gives Fund, where students and families can apply for help in the form of school supplies, books, uniforms, clothing, food for the students and even their family members if they are struggling.

Your donation will aid in retaining students in school, ensuring that they have supplies, clothing, and food. This, in turn, will ensure that students have an equal opportunity to graduate high school, stepping into the world as productive and responsible citizens.

Please note that all proceeds will go directly to aiding students and their families.

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**Have you applied for a donation from WDCF previously? If Yes – please list when/for what.**

No.

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**Are you publicizing this event? If so – What exposure would you be willing to provide the WDCF.org?**

Yes, we launched this program publicly on August 25, 2021. All parents, staff, and community partners are informed of this. We have also been marketing this program on our social media platforms of Twitter, Facebook, LinkedIn, YouTube etc.

We strive to maintain a good relationship with our community partners. WDCF.org will be a partner of Harmony Public Schools.

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Exposures will include but are not limited to:

- Shout outs on Social Medias
- Featured on our Community Partners website and newsletters
- Invitations to our school events

For this donation, WDCF.org is also welcome to have a photoshoot at one of our campuses.

Parents, staff, and individuals from the community can donate one time or monthly through this link.

<https://donorbox.org/harmony-public-schools>

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