City of Houston Office of Business Opportunity

CHAMBERS & COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

Acres Home Citizens Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Dave Jones, Chairman

Address: 2529 S. Victory Dr. Houston, TX 77088

Phone: (832) 576-6066

Website: http://www.acreshomecenter.org/

E-mail: info@acreshomecenter.org

Details:

Promotes the growth and expansion of small business enterprises

Supports Center for Business and Economic Development

Provide business counseling, assistance and referrals

Hosts Annual Awards Banquet

Publishes Annual Business Directory and Community Resource Guide

Provides weekly computer literacy, small business & accounting workshops & seminars

• Provides monthly networking lunch meetings, the first Thursday of each month

Asian Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Linda Toyota, President

Address: 6833 W. Sam Houston Parkway S, #207 Houston, TX 77072

Phone: (713) 782-7222 Fax: 281-823-7712

Website: www.asianchamber-hou.org
E-mail: ltoyota@asianchamber-hou.org

Details:

Monthly business luncheons and networking, the second Wednesday of each month

Quarterly mixer with other business organizations

Trade mission

Annual Entrepreneur Award Gala

Seminars

Newsletter

Annual Golf Tournament

Houston Metropolitan Chamber

(Formally Greater Southwest Houston Chamber of Commerce)

Leadership: Sue Schecter, President and CEO **Address:** 6900 S. Rice Avenue; Bellaire, TX 77401 **Phone:** (713) 666-1521 **Fax:** (713) 666-1523

Website: http://www.houstonmetropolitanchamber.biz/

E-mail: info@houstonmetropolitanchamber.biz

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Details:

- Monthly breakfast and luncheon meetings
- Annual membership directory
- Website with links to member businesses
- Business before and after-hours networking opportunities
- Committees focusing on economic development, small business assistance, education, governmental
 affairs, etc
- Leadership 20/20 Program
- Golf tournament, arts and crafts festival, Hometown Heroes Luncheon, Women's Recognition Luncheon, Law
- Enforcement Recognition Banquet, Captain of Industry Luncheon, and other special activities

Greater Houston Black Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Elaine Barber, President & CEO

Address: 4828 Loop Central Drive, Suite 1000, Houston, TX 77081

Phone: (713) 660-8299
Website: www.ghbcc.com
E-mail: leonard@ghbcc.com

Details:

- City's first African-American civic organization
- Database of over 2,000 unique resource and members
- Monthly "lunch and learn" series
- Bi-monthly "CEO Circle" business group meetings attended by the masterminds of local businesses
- Annual African American Business Achievement Pinnacle Awards

HOUSTON AREA URBAN LEAGUE, INC.

Leadership: Judson Robinson III, President and CEO

Cary Yates, Chairman of the Board

Address: 1301 Texas Avenue; Houston, TX 77002 **Phone:** (713) 393-8700 **Fax:** (713) 393-8790

Website: www.haul.org
E-mail: ericg@haul.org

Details:

- Operates the Community Technology Center which offers comprehensive computer literacy training
- Education and Support Services academic support/parental involvement, higher education, and youth leadership.
- Housing and Community Services housing counseling program and home buyer seminars
- Workforce, Economic Development and Training Department employment orientation and assessment, life skills training, referral placement, Job Club, and AT&T Digital Campus.
- Health initiatives Diabetes Education and Prevention programs.
- Professional training and development seminars.
- Membership open to any business, organization, or professional

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- After hours networking events- monthly
- African-American Business Achievement Pinnacle Awards
- SBA Outreach Office / 2nd & 3rd Tuesday SBA Seminars
- Conference room facilities
- Membership/orientation meeting

HOUSTON HISPANIC CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Leadership: Dr. Laura Murillo, President & CEO

Address: 1801 Main Street, Suite 890 Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 644-7070 Fax: (713) 644-7377 Website: www.houstonhispanicchamber.com E-mail: info@houstonhispanicchamber.com

Details:

- Membership open to any business concerned with Hispanic economic development
- Networking events: breakfasts, luncheons, awards banquet, after hours mixers, etc.
- Workshops and educational seminars focusing on business management development
- Managerial and technical assistance in domestic and international business

Upper Kirby Management District

Leadership: Jamie Brewster, President and Executive Director **Address:** 3015 Richmond Avenue, Suite 250; Houston, TX 77098

Phone: (713) 524-8000

Website: www.upperkirbydistrict.org
E-mail: jamie@upperkirby.org

Details:

- Chamber luncheons Bi-monthly
- Networking breakfasts Monthly
- Quarterly Intown Marketing Network
- Monthly Houston Intown publication
- Liaison with governmental agencies
- Professional Development opportunities
- Quality of Life initiatives
- Conference room facilities
- Community outreach and development
- Fast Forward Young Professionals Mixer-Monthly

Houston West Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Jeannie M. Bollinger, President & CEO

Address: 10370 Richmond Ave, Suite 125 Houston, TX 77042

Phone: (713) 785-4922; Fax: (713) 785-4944

Website: www.hwcoc.org
E-mail:info@hwcoc.org

Cámara de Empresarios Latinos

Leadership: Adriana Gonzalez

Address: 7041 Harrisburg Blvd. Building B, Houston, TX 77011

Phone: 713-774-5002

Website: http://empresarioslatinos.org/
E-mail: info@empresarioslatinos.org

National Association of Minority Contractors (NAMC Greater Houston)

Leadership: Chapter President: Robert J. Gonzalez

Executive Director: Lupe Gonzalez

Address: 3825 Dacoma Street Houston, TX 77092

Phone: (713) 843-3791

Website: www.namctexas.org

Email: rjgonzalez@usa.com, director@namctexas.org

HMSDC- Houston Minority Supplier Development Council

Leadership: Richard Huebner

Address: Three Riverway Suite 555, Houston, TX 77056

Phone: 713-271-7805 **Fax:** 713-271-9770

Website: http://hmsdc.org/
Email: info@hmsdc.org

Greater Houston Women's Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Suzan Deison, President

Address: 3201 Kirby Dr., Suite 400 Houston, TX 77098

Phone: 713.782.3777 Fax: 281.400.3635

Website: www.ghwcc.org
Email: sdeisen@ghwcc.org

Women's Business Enterprise Alliance

Leadership: April Day, MBA

Address: 9800 Northwest Freeway Ste 120 Houston, TX 77092

Phone: 713-681-9232 **Fax:** 713-681-9242 **Website:** http://www.wbea-texas.org

Email: aday@wbea-texas.org

Indo American Chamber of Commerce of Houston

Address: One Riverway, Suite #1773 Houston, TX 77056

Phone: 713-624-7131
Website: www.iaccgh.com
E-mail: jagdip@iaccgh.com

Tri-County Black Chamber of Commerce

Leadership: Leondria Thompson

Address: 2626 S Loop W Ste 250, Houston, TX 77054

Phone: 832-875-3977

Website: https://tricountyblackchamberofcommerce.wildapricot.org/

E-mail: info@tcbcc.org

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

AMERICAN COUNCIL OF ENGINEERING COMPANIES OF HOUSTON

Leadership: Jeff Collins, President

Christina M. Lindsay, Executive Director

Address: 2180 North Loop West, Ste 320, Houston, TX 77018

Phone: (713) 426-0800 Fax: (713) 426-0801

Website: www.acechouston.orgE-mail: Mia@acechouston.org

Details:

- Promotes capital improvement projects throughout the City of Houston, Harris County, and surrounding municipalities and counties
- Assists County and City in writing guidelines and criteria for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)
- Technical review of the Harris County Flood Control District Design Criteria Manual, Harris County Design Standards, and City of Houston Design Manual
- Pursuit of cost-effective, quality-based selection processes by public agencies

ASIAN AMERICAN ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS - HOUSTON

Leadership: President, Shou Ting, PE, President Mindy Cernosek, Marketing Manager

Address: none listed

Phone: (713) 861-7068 Fax: (713) 861-4131

Website: http://www.aaaenc.org/

E-mail: info@aaaenc.org

Details:Referrals

Bi-monthly dinner and networking meeting

ASSOCIATED BUILDERS AND CONTRACTORS OF GREATER HOUSTON (ABC)

Leadership: Russell Hamley, President

Address: 4910 Dacoma St, Houston, TX 77092 **Phone:** (713) 523-6222 **Fax:** (713) 874-0747

Website: www.abchouston.org **E-mail:** r.hamley@abchouston.org

Details:

- Monthly networking opportunities
- Construction and Maintenance Education programs
- Managerial Education
- Online Nationwide Construction referral service
- Contractor Insurance Program
- Offers Commercial and Industrial Construction Information Resources including:
 - o Bi-monthly Construction Magazine,
 - o Online Plan Room Reports,
 - Virtual Plan Room and
 - Informative website
- Full Service Pan Rom with copying services
- Safety Training

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ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS OF AMERICA, INC. (AGC) - HOUSTON CHAPTER

Leadership: Jerry Nevlud, President & CEO

Address: 3825 Dacoma St, Houston, TX 77092-8717

Phone: (713) 843-3700 Fax: (713) 843-3777

Website: www.agchouston.org

E-mail: membership@agchouston.org

Details:

For Members Only:

• Help with public and employee relations

Online project information using iSqFt technology

• Special membership for M/WBE, emerging firms, start-up businesses

ASSOCIATION OF BLACK CONSULTING ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS

Leadership: Peter Jordan, President

Address: P.O Box 771992; Houston, TX 77215 **Phone:** (713) 779-2990; Fax: (713) 988-4624

Website: www.abcea.org

E-mail: info@abcea.org or pjordan@gconsultants.com

Details:

Promotes excellence in engineering and architecture

Promotes increased opportunities for Black engineering and architectural firms

Networking activities

Monthly meetings first Tuesday of each month with guest speakers

Influences policies to increase opportunities in the public and private sectors

GREATER HOUSTON BUSINESS PROCUREMENT FORUM

Leadership: Milton Thibodeaux, President

Address: 1707 1/2 Post Oak Blvd., PMB 273, Houston, TX 77056

Phone: (832) 216-2185

Website: http://www.houstonbiz.org/
E-mail: miltonthibodeaux@gmail.com

Details:

 Co-sponsor of the Greater Houston Business Procurement Forum meetings every third Tuesday of each month

HOUSTON CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION (HCA)

Leadership: Sherry Barker, President

Jeffrey T. Nielsen, Executive Vice President

Address: 4001 Sherwood Lane; Houston, TX 77092

Phone: (713) 349-9434; Fax: (713) 349-9435

Website: www.houstoncontractors.org

E-mail: info@houstoncontractors.org or jnielson@houstoncontractors.org

Houston Hispanic Architects and Engineers (HHAE)

Leadership: Patricia Frayre, PE President **Address:** P.O. Box 421372, Houston, TX 77042 **Phone:** (713) 426-7488 Fax: (713) 850-7308

Website: www.hhae.org

E-mail: pfrayre@frayre-ec.com

Details:

- Focus: design services and ways Hispanic businesses can collaborate to complete projects
- Monthly meetings
- Hosts potential clients to allow individuals to directly market themselves
- Career guidance for young Hispanics
- Promotes economic growth among the members
- Scholarships and mentorship for young Hispanics
- Mission Statement Our mission is to enhance the architectural and engineering profession by uniting
 in fellowship the architects and engineers of the greater Houston area; to promote economic growth
 among our members; to enrich them with scientific and technological developments; and to provide
 services and contribution towards the cultural endowment of our community.

Minority Business Development Agency Business Center – Houston

Leadership: Chris Bilton

Address: 2302 Fannin Street, Suite 165 Houston, TX 77002

Phone: (713) 718-8974

Website: www.hccs.edu/district/departments/mbda

E-mail: mbda@hccs.edu

Details:

- Access to capital.
- Access to contracts/markets.
- Bid notifications/certification assistance to Minority Business Enterprises.
- Plan and/or host networking events.

National Association of Women In Construction (NAWIC)

Leadership: Laurie Jimenez, President

Address: Phone:

Website: www.nawic-houston.org

E-mail: president@nawic-houston.org or contactus@nawic-houston.org

Details:

To Enhance the success of women in the construction industry

National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO) (Houston Chapter)

Leadership: Trisha Barita, President – Ann Strouhal, President-Elect

Address: P.O Box 56583; Houston, TX 77256-6583

Phone: (713) 487-8475

Website: www.nawbohouston.org **E-mail:** president@nawbohouston.org

Details:

 The Houston Chapter of NAWBO is dedicated to the promotion of the interests of women business owners (also open to non-business owners).

Monthly luncheon with networking and educational or motivational speakers

Women Business Enterprise Alliance

Leadership: April Day, President

Address: 9800 Northwest Freeway Suite 120; Houston, TX 77092

Phone: (713) 681-9232 Fax: (713) 681-9242

Website: www.wbea-texas.org E-mail: aday@wbea-texas.org

Details:

 Increase business opportunities for women-owned businesses and corporate members through education, programs, and professional networking.

Women Contractors Association

Leadership: Susan Repka, Executive Director Address: P O Box 70966 Houston, TX 77270 Phone: (713) 807-9977 Fax: (713) 807-9917 Website: www.womencontractors.org

Website: www.womencontractors.org **E-mail:** director@womencontractors.org

- Women assisting women in achieving success in the construction industry
- Monthly meetings with networking and educational speakers
- Minority contractors and the parties and entities with which they must work.