

# **PROGRESS REPORT**

**Working Group Name:** Community Engagement

**Working Group #:** 7

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## **Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:**

- Identified/discussed
  - what TAMU is doing well and why (a step to cataloging activity/partnerships and identifying hallmarks of the CE vision/metrics)
  - what we should stop (not necessarily programs but less effective activity types),
  - opportunities currently unrealized/under-utilized (a step to filling gaps and identifying short-term opportunities)
- Identified new/amended focus areas for CE work. (areas remain open to change)
- Members have self-selected into focus areas of interest for deeper work.

## **Next Major Issue to be Addressed:**

- Set evaluation criteria and identify possible metrics and data sources for focus areas and across CE efforts
- Further explore strong existing programs and internal/external partnership possibilities
- Identify new advisors to fill gaps and provide expertise

## **Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified:**

- Tabled inviting new advisors (e.g., Will Brown at the Bush School) until after 3/9 session when focus area sub-groups identify gaps within those priorities. Potential new advisors will be requested/added at one time to achieve a more unified process.

## **Deliverables Completed:**

- Initial list of unrealized/under-utilized opportunities provides a list of possible short-term wins, as requested in our charge. EDCI staff will further explore these wins and consult with the working group to refine the list for final recommendation.

**Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables:** May 15