



# AGENDA

21 June 2024 | 11:00 AM–12:30 PM

## Zoom Meeting

- I. ***Welcome & Introductions*** (10 minutes)  
Facilitator: Mayor Craig H. McFarland, City of Casa Grande, Chair
  
- II. ***Municipal Updates*** (20 minutes)  
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- III. ***The Upside of College Enrollment for Black Students and the Value of HBCUs*** (55 minutes)  
Presenter: Dr. Paul G. Perrault, Senior Vice President, Community Impact and Learning, Helios Education Foundation  
  
Presenter: Kimberly Lent Morales, Director, Research and Evaluation, Helios Education Foundation  
  
Helios Education Foundation and the Institute of Higher Education at the University of Florida released a two-part research study that seeks to better understand the advantages to college enrollment for Black students in Florida, how the state can benefit as a result, and the role of Florida’s Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in educating Black students. This project used one of the largest student-level datasets in the U.S., following Black students throughout the state of Florida from high school, through college, and tracking their financial outcomes in November 2017, around age 30.
  
- IV. ***2024 Event Reminder*** (5 minutes)  
Facilitator: Mayor Craig H. McFarland, City of Casa Grande, Chair
  - Wednesday, August 21, Arizona FAFSA Summit, Helios Campus
  - Friday, September 13, [Center for the Future of Arizona](#), Dr. Amanda Burke, Executive Vice President, Center for the Future of Arizona