



AGENDA

Thursday, Aug. 29th

Room Name: Federal Reserve Bank 3rd Floor Conference Room

8:00 – 9:00 a.m. **Networking Breakfast**

9:00 – 9:10 a.m. **Welcome and Introductions**

9:10 – 9:35 a.m. **Small Business Development Center (SBDC) – Kim Way, Director**

9:35 – 10:00 a.m. **Small Business Administration (SBA) – Mark Winchester, District Director**

10:00 – 10:25 a.m. **Historically Underutilized Businesses – Milton Thibodeaux, President**
Greater Houston business Procurement Forum

10:25 – 10:35 a.m. **Break**

10:35 – 11:00 a.m. **Economic Development Administration – Omar Fortune, Manager**
Houston-Galveston Area Council

11:00 – 11:25 a.m. **Texas Workforce Commission (TWC) – Kristie Caviness, Manager**

11:25 – 12:00 p.m. **Tourism – Betty Russo, Gulf Coast/East Texas Regional Representative**
Office of Governor Greg Abbott

12:00 – 1:00 p.m. **Working Lunch – Compliments of GrantWorks**
Texas Travel Alliance – Erika Boyd, President & CEO

1:00 – 1:25 p.m. **US Department of Agriculture (USDA) – Sabrina Glenn, Area Director**

1:25 – 1:50 p.m. **Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) – Kristin Lambrecht, Lead Field Representative**



1:50 – 2:15 p.m.	Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) – Eliza Paul, District Engineer
2:15 – 2:30 p.m.	Break
2:30 – 3:00 p.m.	Texas Economic Development Corporation – Aaron Demerson, President and CEO
3:00 – 3:30 p.m.	Gulf Coast Workforce Board and Workforce Solutions – Juliet Stipeche, Director Human Services, Houston-Galveston Area Council
3:30 – 3:45 p.m.	Questions
3:45 – 4:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks / Adjourn