



AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY FORM

MEETING DATE: 8/25/25

PREPARED BY: Heather Hames, HREC Staff Liaison

AGENDA ITEM CONTENT: HREC - Presentation of Juneteenth Scholarship

AGENDA ITEM SECTION: Presentations

BUDGETED AMOUNT: \$0

FUNDS REQUESTED: \$0

FUND: Escrow - HREC

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

In 2024, the HREC participated in plant sells and hosted Revin' in the Heights. Funds raised are used to host community events, install Communication Boards in the Parks and fund our inaugural Juneteenth Scholarship. The scholarship was open to students living in or attending school in Madison Heights and was promoted at the Juneteenth event, online, and through local schools. Seven students applied, and Ah'Janae' Newsome (student at Dorsey) was selected as the recipient based on her leadership qualities and the strength of her personal statement, which emphasized the ongoing relevance of Juneteenth and the power of community unity. She states, "Juneteenth is not just about the past. It's about the present and future. It's a reminder that freedom is not a one-time event but a constant pursuit."

RECOMMENDATION:

HREC will be present to present the scholarship to Ah'Janae' Newsome who plans to be in attendance at the meeting with family members.