Background

This report provides a strategic plan for the Board on Health and Human Sciences for 2023 to 2028. The strategic plan clearly answers important strategic questions, communicates shared programmatic priorities, and details intended outcomes while providing a framework that will guide decisions about how to best align human and financial resources in accordance with the organization’s mission and vision.

This report is based on interviews conducted with ten of the Board’s Directors; a half-day face-to-face workshop; a half-day virtual workshop; and regular meetings with leadership and program staff. This document has been reviewed and was approved by the Board’s Directors on December 2, 2022.

Board on Health and Human Sciences: Strategic Plan Overview

The Board on Health and Human Sciences (BHHS) is an association of administrators of higher education units that are responsible for research/discovery, extension/outreach, and teaching/learning programs in the health and human sciences at public and land-grant universities (LGU) across the country. The BHHS is led by a 4-person Executive Committee and 10 Directors. Its vision and mission are:

Vision Statement: The Board on Health and Human Sciences holistically advances human development, health, and economic vitality to achieve a healthy, resilient, equitable, and sustainable world.

Mission Statement: The mission of the Board on Health and Human Sciences is to empower the Health and Human Sciences to address pressing human challenges and opportunities in concert with the Association of Public and Land-grant Universities and stakeholders.

The Strategic Focus Areas for 2023-2028 are:

1. Increase the visibility, understanding, and valuation of the health and human sciences within potential and current member institutions and with national partners.
2. Celebrate diversity and good work occurring within the health and human sciences.
3. Advocate for the inclusion of health and human sciences in federal funding and legislation and achieve enhanced funding opportunities.
4. Provide opportunities for program and institutional collaboration to identify key issues within health and human sciences.
5. Cultivate a continuum of leadership within health and human sciences.
6. Provide networking and learning opportunities for Board on Health and Human Sciences members.
7. Provide access to current, timely, and important information within health and human sciences.