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PRESS CONFERENCE

## **Magic City Innovation District - Little Haiti to Make Announcement on New Scholarship Fund for Florida Memorial University Students**

**Friday, March 12, 2021 (Miami Gardens, Florida)** — Florida Memorial University (FMU) and Magic City Innovation District® - Little Haiti (MCID) partners will hold a press conference with local elected officials to announce the creation of an MCID-endowed scholarship fund for FMU students. The press conference is scheduled for Monday, March 15, at 10 a.m. at the FMU Health and Wellness Center.

MCID is an innovation district focused on technology, sustainability, health and wellness and art and culture. The district is revitalizing the Little Haiti and Little River neighborhoods to create a world-class destination. It will provide Miami a walkable, campus-like neighborhood where individuals from all demographic backgrounds can enjoy a quality life and re-write history on how communities live, work, play, and learn together. MCID will serve as a new model for future innovation districts and real estate development worldwide.

**New Scholarship Fund Announcement  
Florida Memorial University  
15800 NW 42<sup>nd</sup> Avenue  
Miami Gardens, FL 33054, Wellness Center  
10 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.**

- Neil Fairman, Chairman of Plaza Equity Partners and Managing Partner of Magic City Innovation District - Little Haiti
- Dr. Jaffus Hardrick, President of Florida Memorial University
- The Honorable Keon Hardemon, Commissioner, Miami-Dade County District 3
- Tony Cho, Chairman, Metro 1 and Founding Partner, MCID

### **About Florida Memorial University**

Located in the City of Miami Gardens, Florida Memorial University is a private, historically Black institution that offers 27 undergraduate degree programs and four graduate degree programs to a culturally diverse student body. Since its inception in 1879, the University has upheld a commitment to provide an academic education solid foundation built upon the pillars of leadership, character, and service. FMU is South Florida's only Historically Black College or University (HBCU). FMU is among the leading HBCUs in the nation leveraging partnerships with public and corporate partners to develop academic training and certification programs in emerging markets such as Aviation Management and Environmental Science, Cybersecurity, and Computer Information Technology.

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