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# From the Board Chair



I am excited to serve as Board Chair of the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce for 2022-23. I have been on the board since 2016 and have watched it serve businesses and more importantly the people who live and work here in the East End. The challenges of 2020 and 2021 caused us to find new ways to continue to serve our community while

living in what became a virtual world. I am very proud of the work our staff did to make that possible. It was great to have our first, live event recently with our successful Port of Houston appreciation luncheon. The future is bright here in the East End as we look forward to hosting other live events which you can find on the Chamber website.

The diverse make up of our board which includes maritime industry, banks, restaurants, small and large businesses as well as representatives of many elected officials allow us to have a dynamic team who are well equipped to help make the East End the place to live and work in Houston.

We are committed to continuing to promote and sustain business growth so that others will want to join us as we get back to a more normal business environment. The opportunities, as we move forward, are unlimited and I know the Chamber will be proactive in helping our members take advantage of the future. One of the key ingredients for our future growth is a well-educated workforce and we will be working to enhance our partnerships with our educational board members and growing our scholarship programs.

The East End has a rich history and is known for its diversity, great food, small family businesses, thriving industry of Port Houston and our many refineries. It is the place to be. My employer is H-E-B which we believe stands for, "Here Everything is Better." I think that phrase can equally well describe the future of the East End because we, at the 30-year-old Houston East End Chamber of Commerce, will be working along with all our members to make sure it's better. If you are not yet a member, we hope you will join us because I am convinced our future is bright.

Sincerely,

**Mike Redditt, Board Chair**  
General Manager | H-E-B Gulfgate

# Helping Your Business

## DEMOGRAPHICS



### TOTAL POPULATION

**218,122**

### TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS

**66,797**

### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD INCOME

**\$46,977**

### MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

**\$43,246**



### 79% HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION



### EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

28.5%	HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATE
20.1%	ANY COLLEGE COLLEGE DEGREE OR HIGHER
9.5%	

### TOTAL # OF EMPLOYEES

**96,110**

### TOTAL NUMBER OF BUSINESSES

**3,450**

### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE

**6.6%**



## RESOURCES

**City of Houston Office of Business Opportunity\***  
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**SCORE Houston\***  
Lalitha Raman  
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**Urban Business Initiative**  
(832) 582-4874 | [urbanbusiness.org](http://urbanbusiness.org)

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**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RESOURCES**  
**City of Houston Economic Development**  
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**City of Houston Housing & Community Development**  
[houstontx.gov/housing](http://houstontx.gov/housing)

**Greater Houston Partnership**  
[houston.org](http://houston.org)

**Office of the Governor Economic Development & Tourism**  
<https://gov.texas.gov/business/page/organization>

**Office of the Governor Trade & Export**  
[gov.texas.gov/business/page/trade-and-export](http://gov.texas.gov/business/page/trade-and-export)

**Office of the Governor Starting a Business**  
[gov.texas.gov/business/page/start-a-business](http://gov.texas.gov/business/page/start-a-business)

**SPECIAL GRANT PROGRAMS**  
**City of Houston Brownfield Program**  
[houstontx.gov/brownfields](http://houstontx.gov/brownfields)

**EPA Brownfields**  
[epa.gov/brownfields](http://epa.gov/brownfields)

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**Economic Alliance Port Region**  
(281) 476-9176 | [allianceportregion.com](http://allianceportregion.com)

**East End District\***  
(713) 928-9916 | [eastenddistrict.com](http://eastenddistrict.com)

**Green Building Resource Center**  
(832) 394-9050 | [codegreenhouston.org](http://codegreenhouston.org)

**Hobby Area Management District\***  
(832) 703-1103 | [hadistrict.org](http://hadistrict.org)

**Texas Historical Commission**  
(512) 463-6100 | [thc.texas.gov](http://thc.texas.gov)

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PORT HOUSTON™



# Introducing: **Opportunity**

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Our NEW Business Equity Division provides resources to small, minority- and woman-owned businesses seeking to participate in Port Houston procurements.

Learn more about how we can help support your business at  
[www.porthouston.com/businessesquity](http://www.porthouston.com/businessesquity)



# Port Houston

Port Houston owns and operates the 8 public wharves and terminals along the Houston Ship Channel, including the area's largest breakbulk facility and two of the most efficient container terminals in the country. The port handles about two-thirds of all containerized cargo in the U.S. Gulf of Mexico, is the 6th container port in the U.S. and largest port in the Gulf, generating nearly 700,000 jobs from terminal activity.

Port Houston is the advocate and a strategic leader for the Channel. The Houston Ship Channel complex and its more than 200 public and private terminals, collectively known as the Port of Houston, is the nation's largest port for waterborne tonnage. The Port of Houston has an economic impact of \$802 billion nationally and supports 1.35M jobs in Texas and 3.2M jobs nationwide.

Port Houston has awarded more than \$644 million to Port Houston-registered small businesses since 2002 and has expanded its small business program to place further focus on a race-and gender-conscious program to further provide opportunities for minority and woman-owned businesses to participate in Port Houston procurements. Port Houston promotes supplier diversity and inclusion by helping qualified Small, Minority-and Woman-owned Business Enterprises (S/MWBE) build capacity, connect to opportunities, participate in awards, and contribute to the local economy.

For more information, visit [www.porthouston.com](http://www.porthouston.com)



## SAM HOUSTON BOAT TOUR

The Sam Houston has been operating as Port Houston's vessel since its inaugural voyage on July 30, 1958.

Learn more about the port and maritime industry and visit: [porthouston.com/sam-houston-boat-tour/](http://porthouston.com/sam-houston-boat-tour/)



# Silent Servants of Progress

# From the President



## East End Today & Yesterday

### 5 HISTORICAL FACTS

#### Forest Park Lawndale

Did you know Forest Park Lawndale is the 3rd largest cemetery in Texas and the final resting place for a few famous residents like Mama Ninfa Laurenzo and Jesse H. Jones.

#### 1940 Air Terminal

The 1940 Air Terminal was the original Houston Municipal Air Terminal from 1940 to 1954. It also serves as a front-row seat to watching landings and departures of planes.

#### Houston Ship Channel

Did you know the Turning Basin of the Houston Ship Channel was home to a bustling array of music and entertainment, including Brady's Landing and a nightclub called Shanghai Red's?

#### McDonald's

Did you know McDonald's on Harrisburg invented the Breakfast Burrito? Nelly Quijano and her late husband Dominic created the item that 30 years later is still a breakfast favorite.

#### Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church is over 100 years old! Nestled in Second Ward since 1911, it was the first Mexican American church in Houston.

**A**s President of the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce, I want to thank our valued Chamber members for their continued partnership. Connecting Business, Education and Community points toward our greater mission at the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber has been serving the community for over 30 years and we are determined in our efforts to bring all partners together for the betterment of all. Simply stated, we help people in all areas of our community make connections with each other. The Chamber strives to advance the East End region by educating, energizing, and connecting a diverse group of leaders to serve the community. The East End Chamber of Commerce has a historical community-based legacy and a bright future with our member businesses leading the way. We are grateful for all our members and desire for all to prosper and grow in the years ahead.

To help our member businesses, we provide a variety of networking, advertising, educational, and social opportunities over the course of the calendar year. We also support collaborative efforts with the other local Chambers in the region that provide additional opportunities for our members to initiate or build business relationships. The Chamber office staff and Board Members are available to anyone who seeks information regarding the East End community. The office also encourages all residents and members to bring forward new ideas on how we can best serve each other to improve our community and our Chamber of Commerce.

Houston's East End is an excellent place to do business and an excellent community in which to live. As the Chamber of Commerce President, I want to encourage you to become active in the community and in our Chamber of Commerce. Please visit our website and social media pages for opportunities where you can help make a positive difference in our community. As best you can, support our member companies with your business. Remember that local purchases all support our community. We will continue to pursue excellence in all that we do at the East End Chamber and for our community.

I grew up in and still live in the East End and love the saying that the East End is a small town within a big city. This is true with the many new developments and businesses opening. Join the East End Movement and let us help find opportunities that lead can to business growth. Active members recognize that the ROI of membership and corporate sponsorship is invaluable. I look forward to working you and your company representatives to continue building networks of success.

Thank you for your time in reading our East End Guide whether you are a resident, visitor or work in Houston's East End, we welcome your feedback and look forward to hearing from you at frances@eecoc.org. You are the foundation of the Houston East End Chamber and together we will make the East End, the best place to be!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Frances C. Dyess'.

**Frances Castañeda Dyess, President**  
Houston East End Chamber of Commerce



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LyondellBasell  
ILA - South Atlantic & Gulf Coast District  
Gulf Winds International, Inc  
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Space City Credit Union  
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Cooper / Ports America  
Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses  
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## WHO IS THE EAST END CHAMBER



## LOCATION

East End Houston is a diverse, evolving city-within-a-city.



## BUSINESS

The Chamber connects you with key business prospects to help strengthen your business.



## EDUCATION

The Foundation provides workforce development, resources & enriching programs to East End students.



## COMMUNITY

The East End community is being revitalized — culturally, physically and economically.



East End Chamber of Commerce





**VISION**  
 To connect businesses to promote economic expansion and investment in the East End.

**MISSION**  
 To be the premier catalyst for economic and community development in the East End.



**VALUES**

**IMPACT | Making a Difference**  
 Working together to make an impact for the community, our employees, and business partners.

**EXUBERANCE**  
 Energy & Positive Attitude To always execute with a can-do attitude that promotes engagement, excites our community and creates a productive environment.

**SENSE OF COMMUNITY**  
 Community Passion  
 Caring for the community, people, and businesses that we serve with genuine concern.

**EXCELLENCE | Do It Right**  
 Always striving for excellence by applying good work ethics, fairness, utilizing the moral compass and ethical standards to always do the right thing.



# Chamber Member Connections

## Moving Forward Together

By Sonia Ramirez

As the East End continues to grow and flourish, so have the partnerships made throughout the year. Despite the challenges faced navigating through an unprecedented pandemic, the East End Chamber of Commerce was busy connecting and promoting network and training opportunities with its members. The beginning of 2021 started much like 2020 with virtual meetings; by mid-year, businesses began coming together in person and supporting one another in exciting new ventures and developments coming to the area.

When **Rebuilding Together Houston** asked the Chamber for restaurants that needed help with remodeling, the Chamber shared a list of local eateries, including the family-owned and operated Doña Maria Mexican Café that Rebuilding Together chose for the updates. The East End Chamber was instrumental in bringing together these two businesses resulting in the repairs done at no cost to the restaurant.

CEO of Rebuilding Together Houston, Christine Holland, said the repairs were thanks to a grant the organization received from Republic Services. Celebrating its 40th Anniversary in 2022, Rebuilding Together provided extensive flooring repairs Doña Maria needed for compliance with the health department, replaced the double back door used for deliveries, and restored the facade of the building, Holland said.

Another member connection made by the Chamber was between **Cristo Rey Jesuit College Preparatory School of Houston (CRJ)** and **ALTIUS Graphics**. For over a decade, Cristo Rey Jesuit has provided economically challenged students the opportunity to succeed and thrive in their education. Located near Hobby Airport, the school worked with Altius Graphics, who won the contract to wrap five buses. The bright yellow wraps give the buses a wow factor that provides some of the best advertisements to families looking for an affordable Catholic high school and helps the school advertise for corporate partners to employ students through



Cristo Rey Jesuit College Preparatory School of Houston & ALTIUS Graphics

Paula Mendoza & Minerva Dimas



the school's unique Corporate Work-Study Program. Through the work internships, students earn half of the cost of their education while enhancing company diversity and providing additional support in the workplace.

The enhanced advertising unites businesses to promote the next generation of leaders, a catalyst the East End Chamber of Commerce takes pride in helping bring these organizations together to accomplish great things. "We have a responsibility to build a community around us," President of ALTIUS Graphics, Siddhartha Naya. "I can proudly say the [East End] Chamber is a conduit between CRJ and ALTIUS."

Another notable connection was with Paula Mendoza, President and CEO at **Possible Missions**, a chamber business and local distribution company with an international clientele. Mendoza was making a plan for the next 5 years. The expected growth required a new building.

During an East End Women in Business panel, she shared her story, and chamber member **Amegy Bank** reached out to assist Mendoza in her new venture. The partnership was a perfect fit, working with Minerva Dimas at Amegy, Possible Missions, Inc., is moving into their new space!

Among the many partnerships formed in 2021, one community leader was able to make a significant connection that thrust her business to a new level. Founder and CEO of **STC Consulting**, Soledad Tanner joined forces with the **Port of Houston** as she became certified to do business with one of the world's largest ports on the Gulf Coast. "The process of getting certified as a Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) and Women Business Enterprise (WBE) was step by step, easy to follow. I was already certified by the City of Houston, which is one of the accepted certifications," Tanner said.



The partnership was not only a strategic move, but it created a whole new world of opportunities for her thriving company whose firm helps improve the profit and productivity of businesses. “The Port of Houston is a massive and strategic engine of our local economy. The potential of working with them on future procurement opportunities is a life-changing event, not only for my business but for so many local businesses,” Tanner shared.

As the community continues to navigate through uncharted waters in the coming year, one thing is certain, the Houston East End Chamber of Commerce will continue to be a changemaker leading the way for more members to form partnerships highlighting the camaraderie and determination of neighbors coming together to help one another. We invite you to become a member and allow us to help you connect with other businesses and grow in 2022.

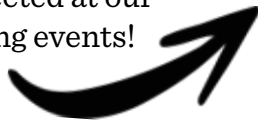


Frances Castaneda Dyess & Soledad Tanner

**CHAMBER  
EVENTS**

**SCAN HERE!**

Start networking and  
get connected at our  
upcoming events!



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FAMILY  
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# Board of Directors

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Frost Bank



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Cadence Bank



# Join a Chamber Committee - Get Involved

Whether it's membership recruitment, organizing luncheons, helping with special events or creating new business relationships, there's a committee that will fit your schedule and interests. Most committees meet once or twice a month and some meet once a quarter. Get plugged in with the East End and the East End Chamber.

## JOIN TODAY - SCAN HERE!

For more information and a full list of our Chamber Ambassadors.



## COMMITTEES & COMMITTEE CHAIRS

### Ambassador Committee

Chair: Juan Ortiz | Juan Events

### Membership Committee

Chair: Amber Sheppard | Cadeco Industries

### Luncheon Committee

Chair: Margaret Kidd

University of Houston, College of Technology

### Golf Tournament Committee

Chair: Mike Redditt | H-E-B Gulfgate

Co-Chair: Eloy Cortez

ILA - South Atlantic & Gulf Coast District

### Economic/Business Development Committee

Chair: Jose Valdez | Frost Bank

### East End Celebration Committee

Chair: Danielle Parkes | Truist

### Marketing Committee

Chair: Sara Cronin | TPC Group

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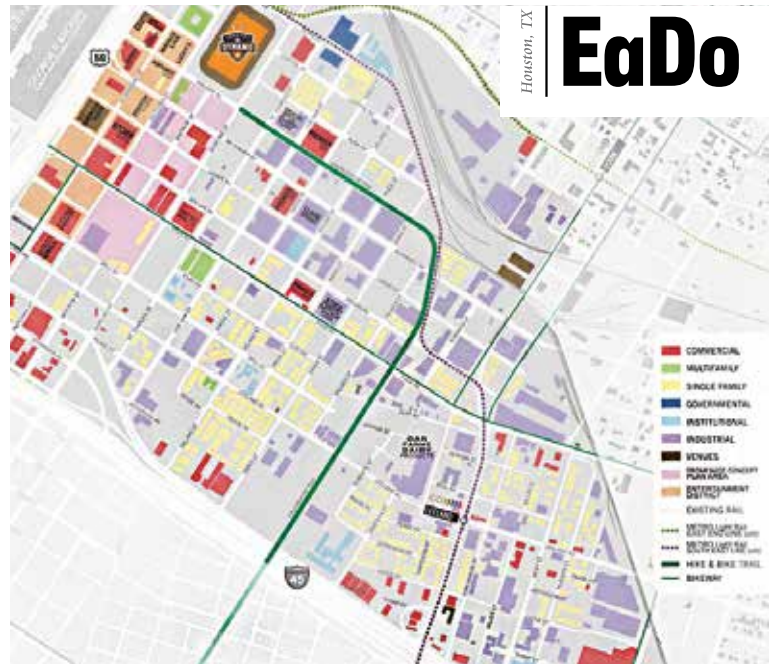


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What began as a marketing exercise in 2005 to brand the area east of downtown Houston with a name that would herald its arrival has caught on – much like the place itself. EaDo’s area encompasses a triangle demarcated by US 59, I-45 and the West Belt freight rail line. EaDo is just a stone’s throw from the George R. Brown Convention Center, Discovery Green Park, Toyota Center, and Minute Maid Park, and Home of the BBVA Compass Stadium. It used to be an area of railyards, warehouses industrial uses, but is rapidly changing to become residential and entertainment oriented, with great transportation making up an excellent walkable environment. The former home of Houston’s Chinatown, EaDo still reflects some of this heritage amongst all of the new urban development. For more info please visit: [www.eadohouston.com](http://www.eadohouston.com) and like us on Facebook: EaDo Houston - The Art and Soul of the City.

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## East End District

The East End District serves commercial property owners within its 16-square mile boundaries with litter and dumpsite control, graffiti abatement, and a 24/7 security patrol.

The District spearheads community improvement projects that combine local assessment funds with public grants and private partnerships. Since Fall 2018, 98% for the cost of the District’s projects have been covered by those public-private partnerships, with the District contributing the remainder. For every \$1 of locally collected assessment funds spent by the District, it has raised and invested

\$44 from public-private partnerships. This funding has supported projects that promote safe access to transit, enhanced green space, pocket parks. Hike and bike trails with improved connectivity through the neighborhoods to transit are also within the District’s range of projects.

The abundance of available land, as well as existing warehouse and light manufacturing opportunities, make the East End an attractive setting for new businesses to locate and existing businesses to grow.

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# A Developing Community: Celebrating new growth and prosperity

By Sonia Ramirez

Despite navigating challenging times throughout 2021, the East End community continued to show resilience and a new way of doing business. While many organizations and companies brought workers back to the office and customers again were able to meet face to face for business meetings, it wasn't without its challenges. Virtual events, Zoom calls, and smaller gatherings seemed to dictate much of the year, but that didn't stop projects and new developments from continuing to transform the East End into a mecca of growth and future opportunities.

2021 was a year of collaborations as the Chamber celebrated its 30th anniversary serving the needs of the community. During September, they participated in a project called "30 Days for 30 Years," highlighting social media postings about members and collaborated with Rebuilding Together Houston on one big volunteer project to renovate and repair a home in the East End.

## NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Rebuilding Together Houston, a non-profit organization that helps families, veterans, and senior citizens with home repairs, collaborated with the East End Chamber to help Maria Isabel Melo, a long-standing resident of the East End for 38 years, update her 1930s home. Together with a community of staff and volunteers, they worked on a project that included painting, caulking, replacing some siding, fascia, soffit, and yard cleanup, among other updates.



## NEW SPACES TO GROW

New developments have already begun popping up along the East River, a 150 acre multi-phased, multi/mixed-use development. Developed by Midway, a privately owned, fully integrated real estate investment and development firm, the area is already seeing commercial and residential spaces along with residential/townhomes in the lower 5th Ward.

Phase 1 will include a 360-unit apartment home complex, two office buildings (both with ground floor retail/hospitality), a free-standing restaurant building, and a parking garage is scheduled to be done in spring 2023. The overall completion will take about 20 years. "Given East River's size and scope, we believe it will act as a major catalyst to spur additional redevelopment and investment in the 5th and 2nd Ward communities, bringing more employment and business opportunities," said Executive Vice President of Midway David W. Hightower.



The East End is home to an exciting new venue now open called Ronin Harrisburg. What started as a space for a creative arts agency has blossomed into a chain of Houston's most unique event venues and the 3rd and largest venue of the Ronin Art House brand, according to Keagan Harley, Ronin creator and managing partner. "The 4,400 square foot venue combines an industrial aesthetic with a sophisticated edge. Ample natural light features and custom lighting panels make the venue the perfect setting for day or evening events."

Upon first glance, you could even say the all-inclusive spaces are works of art themselves. Inspiration for the chic modern style was taken from the Louvre in Abu Dhabi.

Another exciting new development now open for business is the East End Maker Hub, a 300,000-square-foot industrial incubator developed by Urban Partnerships CDC and TxRX Labs. The industrial incubator opened in 2021, wrapping up construction on phases one and two, according to their website.

"This project provides an opportunity to reclaim our history of innovation in manufacturing and to ensure that the process of innovation is equitable," Mayor Sylvester Turner said in a statement held during the grand opening. New tenants are already coming on board, including Syzygy Plasmonics, who signed a lease for 6,736 square feet in the East End Maker Hub.



# THE FUTURE IS BRIGHT

While there are new developments, a few projects are still in the planning stages or nearing completion, such as Little Red Box Grocery Story (LRB). Scheduled to open in late February 2022, LRB is a traditional neighborhood market reimagined to a quaint small store format where customers can purchase fresh foods and pantry essentials you buy most often with convenient online ordering and curbside pick-up. Free cooking and nutrition classes will also be available.

Samuel Newman with LRB said the idea behind the store is to be an access point for providing an assortment of items at affordable prices that can be a challenge to find in the neighborhood. “What we think will set us apart is our desire to be engaged with the community above and beyond food,” Newman said. “That could be anything from health and wellness screenings; it could be voter registration drives, whatever the community doesn’t have access to; we want to provide the ability for organizations to come in and leverage our space.”

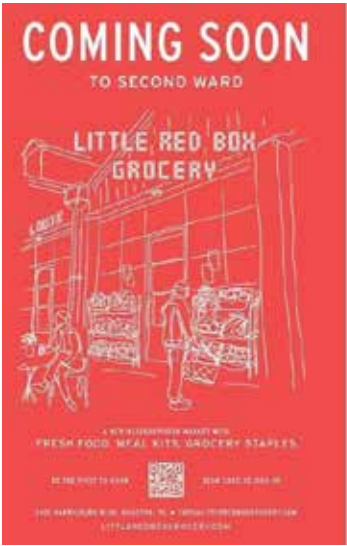
There’s also going to be a new Sheriff’s Complex coming to the area in the next few years. Precinct 2 Commissioner Adrian Garcia shared the following regarding that new development- “The new Harris County Sheriff’s Office building in the East End is a great example of how public facilities and amenities can help our community progress in multiple ways. Our law enforcement partners will get the space and resources they need to keep us safe while the community also gains a space to gather, learn, and grow together while strengthening the relationship with law enforcement. Making this a dual-purpose facility from the beginning is a win-win for everyone involved.”

Coming in late 2022, Shipley Do-Nuts will set up its corporate office at the site of the old Finger Furniture’s flagship showroom. The state-of-the-art facility will feature an interior drive-thru going right through the building providing a behind-the-scenes look into the making of “The World’s Greatest Do-Nut,” according to a press release.



The headquarters, named after founder Lawrence Shipley’s son, the L.W. “Bud” Shipley Jr. Support Center, replaces Shipley’s longtime Houston headquarters on North Main Street showing that East End is the place to be to lay down roots.

The Chamber continues to be the premier catalyst for economic and community development in the area. Our mission to connect businesses to promote economic expansion and investment in the East End is seen in the abundance of growth we are experiencing throughout the region. We encourage you to join us and take advantage of the opportunities to network and create new partnerships. Together we are #EastEndStong.





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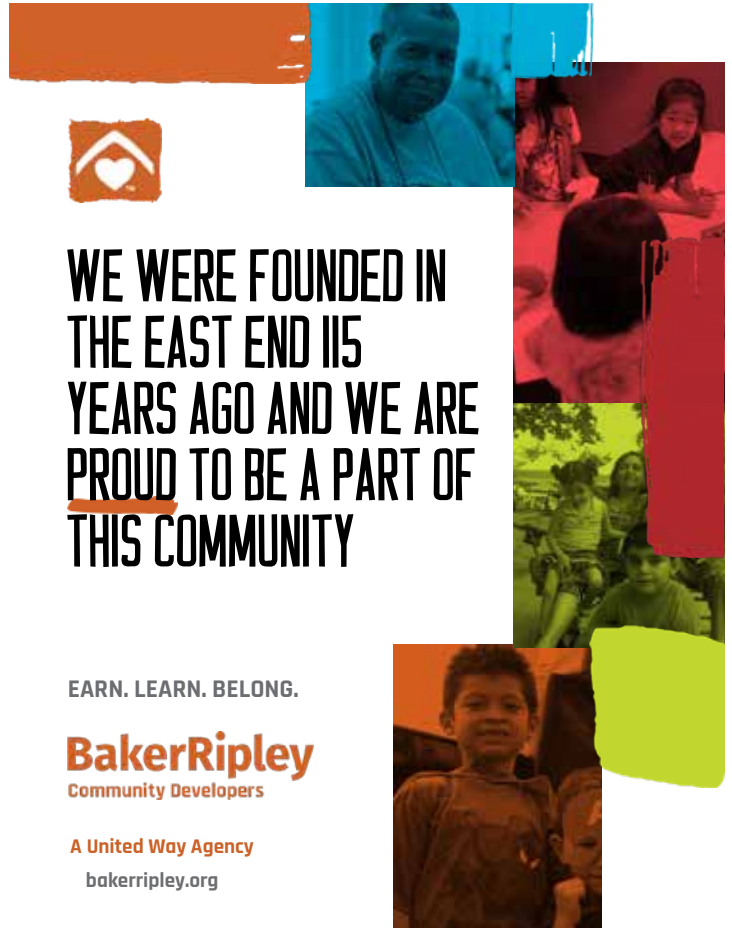


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## FOUNDATION MISSION

The East End Scholars mission is committed to serving the educational and communal needs of Houston's East End by partnering with public officials, Chamber members, and the community to offer workforce development, monetary support and guidance to local students.

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## EDUCATION SYMPOSIUM

**The Annual Education Symposium** began in 2013, to create a bridge between industry and education to create a workforce that meet Houston demands. Despite not having the Symposium in person in 2020 & 2021, we continued to discuss partnership models that are effective. We looked at the current changes in schools and discussed how industry can get involved and make a difference. We look forward to returning to a half-day event, at the Federal Reserve Bank, with break-out sessions relevant to the current workforce trends/needs. We are proud to bring East End principals, teachers, counselors, students, industry leaders, community leaders and members together to create a career pathway for students in our community.



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Houston Botanic Garden

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# 2022 Picks: Culture & Entertainment



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2800 Navigation Blvd Houston, TX, TX 77003



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## Mason Park Trail Bridge

Celebrate the beauty of the past and present by taking a stroll along the iconic Mason Park Bridge. Take a scenic walk or a bike ride across the 485-foot-long, 16-foot-wide suspension bridge connecting Mason Park to the Brays Bayou Greenway trail system.

541 S 75th St. Houston, TX 77023



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## Giant Texas Distillery

New name, same great service. Hang out at the Giant Texas tasting room, offering a historic ambiance in the East End to sip on Texas spirits on their outdoor patio, enjoy delicious food, tour the distillery or come after work to relax with friends and family.

5610 Clinton Dr. Houston, TX 77020



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## McDonald's Mural: "Arte Sin Barreras"

Mario Enrique Figueroa, Jr., the artist known as GONZO247, partnered with McDonald's to bring you a vibrant and colorful mural titled "Arte Sin Barreras," celebrating 2021's Hispanic Heritage Month. The mural was part of the "Ritmo y Color" project showcasing the month across the country.

6000 Gulf Fwy, Houston, TX 77023



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3501 Harrisburg Blvd, Houston, TX 77003



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## Ironworks

Located on Milby Street, just two blocks from the METRO Rail Green Line is the redevelopment of the historic Cameron Iron Works building. The varied mixed-use space features restaurants, bars, shops, and workspaces, along with pop-up markets and other events on the weekend.

711 Milby St, Houston, TX 77023



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## Walmart Mural: "Together Somos Mas"

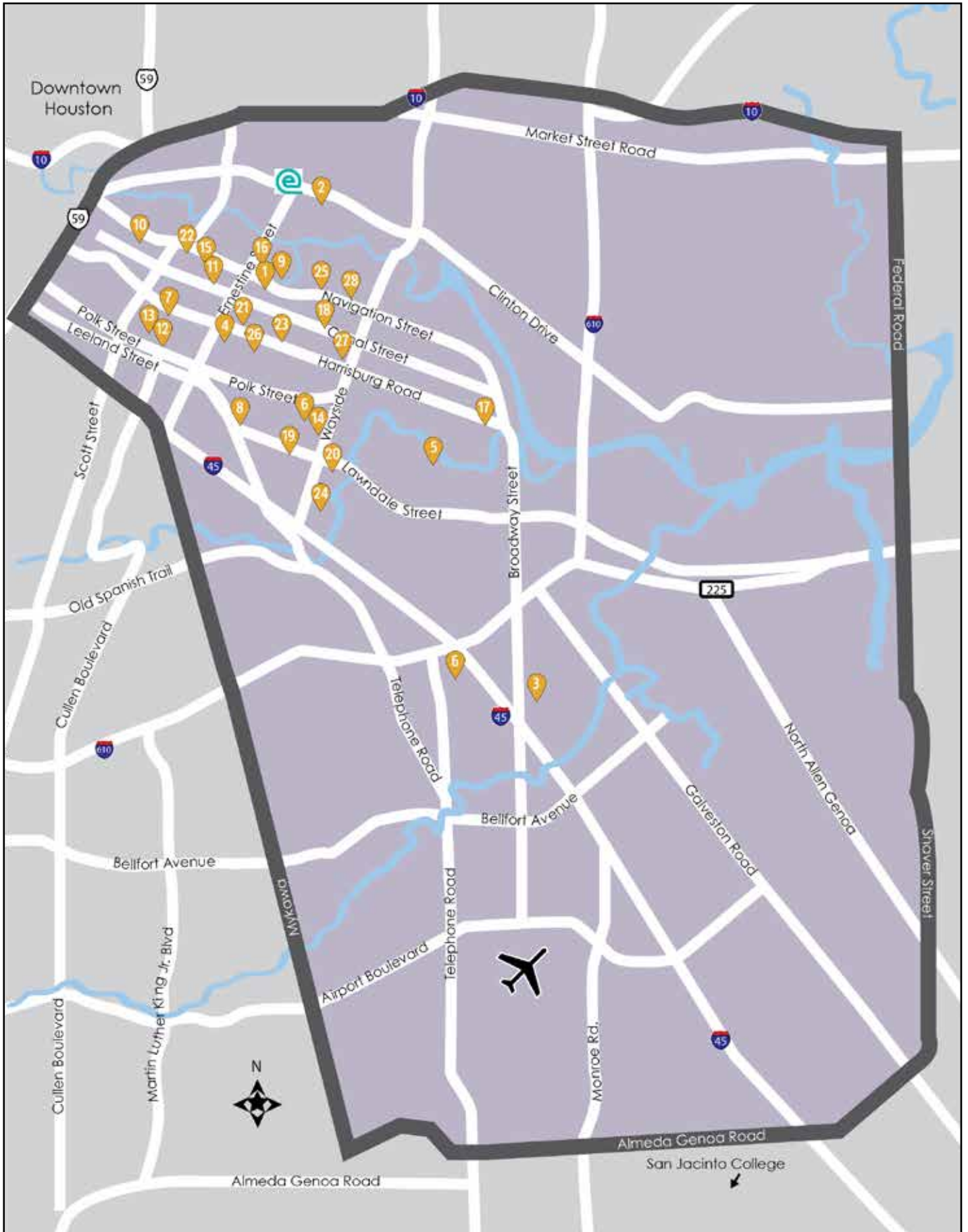
Local artist David Maldonado created a beautiful mural titled "Together Somos Mas," showcasing the camaraderie and unity of our East End neighborhoods. The mural was unveiled during the 2021 Hispanic Heritage Month at the Walmart Supercenter on Wayside.

2391 S Wayside Dr. Houston, TX, 77023



# East End Map

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# 2022 Picks: Food Picks



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**Acadian Coast** - Gulf Coast cuisine and live entertainment wrapped into one fine dining experience located in the heart of the East End. Authentic flavors of American Creole country inspired by classic New Orleans flavors. Happy Hours are Monday-Friday from 3-6 p.m., with brunch on Sundays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. *2929 Navigation Blvd, Houston, TX 77003*



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**Dichos Taquerias** - Come out and enjoy some of the best Mexican food in the East End at Dichos Taquerias. From pozole to breakfast taquitos and even homemade tortillas, you'll feel right at home with their authentic and unique dishes and East End hospitality. *614 Wayside Dr. Houston, TX 77011*



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**Big City Wings** - Now open in the East End, Big City Wings offers a variety of mouthwatering wing options in addition to a full selection of various other food, beverage, and dessert items. *2240 Navigation Houston, TX 77003*



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**Doña Maria Mexican Café** - This family-owned cafe in Second Ward continues to be a favorite among locals and visitors to the East End with its Mexican breakfast, tortas, and other street-food classics. Open Tuesday-Sunday, 8 a.m. to 2 p.m., and closed on Mondays. *2601 Navigation Blvd Houston, TX 77003*



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**Blanca's Café** - Come enjoy a traditional Mexican coffee with some pan dulce and a menu full of pastries and other antojitos. Located in the East End, this quaint coffee shop is the perfect gathering spot to meet up with friends. *241 N. Milby Street, Houston, TX 77003*



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**El Bolillo Bakery** - El Bolillo is an East End treasure with its fresh pastries and one of the largest varieties of Tres Leches cakes along with fresh homemade tortillas and a variety of its namesake bolillo bread made fresh every day. *2421 South Wayside Drive, Houston, TX 77023*



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**Brass Tacks** - Brass Tacks is a unique setting that seeks to blend a work-life balance while offering a tasty menu of breakfast, sandwiches, and snacks, among other offerings. *612 Live Oak St, Houston, TX 77003*



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**El Jardin** - El Jardin is a family-owned and operated restaurant serving Mexican dishes that stand by their motto- "Made with love and tradition." Bringing innovative creations with a bolder taste to their menu for over 40 years. *7849 Harrisburg Blvd, Houston, TX 77012*



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**Cobo's BBQ** - Cobo's is bringing its signature BBQ to the East End, taking up shop just a hop, skip, and a jump away from Minute Maid Park. Their newest location on Rusk makes it the perfect place to enjoy some of their favorite dishes like the Boudin Mac and Brisket Dilla before catching a game. *2012 Rusk St, Houston, TX 77003*



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**El Mirador** - Delicious authentic Mexican food, reminiscent of your abuelas cooking. From Menudo with homemade corn tortillas to breakfast tacos. El Mirador provides that touch of nostalgia with longstanding customers coming back year after year. *6702 Canal St, Houston, TX 77011*





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**Harris County General Store** - Harris County General Store is the “Barbecue Juke Joint” of the East End now open on Lawndale. Their menu includes a variety of meats, combo plates, baked potatoes, and salads, not to mention signature sides like the corn/elote served “East End spicy style” with Queso Blanco. 5434 Lawndale St, Houston, TX 77023



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**Refresqueria El Caribeño** - Refresqueria El Caribeño is the place to visit for those antojitos Caribeño style. Stop by for mouthwatering raspas, manganadas, fresas con crema, elote and more. 2525 S Wayside Dr suite j, Houston, TX 77023



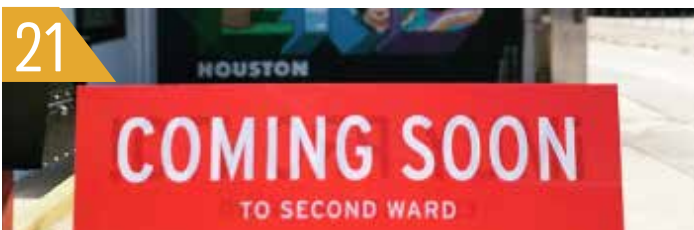
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**Just Rising Donuts** - Just Rising Donuts provides a large selection of handmade donuts along with fresh kolaches, croissants, and biscuits straight from the oven to kick start your day. 7210 Lawndale St # B, Houston, TX 77012



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**Roostar on Navigation** - Roostar is a fusion of Vietnamese and French flavors. Known for their banh mi sandwich- diners can also enjoy mouthwatering wings and specialty coffees. The menu consists of authentic dishes that capture the spirit of Vietnamese street vendor food. 2929 Navigation Rd. Houston, TX 77003



21

**Little Red Box Grocery** - Coming soon to the East End is Little Red Box Grocery. A traditional neighborhood market reimagined to a quaint small store format where customers can purchase fresh foods and pantry essentials you buy most often with convenient online ordering and curbside pick-up. Free cooking and nutrition classes will also be available. Opening is scheduled for late February 2022. 3401 Harrisburg Blvd, Houston, TX 77003



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**Segundo Coffee Lab**  
Segundo Coffee Lab strives to provide its customers with a perfectly brewed cup of coffee made with the highest quality coffee beans. Their signature coffees are the result of time spent touring plantations in Guatemala to bring out the best flavors in each cup. 711 Milby St, Houston, TX 77023



22

**Oso Coffee**  
Nestled in a small bungalow on Navigation Blvd, Oso Coffee is Second Ward’s newest coffee shop offering a full coffee menu along with fresh pastries and other goodies. East End’s new spot to “meet, eat, and drink.” 2603 Navigation Blvd, Houston, TX 77003



27

**Street to Kitchen** - Authentic Thai cuisine served up by Chef Benchawan Jabthong Painter. Here you’ll find delectable made-from-scratch dishes that are a family tradition. 6501 Harrisburg Blvd, Houston, TX 77011



23

**The Plant** - The Plant, built in the 1940s, has been restored to feature a state-of-the-art storefront that aims to be a hub of local and small retail, food options, and creative businesses ready to serve the East End for generations to come. The former factory will include large windows and feature an industrial theme. 3401 Harrisburg Blvd., Houston Texas 77003



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**Teapresso Bar** - Located on Navigation, Teapresso Bar offers organic coffee and tea options that include fresh ingredients and flavors. Choose from a variety of drinks made from scratch with no pre-made powder milk tea. 2929 Navigation Blvd Suite 180, Houston, TX 77003

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