

# I2S 2022 Partners

## **Civil Bikes**

Founder: Nedra Deadwyler

Website: [Civil Bikes](#)

Civil Bikes walking tours and bicycle tours of Atlanta brings attention to unseen and unheard stories about Atlanta in a unique and accessible way that creatively builds a just community and inspires action. Tours cover a range of topics from neighborhood history, major movements like Civil Rights, and communities of people who continue to impact Atlanta, Georgia, and her future.

## **Best Fit, Inc.**

Founder: Asha Owens

Website: [BestFit \(best-fit.app\)](#)

On a mission to remove non-academic barriers for students at risk of dropping out because they cannot afford to meet their basic needs like, tech, housing, and food. Provides technology to colleges and non-profits looking to address basic needs insecurity on campus and in their communities.

## **Step Ahead Scholars (SAS)**

Founder: Debra Nealy

Website: [Step Ahead Scholars](#)

College access equity by empowering under-resourced students to and through college. Through assemblies, informational sessions, one-on-one mentorship, and outreach events, we positively impact core college-going indicators (FAFSA, SAT, ACT and Best Fit college research know-how), thereby increasing the numbers of underserved students that successfully navigate the college admissions and transition process.

## **TruDiary, Inc.**

Founder: Veronica Berry

Website: [TruDiary](#)

TruDiary provides culturally relevant value-based care to Black and Brown maternal patients in underserved communities. TruDiary's digital health platform eliminates barriers to quality prenatal care by connecting patients to the right doctor, offering inclusive educational content, and providing social determinants of health (SDOH) services such as food security, mental health, lactation services, vaccine education, and transportation.

## **Helping Empower Youth (HEY!)**

Founder: Kacey Venning

Website: [Helping Empower Youth](#)

Provides an opportunity to inspire, motivate and mobilize young people to take action that changes their world. HEY! focuses on three initiatives to address those needs: Sport For Good S.T.E.A.M., the EMPOWERED! Leadership Academy, and the HEY! Let's Read! Book Festival for Children of Color.

## **Umi Feeds**

Founder: Erica Clahr

Website: [Umi Feeds](#)

Umi Feeds is a food rescue organization that is dedicated to serving the hungry and homeless healthy and nutritious meals in Atlanta, Miami, New York, and Mississippi. Over the years they have shared healthy meals, barber services, free yoga, clothing, personal hygiene products, books, and so much more. The organization's mission is to spread love through food!

## **Nourish Botanica**

Founder: Quianah Upton

Website: [Nourish Botanica](#)

Quianah is building a black woman-owned greenhouse and eatery in Atlanta to provide healing through art, flowers, and plants grown in the greenhouse, food as medicine, and herbal blends. Nourish Botanica also provides a physical space for civic engagement and education around food equity and economic justice.