The Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists, Inc.

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Dear Colleagues:

I am happy to inform you that the 82nd Annual Conference of the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists (ASBS) will be held on March 8-11, 2017. The location is Shreveport/Bossier City, Louisiana at the Hilton Garden Inn and Homewood Suites by Hilton! The address is Hilton Garden Inn & Homewood Suites • 2015 Old Minden Road Bossier City, Louisiana 71111 • Telephone: 844-237-3319 or 318-759-1950.

The Conference Theme is "Educational Agents of Change: Connecting Past and Future Generations. The conference will consist of professional and student paper presentations, graduate student research paper competition, undergraduate student research paper competition, Presidents Panel composed of HBCU presidents or Thematic Session composed of selected ASBS past presidents, round table discussions, and Book Party. ASBS members and conference presenters who have authored books are invited to bring copies of their books for display and sale during the Book Party. The deadline for ASBS Conference registration is *February 15, 2017*.

Rooms have been blocked under the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists (ASBS). Rates are \$109 for the Hilton Garden Inn by Hilton and \$129 for Homewood Suites along with applicable taxes. To receive these rates, reservations must be made under the room block and received at the hotel by *February 15, 2017* Please contact the hotel directly for reservations at one of the above indicated telephone numbers.

All fees, which are indicated on the enclosed registration form, should be made payable to the Association of Social and Behavioral Scientists (or ASBS). Conference registrations should be postmarked by *February 15, 2017* and mailed to the Executive Secretary. Attendees are encouraged to attend the *W. E. B. DuBois Award Luncheon*. The ticket is included with full conference registration. If purchased separately, it is \$35.

Additionally, enclosed are *Calls for Papers* and information for conference participation (professionals, graduate students, undergraduate students, and the Ad Solicitation Form. The Conference Program Chair can respond to questions pertaining to abstract acceptance, placement on the program, etc. The Graduate and Undergraduate Student Research Committee chairs can respond to all questions regarding student competitions. Thus, please note their specific contact information:

Professional Papers	Graduate Student Papers	Undergraduate Student Papers
Mr. Clarence B. Williams	Dr. Doreen B. Hilton	Dr. Thomas C. Calhoun
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