## Ewing Marion Foundation Kauffman Foundation Report Submitted July 18, 2022 Submitted Ebonie Cunningham Stringer

As a result of a generous contribution from the Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation we were able to make two new paper awards: 1) <u>SSSP Best Paper Award in Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation and 2) SSSP Best Student Paper Award in Social Entrepreneurship and Innovation.</u> Initially there was one submission, but the deadline was extended and with additional marketing efforts, 5 papers were submitted for each paper award for a total of 10 papers. The winners will be recognized during the Awards Ceremony at the annual meeting and will be featured in the Kauffman foundation newsletter. Additionally, each paper will be presented during the 2022 or 2023 annual meeting.

With a committee in place, including persons with expertise in social entrepreneurship, we will be working to revise the call for papers as to elicit a greater number of quality submissions.

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