Purpose
The Provost Scholars will visit Chateau Hough, a vineyard and inner city garden in the Hough neighborhood started by Mr. Mansfield Frazier. Mr. Frazier started his vineyard on three-quarters of an acre between an abandoned home, a long-shuttered library, and a vacant corner store with 14 rows of vines. The Scholars will tour Mr. Frazier's vineyard and learn how he has helped transform a segment of his community with gardening, employment, and community engagement.

Presenter Biography
Mr. Mansfield Frazier is in his early 70s and oversees and manages a vineyard in Cleveland's Hough neighborhood. He has garnered years of experience and dramatically transformed his life after serving three years in the American federal prison system in the mid-1990s. Reflecting on his experiences in prison, he published From Behind the Wall, a book on America's correctional system and race relations. Since publishing his book, he has leveraged his writing and civic connections to become a leader in Cleveland’s African-American community. He regularly contributes to Cool Cleveland, a local online publication; hosts a local radio show; and publishes Reentry Advocate, a magazine focused on the successful return of prisoners to society. One of his greatest successes is Chateau Hough, a vineyard and ‘biocellar’ set on reclaimed land. Biocellars are transformed basements of abandoned homes used to house solar greenhouses. The vineyard was started with a $15,000 grant from the city and $8,000 from Mr. Frazier’s savings. His goal is to beautify the lot and generate employment for jobseekers reentering the workforce. More details about his work can be found here: http://chateaughough.org/news-events/.

Objectives
The Provost Scholars will…
(1) Learn how to utilize and leverage their community resources to create entrepreneurial opportunities, generate employment, better their circumstances and support their neighbors and families
(2) Understand community building techniques that serve the best interests of their communities

Agenda
2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.: The Provost Scholars will travel from Shaw High School to Chateau Hough
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.: The Scholars will receive a tour of Chateau Hough
4:00 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.: Seminar Speaker, Mr. Mansfield Frazier, will discuss his work and history
4:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.: Wrap up, reflection and preparation for the journey home
5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.: The Provost Scholars will have dinner at a local restaurant

Faculty & Staff
• Dr. Faye Gary
• Katrice Williams, Master’s Student, Program Manager

Guest
• Mr. Mansfield Frazier

Words of the Week: Biocellar. What does it mean? A renovated cellar in an abandoned home which is used to house a solar greenhouse and grow a variety of plants