SHLI Leadership and Mayors for Healthy Communities Program Receive \$800K Award



<u>Dr. Toyosi Adekeye</u>, (Principal Investigator) assistant professor in the Department of Community Health and Preventive Medicine/Satcher Health Leadership Institute, and the Mayors for Healthy Communities Program (MHCP) team within Community Voices received an \$800,000 award from the <u>Kresge Foundation</u>. This award will support the programmatic aspects of MHCP for the next two (2) years.

MHCP is a program that is designed to close the gap between academic medicine/health centers and the community. This goal is achieved through capacity building and community empowerment to address disparities in communities of greatest need. SHLI, in partnership with the National Organization of Black County Officials, Inc. (NOBCO), the World Conference of Mayors, Inc. (WCM), the Alabama Conference of Black Mayors, Inc. (ACBM), and other key partners works collaboratively to enhance the health leadership skills of elected officials and community leaders from cities/states across the nation, and provides expertise in health-related project and policy development, implementation, and evaluation in cities across the U.S.

For additional information, please contact Dr. Adekeye at <u>oadekeye@msm.edu</u>.