



IN-PERSON BOOK DISCUSSION:

The Sum of Us:

**What Racism Costs Everyone and
How We can Prosper Together**



August 12th @ 6:00 pm

**Bidwell Room at the
Portage Public Library**

with

STEPHEN RODRIGUES-PAVAO

The Portage Public Library would like to invite all participants in our 2021 Community Read of *The Sum of Us* by Heather McGhee to attend an in-person book discussion!

The discussion will be led and moderated by [Stephen Rodrigues-Pavao](#), Vocal Music Director at Portage High School! We will walk through the book chapter-by-chapter, discuss the laws and policies created based on racial divisions (that hurt *everyone*), and strategize on the ways that Portage can work together to make progress towards improved equity.

We will also work together to curate questions to ask [Lt. Governor Mandela Barnes](#) during the **Community Read Capstone Q&A on Thursday, August 19th**, at the **Pauquette Park Beasley Pavilion!**

Want more info? Visit: www.portagelibrary.us/CommunityRead2021

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