## Office of Resilience and Community Services Metro Council Budget Committee Meeting

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#### <u>Mission</u>

To fight poverty and promote compassion, stability, and the empowerment of residents and communities.



## COVID Relief in FY21



**4,900+** households helped through Eviction Prevention Phase I



**3,900+** households received rental and utility assistance through the community-funded One Louisville: COVID-19 Response Fund



**7,800+** households received LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program) Summer Cooling component



**426 households** served with basic needs including rent, mortgages, utilities and food; and **3,500+ households** provided by Healthy at Home utility assistance program



**700**+ seniors served through the Extended Senior Nutrition Program



123 households received Mortgage Assistance



10,500 households assisted with Louisville Water/MSD bills & nearly 1,200 pledges made to LG&E via Metro Utility Assistance Program



**261 residents** have been connected to financial assistance and resources through the Financial Navigator Program



**18,164 total stays** of individuals utilizing Healthy Day Shelter and **12,254 total stays** in Healthy Overnight Shelter at the Salvation Army



**31 housed through the** "A Way Home" program move families from homelessness to permanent housing

Launched Feb. 15, 2021: Eviction Prevention Phase II

# COVID Recovery Efforts in FY22

- **✓**□ Eviction Prevention
- **√**□ Utility Assistance
- **✓**□ Living Wage Initiatives (i.e. NP C.A.R.E.S)
- **✓** ☐ Homeless Initiatives



### NP C.A.R.E.S

#### "Aiding recovery and building resilience in covid-impacted households"

NP CARES seeks to provide crisis relief, aid recovery, and develop resilience among households that have been negatively financially impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. Our short-term case management emphasizes and incentivizes obtaining and improving employment, job training, completing high school equivalency, developing financial competency, and emergency savings.

#### **Program Benefits**

#### • 1-on-1 worker assistance & support

- Goal setting, planning, & coaching
- Help identifying and accessing community resources
- Crisis help & resolution

#### Financial Assistance

- One-time crisis assistance up to \$500
- Incentives up to \$1,500\*
- Scholarships for job training or GED preparation & testing\*

ncentives and scholarships available to participants who agree to pursue employment, education, or income management goal.

#### **Eligibility**

- Jefferson County Resident
- Income below 200% of federal poverty level
- Loss of income or increased expenses due to pandemic
- Meet ONE of the following:
  - Worked for income in the past 12 months; OR
  - Senior (60+) with fixed income; OR
  - Zero income due to death or domestic violence in past 6 months



For inquires or to see if you are eligible, call Vonnie Beason at 502-313-4094

## Questions?

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