



Louisville Metro Government

601 W. Jefferson Street
Louisville, KY 40202

Meeting Minutes - Tentative Community Affairs, Housing, Health and Education Committee

Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2)
Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15)
Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1)
Committee Member Donna Purvis (D-5)
Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18)
Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)
Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

1:30 PM

Council Chambers/Virtual

Call to Order

Chair Shanklin called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

Roll Call

Chair Shanklin introduced the committee members and non-committee members present. A quorum was established.

***NOTE: All committee members and non-committee members attended the meeting virtually.**

Present: 5 - Chair Barbara Shanklin (D-2), Committee Member Donna L. Purvis (D-5), Vice Chair Kevin Triplett (D-15), Committee Member Marilyn Parker (R-18), and Committee Member Brent Ackerson (D-26)

Excused: 2 - Committee Member Jessica Green (D-1), and Committee Member Stuart Benson (R-20)

Non-Committee Member(s)

Council Member Markus Winkler (D-17), Council Member Amy Holston Stewart (D-25)

Support Staff

Natalie Johnson, Jefferson County Attorney's Office
Jason Fowler, Jefferson County Attorney's Office

Clerk(s)

Mary Whitlock, Assistant Clerk
Lisa Franklin-Gray, Assistant Clerk

Special Discussion

1. [ID 21-0404](#) Evictions -Tamika Laird, Office of Resilience and Community Services

Attachments: [4.14.21 Office of Resilience and Community Services Eviction Prevention Program.pdf](#)
[4.14.21 A List of Current Resources Offer By RCS.pdf](#)
[4.14.21 Metro Utility Assistance Program for L.G.E. Assistanc.pdf](#)

The following spoke:

- Tamika Laird, Office of Resilience and Community Services presented a presentation
- Chair Barbara Shanklin
- Vice Chair Kevin Triplett
- Committee Member Donna Purvis
- Committee Member Marilyn Parker
- Marilyn Harris, Develop Louisville

The following was discussed:

- Due to COVID-19 the Office of Resilience and Community Services have initiated 20 programs since March 6, 2020
- Nine out of the 20 programs have focus on the Eviction Prevention Assistance
- Approximately 46 Million Dollars of the COVID-19 Care Funding on hand
- 7.1Million Dollars in assistance services has been used for 1,452 Households as of April 5, 2021
- Approximately 5,000 per household appointments book-up to April 29th
- Eighteen Hundred appointments still remaining
- Some of the programs have closed and some are still remaining
- 39.58% of Jefferson County Residents are Renters
- Housing and Shelter is the number 1 type of assistance sought
- Since the onset of the Pandemic, 69.6% of those requests are for rental assistance
- 7.1% of the requested have been for shelter
- Jefferson County has the highest rates of requests for housing and shelter assistance in Kentucky
- Discussion regarding the top 3 barriers: Applicants not submitting all required documents timely, Landlords not returning the Landlord and Tenant agreement timely and Landlords not returning the W-9 tax form timely
- The funds go to the Landlords and the property owners
- The landlords should move swiftly to keep their tenants housed
- Tamika Laird will provide a list of closed and open relief programs to the Committee
- Requests for a cheat sheet on who to call for Rent, Louisville Gas and Electric and Unemployment when constituents call for help
- Discussion regarding tenants occupying Landlord property and not paying rent for six or seven months and move out without paying
- Discussion regarding the tenants and Landlords agreement to help the tenants from getting evicted and several documents that are needed
- Tamika Laird will send the Committee the requirements for a tenant to apply for assistance
- Requested for a copy of the presentation presented
- The more funding the more applications you receive for assistance
- Discussion regarding the Land Lord settlement Agreement
- Required documents need to be included with application - copy of the most recent lease agreement, copy of picture I.D. for all adult members 18 and over in household, proof of Social

Security for all household members except under 2 years of age, proof of income within last 60 days, verification of lost due to COVID-19 (need pay stubs or taxes returns for 2020 if completed), Rental Assistance Application Landlord Agreement, All forms can be uploaded or dropped at any of the sites.

- Discussion regarding the Court Program and Evictions
- Discussion regarding the Tenant Landlord Agreement
- There are four to six Landlords in the city who refuse to give the tenants a W9 tax form
- 1400 cases in victim court
- 220 cases sent out to Landlords and have not received back
- Resilience and Community Services is currently working on 339 cases
- Completing work on the W-9 tax form is very time consuming
- Working to get people qualified based on their income
- Marilyn Harris stated her office is currently working with the Coalition for the Hungry
- Attachments: Office of Resilience and Community Services Eviction Program Presentation, List of Resources offer by Resilience and Community Service, Metro Utility Assistance Program for L.G.E. (Louisville Gas and Electric)

Adjournment

Without objection, Chair Shanklin adjourned the meeting at 2:34 p.m.