Age Friendly Louisville Housing Workgroup Meeting Agenda
2:00 – 3:30PM - Virtual Meeting
Wednesday, November 4th, 2026 | ~~501 E. Broadway, Suite 310, Louisville, KY 40202~~

Attendees: Erin Lamon, Elizabeth Fust, Teran Herthel, Lizz Taylor, Victoria Lockard.

Domain Facilitator: Erin Lamon
Notetaker: Sophia Banks

Link to shared folder: bit.ly/AFLHousingFolder

Discussion

1. Summary

- **Housing Resource Guide Updates:** The group reviewed the existing housing resource guide and discussed ways to improve it, including adding potential resources for ramps, landscaping assistance, and accessible housing searches. They also noted needed corrections, such as updating organization names, and discussed gathering feedback from people who actually use the guide.
- **Housing Advocacy Opportunities:** The group discussed upcoming land development code revisions and public open houses as important opportunities to advocate for accessible, age-friendly, and aging-in-place housing.
- **Other Updates:** The conversation also included brief updates about future workgroup facilitation, Beyond 60 Solutions, the Living My Best Life conference, and the upcoming LIHEAP season.
- **Workgroup Facilitation Update:** Erin shared that she will be stepping down as facilitator in the new year, and the group is looking for one or more new facilitators to help lead the Housing Workgroup moving forward. Anyone interested in supporting or taking on that role is encouraged to connect with the group.
- The group briefly discussed the possibility of holding the December meeting in person as a more informal gathering, potentially including a cookie exchange. This meeting has to be confirmed.

2. Current Events and Initiatives

The group briefly discussed updates from their previous meeting, including a presentation from Pena from Congressman Morgan McGarvey's office and an updated Dementia Friends flyer with new session dates.

Louisville Land Development Code - LDC Update & Public Open Houses:

Erin shared the upcoming events from the Office of Planning related to the LDC changes. Elizabeth informed the group about upcoming public hearings on the grant-funded revision of Louisville's land development code, emphasizing the importance of

accessible housing and age-friendly housing policies. She urged Age Friendly Louisville members to attend these hearings and provide input on accessibility and aging in place. Louisville Land Development Code revision process as a major opportunity to advocate for housing that better supports older adults and people with disabilities. The code has not been updated in roughly 20–25 years and helps shape where housing can be built, what types of housing are allowed, and how development happens across the community. The November public open houses were discussed as an important chance to make sure accessible housing, age-friendly housing, and aging-in-place priorities are included in the revision process. There was also discussion about sharing the open house information more broadly and developing talking points based on Age Friendly Louisville's housing priorities so advocates can speak clearly about what is needed. Ongoing Land Development Code discussions propose allowing neighborhood housing (e.g., duplexes, townhomes) near commercial corridors. Residents can share input online at engage-tswdg.com/LouisvilleLDC or attend public open houses on November 9, 11, 18, and 19. See the Events section for full details, locations, and times. Residents can also get involved in the Land Development Code update by submitting comments or signing up for email updates online now, or be part of focus groups, neighborhood walking tours.

→ **Public Comment on Neighborhood Housing Text Amendments in September:** The Office of Planning requested public comments on the proposed Neighborhood Housing regulations, focusing on multi-family housing options and supporting aging in place. The Housing Workgroup submitted formal public comments aligning with our Age-Friendly Housing Action Plan ahead of the Planning Commission's public hearing on September 3 (Case 26-LDC-0001). Below is the submitted comment:

"On behalf of the Age-Friendly Louisville Housing workgroup, we want to express our strong support for the Neighborhood Housing Text Amendments (Case 26-LDC-0001).

As advocates for age-friendly communities in Louisville, we know that housing choice directly impacts health, independence, and quality of life for older adults. Expanding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Missing Middle housing (duplexes, townhomes, cottage courts) provides vital infrastructure for our city:

- ***Enables Aging in Place:*** *Gives older adults options to downsize into right-sized housing while staying in their familiar neighborhoods, close to family, trusted doctors, friends, and support networks.*
- ***Fosters Intergenerational Caregiving:*** *Makes it easier for aging parents, adult children, or caregivers to live on the same property while maintaining privacy and independence.*
- ***Provides Financial Relief:*** *Allows fixed-income seniors to generate extra income through ADUs to help cover rising property taxes and home maintenance costs.*

- ***Promotes Mobility & Health:*** *Gentle density near commercial corridors supports walkable environments for non-driving seniors, reducing social isolation.*

We strongly urge the Planning Commission to recommend APPROVAL of Case 26-LDC-0001. We also encourage the city to keep ADU permitting simple and offer incentives for Universal Design (zero-step entries and accessible layouts) so these new units serve residents of all ages and mobility levels."

Awareness & Advocacy Campaign: Strategies for collecting and sharing success stories using our network → Ideas: Simmons students, UofL's Community Engaged Scholarship Academy and DSW program → UofL students reached out to ask if they can support a project, however students needed to complete the project within a few weeks. They will support the Outdoor Enhancement workgroup for the Fall Cleanup on November 16.

College Court & PUSH Louisville Campaign Update: Connections were made to a statewide housing justice attorney, tenants rights organisation, as well as Legal Aid Society and the Justice Center, to support this initiative with the needed legal expertise.

HUD BABA Rules & Housing Impact: Bipartisan Senate Letter Pushes BABA Reforms & Request to Exempt Affordable Housing – The advocacy is ongoing: Housing and aging-services coalitions (such as LeadingAge, PHADA, and NAHRO) continue to lobby Congress to attach BABA exemptions for affordable housing to upcoming appropriations or authorizing bills, though no statutory exemption has cleared Congress yet.

The Roof Over Our Head – No updates on the Coalition Community Housing Conversations at this time.

Reimagining Home Event Recap: On October 20, AARP Lexington and the Reimagining Home Committee hosted a free community meeting at the Lexington Senior Center bringing together local experts to discuss aging-in-place resources, affordable housing, cohousing, the Lexington Village model, and a study on intergenerational student-senior living arrangements. Presentation and script will be shared.

The group also discussed updates on various initiatives, including a new initiative called Beyond60.

Awareness & Advocacy Campaign:

Discussions of Age-Friendly Housing Workgroup Housing Campaign Ideas put together by Jecorey will be kept on the agenda: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SasoOOJoL0LpEf0rKYbVOOUR8BgRsLNNvuVqWZLudPQ/edit?usp=sharing
Access Action Plan on agefriendlylou.com/housing

3. Housing Resource List / Guide Discussion

The group discussed updating the Age Friendly Louisville housing resource list "Rooted in Louisville" Housing Resource Guide so it stays current, accurate, and useful for older adults, people with disabilities, caregivers, and service providers.

Action Plan -Goal 3
Goal 3: **Expansion and vetting of the Housing Resource List**
Add updates/new resources. → Access the spreadsheet HERE.

Erin reminded the group that the next Resource Guide update will be at October's workgroup meeting! Access the resource list HERE.

- Purpose and use of the guide: The guide is intended to help people navigate housing-related supports and home-based services. It has been shared at community events, such as the Expo, and can continue to be distributed at gatherings where older adults or caregivers may need housing resources. It is also put out at the
- Potential additions to the guide: Several possible resources were discussed for inclusion, including **Pushing Forward** for ramp-related needs, the Coles Foundation / GreenWorks program for landscaping or outdoor home-support assistance, Hallmark Home Care, and a newer Metro accessible housing search tool.
- Needed updates and corrections: The group noted that some existing listings may need to be corrected, clarified, or removed. One specific update mentioned was that Eldercare for Families has changed its name and should be updated in the guide.
- Vetting resources before adding them: The group discussed the importance of confirming details before adding new organizations or programs. For example, the Coles Foundation's GreenWorks program would need to be contacted to verify whether it is active, who is eligible, what services are provided, and what contact or referral process should be listed and Liz shared the contact for Sophia to reach out to find out more.
- Feedback from actual users: Teran brought up that the guide should be improved based on feedback from people who have actually used it. The group discussed the need to learn what users found helpful, what was missing, what was confusing, and whether any resources were outdated or difficult to access.
- Scope of the guide: Transportation services were discussed but were intentionally left out because the guide is focused more on housing and home-based supports. The group also touched on broader housing topics, such as multigenerational housing and ADUs, but those were more connected to housing policy and the Land Development Code than to the resource list itself.

Action Plan -Goal 1 Goal 1**: Multigenerational Communities** - Increase awareness of age-friendly, accessible & multigenerational communities through data and policy advocacy ● Parkway Place Community Plan was released (July 2026)
Action Plan -Goal 2 Goal 2**: Home Modifications & ADUs** - Promote aging-in-place and city ADU guidance.

Next Meeting – December 2th, 2026, 2 - 3:30 pm

Meetings are always the 1st Wednesday of each month, 2 - 3:30 pm

Center For Accessible Living, 501 E Broadway Suite 310 , Louisville, 40202 **| Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84744181090 Meeting ID: 847 4418 1090**

Local Housing Updates, News & Events

The following upcoming events and news were discussed.

- **Planning Commission's Special Hearing** (Special Meeting for Neighborhood Housing) is held on Thursday, **September 3 at 5:00 PM** (in person at the Old Jail Auditorium or virtually via WebEx) to support the Neighborhood Housing LDC text amendments for ADUs and Missing Middle housing.
- **Project Warm's Annual BLITZ event** (Nov 7 & 14) - Volunteer team registration is open now, and client sign-ups launch after Labor Day! More into here: https://projectwarm.org/blitz/
- **Housing Alliance of Louisville 2026 Panel Series:** Upcoming sessions: *Working with Landlords* is held on October 28);. Registration required at metrounited.org/HAL
- **LIHEAP Summer Subsidy Open for Utility Assistance:** Mayor Craig Greenberg announced that Jefferson County residents at or below 150% of federal poverty guidelines can apply for a one-time electric bill credit ($41–$250) through the LIHEAP Summer Subsidy from August 3 through September 11 (or until funds run out)—learn more and schedule an appointment at louisvilleky.gov/LIHEAP.
- **Housing Stabilization Program Reopens**
  The Louisville Metro Office of Social Services is again **accepting appointments for rental assistance and case management** for eligible Jefferson County renters. Learn more about income criteria and schedule an appointment using the Housing Stabilization Online Scheduler or by calling (502) 308-3344.
- **The Kentucky Housing Corporation** is accepting public comments via email at corpplanreport@kyhousing.org from August 31 to September 18, 2026, on its draft Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), available on the KHC Consolidated & Action Plans page, detailing how federal housing block grant funds were used during Fiscal Year 2025.
- **Zoning Matters: Conversations with a City Planner** - City planners from Louisville Metro's Office of Planning answer questions about zoning, discuss changes to the Land Development Code (LDC). Next event: **Newburg Library** on Tue, **Sep 15 2026, 3 - 7pm. Learn more**

IN THE NEWS

Opportunity Village: New affordable housing units in West Louisville will range from $695 to $1,300 per month - Goodwill KY & Woda Cooper Companies. Find out more here: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JMInhR2gc9w **| Article**