# Age Friendly Workgroup: Housing March Meeting Minutes March 6, 2024

Next meeting: April 3, 2024

#### Attendance:

Stacie Redmon	Ron Burse
Erin Lamon	Audrey Penman
Diane Davidson	Tihisha Rawlins
Don Barbiea	Barbara Gordon

# **Housing resources and goals**

The group discussed analyzing local housing units and identifying funding sources for home modifications. They agreed to update an existing housing resource list and to determine goals and tasks to address affordable and accessible housing needs.

# **Home modifications and funding sources**

Members shared programs and organizations providing home modification grants and supplies, noting eligibility is often based on income, age, or disability status. They agreed to research these further and compile an updated resource list.

Resources list that are available NOW!

- Age-Friendly Louisville | Community Support Resources (agefriendlylou.com)
- CAPS Housing Resource AFL Revised 6/26 (agefriendlylou.com)
- senior-resources-guidepdf (louisvilleky.gov)

#### Legislative updates and advocacy opportunities

Recent state legislation banning housing discrimination was mentioned. The need for multi-generational and missing middle housing was discussed. Members agreed advocacy and educating officials and the public were important tasks.

• As of Friday March 8<sup>th,</sup> House Bill 18 was signed allowing landlords to refuse section 8 housing choice vouchers

#### Multi-generational and missing middle housing.

The benefits of multi-generational housing designs were highlighted, with modular housing developments as an example. Further research into local needs and how to promote such housing options was suggested.

- <u>2023SMHR\_WEB.pdf (metropolitanhousing.org)</u> Metro housing coalition report titled "The State
  of Housing"
- MMY Multiplex | Accelerated Modular Homes for Urban Infill Sites by MMY US Retrofitting
  homes and reverse mortgages were discussed as aging in place options. Compiling existing
  housing resources and inviting speakers on related topics were identified as next steps to help
  seniors live comfortably and safely at home.

#### Aging in place and next steps

#### Homework assignments included:

Reviewing materials and researching additional resources to add to the group's list. Scheduling speakers for future meetings was also discussed.

### **Guest speakers and future meeting topics**

#### 1. Possible Guest Speakers

- Coming in April B-Metz Reality Great Day life guest realtor and accessible home remodeler. She
  knows the guest speaker from church. <u>Louisville KY and surrounding areas Real Estate Homes</u>
  for Sale in <u>Louisville KY and surrounding areas (mettsregroup.com)</u>
- Coming in May Tony Curtis Executive Director of Metro Housing Coalition attached is the latest Housing Report. 2023SMHR WEB.pdf (metropolitanhousing.org)

## 2. Other Thoughts

- Speaker from LMG Human Resources Ron Burse
- New Directions home repair program zip codes <u>Apply for Repair Affair | New Directions</u> (ndhc.org)
- Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) <u>Programs Resources for Kentuckians in Need</u> (<u>kyhousing.org</u>)