

## Age- Friendly Louisville Social Participation, Respect & Inclusion Meeting via ZOOM December 8, 2020

10+2 Attendees:

Chris Clements Rita Morrow Avery Crews Akos Boachie Kelly Nason Terri Thomas Charlene Holloway Sameera Jackson Kim Cordell-Fife Dia Erpenbeck

**Welcome/Introduction:** There were no new attendees except Kelly's son, Liam, and Terri's grandchild for this Domain Session. At 2:05 PM, Rita Morrow welcomed everyone and then had each person introduced him/herself and say what organization they are with and their holiday wish this season.

Acknowledgement of New Member to Domain: Rita Morrow announced a new Age Friendly Louisville intern, McClain Owens (UofL Graduate Student) would be joining the Domain. She stated that McClain would be working with another Domain (Health & Community Services) but had strong interest in the inter-generational component and potential partnership and collaboration with the Louisville Urban League. Her official start time and date will be in January 2021.

**Age Friendly Louisville Photo Consent Form:** Both Rita Morrow and Avery Crews talked about Age Friendly Louisville Photo Consent form needed to be completed by each participant. The actual link to complete the form is at <a href="https://louisvillekent.az1.qualtrios.com/jfelform/SV7OlpNUZQVbrqEiv">https://louisvillekent.az1.qualtrios.com/jfelform/SV7OlpNUZQVbrqEiv</a> or contact Avery Crews .

**Highlights from November 2020 Meeting:** Rita provided an overview of the November meeting. There were 8 attendees at last session which was down a bit but also due to a ZOOM link glitch too. The guest speaker was supposed to be Ricky Owens with T J Middle School to talk about upcoming "Inter-generational Talent Show" to take place between three Middle Schools (TJ, Newburg and DuBois). It was slated for Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> but he was unable to join the ZOOM session. Rita reflected again on the Halloween/Fall parade that took place on October 29<sup>th</sup> and Halloween Costume Contest event with the three Boys & Girls Clubs of Kentuckiana with that occurred on October 30<sup>th</sup>. She then highlighted the partnership that was created with the Boys & Girls Clubs of Kentuckiana in putting together 300 care package for Veterans known as Veterans Bag event which was done with Kentuckiana Veteran Community Integration Coalition (KVCIC) and happened on Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>. And finally, there was a successful and memorable "Veterans Day" parade that took place on Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>. The group was reminded to check out the **2020 Progress Report for "Age Friendly Louisville" Recap:** A physciall copy of the report as well as 2 hour video recording from this is at https://www.agefriendlylou.com/

**Year in Review Reflection (2020):** Rita Morrow then reflected on what this Domain has done this past year (2020). These included producing another 1000 ElderAbuse Awareness Bookmarks along with spreading

them out in the community to social service departments, banking institutes, faith-based organizations and much more. Bringing in more partners like Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) especially FYRSCS, Louisville Urban League, Boys & Girls Club of Kentuckiana, and many more have been highlights to the year and increase in inter-generational activities and projects. And finally participating in two 4<sup>th</sup> of July Parades, Halloween/Fall Parade, Veterans Parade and upcoming Winter Holiday Parade were significant ways that tied into the Domain's mission and focus. As for the other three Age Friendly Louisville domains: Housing was able to create a Resource Item, Mobility was able to do a Guide List, and Health created a Tips Pamphlet.

**Next Steps and Future Plans with Boys & Girls Club of Kentuckiana and Louisville Urban League:** Rita Morrow stated that continued virtual inter-generational projects and things are planned for the three BGC of Kentuckiana (Shawnee, Parkland and Newburg). Chris Clements stated that such ideas and plans include Black History Month event where youth will discuss or share about a local African American that they look up to or admire. This will be shared or done sometime in February 2021. Rita stated that a follow up meeting is in the works with Louisville Urban League and that new intern, McClain, will be a big help. But such prior ideas and items like Chess Club and Photo/Video project between different generations were targeted things to take place in 2021. More details will come in the January 2021 session.

**Holiday Winter Season Parade (Tentative Plans):** Under the leadership of both Marji Pilato and Kim Cordell-Fife and with the help of Chris Clements a Holiday Winter Season Parade is planned for December 11th. Kim Cordell-Fife announced that the parade will start at Waterson Plaza located at 4314 Bishop Lane around 12:30 PM to assemble and decorate vehicles and then go out for nearly 10 stop parade at 1:00 PM. The parade will then pass by Willie Seay Plaza, VIPS, Active Day, Bellewood & Brooklawn, Boys & Girls Haven, Regis Woods, Forest Hills Commons, The Springs at Stony Brook, and Atria Stony Brook., This particular parade has more of inter-generational appeal than any of the others as it goes by both youth and older person communities to bring festive cheer to each of them. The parade will also have Santa Claus joining it.

**Middle School Talent Show for December 11th**: The tentative Middle School Talent Show was planned for December 11<sup>th</sup> and featuring three Newburg area Middle Schools (TJ Middle, Newburg Middle and DuBois School) has been postponed to sometime in January of 2021. The reason is due to technology glitches and other issues the youth were having in doing their videos and sending them to others. AARP still plans to be critical partner with this and will have resources to cover prizes for the participants that do it. It was also suggested that doing 90 second clip may need to be scaled down to 30 seconds. This will be looked at and more to come on this in January. Once know, the domain will be notified along with getting "inter-generational" judges for it. This information was shared by Chris Clements and Avery Crews.

**Items for Next Meeting (January):** Update and reflection on the Holiday Parade will be shared with the group in January along with plans for new parades in 2021—when, where and what themes. Continued updates with new projects and things with Boys & Girls Club of Kentuckiana and Louisville Urban League. Also discussion will be made about Black History Month and plans will be discussed in January on how this will work out and happen for February 2021. Also Charlene Holloway announced she will be the featured speaker and share her civil rights movement story and experience with the domain and this could be adapted to inspire younger generations to be active and more engaged in their communities. Charlene contact is (502) 407-2392 and <u>chall88317@aol.com</u> It will be a nice treat for new year and close to Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

**New Business and Updates:** As for new business, Terri Thomas noted something should be done to recognize and salute Martin Luther King Jr. Day. The three facilitators state they will talk this over and get back with the group on what possibilities exist and if anything partner with those that already have something going on. Sameera Jackson did inquire about where things stood with Jefferson County Public Schools (JCPS) on partnerships. Chris commented that with COVID 19 and virtual/on-line learning still in

effect, the progress on this has been stalled or remains at stand still. He stated that he did hear from Leslie Schultz, Superintendent for the Archdiocese of Louisville Catholic School system, she was interested and looked forward to the partnership once school were in a normal routine again. As for JCPS, emails and contact have been made with Renee Murphy, JCPS Public Relations and Communications Director, but no response has come from her or JCPS. This will be followed up on in 2021. Finally, Terri challenge everyone to do BYF---Bring Your Friend---to next Age Friendly Louisville meeting. Attendance has dropped in the last two months and being a new year, why not bring in new energy, interest and involvement to Age Friendly Louisville. Everyone felt this was great idea.

The next Age Friendly Louisville Social Participation, Inclusion and Respect Domain will be on January 12<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday) from 2 PM to 4 PM. The same ZOOM link will be used and communication phone numbers of 312-626-6799 and 646-876-9923 will be provided.