

2:00 – 3:30PM

August 6th, 2025 | Highlands Shelby Park Library, 1250 Bardstown Rd, Louisville, KY 40204

Attendees: Tanya Sallee, David Allgood, Teran Herthel, Erin Lamon, Robb Coldwell, Christopher Mattingly, Jecoray Arthur, Sophia Banks.

Facilitators: Tanya Sallee & Dr. Ezii Oguibe-Sheperd*

Notetaker: Sophia Banks

*not present

Key Takeaways

- Louisville Metro Housing Authority presenting at September's meeting - important to attend, other members invited
- October 1st Meeting: Discussion of a proposed bill; different location, KIPDA and Edison Center available
- Housing Resource List draft review with goal to complete by end of August: add symbols for income, disability, and general services; consolidate similar organizations; include key housing and assistance programs and finalize on design

Item	Discussion
Agenda Item 1	After Introductions, Tanya gave new members brief overview of the Age-Friendly Louisville Housing goals highlighted in the action plan: • Exploring policy changes and advocacy opportunities to address housing issues, including affordable housing requirements for developers. • Promoting and advocating for diverse housing options—such as middle housing (duplexes, quads, etc.) and accessory dwelling units (ADUs)—to expand affordable housing availability across Louisville. • Working to streamline the ADU permitting process and identify potential funding sources to support implementation → Free ADU Designs for Public Use: The Office of Planning now offers free, pre-approved ADU building plans from local designers funded by an AARP Community Challenge Grant in 2023, simplifying the permit process and supporting affordable housing options in Louisville. • Advocating for zoning changes that allow for a wider range of housing types and increased housing density where appropriate. • Developing and maintaining a comprehensive housing resource list (building on the previous CAPS Resource List from the AFL Housing Group) to help community members locate housing assistance programs.
Agenda Item 2	Workgroup Opportunities • Louisville Metro Housing Authority will join the workgroup on September 3rd: Alli Woosley, the Outdoor Enhancement workgroup facilitator, confirmed to attend. Tanya encouraged workgroup members to attend this meeting. The group discussed the Dosker Manor project, noting changes to the original plan, which had included a senior housing focus at the former First Link grocery store site, and describing proposed amenities such as a fitness room, computer room, community garden, and outdoor space; concerns remain about whether current residents will be guaranteed the right to return once construction is complete. • The proposed bill “Tenant Medical Relief” from a local community organization for the workgroup was reviewed (print out). The bill's author has been invited to attend a workgroup meeting in October for a deeper conversation and feedback. Workgroup briefly reviewed the bill. Jecoray informed the group about a situation in which a hospitalized

	tenant continued to accumulate rent during a medical emergency, leaving them with a significant debt upon discharge, and suggested the group consider supporting the proposed bill. • Tanya mentioned that the group is considering participating in the 2025 Lobby Day at the State Capitol to support shared goals around housing access and aging in place. She shared that AARP holds a Lobby Day training, typically in late January before the February event at the Capitol in Frankfort, to prepare participants on key advocacy issues, guidelines for communication, and how to schedule and conduct meetings with their legislators. This will be revisited next month as there are no updates at this time. • The Kentucky Housing Task Force, which meets every 4th Monday (next on August 25th), is gathering feedback to inform 2026 legislation addressing the state's growing housing shortage—currently 206,000 units and projected to reach 287,000 by 2029—with livestream and meeting recordings available on YouTube @ KY LRC Committee Meetings • Rebound Inc. provides affordable high-quality housing and homeownership education: www.reboundinc.org (Goal 2) This will be revisited in September.
Agenda Item 3:	Action Plan Updates Implementation Updates/Changes Access Action Plan on agefriendlylou.com/housing or use printed version • Update implementation timeline and priorities
a. Goal 1	Multigenerational Communities (Update by Tracey in September) Increase awareness of age-friendly, accessible and multigenerational communities through data and policy advocacy. KY Senate Bill 59 The group briefly discussed Senate Bill 59 which wants to create a new section of KRS Chapter 100 to allow religious institutions to develop affordable housing without submission to review by a planning unit if the development is approved by a local government. This bill will give religious institutions' rights to convert buildings into affordable housing and a resource guide project. The question about advocating or opposing this bill was raised. Concerns about churches being exempt from ADA requirements when using federal funding were brought up. 9 month goal: AARP Lobby day in February
b. Goal 2	Home Modifications & ADUs (Update by Eziamara in September) Promote aging-in-place and city ADU guidance. 6 month goal: Engage the Home Builders Association of Louisville or similar organisation or to local builder that presented at the Housing summit last September

c. Goal 3	3 month goal: CAPS Flyer & Resource List to be completed by the end of August Erin gave a short update on the expansion and vetting of the CAPS resource list. The group reviewed the housing resource list, aiming to streamline, remove duplicates/outdated info, and expand categories for diverse services: • Discussed adding the Housing502.org site and linking to reliable websites instead of individuals to avoid outdated contacts. • Focused on coverage for all age groups and consolidating similar organizations under shared headings. • Identified gaps in financial assistance resources and planned to include Certified Aging-in-Place (CAPS) professionals info to improve funding access. • Emphasized sharing and using key housing resources like the newly updated Senior Resource Guide by the Office of Aging and Disabled Citizens and using the Metro Housing Coalition's survey that highlights seniors' housing struggles as a guide. • Discussed programs for tax exemptions, home repairs, and eviction legal aid, noting many are unaware of these supports. • Agreed to add symbols indicating low-income, disability-focused, or other key service types to help users quickly find relevant resources. • Final edits, design, and changes to be completed by mid to late August, updates planned. Erin and Sophia will meet on August 14th to discuss design and layout before sharing with the group. Teran shared the Senior Expo (Halloween themed intergenerational in Slugger Stadium) and the group discussed the possibility of Age-Friendly setting up a table at the October Senior Expo to network and promote the resource list, if it is completed by then. The Expo offers free booths for 15 nonprofits, providing a good opportunity to raise awareness and recruit members, though it coincides with the Aging and SHIP conference in Lexington.
Next steps	• Erin and Sophia to work on design and layout and share with rest of group for review and add following to the list: streamline by consolidating similar organizations; include Homeowners Assistance Program, Homestead tax relief program, Louisville Land Bank programs, Metro Housing Corporation eviction assistance, Legal Aid Society eviction prevention, AARP housing resources, Center for Accessible Living resources, Episcopal Church Home resources, Kentucky Bankers Association affordable housing recommendations, Louisville Metro Housing Authority down payment assistance, and housing discrimination complaint resources. • Attend September 3rd Housing meeting with Louisville Metro Housing Authority visiting • Consider participating in October Senior Expo event • Tracey to continue exploring policy advocacy opportunities around housing issues • Ezii to follow up with Jake Brown from Marian Group to potentially invite him to speak at a future meeting about housing development.

Local Housing Updates, News & Events	● Family Scholar House unveiled the nation’s first LEED Platinum-certified modular steel home in Louisville’s Chickasaw neighborhood—a sustainable, energy-efficient prototype aimed at expanding affordable housing and homeownership for families earning up to 80% of the Area Median Income. ● The Kentucky Housing Task Force, which meets every 4th Monday (next on August 25th), is gathering feedback to inform 2026 legislation addressing the state’s growing housing shortage—currently 206,000 units and projected to reach 287,000 by 2029—with livestream and meeting recordings available on YouTube @ KY LRC Committee Meetings ● Zoning Matters: Conversations with a City Planner Discuss the ongoing Land Development Code (LDC) Reform, ask questions about zoning, and share your thoughts on how these changes could impact your neighborhood. The next conversation will be on August 19, 3 - 7 PM at South Central Regional Library. Find more dates HERE. ● Monthly MHC Education & Advocacy Committee Meetings – Discuss housing justice, fair housing, and vacant property campaigns. Second Tuesday monthly, 3:30–4:30 PM (virtual).
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Next Meeting – September 3rd, 2 - 3:30 pm

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

Location: Highlands Shelby Park Library, Community Room at 1250 Bardstown Rd, Louisville, KY 40204