

Domain Facilitator: Erin Lamon

Link to shared folder: bit.ly/AFLHousingFolder

Updates on Current Topics

1. Accessible Housing Gap Analysis & August KHC Conference

- **KHC Conference:** Liz presented at the Kentucky Housing Corporation (KHC) conference on August 5th, including lessons learned from her session on Ohio's 10% mandatory accessibility standards.
- **Newsletter Article:** Liz will share an article summarizing key insights from the assessment for the September AFL Newsletter and website.
- **Policy Advocacy Collaboration:** The group discussed potential collaboration on policy advocacy in Frankfort with the League of Women Voters.
 - *Next Step:* Reconnect with Liz Taylor in September regarding potential advocacy alignment.

2. Inclusionary Zoning & Policy Updates Shively Project - [Plan for Shively](#)

- No specific updates recorded during this meeting

3. [The Roof Over Our Head](#): Discussed the Community Housing Conversation initiative held in June. Workgroup members were invited to join either the Communications Committee or the Organizing Committee (virtual meetings held no more than once per month) and let Sophia (AFL coordinator) know if they want to be added to the either committee. Both groups will meet virtually as needed, no more than once per month.

4. **Changes to LDC** - See an update on the proposed Louisville Metro Land Development Code to allow neighborhood housing near commercial corridors: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=feT38J0kVGM> more info [here](#).

New Opportunities and Topics

New opportunities were shared and other workgroup members were invited to bring up new action plan-aligned topics, opportunities and events.

1. Upcoming In-Person Presenter (September 2 Meeting)

- **Guest Speaker:** Elizabeth Peña, Deputy Director of Community Engagement and Grants from Congressman Morgan McGarvey's office, will present at the next meeting and will be attending the meeting in person at the Center for Accessible Living.

2. HUD BABA Rules & Housing Impact

- **Build America, Buy American (BABA):** Discussed bipartisan Senate efforts pushing for BABA reforms and waivers/exemptions for affordable housing materials not currently manufactured in the US. More info here: [Bipartisan Senate Letter Pushes BABA Reforms](#) & [Request to Exempt Affordable Housing](#)
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3. Center for Accessible Living: Statewide & Regional Home Modification Grants

- **HUD Grant application efforts:** Discussion of a grant covering low-income seniors needing home modifications across Kentucky. Requirements include age restrictions and landlord approval for installations.
- **Traumatic Spinal Cord Injury Grant:** Reviewed separate funding specifically restricted to traumatic spinal cord injury patients needing ramp installations state-wide.
 - *Next Step:* Share abstract/details of the HUD home modification grant with the workgroup for potential endorsement consideration.

Action Plan Focus

Next the action group discussed the campaign ideas put together by Jecorey Arthur using the Housing domain's action plan. Access the campaign ideas here:

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SasoOOJoL0LpEf0rKYbVOOUR8BgRsLNNvuVqWZLudPQ/edit?usp=sharing>

Access Action Plan on agefriendlylou.com/housing

1. Awareness & Advocacy Campaign

- **ADU Implementation Challenges:** The ADU plans developed through AARP's community challenge were discussed; no built projects to date are recorded. This could be due to zoning restrictions, moratoria, and awareness gaps. The Office of Planning gave the information that these plans can be used in all of Kentucky so there might be ADUs constructed elsewhere in KY using these plans, but the Louisville OP is not tracking this. Consideration: Reaching out to Joel Dock

again for an updated list of ADU applications/approvals and ask if any homeowners or contractors would share testimonials

- **Engagement & Testimonial Strategy:** Jecorey proposed an awareness campaign featuring builders and residents using short videos/success stories to complement Metro government incentives. *Next Steps:* coordinate with Jecorey on student engagement.
- **Mapping & Outreach:** Suggestions were made to map approved applications by location and demographic to help clarify the process for homeowners.
- **Academic Outreach:** Discussed exploring collaborations with UofL Community Engaged Scholarship Academy, DSW program students, or Simmons College students to assist with video testimonials and content creation.

2. College Court Senior Resident Displacement

- **Situation Overview:** Jecorey informed the group about Simmons College's acquisition of College Court housing units that he had highlighted at the workgroup meeting in the spring. The acquisition has caused displacement and eviction concerns for senior residents. While some units are ready for students to move in, others require renovation with anticipated rent increases.
- **Tenant Challenges:** Issues stem from unclear lease agreements, lack of written commitments from the new landlord, and maintenance needs.
- **Proposed Solutions:** Discussed intergenerational housing possibilities where students could support senior residents, as well as Age-Friendly Louisville involvement in resident advocacy.
 - *Next Steps:* Jecorey to send detailed information about the College Court resident council and campaign for AFL consideration.

See more info here: <https://www.wave3.com/2026/03/22/college-court-tenant-council-calls-housing-protections/> and find the petition here: <https://actionnetwork.org/petitions/stand-with-college-court-against-slumlords-gentrification/>

Action Plan - [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: Home Modifications & ADUs](#) - Promote aging-in-place and city ADU guidance.

- ADU legislation (HB 203) updates from Jackie, if available.

Action Plan - [Goal 3: Expansion and vetting of the Housing Resource List](#): Access the spreadsheet [HERE](#). Next Update in Oct 2026! Access the resource list [HERE](#).

Updates & Translation:

The group discussed the upcoming review of the housing resource list spreadsheet (next official update in Oct 2026). Kay brought up using the resource list and identified the need for Spanish translations and improved distribution channels and inquired if AARP has translation services. Sophia will inquire and will also follow up with another workgroup member that had discussed translating the resource list in the past.

Meeting Presentations: The group discussed inviting organizations listed on the resource sheet to present briefly (e.g., 15 minutes per month) at future meetings to share updates.

Local Housing Updates, News & Events - Share any other events with the group

- **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.
- **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: **South Central Regional Library on Tue, Aug 18 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=JMIInhR2gc9w> | [Article](#)

Next Meeting – September 2nd, 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