



BOONE COUNTY
UPWARD MOBILITY

Second Chance Leasing Workgroup Minutes

September 26, 2024, 1:30PM – 3:00PM

Boone Electric Community Building (1413 Rangeline, Columbia MO) and virtually via Zoom

Meeting Objective: Better understanding of Boone County Rental Housing Standards

Attendees: Carter Stephenson (Columbia/Boone County Public Health & Human Services), Minhua Zhu (MO Department of Social Services), Michael Martin (Arthouse Properties), Senica Smith (Voluntary Action Center (VAC)), Tionna Lawson (VAC), Chelsea Zabski (Missouri Foundation for Health (MFH)), Carmelita Wright (Salvation Army), Tammy Hickem (Harbor House), Roy Kroeger (Boone County Resource Management), Kendra Jackson (Columbia Housing Authority (CHA)), Garnett Matthews (Mid-MO Legal Services), Lori Acton (Love Columbia), Gina Jenkins (Boone County Community Services Department (BCCSD)), Joanne Nelson (BCCSD), Emilio Ayala Youngblood (BCCSD), Kerby Webb (BCCSD)

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Gina began the meeting and opened the floor up for introductions.

2. Follow up report from Neighborhood Services Department regarding Housing Provider Training Program discussion. Further discussion of ideas and ways to take ownership, develop & launch.

- Gina gave an update on a meeting she and Verna had with Leigh Kottwitz, the Neighborhood Services Manager, and Adam Friesz, Code Enforcement Specialist from the City of Columbia Office of Housing & Neighborhood Services. The City office is interested in partnering with the workgroup in some capacity for a housing provider training.
- The group discussed the current social services available in Boone County and how they can be transformed to better fit the needs to the community.
- The group discussed the target audience for the proposed Housing Provider Training Programs. The main target among the group was small/first time housing providers.
- The group also discussed what content/topics should be present in these training programs and who should present them. The group brought up an idea to provide the housing providers a survey to get a better idea of how the training programs should look like. The group brainstormed the questions/discussions that should be present in the survey.
- The group discussed evictions and rental registry. Lori mentioned efforts and approaches in other cities and will share information.

3. Closing

a. Partner Updates

- -Joanne shared information for the Housing Summit happening on October 24th.
- -Missouri Foundation for Health recently launched a fundraiser support program. Applications can be found on the [MFH website](#).
- -Missouri Foundation for Health is also encouraging people to help get out the message about voting. You can submit an encouraging video on [their website](#).



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b. Next Steps

Next steps include further outreach to providers with a possible and integrating outreach into existing meetings

October 24, 2024, meeting canceled all are encouraged to attend the 2024 Boone County Housing Summit taking place that day.

Next Meeting: Thursday, November 21, 2024, 1:30 – 3:00 PM Boone Electric Community Building or virtually via Zoom.