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# A G E N D A

## Social Services & Community Development Committee

### August 26, 2014 11:00 A.M.

1. **Committee Summary** (1-3)
2. **Lexington Area Workforce Analysis** (4-15)
3. **Partner Agency Outcomes Process – Year-End Report** (16-41)
4. **Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention – Update** (42-56)
5. **Items Referred to Committee** (57)

**“The social services and community development committee, to which shall be referred matters relating to the department of social services and its divisions, and any related partner agencies and the division of community development, related partner agencies, and other matters relating to community development and economic development”**

-Council Rules & Procedures, Section 2.102(2)

#### 2014 Meeting Schedule (all meetings at 11:00 AM)

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| Feb 25 | May 27 | Sept 23 |
| Mar 18 | Jun 17 | Oct 21  |
| Apr 22 | Aug 26 | Dec 2   |

Social Services & Community Development Committee  
April 22, 2014 Summary

Ford called the meeting to order at 11:02 AM. All members were present except Lawless. Clarke also was in attendance.

*Partner Agency Outcomes Process*

Amy Baker discussed the Social Services partner agency review process. She stated that she has reviewed the first two quarterly reports for the 35 partner agencies offering 54 funded programs. In addition she visited each of the agencies during the first half of the fiscal year.

Baker stated that she would be visiting each agency again during the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters. She stated that based on the review of the quarterly reports and site visits most of the programs were meeting program goals and other metrics.

Baker stated that in a few cases metrics were not being met sufficiently. She stated that in 2 cases partner agencies agreed to relinquish funding for respective programs.

Myers stated that this type of site visit was much needed and what he envisioned when they first starting discussing improving the partner agency outcomes. It stated that the review enabled programs to be run effectively and efficiently while provided much needed direct services.

In response to a question from Lane, Baker described the site visits as well as the quarterly review process.

Lane agreed with Myers that the review was a proactive attempt to improve effectiveness and efficiency of the partner agencies.

*Tenant Relocation Fund*

Mills discussed the Tenant Relocation Fund. She stated that those funds were restricted to redevelopment and re zoning opportunities. In addition the Department has limited funds to assist tenants if their property is condemned.

Connie Godfrey stated that they were requesting that some funds in the Tenant relocation Fund be transferred to a 3<sup>rd</sup> effort that would provide the Department some flexibility when situations fall between condemnation and redevelopment.

In response to a question from Lane, Godfrey provided information on the assistance provided due to condemnations.

On a motion by Myers, second Scutchfield to amend section 5-1-07 of the Code of Ordinance to allow for any funds in excess of \$ 200,000 to be allocated to other relocation assistance programs. The motion passed unanimously.

Myers requested that the Administration examine re funding any deposits paid by the fund to LFUCG. In response Horn stated it may be problematic with utility deposits but they will examine that issue.

Ford thanked Mills for bringing this opportunity to the Council for consideration.

On a motion by Myers, second Scutchfield to create an Emergency Temporary Relocation Fund. The motion passed unanimously.

### *Workforce Investment & Training*

Ford reviewed the items in the packet pertaining to workforce development. He stated that he was a proponent of having a stronger workforce development presence in Fayette County. He stated that the Bluegrass Workforce Investment Board (WIB) is investigating the potential for obtaining an alternative fiscal year which would remove the WIB from the Bluegrass Area Development District (BGADD).

Myers commented on the Attorney General opinion regarding the ADD engaging in activities beyond its scope. Myers stated that his supported the WIB's effort to become more independent from the BGADD.

In response to a question from Beard, Atkins updated the Committee on the BGADD response to the State Auditor report. Atkins stated that the lack of a change of direction from the WIB was problematic.

In response to a question from Stinnett, Atkins stated that a change of fiscal agent would not necessarily change the make up of the BGWIB and its 17 county service area.

Stinnett stated that the Committee should concentrate efforts on 3 areas; 1. Relationship between Lexington and the BGADD; 2. Identifying workforce partners in Fayette County, including Commerce Lexington, BCTC, UK and others; and 3. LFUCG's role and level of financial commitment to workforce efforts.

Ford and Myers agreed with Stinnett.

Atkins discussed the dues to the BGADD as well as Fayette County match for the homecare services.

In response to a question from Kay, Atkins reviewed the actions taken by BGADD Board including the response to the State Auditor report as well as the work of the River Park Neighborhood Association reviewing the work on the ADD.

In response to a question from Scutchfield, Atkins discussed how the other WIBs across the state are organized. She stated that the action plan response to the State Auditor may assist other WIBs in their relationship with their respective ADDs.

Clarke stated that Fayette County needed more workforce development resources and was supportive of the steps being taken. He asked for guidance from the Committee regarding dues payment to the BGADD as well as the homecare match as his Link will be reviewing those issues.

Ford suggested that the 2 payments should be segregated. He stated that he supported moving forward with the homecare match but wanted to continue the suspension of dues until at least the BGADD had provided its response to the State Auditor.

Mills stated that the homecare match of \$ 40,000 provided \$ 400,000 of direct services to Fayette County seniors.

Myers suggested that LFUCG work with the State delegation to codify the Attorney General's opinion regarding the ADD's ability to engage in work only with the consent of the local government.

Beard stated that the BGADD had been attempting to take over the work of the Mayor's Training Center for some time.

On a motion by Ford, second Myers, the Committee endorsed the Bluegrass Workforce Investment Board's attempt to identify a new fiscal agent, independent of the Bluegrass Area Development District. The motion was approved unanimously.

Graham stated that the motion should be moved to the work session so that the Council can consider the motion at the next Council Meeting.

Stinnett received clarification from Ford that the continued work in the Committee would involve all of the workforce efforts not just those managed by the WIB.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40 PM.

# CENTRAL KY WORKFORCE STUDY

Lexington-Fayette, Madison, Franklin CSA

Billie Peavler, Executive Director  
Business & Education Network  
Commerce Lexington



# WHAT

- Workforce Study of Central Kentucky
  - Initial Data Analysis
  - Recommendations for ACTION
  - Full Report & Executive Summary
  - Suggest model for addressing gaps
  - Share information with stakeholders & community partners to gain support for a community wide problem solving initiative.

# OUTLINE – SUPPLY VS DEMAND

- Labor Market Demand
  - Regional Job Demand Indicators
    - Growth, vacancies & wages
  - Historical and Future job trends by sector
  - Identify high demands within sectors
    - Deeper dive
      - Jobs, Industry Skill, Education, Professional Skills

# INDUSTRY SECTORS

Advanced Manufacturing

Aerospace

Bioscience

Business & Professional Services

Construction & Building Trades

Equine / Agriculture

Healthcare

Information Technology

Renewable Energy

Transportation & Distribution

Visitor Industries

# OUTLINE – SUPPLY VS DEMAND

- Workforce Pipeline
  - Educational Attainment
    - Certifications, Associates, Bachelors
  - Career Pathway
    - Enrollments and graduation rates
- Demographics
  - Age, race, gender, veterans, hard to hire

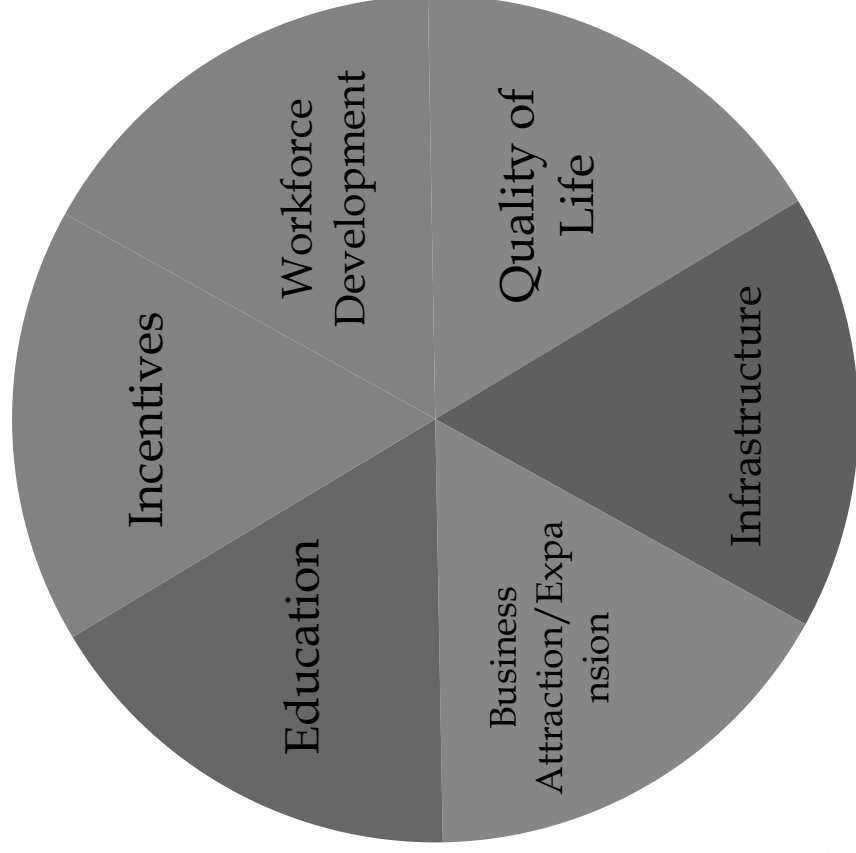
# OUTLINE – SUPPLY VS DEMAND

- Current Initiatives Supporting Workforce Development
  - BEAM initiative
  - KYFAME
  - HBA Building Trades School
  - Healthcare Consortium
  - Earn & Learn programs – Modern Apprenticeships
  - Internships/Co-Ops
  - Job Shadowing
  - BGWIB training initiatives
  - Others?

# WHY

- Provide a comprehensive set of data to support a demand driven, community wide problem solving initiative supporting workforce development.
- The conditions for change are present
  - Level of dissatisfaction
  - Sense of urgency is present
- We have a prime opportunity to create IMPACTFUL, tangible results that can positively effect our entire community.
- We must maintain and continuously improve our economic competitiveness on a global scale

# ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



# WHEN

- Draft Timeline
- August – October      Collect data, share initiative, Establish partners
- October – November      Analyze data, Grow partnerships,  
Identify problem solving model
- November      Present draft report,
- December      Finalize report
- January      Share results with community
- Provide updates to stakeholders throughout the process.

## HOW WILL THE MONEY BE SPENT

- Contract some of the work out
- Administrative
- Report verification
- Consulting

# WHAT DOES SUCCESS LOOK LIKE

- Move from talking to doing
- Real data driven decision making
- Effective outcomes
- Reduction in unemployment
- Hiring process becomes more efficient
- Personal economic prosperity increases
- Barriers to employment are reduced
- Mutual gain for public and private sector
  - Public, Private & Individual

# QUESTIONS?

# **FY 2014 SOCIAL SERVICES PARTNER AGENCY FUNDING YEAR-END REPORT**

Social Services and Community  
Development Committee  
*August 26, 2014*

- ▣ In FY14, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government provided social service partner agency funding to 35 social service agencies that serve residents of Lexington-Fayette County.
- ▣ A total of 54 programs were funded to provide needed services.
- ▣ Eleven social service agencies received funding for more than one program.

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|                                      |                                   |                                  |
| American Red Cross                   | Arbor Youth Services              | AVOL                             |
| Baby Health Service                  | Bluegrass Community Action Agency | GreenHouse 17                    |
| <b>Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center*</b> | <b>Bluegrass.org*</b>             | Bluegrass Technology Center      |
| Carnegie Literacy Center             | <b>The Nest*</b>                  | Central Kentucky Radio Eye       |
| Children's Law Center                | Chrysalis House                   | <b>Community Action Council*</b> |
| Girl Scouts of Kentucky              | <b>God's Pantry*</b>              | <b>Hope Center*</b>              |
| Iglesia Nueva Vida                   | <b>Kentucky Pink Connection*</b>  | Kentucky Refugee Ministries      |
| Lexington Woman's Club               | Missing Lexington                 | Moveable Feast of Lexington      |
| NAMI Lexington                       | New Life Day Center               | Nursing Home Ombudsman Program   |
| <b>Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky*</b> | <b>Repairers Lexington*</b>       | <b>Salvation Army*</b>           |
| Sisohpromatem Art Foundation         | Sunflower Kids                    | Urban League of Lexington        |
| <b>YMCA of Central Kentucky*</b>     |                                   |                                  |

\*Organizations in bold had more than one program funded during the fiscal year.

- ▣ Each social service agency that received partner agency funding in FY14 was visited twice during the fiscal year.
- ▣ During the first visit, agencies were asked to provide an overview of the agency, discuss how they are utilizing LFUCG funding and to share any barriers/successes they were experiencing regarding reaching proposed program goals.
- ▣ Whenever possible, the second visit was conducted at a time when the funded activity was taking place.

- ▣ Each social service partner agency has specific proposed program outcomes it identified in its application for funding.
- ▣ At the end of the fourth quarter, the vast majority of funded programs achieved or exceeded its proposed program goals.

- ▣ For example, the Kentucky Refugee Ministries' EMPOWER Refugees Program greatly exceeded two of its proposed goals. As of the end of the fiscal year, 313 refugees and 78 families had received case management services (proposed goal for the fiscal year was 50 refugees and 10 families).
- ▣ Another example, funding from the LFUCG allowed the medical and dental clinics at Mission Lexington to expand its operating hours from 521 hours to 782 hours. The medical clinic has seen 316 new patients (proposed goal of 155) and the dental clinic has seen 262 new patients (proposed goal of 182). The agency far exceeded its proposed goals.
- ▣ Another example, The Nest Child Care Program proposed serving 150 children in its child care program during this funding cycle. As of the end of the fiscal year, they had provided care for 159 children. They had another goal of serving 7,000 meals during the fiscal year. During the fiscal year they served 8,034 meals.

- ▣ There were two programs that were funded for FY 2014 that were unable to realize their proposed goals and chose to end their programs.
- ▣ Neither program was paid for 4<sup>th</sup> quarter of the fiscal year which left \$55,640 in unexpended partner agency funds.
- ▣ After researching possible alternatives to spend the funds, input was sought from the DSS Advisory Board.

- ▣ The DSS Advisory Board determined the best use of the unexpended funds would be to fund a summer lunch program. Only 16% of youth eligible for free or reduced lunch take advantage of lunch programs in the summer.
- ▣ This effort brought together the Department of Social Services, Parks and Recreation, Fayette County Public Schools, God's Pantry, Partners for Youth and CTE Fresh Approach.

- ▣ Summer Lunch Program Summary:
- ▣ 800 food boxes were distributed through Fayette County Public Schools and Parks and Recreation
- ▣ 8,161 backpacks distributed through Fayette County Public Schools
- ▣ 9,000+ flyers distributed with information on all Lexington-based SFSP sites (electronic and paper versions)

- ▣ The data collected reflects that an additional 60 children received meals over summer break than had during the same period last year.
- Last year 37,063 meals were served in a 44 day time frame = 842 meals/day
- This year 35,185 meals were served in a 39 day time frame = 902 meals/day

# Next Steps

- ▣ Partner agency visits for program funded during FY 2015 will begin this fall.
- ▣ A brief summary of how programs funded during FY 2014 is included in your packet.

# FY14 Partner Agency Year-End Summary Report

## Social Services and Community Development Committee

### August 26, 2014

During FY 2014, the Lexington-Fayette Urban County Government provided partner agency funding to 35 social service agencies that serve residents of Lexington-Fayette County. Attached is the year-end report of the programs that received funding in FY 2014 as well as the outcomes that resulted from the funding.

### **1- Chrysalis House-Pregnant and Parenting Women Program**

**The Pregnant and Parenting Women program at Chrysalis Court provides six months of residential substance abuse treatment to women. Women entering treatment must be chemically dependent, parenting, age 18 or over, and have completed previous episodes of treatment.**

The Chrysalis House surpassed its proposed goals by providing substance abuse treatment services to 48 women (proposed serving 40 women).

### **2- American Red Cross-Disaster Services**

**Disaster Services focuses on meeting people's immediate and basic emergency needs whether they are the victim of a fire, ice storm, flood or tornado. When a disaster strikes, the Red Cross provides shelter, food, and health and mental health services to address basic human needs. The Red Cross also feeds emergency workers, handles inquiries from concerned family members outside the disaster area and helps those affected by disaster to access other available resources.**

The American Red Cross nearly achieved its proposed program goals by providing disaster relief services to 46 families (proposed goal of 49 families).

### **3- Radio Eye-Radio Reading Service**

**The Radio Reading Service broadcasts the reading of newspapers, magazines, health periodicals, books, consumer information, and other programming designed to offer greater independent living and improve the health and well being of its listeners. Listeners receive special radios to access the service. The broadcast can also be heard in hospitals and nursing homes, on the internet, a Smartphone application, and via a telephone service statewide.**

Radio Eye nearly reached its proposed goal of providing programming to 9,700 listeners (the goal was 10,000 listeners) during this funding cycle. Additionally, the program distributed 35 new radios (proposed goal of 30 radios).

### **4- New Life Day Center, Inc.**

**The New Life Day Center for the Homeless serves as a "connecting point" to other needed services for those that are homeless or in need of assistance to escape from the weather of the streets. The Center for the Homeless is open Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Secure storage for possessions in lockers, phone and computer access, and transportation to needed services are some of the services provided to the homeless by this program.**

No fourth quarter data had been received from the New Life Day Center as of the writing of this report.

### **5- Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky-Kids Are Worth It!**

**The Kids Are Worth It! (KAWI) Conference was held September 9-10, 2013 at the Lexington Convention Center. The conference provided plenary and workshop sessions focusing on prevention through strengthening families, improving skills and working collaboratively. Specific topics included areas such as child sexual abuse, child fatality review and prevention, domestic violence and youth development.**

Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky achieved its goal related to the Kids Are Worth It! Conference. The conference was held September 9-10, 2013 at the Lexington Convention Center and 542 participants attended the workshop.

## **6- Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky-Technology Today: Teaching Safe Use for Youth**

**Technology Today: Teaching Safe Use for Youth** is a collaborative project of Prevent Child Abuse Kentucky (PCAK) and the LFUCG Division of Police. Internet safety programming will be provided to over 3,000 5th graders attending 34 public schools in Fayette County. Programming will include technology usage assessments; educational resources for parents and students; interactive safety workshops for students; and training for school personnel.

Due to barriers encountered during the implementation of this project, it was terminated during the 3rd quarter.

## **7- Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency**

**Ombudsmen monitor care in long-term care facilities by making regular unannounced visits with residents. They also identify, investigate and resolve complaints expressed by residents, families or identified by the ombudsman. Ombudsmen work to resolve the problems by advocating for the resident through a specific problem-solving process. A secondary service of the program is NHOA's information and assistance services- individual and community education about long-term care and provider education.**

The Nursing Home Ombudsman Agency surpassed proposed goals. They provided twice the number of educational sessions they proposed in its application (they proposed 40 but completed 80). Additionally, they resolved 339 complaints from residents (the proposal was to resolve 335).

## **8- Mission Lexington, Inc.**

**Mission Lexington provides primary medical, dental, vision and mental health services to adults in Lexington who are employed without health insurance or Medicaid and earn up to 185% of the federal poverty line. The dental clinic serves adult residents of Fayette County who do not have dental insurance and who earn less than 100% of the federal poverty level. All services provided are free of charge.**

Funding from the LFUCG allowed the clinic to expand its operating hours from 521 hours to 782 hours. The medical clinic has seen 316 new patients (proposed goal of 155) and the dental clinic has seen 262 new patients (proposed goal of 182). The agency far exceeded its proposed goals.

## **9- Lexington Woman's Club-Clothing Center**

**The Clothing Center program provides clothing to at risk children in Fayette County. In the fall of each school year, eligible children from each public elementary school are recommended by the Child Guidance Specialist and other appropriate staff and are transported to the Clothing Center. The children are met by club member volunteers who help them choose their own clothing.**

With funding from LFUCG, the Clothing Center was able to provide school clothes for 289 kindergarteners through 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

## **10- Blue Grass Community Action Partnership-Elder Nutrition Program**

**The Elder Nutrition Program provides nutritious meals at 3 nutrition sites and homebound clients throughout Fayette County. The program also aids with transportation to the nutrition sites for seniors to receive a nutritious meal, participate in activities and socialize among their peers. By providing transportation to the nutrition sites and meals, the Elder Nutrition Program's goal is to help clients get out of their house, remain healthy and active with the assistance of a nutritious meal in a socialize setting.**

The Elder Nutrition Program exceeded proposed program goals. The program served 356 seniors at its sites (with a proposed goal of serving 300 seniors at its sites) and 206 seniors at their homes (with a proposed goal of serving 200 seniors at their homes). The program has achieved its goal of providing transportation to 33 elders by providing 39 elders with transportation to the nutrition sites.

#### **11-GreenHouse 17 (formerly Bluegrass Domestic Violence Program)**

**GreenHouse 17 is the primary provider of services and emergency shelter for domestic violence victims in Lexington and the 16 surrounding counties of the Bluegrass Area Development District. Core program services including crisis intervention, safety planning, individual and group counseling, case management, community referrals, service coordination, legal advocacy, children's activities, parenting support, community education and awareness building activities, and housing support/self-sufficiency programming and activities.**

GreenHouse 17 sheltered 141 adults (proposed 175) and 78 children (proposed 50) during this fiscal year. The program also had a goal of providing education to 800 individuals. They far surpassed that goal by providing education to 2,032 people. Additionally, the shelter responded to 4,183 calls on its 24 hour hotline.

#### **12- Hope Center, Inc.-The Detention Recovery Program**

**The Detention Recovery Program provides full-day recovery services Monday through Friday at the Fayette County Detention Center. To complete the program, participants attend an average of 92 classes and 204 meetings.**

The Detention Recovery Program achieved its proposed goal of providing substance abuse treatment services to female inmates by treating 37 women (proposed goal of 35 females). The proposed goal of providing substance abuse treatment services to 95 males fell short. As of the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the program had served 48 males.

#### **13- Hope Center, Inc.-Mental Health Program**

**In the Mental Health Program, professionals engage homeless persons who have chronic mental illness and provide stabilization, housing, and other services. The team provides a wide variety of services, including psychiatric assessment and evaluation, medication assistance and monitoring, case management, life skills training, housing support services, service referrals, and transportation assistance.**

The Hope Center Mental Health Program provided 30,249 mental health services as of the end of the fiscal year (proposed goal of 35,640 mental health services).

#### **14- Hope Center, Inc.-The Recovery Program for Men**

**The Hope Center Recovery Program for Men is a substance abuse recovery program, lasting a minimum of six months. The peer-driven program is progressive in nature and relies on a set of incentives as each client progresses. The target audience is adult homeless men who are chemically dependent.**

The Recovery Program for Men achieved its proposed goals. As of the end of the 4th quarter, 811 participants (of the proposed 797 participants for the fiscal year) had entered detox and 366 participants (of the proposed 291 participants for the fiscal year) had entered the recovery program.

#### **15- Hope Center, Inc.-The Recovery Program for Women**

**The Hope Center Recovery Program for Women generally takes nine months or longer to complete. The peer-driven program is progressive in nature and relies on a set of incentives as each client progresses. The target audience is adult homeless women who are chemically dependent.**

The Recovery Program for Women achieved its proposed goals. As of the end of the 4th quarter, 199 (proposed 153 participants for the fiscal year) residents had entered Safe off the Streets and 111 (proposed 93 participants) had entered the recovery program.

#### **16- Hope Center, Inc.-Emergency Shelter**

**The Hope Center Emergency Shelter provides lodging, food and clothing to homeless adult men in Fayette County. These services are offered on a 24-hour per day basis, 365 days per year. On average, the shelter provides lodging to 180-220 men each night.**

The Emergency Shelter achieves its proposed program goals. As of the end of fiscal year, the Emergency Shelter provided 67,636 night of lodging (average of 185 people per night). The proposed goal was to provide shelter for 180-220 people per night.

#### **17- Hope Center, Inc.-Women's Health Clinic**

**The Women's Health Clinic services include health assessments, testing for diseases, immunizations, treatment of acute illnesses, referral for HIV/AIDS rapid screening, education, and coordination/integration of health care with other programs and health care providers. The Hope Center Recovery Program for Women has a full-time nurse practitioner who treats clients at the clinic.**

The Women's Health Clinic achieved its proposed program goals. As of the end of the fiscal year, 195 women (proposed goal of 153 women) had received mental health services.

#### **18- Hope Center, Inc.-One Parent Scholar**

**One Parent Scholar House is a comprehensive program for low income single parents that includes housing, child care, counseling, workshops, support from neighbors and staff, and special activities. The parents receive support services as they pursue a degree in higher education. The children receive child development services on-site.**

One Parent Scholar has achieved its proposed program goal by providing child care services to 151 children (proposed goal was 120 children).

#### **19- Baby Health Service, Inc.**

**Baby Health Service Clinic provides preventative and primary healthcare services to uninsured children birth to 17 years of age. These are the children who do not qualify for state funded insurance (Medicaid, KCHIP) and whose families are unable to afford private insurance. Services provided at no cost to the patient.**

Baby Health Service administered 1,095 immunizations (proposed goal was 1,258), it provided 2,087 clinic visits (proposed goal of 2,000 clinic visits) and wrote 1,484 prescriptions for medications (proposed goal of 1,509 prescriptions).

#### **20- Kentucky Pink Connection-HealthLink Transit Program**

**Kentucky Pink Connection navigates medically underserved age-eligible citizens to obtain medical testing. The HealthLink Transit Program provides preventive screening education and transportation assistance to women residing in Fayette County who need preventive screenings such as clinical breast exams, pap tests, and mammograms. Methods of transportation consist of taxi services, community transportation services and public transit services that provide timely and safe transportation.**

The HealthLink Transit Program provided transportation assistance to 128 during the fiscal year (proposed goal was 125). The agency achieved its proposed goal.

## **21- Kentucky Pink Connection-Fayette County Connection Program**

**Kentucky Pink Connection's Fayette County Connection program will be able to continue patient navigation services to women in Fayette County who are in need of support after a diagnosis of cancer. KPC will navigate and follow a minimum of 100 citizens through the health care system and provide support to overcome obstacles they face in order to complete their treatment.**

The Fayette County Connection Program provided education and referrals to 321 individuals (goal was 50), it provided supplies and products to 57 (goal was 30) and provided support to 502 (goal was 50).

## **22- Sunflower Kids-Supervised Visit and Safe Exchange Program**

**The Supervised Visit and Safe Exchange program is utilized when a parent cannot be alone with his or her child because of a history of domestic violence and threat of harm to one parent by the other. Its services allow children to build and maintain relationships with non-custodial parents while reducing the risk of further abuse to the child and other parent. The agency believes children deserve access to people they love, but that access should be in a safe, supportive environment.**

As of the end of the 4th quarter, Sunflower Kids had provided 1,647 supervised hours of visitation (proposed goal was 1,200). The agency has achieved its proposed goal of providing 70 monitored exchanges by providing 252 monitored exchanges by the end of the second quarter.

## **23- Repairers Lexington-Faith Pharmacy**

**Faith Pharmacy is a state-licensed pharmacy providing free-medications to persons who are uninsured or under-insured. It is located in the East Seventh Street Community Center on the northeast side of Lexington. Referrals are made by local social service agencies.**

Faith Pharmacy provided medication to 465 patients (goal was 415). Of those surveyed, 96% reported a decrease in medical problems and medical trips. The pharmacy filled 2,227 prescriptions.

## **24- Repairers Lexington-East 7<sup>th</sup> Street Center**

**The East 7th Street Center provides several direct services for socio-economically disadvantaged youth in census tract 3 of Lexington each year, including Kids' Café, educational enrichment activities, computer access, tutoring and field trips.**

As of the end of the fiscal year, the East 7<sup>th</sup> Street Center provided 4,791 meals (goal of serving 3,000 meals), had taken the program participants on 27 field trips (with a goal of 10 field trips) and 15 students enrolled in their tutoring program (with a goal this fiscal year of 10 students enrolled).

## **25- Urban League of Lexington-Youth Educational Services**

**The Urban League's Youth Educational Services (YES) is an aggregate of programs that pull together smaller initiatives to assist Kentucky in reaching its goal of 43% of the population with college degrees by 2020. Academic Challenges provide support throughout the school year for 2000 students. LIFT is a one-day conference that provides leadership development and life skills to 325 students and 75 parents. YLEAD teaches 12 weeks of financial literacy through**

entrepreneurship. MADE provides weekly in and after school gang/violence prevention services to 80 middle and high school students identified as "at-risk" of engaging in gang-related activity. The Technology Center provides bi-weekly computer access to 10 homeschooled youth and 40 hours of computer literacy to 20 low-income middle school students. PLATO is designed to meet the needs of diverse learners through interactive learning and is offered to 20 high school youth monthly.

As of the end of the fiscal year, more than 300 youth attended LIFT. Of those that attended 92% indicated they planned to go to college. Through the Academic Challenge, 33 students were awarded scholarships (goal was 34 scholarships). Through MADE, 175 students participated in gang/violence prevention programming (proposed goal 80 students). Lastly, 72 youth participated in YLEAD (proposed goal was 100 youth).

#### **26- Bluegrass Regional Mental Health-Mental Retardation Board, Inc.-Mobile Outreach Team**

The Bluegrass Mobile Outreach Team (MOT) is a community-based mental health intervention which provides intensive case management, treatment, and rehabilitation services to individuals with severe and persistent mental illness (SPMI) who have not successfully obtained mental health treatment within the traditional service delivery system. These individuals often experience great challenges due to symptoms of suspiciousness, hallucinations and delusions, and unstable moods which ultimately lead to frequent hospitalizations and homelessness. The MOT currently consists of two full-time case managers, a part-time clinician, and a part-time Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN).

As of the end of the fiscal year, 19 clients had been screened for mental health and case management services (proposed goal of 15) and 15 clients had been assessed by the ARNP (proposed goal of 15).

#### **27- Bluegrass Regional Mental Health-Mental Retardation Board, Inc.-Organizational Payee Program**

The Organizational Payee Program was designed to assist individuals receiving governmental benefits (SSI, SSDI, VA, etc) through provision of budgetary management services. The program would allow participants to live within their means while working towards long term goals.

Although the program could have potentially benefited the client and the community, it failed to attract referrals from other community partners. At the end of the second quarter, Bluegrass.org determined it was not possible to reach proposed program goals and decided to end the Organizational Payee Program.

#### **28- AIDS Volunteers, Inc. (AVOL)-Do You: Empowerment Education for Healthy Humans**

Do You: Empowerment Education for Healthy Humans is an expansion module of AVOL's HIV/AIDS Prevention Program comprised of educational interventions designed to empower high risk populations to make informed, healthy decisions related to sexual health. Services include Effective Behavioral Interventions (EBIs) developed by the Centers for Disease Control, Empowerment education covering a range of topics, and Prevention Case Management, including HIV and STD screenings and referrals to care. Education is provided to target groups of various sizes throughout Fayette County that are considered to be at high risk for contracting HIV/AIDS. This includes at-risk minorities, at-risk youth, men who have sex with men, and people engaged in high-risk substance use.

As of the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, 28 Empowerment Education Sessions had been completed (proposed goal of 26) and 13 clients received Comprehensive Counseling Risk Services (proposed goal of 12). Also, 395 HIV tests were given.

#### **29- The Salvation Army-Emergency Homeless Shelter**

The comprehensive Emergency Homeless Shelter and Transitional Living program serves women with and without minor children who are homeless due to physical, emotional and financial difficulties. The shelter is open 24 hours a

day, 7 days a week. The Emergency Homeless Shelter program combats homelessness by providing the comprehensive services needed to acquire the skills, knowledge and behaviors to achieve their highest possible level of self-sufficiency and independence.

The Salvation Army Emergency Homeless Shelter achieved proposed program goals. As of the end of the fourth quarter, the program had provided 49,726 nights of shelter (proposed goal of 40,000) and 145,215 meals (out of 120,000 proposed during the fiscal year).

### **30- The Salvation Army-Boys & Girls Club Educational Enrichment Program**

The Salvation Army's Boys & Girls Club Educational Enrichment Program's goals are to build self-esteem, promote healthy lifestyles, improve classroom performance, encourage personal responsibility, and remove barriers for at-risk, economically disadvantaged and homeless children. These services include: Education and Career Development, AAA Math and Quarter Mile Math to improve reading and math proficiency, homework help and tutoring, Health and Life/Social Skills Sessions including activities which address risky behaviors through communication and problem-solving activities, Technology Center including a computer lab for on-line educational activities, homework help, typing skills, and special projects.

The Salvation Army Boys & Girls Club Educational Enrichment Program achieved its proposed program goals. The program enrolled 167 children (proposed enrolling 100). The program provided 237 math support sessions (proposed 100) and 167 reading support sessions (proposed 100). Additionally, the program provided 1,403 hour of homework assistance.

### **31- Community Action Council-Literacy, Education, Experience and Post Secondary Expanded Services (LEEP)**

Literacy, Education, Experience and Post Secondary (LEEP) Expanded Services is a youth education program helping youth from low-income families become more self-sufficient by obtaining a General Education Development (GED) while also addressing particular needs of those students enrolled with a criminal background, largely providing access to mental health counseling.

As of the end of the fiscal year, 17 students in LEEP (proposed goal of 25) were working toward their GED.

### **32- Community Action Council-Volunteer Services**

Volunteer Services provides direct services to people in all phases of life, from preschool-age children through senior adults. Volunteer Services mobilizes hundreds of individuals to contribute thousands of hours to programs in the local community with an overall program goal of reducing the impact of poverty. Volunteer Services has several anti-poverty initiatives and a potential of helping more than 35,000 Fayette County residents with low income seeking services each year by working alongside Council staff in each of the Council's six Fayette County Neighborhood and Community Centers.

The Community Action Council's Volunteer Services Program achieved its goal related to the winterization of homes. As of the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, 46 homes had been winterized (proposed goal was 40 homes).

### **33- Community Action Council-Senior Transportation Services**

Transportation Services serve seniors with low-income. The goal of this program is to support the ability for older and elderly adults with low income to age in place or to live as independently as possible. Senior Shopping provides weekly transportation for the purpose of grocery shopping or obtaining other necessary daily living items. Demand/Response Transportation Services offer WHEELS vouchers to senior participants with low-income with a

diagnosed medical condition requiring regular treatment or for essential shopping trips. Lastly, home prescription delivery service is provided for the elderly population with low-income who are homebound.

The Community Action Council's Senior Transportation Services Program distributed 5,768 Wheels vouchers (proposed 10,232), 79 seniors were assisted with shopping (fiscal year proposed goal of 50) and 30 seniors had been assisted with obtaining their prescriptions.

#### **34- Community Action Council-Affordable Utilities Initiative**

The Council's Affordable Utilities Initiative provides an advocate for all Fayette County residents with low-income who utilize electricity, natural gas and/or water utilities including renters whose housing expenses are directly or indirectly affected by utility rates. Staff members, with appropriate legal support, provide intervention before the Kentucky Public Service Commission in all utility matters involving rates and associated programming such as energy subsidies, assistance, and conservation. All Fayette County residents benefit where rates are successfully kept low and programs are implemented to reduce utility arrearages and uncollectable accounts. In 2013-2014, the Council will intervene in at least two utility cases resulting in no or reduced increases and/or new or expanded programming for customers with low-income.

The Community Action Council's Affordable Utilities Initiative has achieved this proposed goal. Two rate cases were resolved in this fiscal year. Intervention in the Kentucky American Water rate case resulted in an approved rate 39% below the original proposal. Intervention in the Columbia Gas rate case resulted in a rate 55% below the original proposal.

#### **35- NAMI Lexington, Inc.-Participation Station**

Participation Station is a Peer-Support Center serving individuals with serious mental illness in Fayette County. The program is entirely peer-operated and peer-driven and grounded in the belief that consumers must be involved as partners in their own recovery. Providing assistance to others furthers the recovery process for individuals with severe mental illness.

NAMI achieved its proposed program goals. The program proposed to increase participation in its programming by 25%. They increased participation by 33.5%. It proposed to increase the number of participants receiving peer support by 15%. It was increased by 15%. Lastly, it wanted to increase support groups offered by 15%. They were increased by 42.5%.

#### **36- Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road Council-Green Dot for Kids**

Green Dot for Kids is designed to prevent violence through the promotion of healthy peer relationships. Green Dot for Kids, Girl Scouts Edition creates an environment where Girl Scout volunteers and girls do not accept bullying, teasing and aggression as the norm, but they become active participants in prevention. Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road will build an active bystander prevention community and increase awareness of peer violence among girls.

The Girl Scouts of Kentucky's Wilderness Road Council's Green Dot for Kids achieved its proposed program goals. As of the end of the fiscal year, 146 Girl Scouts (proposed goal of 100) were introduced to the Green Dot Model. Of those scouts, 73% reported they could identify bullying behavior and gained the tools to stop bullying.

#### **37- Kentucky Refugee Ministries-EMPOWER Refugees Program**

The EMPOWER Refugees Program is designed to serve refugee clients after the initial funding for resettlement is spent. This program maximizes the refugees' abilities to become productive, contributing and educated community members. The EMPOWER classes are designed to address the following issues: financial literacy, domestic violence

prevention, housing opportunities, advanced education and training, immigration issues, long-term preventative medicine, nutrition and volunteerism. A caseworker also offers enhanced case management to clients with special medical, psychological or educational needs.

The Kentucky Refugee Ministries' EMPOWER Refugees Program has exceeded two of its proposed goals. As of the end of the fiscal year, 313 refugees and 78 families had received case management services (proposed goal for the fiscal year was 50 refugees and 10 families) and 330 refugees had attended weekly EMPOWER classes (with a goal of 350 refugees for the fiscal year).

### **38- Carnegie Literacy Center, Inc.-Tutoring Program**

The Carnegie Center Tutoring Program provides high-quality, affordable tutoring offered by volunteer tutors whom we screen, train, and match with compatible students. The tutors then meet weekly at the Carnegie Center with the same student for an entire school year. Families pay an annual fee of \$5-\$50, depending on need. After that, all tutoring sessions are free.

At the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the Tutoring Program had matched 257 students with a tutor (proposed goal of 240 students).

### **39- Moveable Feast Lexington, Inc.**

Moveable Feast provides a hot, nutritious, freshly prepared, home delivered meal to people in Fayette County. In addition, weekly grocery bags are provided, as well. The agency also makes referrals for nutrition counseling if desired. The meals are provided five days a week. The target population is those with HIV/AIDS and those on Hospice Care for any reason (as well as their caregivers and any dependant children in the home) with incomes less than 300 percent of the Federal poverty level.

Moveable Feast proposed to serve 30,000 meals to 275 unduplicated clients during this funding cycle. As of the end of the fourth quarter, 30,364 meals had been served to 227 unduplicated clients. Ten clients were able to return to work and 21 clients have been able to stay in their homes due to the meals they received from Moveable Feast.

### **40- Sisohpromatem Art Foundation, Inc-Art Club**

Art Club is a year-round art-based development and leadership program that engages fifth graders in creative explorations to learn about themselves and the community. Students meet one Saturday each month and one week for summer camp in June. Art Club experiences help participants grow in many ways--increasing their confidence, social and emotional skills, creative expression, problem solving and ability to collaborate with others. Equally important, students develop new and continuing friendships with a diverse group of students they might not otherwise meet.

The Sisohpromatem Art Foundation's Art Club achieved its proposed program goals. By the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the club had offered 18 artist led sessions (proposed 6) and participants had completed 5 community exploration walking field trips (4 proposed).

### **41- Arbor Youth Services, Inc.-MASH Drop Inn**

MASH Drop Inn is a 10-bed emergency shelter. In addition to providing for the basic needs of youth, including shelter, supervision, meals, hygiene supplies, and clothing, the specific services the program will provide are: safety planning, crisis counseling, case management, skills development, enrichment activities, transportation, emotional and behavior support, and education and employment support. Participation in all services is voluntary and free of

**charge. The program operates 24 hours per day, 365 days per year. Youth stay at the shelter for up to 30 days and are eligible for aftercare services for up to 6 months following their exit from the shelter.**

By the end of the fourth quarter, Arbor Youth Services had provided shelter to 283 youth (goal of providing shelter to 275 during the fiscal year) and had served 2,998 meals (with a goal of serving 3,300 meals during the fiscal year).

#### **42- YMCA of Central Kentucky-LIVESTRONG**

**The LIVESTRONG at the YMCA program is a wellness program for people currently in treatment for cancer or those who have undergone treatment for cancer at some point in their lives. The program is free of charge and open to everyone. YMCA membership is not a requirement. Participants meet at the YMCA twice a week for 12 consecutive weeks in small group classes. Classes are led by certified LIVESTRONG coaches, who have received extensive training in the LIVESTRONG curriculum as set by the YMCA of the USA and the LIVESTRONG Foundation.**

By the end of the fourth quarter, 119 LIVESTRONG participants had completed the 12-week program.

#### **43- YMCA of Central Kentucky-Diabetes Prevention**

**The YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program is for anyone who is diagnosed as “pre-diabetic” and at-risk for developing Type 2 diabetes. All individuals with a BMI of 25 or greater and who have a diagnosis of pre-diabetes are eligible to apply. The YMCA’s Diabetes Program provides a supportive environment where participants work together in a small group to learn about healthier eating and increasing their physical activity in order to reduce their risk for developing diabetes.**

By the end of the fourth quarter, 77 individuals had completed the YMCA Diabetes Prevention Program. The aggregate weight loss among the group was 6.1% during the 16-week sessions.

#### **44- YMCA of Central Kentucky-Black Achievers**

**The YMCA Black Achievers program is the association’s largest and most established teen program, serving approximately 250 students per year with 110 of those being Fayette County residents. The program connects 7th – 12th grade students (from Fayette County schools, but also includes surrounding counties) with positive, adult role models in the community and provides them with educational, career, and social opportunities that are not readily available to them.**

The YMCA Black Achiever’s Program appears to be on track to achieve proposed program goals. By the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, the program had served 220 achievers (proposed goal of 250) and provided tours to local colleges as well as a college tour out-of-state. Program participants earned over \$200,000 in scholarships.

#### **45- God’s Pantry Food Bank-Food Bank**

**The objective of God’s Pantry Food Bank is to reach anyone who is hungry or at risk of hunger in Lexington. Typically this means individuals living at or below the poverty line who struggle to pay their bills and keep themselves or their family fed. God’s Pantry operates four pantries and provides 100% of the food offered at the pantries. Additionally, it stocks the products, schedules all pantry clients, and coordinates pantry volunteers with significant help in this area from the host churches and their members.**

God’s Pantry Food Bank met its proposed program goals. By the end of the fourth quarter the agency had distributed 1,708,745 pounds of food (proposed goal of distributing 1.4 million pounds during the fiscal year) and responded to 28,7555 calls for service (goal of 24,000 calls).

#### **46- God's Pantry Food Bank-Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program fills the meal gap for children in low-income families that suffer from food insecurity. Programs that many children depend on (such as free or reduced lunch and the Kids Café) only operate during the week, leaving children unsure of how they will eat over the weekend and holiday vacations. Through the Backpack Program, children are discreetly given a bag of food for the weekend or holiday break. The contents of each backpack may vary, but there are always 7-10 individually packaged items that are kid friendly and do not require special storage or adult preparation.

By the end of the fourth quarter, the Backpack Program had distributed 21,337 bags of food at 18 Fayette County Public Schools (the proposed goal for the fiscal year is to distribute 19,000 bags of food).

#### **47- Children's Law Center**

Children's Law Center provides attorneys to represent young people in a variety of legal and administrative proceeding providing desperately needed legal advocacy to our Lexington/Fayette County's most vulnerable children. The Center's lawyers are engaged in litigation at the trial court and appellate levels and in federal and state courts and administrative forums. The center helps children receive educational services to which they are entitled, have a voice in domestic cases impacting their well-being, and are provided with meaningful community programs that reduce their chance of reoffending rather than being incarcerated.

The Children's Law Center met its proposed program goals. The program proposed to service 100 cases. The program connected 178 parents/guardians with teachers and school personnel regarding their child's education plan. 138 students met academic targets set by school and 137 students met IEP goals. 48 children with disabilities were appropriately identified in order to meet academic and/or social competency targets as set by their educational plan. 814 members of the legal community and community at-large participated in a community forum or education program provided by the Children's Law Center regarding the educational rights of children.

#### **48- Iglesia Nueva Vida, Inc.**

This program will utilize the space and current programs at Cardinal Crossings Community Center and expand them to provide after-school activities and tutoring for children, mentoring and homework help for middle school students, and healthy, safe, family-oriented activities for high school students and parents.

By the end of the fourth quarter, the agency had served 19 students (proposed 25 students) in its after-school activities and tutoring program. Those who attended the program realized an average 10- point increase in MAP Testing scores.

#### **49- The Nest- Center for Women, Children & Families-Child Care Program**

The Nest Child Care Program is a 3-STAR state-rated center that provides care to children birth through age five. 250 days a year, five days a week, the Nest provides free respite child care to children of high-risk families. The Child Care Program can enroll up to 27 children daily all of which come from families at the lowest end of the socioeconomic spectrum. At least 1/3 of the Nest's child care slots each day are reserved to fulfill the respite needs of clients. Many clients are victims of domestic violence and often the perpetrator is the only person available to watch their children.

The Nest Child Care Program proposed serving 150 children in its child care program during this funding cycle. As of the end of the fiscal year, they had provided care for 159 children. They had another goal of serving 7,000 meals during the fiscal year. During the fiscal year they served 8,034 meals.

## **50- The Nest- Center for Women, Children & Families-Parenting Program**

**The Parenting Program provides parenting classes to parents referred by the Department of Community Based Services, the criminal justice system or other social service provider.**

As of the end of the fourth quarter, 142 participants had successfully completed the various programs offered by the Parenting Program (proposed goal of 355).

## **51- The Nest- Center for Women, Children & Families-Crisis Care Program**

**The Crisis Care Program provides basic human needs to neighborhood residents or anyone in need in Fayette County. Items provided include: diapers, formula, children's clothing, infant/toddler equipment and personal hygiene products for adults. The program also provides referrals to other community partners, as needed.**

The Crisis Care Program proposed to serve 2,000 individuals during this funding cycle. As of the end of the fourth quarter, the program had served 1,690.

## **52- Bluegrass Technology Center-CARAT**

**CARAT redistributes assistive technology and home medical equipment to those in need in Fayette County. To meet the needs of many, CARAT operates daily to coordinate a network of individuals/agencies who work to identify and collect unused items. Bluegrass Technology Center refurbishes equipment making suitable for reuse.**

During the fiscal year, the program distributed 428 medical items (proposed goal of 252 items) and evaluated 2,762 items for future distribution. The monetary savings of the recycled costly medical equipment is over \$103,000.

## **53- Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center-Sexual Trauma and Assault Response Training (START)**

**The Sexual Trauma and Assault Response Training (START) targets affected individuals and engages community members interested in problem-solving and significantly impacting overall change in sexual violence in Fayette County. The program targets African-Americans in the Bluegrass-Aspendale community and Latinos/Hispanics in the Winburn community.**

As of the end of the fiscal year, START had reached 22,816 community members. START delivered 13 presentations in the Winburn area and 10 in the East End area. Those surveyed after presentations reported an 82% increase in knowledge regarding the Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center and 68% reported an increase in skills in intervening in a potentially high risk situation.

## **54- Bluegrass Rape Crisis Center-Expanded Therapy Program**

**The Expanded Therapy Program offers expanded therapy services to survivors of sexual violence to reduce trauma symptoms, improve clients' management of symptoms and improve relationship skills. Equine Assisted Sexual Trauma Therapy (EASTT) and Eye Movement Desensitization and Reprocessing (EMDR) are offered, as appropriate.**

As of the end of the fourth quarter, 78 crisis clients had received services (proposed goal for the fiscal year was 66 clients).

| <b>Programs that Achieved All Proposed Goals<br/>(35)</b> | <b>Programs that Partially Achieved Goals<br/>(16)</b> | <b>Programs that Ended Without Completing Goals<br/>(2)</b> |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
| Chrysalis House                                           | American Red Cross: Disaster Services                  | PCAKY: Technology Today                                     |
| PCAKY: Kids Are Worth It! Conference                      | Radio Eye                                              | Bluegrass.org: Organizational Payee                         |
| Nursing Home Ombudsman                                    | GreenHouse17                                           |                                                             |
| Mission Lexington                                         | Hope Center: Detention Recovery Program                |                                                             |
| LWC: Clothing Center                                      | Hope Center: Mental Health Program                     |                                                             |
| Elder Nutrition Program                                   | Baby Health                                            |                                                             |
| Hope Center: Men's Recovery Program                       | Urban League                                           |                                                             |
| Hope Center: Women's Recovery Program                     | CAC: LEEP                                              |                                                             |
| Hope Center: Emergency Shelter Program                    | CAC: Senior Transportation Services                    |                                                             |
| Hope Center: Women's Health Clinic                        | KRM: Empowering Refugees                               |                                                             |
| Hope Center: One Parent Scholar                           | Moveable Feast                                         |                                                             |
| KY Pink Connection: HealthLink Program                    | Arbor Youth                                            |                                                             |
| KY Pink Connection: Fayette Co. Connection                | YMCA: Black Achievers                                  |                                                             |
| Sunflower Kids: Safe Exchange Program                     | La Nueva Vida                                          |                                                             |
| Faith Pharmacy                                            | The Nest: Parenting Program                            |                                                             |
| East 7 <sup>th</sup> Street Center                        | The Nest: Crisis Care                                  |                                                             |
| Bluegrass.org: Mobile Outreach Team                       |                                                        |                                                             |
| AVOL                                                      |                                                        |                                                             |
| Salvation Army: Emergency Shelter Program                 |                                                        |                                                             |
| Salvation Army: Boys & Girls Club                         |                                                        |                                                             |
| CAC: Volunteer Services                                   |                                                        |                                                             |
| CAC: Affordable Utilities Initiative                      |                                                        |                                                             |
| NAMI: Participation Station                               |                                                        |                                                             |
| Girl Scouts: Green Dot Program                            |                                                        |                                                             |
| Carnegie Center: Tutoring Program                         |                                                        |                                                             |
| Sisohpromatem: Art Club                                   |                                                        |                                                             |
| YMCA: LIVESTRONG                                          |                                                        |                                                             |
| YMCA: Diabetes Prevention Program                         |                                                        |                                                             |
| God's Pantry: Back Pack Program                           |                                                        |                                                             |
| God's Pantry: Food Bank Program                           |                                                        |                                                             |
| Children's Law Center                                     |                                                        |                                                             |
| The Nest: Child Care Program                              |                                                        |                                                             |
| Bluegrass Technology: CARAT                               |                                                        |                                                             |
| BRCC: START Program                                       |                                                        |                                                             |

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| BRCC: Extended Program |  |  |  |
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# Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention

August 26, 2014



# Mission

The Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention works to implement the recommendations contained in the 2013 report of the Mayor's Commission on Homelessness and provides planning, coordination, advocacy, and awareness about the changing needs and gaps of services within Lexington.

The office does not provide direct support services but serves as an information source and assists with problem solving for difficult situations requiring multiple resources and organizations.

# Where We Stand - Point In Time Count Data

- Annual count of homeless required by HUD
- No Unsheltered Count in 2011, 2012, or 2014
- Weather on night of count impacts ES and Unsheltered numbers

|                      | 2008  | 2009  | 2010  | 2011  | 2012  | 2013  | 2014  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Emergency Shelter    | 472   | 485   | 481   | 471   | 401   | 476   | 566   |
| Transitional Housing | 770   | 766   | 961   | 958   | 911   | 835   | 887   |
| Unsheltered          | 96    | 68    | 116   | N/A   | N/A   | 91    | N/A   |
| Total Homeless       | 1,338 | 1,319 | 1,558 | 1,429 | 1,312 | 1,408 | 1,453 |

# Progress and Priorities

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- Wrote and issued RFP for Housing First
- Support for development of Mental Health Court
- Transition of Continuum of Care from CKHHI to city of Lexington
- Transition of city emergency shelter funding from the Department of Social Services to the Office of Homelessness
- Visited other communities to see best practices (Dayton, OH; Louisville, KY)
- Attended National Conference on Ending Homelessness

# Progress and Priorities

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- Developing governance/operations structure and processes for next steps.
- Developed web and social media presence.
- Reviewed Day Shelter Ordinance (recommendations forthcoming).
- Facilitated meetings of homelessness providers and mental health community (Eastern State Hospital).
- Mayor signed on to the Mayor's Challenge to End Veterans Homelessness.

# Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board

**13-member board comprised of funders, providers, Council members, business community, faith-based community**

- *Executive Committee*
- *Performance and Evaluation Committee* representatives who are NOT providers to set up evaluation criteria and receive reports on individual projects and overall system performance;
- *HMIS/Common Assessment Committee* including providers to improve compliance with HMIS, guide system development, and develop a Common Assessment;
- *Issues and Advocacy Committee* to discuss other issues

# Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board

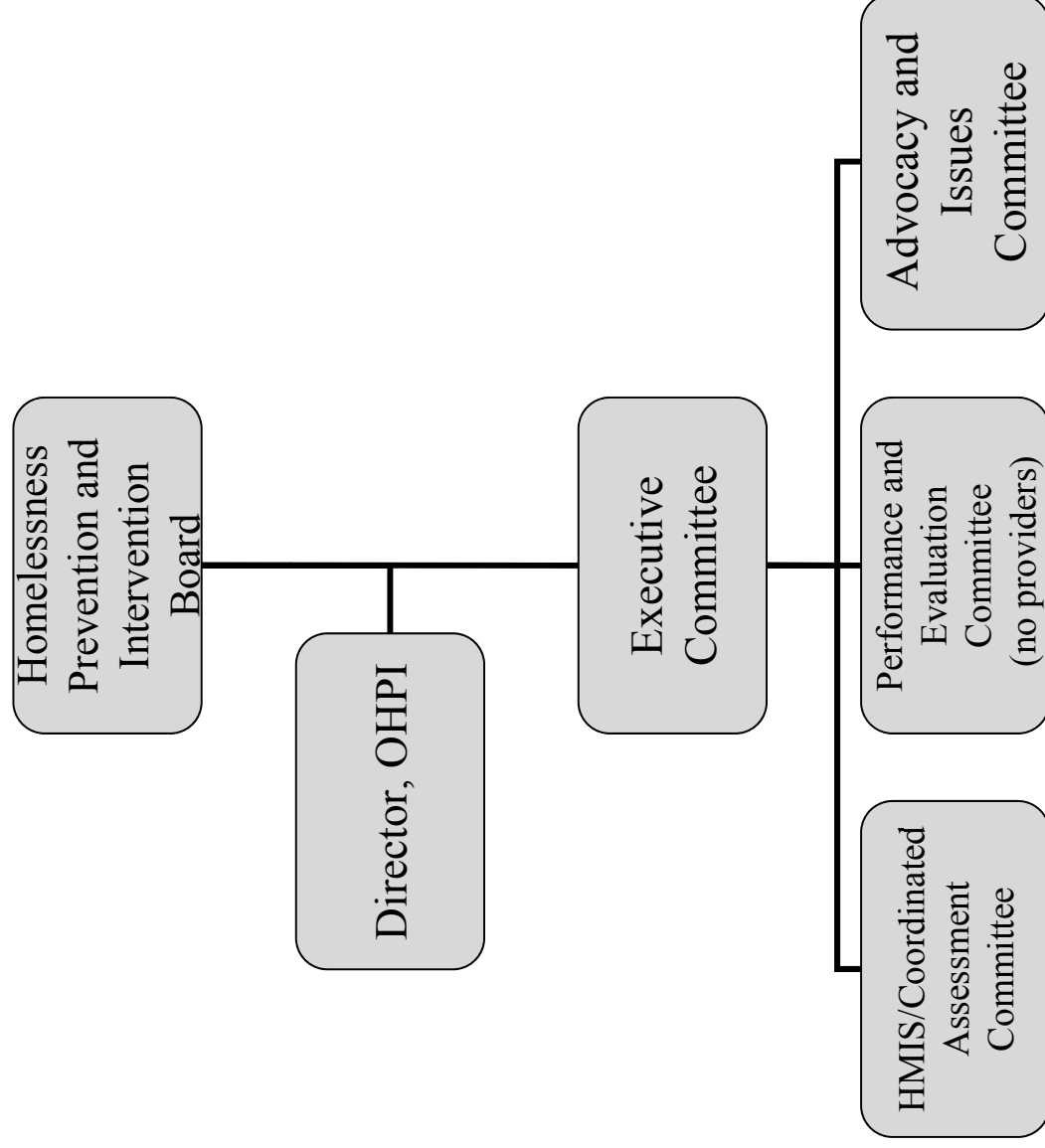
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- Consider and recommend solutions to specific issues as they arise:
  - Day Shelter Ordinance
  - Individual Incidents
  - Emergency Needs
- Consider and advise Director of OHPI on broad matters that impact people experiencing homelessness:
  - Fair housing and access issues
  - Proposed local, state and national legislation with local impact

# Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board

- Review and consider progress on implementation of recommendations made by Mayor's Commission on Homelessness:
  - Work with LFUCG staff and community partners to implement recommendations and find solutions.
  - Review progress and report back to respective constituencies, including Council
- Monitor key indicators and other data to track and understand trends:
  - Regularly review and receive reports from OHPI on key indicators.
  - Recommend which indicators are utilized including addition, deletion and revision of indicators.
- Establish guidelines for LFUCG funding to support activities that reduce and prevent homelessness:
  - Advise staff on ensuring funding criteria are consistent with the goals and mission of the office and recommendations of the Commission on Homelessness.

# Homelessness Prevention & Intervention Board



# Housing First

Housing First is an approach that provides people experiencing homelessness with housing quickly and then provides services as needed.

## **Housing First programs share these common elements:**

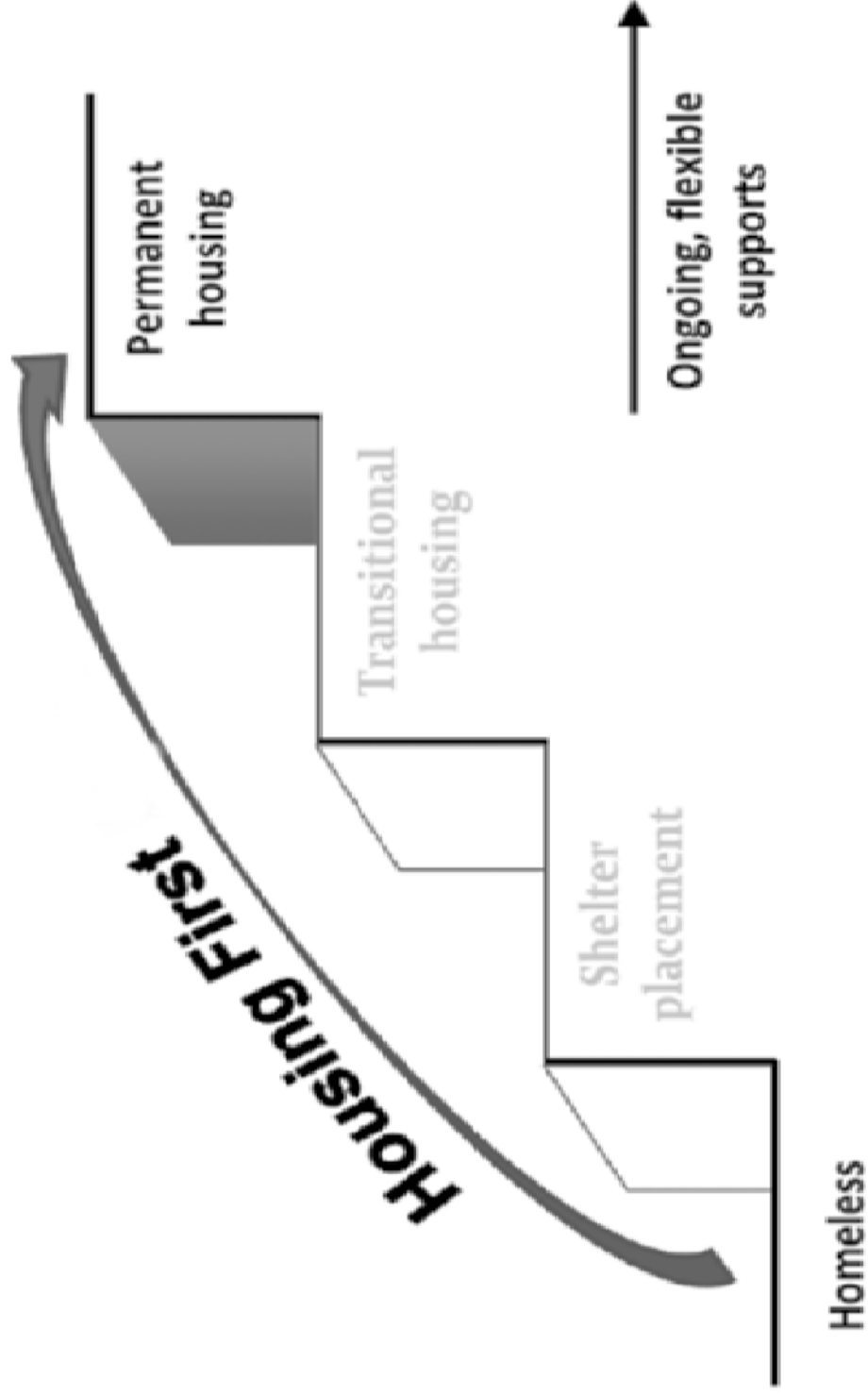
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- A variety of services are delivered primarily following a housing placement to promote housing stability and individual well-being;
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# Housing First



## Why Housing First?

- 80 percent or greater rate of housing retention among participants.
- No negative impact on substance use or mental health.
- Given a choice, most participants prefer Housing First.
- Works for some individuals for whom traditional model has not been effective.
- Present and future federal homeless funding tied to adoption of a Housing First model.

## Next Steps

- Appoint HPI Board – hold full board and committee meetings.
- Establish key indicators for Lexington and set strategic goals.
- Develop specific plans for Common Assessment, HMIS, Continuum of Care transition, Innovative and Sustainable Solutions Funding, and Emergency Shelter funding.
- Fund and facilitate Housing First pilot project with evaluation.
- Other issues – Mental Health Court, medical and mental health respite, housing solutions for homeless elderly individuals and couples, housing solutions for families.

# Questions?

## Social Services/Community Development Referrals

| Item                                                                                                             | Referred By           | Date Referred   | Status |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|--------|
| Workforce Investment & Training                                                                                  | Ford                  | Nov 16, 2012    |        |
| Increasing Commitment to Partner Programming                                                                     | Myers                 | April 15, 2014  |        |
| BGADD Membership, Audit Response                                                                                 | General Services Link | July 10, 2014   |        |
| Change name from Partner Agency to Partner Program Funding                                                       | Social Services Link  | July 10, 2014   |        |
| Partner Agency Funding Process                                                                                   | Social Services Link  | July 10, 2014   |        |
| Manage Partner Agency Prescription Programs                                                                      | Social Services Link  | July 10, 2014   |        |
| Proposed Reorganization of Office of Homelessness Prevention & Intervention to the Department of Social Services | Ford                  | August 19, 2014 |        |