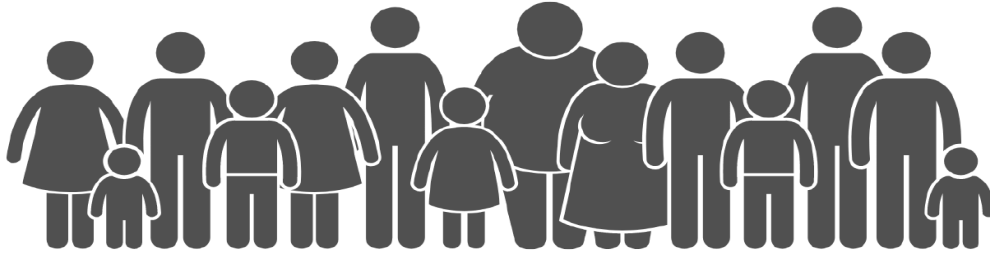


FRANKFORT CARES COALITION



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Frankfort CARES Coalition

Meeting Agenda and Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, September 26, 2023
10:30 AM
First Baptist Church on St. Clair
201 St. Clair
Frankfort, KY 40601

I. Call to Order

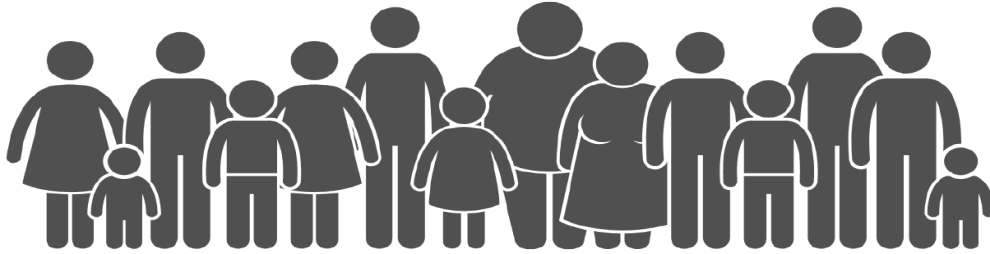
With a quorum being present, Frankfort CARES Coalition Chair, Matthew Johnson, called the meeting to order at 10:32am.

II. Welcome and Introductions

Ad Hoc Executive Committee Members	Representation	Organization	Attendance
Matthew Johnson	Chair	Westridge Elementary-Franklin County Schools	Present
Jennifer Robinson	Secretary	Franklin County Health Department	Present
Charlie Kendell	Treasurer	Franklin County ASAP	Present

Members and Guests Present	Affiliation (Organization)
Joshua Stine	ARNG Soldier Family Readiness
Tommy Haynes	ROSM
Teresa Harris	Capital City Activity Center; Meals on Wheels Greater Frankfort
Shelley Hearn	Frankfort Police Department (Community Police Advocate)
Dayja Whitley	FPD Intern/KSU
Jane Orr	ROSM
Ryan Torres	Bluegrass Community Action
Bayle McKinney	Salvation Army
Alante' Kycle	Salvation Army Intern
Faniya Garrett	Salvation Army Intern
Barbara Mathis	Bridgeport FRC
Layne Wilkerson	Frankfort Mayor
Sam Marcus	Frankfort Resident

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Harry Carver	FCCF
Alicia Smith	WellCare
Michelle Felty	Sunshine Center
Jill Payne	Harry J Cowherd FRC
Brandi Hon	KY Chamber
Jason Monroe	City of Frankfort
Tricia Hamilton	VBHKY
Kacy Webb	VBHKY

II. Welcome and Introductions

A big THANK YOU to Rev. Michelle Carroll and First Baptist Church for hosting us for our bi-monthly Frankfort CARES Coalition Meeting,

III. Tour of First Baptist Mission Clinic- Rev. Michelle Carroll, Associate Pastor of Mission

Before leading the attending members on a tour, Rev. Michelle Carroll provided information (and information) on services provided at First Baptist Church.

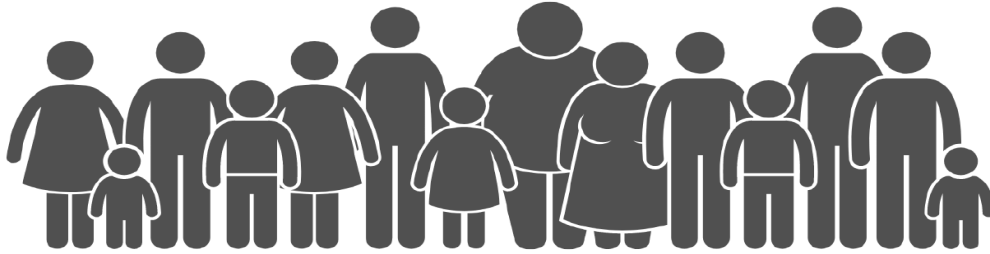
- Mission Frankfort Clinic is a service provided within FBC. However, it is its own 501(c)(3) organization. The clinic provides services for the uninsured only. This includes immigrants and those who do not qualify for Medicare and/or Medicaid. Services are provided free of charge and include pharmacy, dental, and medical services.
- Clothes Closet is a ministry to provide new and gently used clothing to those in need. This service is available Wednesday evenings 6:00-7:00pm or by appointment with Rev. Carroll.
- Payday Loan Ministry provides an opportunity for individuals to get out of predatory loans. The program works in partnership with Commonwealth Credit Union to pay off high-interest loans with payday lenders (i.e. Cash Express or Lend Nation). Recipients of this ministry pay back the payoff amount to the credit union via a 12-month loan at about 3% interest. Applicants show proof of income and payday loan. Applicants meet with a church representative to show proof of income and get approved. Then they visit CCU to finish the process.

Thank you for leading us on a tour of the Mission Frankfort Clinic. The clinic is located on the top floor of FBC. It includes 8 exam rooms and provides medical, pharmacy, and dental services. It has been in operation for 20 years and functions solely from donations and grants. All equipment used in clinic was donated. All medical professional volunteer their time. In addition, Franklin County Health Department comes once a month for vaccine distribution and there are also on-site translators. The Mission Frankfort Clinic schedules between 800 to 1000 appointments per year, with 400 to 500 of those for unduplicated patients.

IV. Second Chance Employment- Kentucky Chamber of Commerce: Brandi Hon

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Brandi Hon joined us to discuss the programs and services the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce provides.

- Bus to Business Program is a statewide initiative focuses on connecting students with employers and bringing classrooms to careers. This program brings high school and middle school students for businesses for hands-on experience.
- In close partnership with the Kentucky Education and Labor Cabinet, Kentucky was selected as one of the three states in the nation to pilot a statewide implementation of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation's program, Talent Pipeline Management (TPM)®. TPM is an employer-led and demand-driven approach for businesses to create and manage talent 'supply chains' by projecting talent needs and aligning those with education and workforce development systems. Through this partnership, the Kentucky Chamber Workforce Center was called upon to utilize the TPM tool to engage employers in the TPM process to build a stronger workforce aligned to the needs of Kentucky's key economic sectors.
- Workforce Recovery Program: The Fair Chance Academy bridges the gap between businesses' need for employees and those in active recovery or returning citizens to find meaningful employment. After attending The Fair Chance Academy, Kentucky businesses are equipped with the knowledge, tools, and resources to help them successfully hire, train, and retain exceptional talent and be on the road to becoming transformational employers. This opportunity is free for businesses. 10 or less employers in Franklin County have used this program.
- Kentucky Transformational Employment Program (KTEP) provides a pathway for businesses and employers to help more Kentuckians reach long-term recovery while supporting fair chance employment.
- The Veteran's Program is a new program that recruits businesses who want to work with and employ veterans, their spouses, and families.

The Kentucky Chamber of Commerce is always looking for talent.

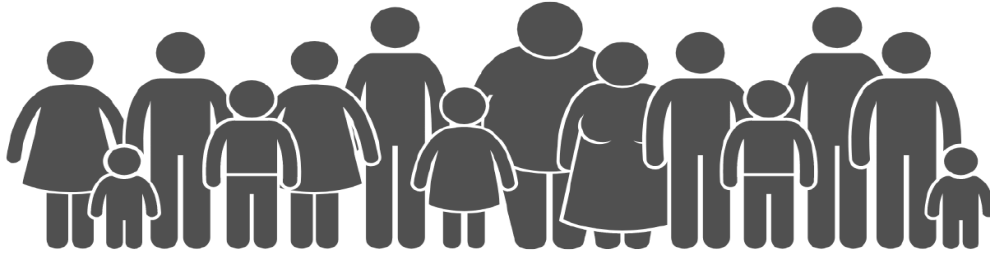
V. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

Tommy Haynes moved to approve minutes from the July 25, 2023 meeting. Shelley Hearn seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

VI. Updates

- 501 (c) (3) status
 - o Ms. Robinson provided an update to the tax exemption process. We are happy to report we have submitted our 501(C)(3) application to the IRS. We are now in the waiting game. The Executive Committee will keep all members apprised of any news regarding our application.
- Membership Application

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- o There are two new membership applications. Jill Payne (Harry J. Cowherd FRC) and Tori Sheets (Early Learning Village FRC). Barbara Mathis moved to approve membership applications. Shelley Hearn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Committee Reports/Recommendations
 - o No committee meeting to report. Mr. Johnson asked all committees to plan to meet before the November 28, 2023 CARES meeting.

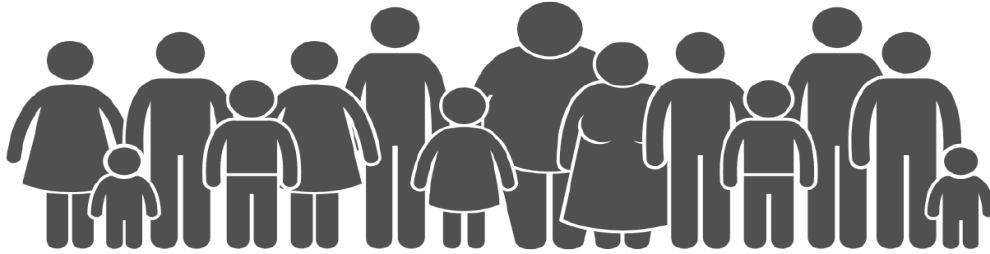
VII. Housing Updates

- Fresh Start Frankfort-Janet Gates
 - o Fresh Start Frankfort is happy to announce that after 1 ½ years, the family unit will reopen. This will be available for families with children and/or single women.
 - o FSF will begin advertising for a Full Time Director of Administration
- Simon House-Mark Johnson
 - o Mark Johnson provided the following report via email: we are still on schedule to close the Day Center this Friday, 9/29, 6pm
 - o Simon House is still waiting to hear news regarding a grant to keep the day center open and to reopen the 24-hour shelter.
- Sunshine Center-Michelle Felty
 - o The Sunshine Center is a domestic violence shelter. As of June 2023, the Sunshine Center is under new management and all new staff.
 - o Services include an infant pantry that is open to all community members
 - o Upcoming event flyers will be sent out to attendees with meeting minutes.

VI. Other Issues for Discussion

- Thank you to Marchelle Jenkins, Teresa Harris, and the Capital City Activity Center for making the *Pathways* resource book available for those in attendance. This resource is updated yearly.
- Salvation Army
 - o Angel Tree applications will open October 1. This service is for children 12 & under, as well as seniors.
 - o Holiday Food Service will be available
 - o Salvation Army Halloween Party: October 24th from 2-4pm. Flier will be sent out with meeting minutes.
- Soldier Family Readiness
 - o Available for coalition meetings, public events, and as liaisons.
- Janet Gates asked question regarding vice-chair position. As of right now, this position is open.
- Congratulations to Jason Monroe for being name the new City Manager. Mr. Monroe shared that he will begin working on a shelter plan for winter and will work closely with Emergency Management and Ray Kinney.

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- Vital Behavioral Health will be moving to Lexington in the next few months. This will close their offices locally as well as the Recovery Housing Program service in Frankfort.

VII. Next Meeting

Next Meeting will be held Tuesday, November 28, 2023 from 10:30 to 12pm. Location TBA

IX. Adjournment

Janet Gates moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:50 AM. Shelley Hearn seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.