



**Meeting Minutes – Housing Working Group**

Date: August 10th, 2016

Time: 9-11 a.m.

Location: Village Commons - Savage

**Work Group Members:**

Mathew Adeniran		Bob Facente		Ted Kowalski	
Deb Barber	x	Eric Gentry	x	Matt Lehman	
Dave Brown	x	Laura Helmer	x	Anne Mavity	x
Jim Caauwe		Mary Hernandez		Mary Miller	
Ron Clark		Joe Julius		Patti Sotis	
Bob Coughlen	x	Margaret Kaplan		Mike Waldo	x
Mohamed Duale		Tom Kelleh		Paul Westveer	

**Staff Members:**

Danielle Fox	x	Dan Rogness	x	Julie Siegert	x
Daniel Lauer-Schumacher					

**Agenda Item 1: Review notes from all groups**

Notes

- All working groups notes are on the 50X30 website for review. Work group members were encouraged to stay informed by reviewing notes from other groups.
- The Steering Committee met last week and is working to finalize the charter document, which we will hopefully be finalized at their next meeting. Though there was discussion around a potential shift from the 50x30 goal, we will continue to move forward with the current charter and assess and working groups and the steering committee progress.

Scott County is a place where people are stable, connected, educated, and contributing

- The Steering Committee is looking to each working group to set priorities and direction. The Housing Working Group will need to communicate this back to Steering.

## **Agenda Item 2: Data Presentation – Metropolitan Council (Deb)**

### Notes

- Deb Barber and guests from the Met Council presented metro wide and Scott County specific data (slideshow is attached).
- Information includes current demographics as well as trend forecasts out to 2040.
- Though the data indicates a significant shift in a number of areas, this information is not a major change from past projections.
- Highlights include:
  - a clear need for single households metro wide
  - ¾ of increased households are in the age range of 65+
  - 1/5 households will have children
  - 1/3 of households will be individuals living alone
  - A shift in poverty moving from metro to suburban (not people moving to suburban, but the spreading of poverty as a condition).
  - 71% of households with low income are paying higher than 30% of their income, many of these being low wage employed individuals.

## **Agenda Item 3: Data Presentation – Families Moving Forward/Beacon Interfaith (Laura)**

### Notes

- Discussion on the impact of public will and NIMBI on the current housing stock
- Efforts within Beacon have seen success when there is commitment from a large number of community members which has been grown over time. Advocacy can not be rushed and must be planful.
- Discussion on the continued need in our community. 30,000 applications for housing vouchers have been completed and although the need is high, our Section 8 waiting list has not been opened since 2007. The building we met in today (Village Commons) currently has about 1500 people on the waiting list for units.
- FMF staff shared a document (attached) that highlights myths and Stereotypes about affordable housing. This document addresses many myths including:
  - MYTH: Affordable housing will drive down property values
  - MYTH: Affordable housing will increase crime in the community and bring undesirable residents
  - MYTH: Affordable housing is not fair; only the very poor benefit

- Review the attached documents for dispelling these myths.

**Next Meeting: Wednesday, Sept 14, 2016**