Partnership for a Healthy Durham Health and Housing (H&H) Committee Meeting Zoom Tuesday, February 20, 2024

Present:		
Topic	Major Discussion	Recommendations and Action Steps
Welcome/ Introductions Charlene Reiss 8:30-8:40	Lightning round: Where have you lived that was the most unusual or your most favorite? Share one or two words and feel free to tell us more in the chat.	*Add newcomers to the mailing list
	New attendees emails added to the chat:	
Health & Housing Round-	Round table discussions on Housing and Health	
table Discussions Planning	Wednesday, March 20th	
Charlene Harris 8:40-9:25	10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at the Human Services Building	
	Estimated 30 people from service organizations, rental agencies*	
	*Starting with professionals only before inviting community members with	
	housing concerns	
	Follow-up gatherings: April 17 and May 22	
	Topic: What do we as a community need to do to ensure that all residents of Durham have housing that supports their health and well-being? Focus on renters, recognizing that affordability is a major issue but not OUR issue Audience: Agencies working with renters	
	Landlords	
	ACTION ITEMS:	
	Finalize invitation content	
	Finalize invitation list	
	Charlene R: In Durham, affordable housing is a major issue. This committee looks at the intersection of health and housing, housing that is not just warm and dry, but supports their physical and emotional well-being, particularly low or fixed-income renters. Planning to start talking to property managers and landlords, and work on the system before bringing in residents, so that we can better address their needs. The goal is to find a solution that the committee can champion and move forward.	

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	Caressa, James, and Marlene participated in a meeting to define the issues.
	James D: Invites all meeting attendees and providers to join the roundtable.
	Caressa: Wants to have an intentional conversation about tangible solutions, not just barriers.
	List of Durham Organizations Engaged in Health and/or Housing Work (spreadsheet of organizations engaged in healthy housing work in Durham)
	Charlene R: Should the committee work with agencies that serve the homeless? She and Charlene H. met with the team (Russ & Courtney) at Unlocking Doors (Housing for New Hope) and learned that there is funding to pay landlords for individuals with barriers to housing, like criminal records and credit history.
	Eliza: Should one agency contact be identified who represents the current work being done by organizations around landlord engagement.
Next steps All 9:25-9:30	
Updates	Please add your updates to the chat!
Next Meeting: March 19, 2024 at 8:30 AM	

