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Racial Equity Workgroup Update March 22, 2021

Agenda Items

- I. Natural Supports Project:
 - a. Report has been created in HMIS, and data is coming in. Waiting until April to pull data to get a bigger selection.
- II. State of Maryland is collecting data on homelessness, COVID-19, racial equity and vaccines; all CoC funded providers are filling out a data collection workbook
- III. Natalie Shaw presented to the Bel Air Lions Club in February to promote our Racial Equity Projects to the community. Hopefully, it is the first of many presentations as we go through this work together.
- IV. Subcommittee Updates:
 - a. Credit – no update available
 - b. Employment/Workforce – HCAA signed their latest MOU with Susquehanna Workforce Network, which will help with job placement. Group conducted an asynchronous meeting focused on women in the workplace and the pandemic
 - c. Health – sent out a set of flyers to the group to advertise the pre-diabetes and diabetes workshop classes starting in March
 - d. Housing – Undergoing the development of a program to prevent eviction and understanding the laws and rights of tenants; seeking out and training individuals to conduct the program.
 - e. Legislation – Talked with Jackie McNally of the UMC in Edgewood about an update for the vacant land at the Church which was slated for a low income housing project. Jackie was going to make available documents and contacts relating to the project but Church Pastor says he was Handling matters. Brian Wainwright also had an opportunity to speak with Jackie. He pointed her in the direction of Habitat for Humanity that we had discussed in one of the Workgroup's meetings. They can help with the project. We plan to meet with Pastor Jones as well soon.

From the desk of **Natalie Shaw**
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