



Attendees: AlexAndrea Alexander, Geraldine Alshamy, Verna P. Best, Marshall Burkes, Veronica Brown, Dan Bulatek, Derrick W. Byrd, Tony Craddock, Emma D’Allaird, Jerry M. Dodson, Kristin Feierabend, Vielka Maria Gabriel, Marion Greaux, Debbie Huston, Avis J. Jones, Tangelia Keaton, Clif Lavenhouse, Nikki Lyons, Deidre McCullers, Dalia Place, Diana Powell, Karee Redman, Kat Reher, Hannah Taylor, Chad Walker, Calla Wright

Welcome, Introductions Review Agenda and Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes approved

Information Presentations

UNC Wages Study – Blair Pietrowski, Graduate Social Work Student at NC State

- Working on study that examines how wages impact public health, comparing Raleigh with Minneapolis
- This research will hopefully help to build the case to raise the minimum wage to \$15 per hour*
- Eligibility: people who make \$11.50 per hour or less, work or have worked in Raleigh in the last 6 months, age 18+ and are not students
- Responsibilities: Annual 40-minute interview, bring in a pay stub, take a survey (available in Spanish and English) (15-20 minutes) that assesses variables that are connected to wages or health
 - Once a year for five years, save food receipts for 2 weeks following each annual interview and send them in with a pre-paid envelope
 - \$50 cash for appointment, \$20 cash for receipts
- Need more participants
- CAG interested in staying connected with findings

Kramden Institute – Marshall Burkes, Education Manager

- Kramden is based in Durham (4915 Prospectus Dr J, Durham, NC 27713), established in 2003; mission is to provide technology, tools, training to bridge the digital divide
- Variety of programs for youth, adults, and seniors, and nonprofit/government organizations
 - Kramden Tech Scholars
 - Tech Community Partners
 - Tech Equipment Partners
 - Technology Education and Digital Literacy Programs
 - Learn more about each program listed above: <https://kramden.org/programs/>
 - Digital Literacy for Adults – Ages 18+ computer basics at Kramden Office each month, 4-week class once a week and receive a computer at the end for free

- Program at Crosby – In October for seniors ages 55+, basics of using a computer, basic word processing, spreadsheets, and presentations, Internet safety, social media and privacy, and more practical information. To sign up contact Hannah Taylor at Hannah.taylor@wakegov.com or 919-397-8059

Social & Economic Vitality Update Verna P. Best

Action Team Updates

Racial Equity and Social Justice (Nikki Lyons)

- Updates from re-entry council meetings, next meeting is on Wednesday 8/22 at 1:00 pm at NC Works, RSVP with Bernadine Walden at bwalden@frcsa.org.
- Re-entry council works to make community resources accessible to returning citizens to ease their transition back into society, action team working to support re-entry work with ongoing toiletry drive.
- Address racial inequity in school system discipline and promote restorative discipline; information session on restorative discipline at Greater Love Church (2421 Timber Dr, Raleigh, NC 27604) September 13, 7:00 pm
- Connect with Ligon Middle School
- Juvenile Justice National Partnership for Juvenile Justice Partnership Conference in NC <http://npjs.org/symposium/>
- Governor school supply drive <https://governor.nc.gov/news/governor-cooper-kicks-annual-school-supply-drive>
- Department of Public Safety, Disproportionate Minority Contact (DMC) – effort mandated by federal government to each state to decrease number of youth of color in the juvenile justice system
 - A presentation on DMC will be presented at an upcoming action team meeting
- Upcoming REI training – trainings available in September (Redwoods Group at RTP) and November
- Next meeting 9/12 at 12:30 pm at Crosby-Garfield Room 001, RSVP with Hannah Taylor (Hannah.taylor@wakegov.com or 919-397-8059)

Community Leadership (Kristin Feierabend and Dalia Place)

- Minutes and agendas on Crosby website <http://www.wakegov.com/humanservices/locations/crosby/Pages/Crosby-Garfield-CAG.aspx>
- Developing Community Leadership Road Map
- Secured an AJ Fletcher Fellow with SERP to support community leadership work
- Next meeting 8/22 12:00 pm at Crosby-Garfield Room 001, RSVP with Kristin Feierabend (kristin_feierabend@ncsu.edu or 919-250-1107)

Training for Upward Mobility (Tangela Keaton)

- Coordinate and connect career and job opportunities
- Next meeting will be brainstorming and group work
- Working to identify target population and best process to share information

- Next meeting 9/11 11:30 am at Crosby-Garfield Room 001, RSVP with Hannah Taylor (Hannah.taylor@wakegov.com or 919-397-8059)

Crosby Space Use

- Draft guidelines provided – review and provide feedback, includes links to space agreement form and meeting room request form
- Share information with partners and how to access space at the Crosby-Garfield building for meeting, interviewing and training space, **NOT** office space
- You must complete a space agreement contract with Wake County to request using space at Crosby
- Due to staffing limitations, please make requests 30+ days in advance, you will be notified at least two weeks prior to the requested date
- Overflow parking available for high traffic congestion times when children are being dropped off and picked up

CAG Executive Team Process

- Information has been distributed electronically
- Nominations can be made via phone call or email Verna Best (verna.best@wakegov.com or 919-857-9243)
- Voting will take place at next Residents' meeting on September 20th, 6:00 pm, meeting will focus on the election

Upcoming Activities at Crosby

- Kaleidoscope Project – organization that works on creating spaces for children that use nature to nurture and promote resilience and safe learning environments. They want to upfit Crosby outside entrance “E” and along the side of the building that borders the Chavis Community
 - Space created will try to honor spirit, pride, and culture of Southeast Raleigh and the historic aspect of the Crosby-Garfield building
 - Space will be unique and may include aspects such as a music garden, pollinator garden, edible garden, outdoor classroom, seating area, and educational opportunities
 - SEV and Kaleidoscope project are working to engage the community in design and build
 - Looking for additional funding
- Community Health Needs Assessment
 - https://survey.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Hm6zmcXMejCoYd
- Current and upcoming activities at Crosby
 - Jobs for Life program is ending August 30th, successful participation
 - Middle Class Express Human Capital Development, one cohort started in August, starting a day group, orientation at 11:30 September 6th, contact Vielka Gabriel at Vielka.gabriel@wakegov.com to register and for more information
 - Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program Thursdays August 9-Sep 27 at 6:30 pm
 - Kramden Institute with Seniors Wednesdays October 17-November 7 2:00-4:00 pm OR Tuesdays October 16-November 6 10:00-12:00 pm
 - BOOST with Passage Home starting November 5

- National Association of Black Story Tellers Event at end of October
- Club Choice
- Innovation Challenge, still being funded by city and counting, working to develop contract with organizer. Kick off will happen before the end of this fiscal year (June)
- GoTriangle event at Crosby to do community outreach, teach people about how to ride the bus and how to give input on upcoming transit changes, learn about Youth GoPass, route changes, and more
 - Tentative date and time – September 6 3:30-7:30
 - Youth GoPasses available at city and county facilities (see link for more details - <https://gotriangle.org/youthgopass>), will be available at Crosby in September
- If you know of people who are successful and have a connection to the Crosby-Garfield Center, please let SEV staff know so we can reach out accordingly

Community Partner Updates

- Chavis Celebrates October 6th
 - Each night during the week before that date will be events like teen night, senior night, etc. with GoTriangle giving out Youth Go Passes
- Alzheimer’s and Dementia Community Summit Martin Street Baptist September 22 9:00-1:00 pm, expert speakers and resources for caregivers. Contact Chad Walker for more information at cwalker@transitionslifecare.org
- Free day camp for children (elementary and middle school age) who have experienced loss of a loved one. September 28 and 29, involves parents and children with counselors to work through grief through various activities such as art expression. Register by September 7; host organization work with families to address barriers such as transportation. Contact Chad Walker for more information at cwalker@transitionslifecare.org
- African American Cultural Festival September 1-2. Southeast Raleigh Promise has sponsored a table for community partners, so they can send a representative and distribute information. Three shifts still available (9/1 11:00-2:00, 9/2 1:00-3:00 and 3:00-5:00) Contact Dalia Place at dalia@serpromise.org for more information and to sign up for a shift
- Expungement Clinic – preregistration application available; contact Diana Powell at daplaw123@yahoo.com or register at the Lighthouse (202 N Tarboro Rd)
- Driver’s License restoration – case by case, planning a full restoration clinic in Wake County, contact Diana Powell at daplaw123@yahoo.com or register at the Lighthouse (202 N Tarboro Rd)
- Bring Back the Village 7:00-9:00 on Sundays at the Lighthouse (202 N Tarboro Rd)

Next CAG meeting September 18, 9:30-11:30 A.M.

*amendment added at September Meeting