



# **Morristown United for Healthy Living**

February 26, 5:30pm - 7:30pm, St. Margaret's Church

### **Agenda**

Minutes in purple

#### 5:30 Welcome & Introductions

#### 5:40 Updates Since Last Meeting

- Morris Blue respite slots (applications open now at <a href="www.morrisblue.org">www.morrisblue.org</a>; use "MUHL" in comments section for applicants from our neighborhood)
- Leadership transition
  - Due to corporate reorganization, Ashley Anglin is no longer employed at Atlantic Health System and will no longer serve as Project Director. She will work with the Steering Committee as a member of the Morristown community to ensure that there is a smooth tranition. Ashley can be reached at <a href="mailto:ashleyanglin1@gmail.com">ashleyanglin1@gmail.com</a> or (706) 290-3783. Feel free to reach out!
- Other updates?

#### 5:50 **Joint Learning and Action Opportunity: Drew Landlord Study**

- Kesha Moore, PhD, and Susan Rosenbloom, PhD, Associate Professors of Sociology, *Drew University*
- Slides from the presentation available at <a href="https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1pY85-OR-23PNtTw2hP3NMFhMyCXB6VDO88YURkU9zEY/edit?usp=sharing">https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1pY85-OR-23PNtTw2hP3NMFhMyCXB6VDO88YURkU9zEY/edit?usp=sharing</a>
- If you are interested in supporting the Landlord Study, contact Dr. Rosenbloo at srosenbl@drew.edu

#### 6:10 Upcoming Events/Activities

- Saturday, April 21<sup>st</sup> Spring Clean-Up Day (Kathleen O'Neill Margiotta, Clean Communities Coodinator, Town of Morristown)
  - Flyer distributed with these minutes; Morristown United will participate and host lunch again this year. If you are interested in volunteering, email morristownunited@njhealthmatters.org
  - Morristown also has an Adopt-A-Spot program (flyer sent with these minutes); contact k-margiotta@townofmorristown.org if you are interested
  - Morristown Beautiful is looking for new Board members
- Morristown United Mini Grants are open for Spring 2018!
  - -Application sent with these minutes; contact morristownunited@njhealthmatters.org with any questions
- Community Voice Survey Reminder contact data@njhealthmatters.org to sign up!
- Build a Thriving NJ Campaign (http://www.hcdnnj.org/buildathrivingnj)

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- Morristown United Calendar for 2018 send any events to morristownunited@njhealthmatters.org
- Family Promise is working with United Way of NNJ and Interfaith Food Pantry to promote Free Tax Services. Visit <a href="www.unitedwaynnj.org/FreeTaxPrep">www.unitedwaynnj.org/FreeTaxPrep</a> to find a nearby site or go to <a href="www.myfreetaxes.com">www.myfreetaxes.com</a> to file your taxes for free if you make less than \$66,000.
- Zufall has a new Diabetes Program (flyer sent with these minutes); contact kgalindo@zufallhealth.org or call 862-254-5444 for more information
- May 12 Garden event at McCulloch Hall; call 973-538-2404 for more information
- The Preschool Advantage Program application is now open for Morris County (preschool scholarship) visit http://www.preschooladvantage.org/ for more information

#### 6:30 **Break-Outs by Group**

- Training/Education/Outreach Group
  - Working on outreach to the the Morristown Housing Authority
  - -Will identify members of their Family Self-Sufficiency Program and work in partnership
  - Help to address concerns raised by residents at previous meetings
- Built Environment/Sense of Community Group
  - NJHCN Grant
    - Pop-Up Farm Stand; Working to identify they best time/location to pilot this new initiative; the stand will accept SNAP
    - -Pochantus Park improvements; looking for additional funding
  - Little Libraries
    - Two libraries are being built this week! They will be white so they can be decorated by local artists/community members
    - Kathleen will work with Rich on location; Rich will also see if one can be installed at the Habitat MLK units; other ideas include on Flagler St., at the Patriot's Path trailhead, Gramby and at Verilli's Bakery
    - The Book Shack at the Morristown Recycling Center may be a good place to get books
  - "Wellness Boulevard" Block Party
    - -We will start planning this event at the next meeting; come with ideas!
- 7:20 Report-Backs by Group
- 7:30 **Close**

Next meeting: March 26, 2018

## **Meeting Goals:**

- Catch up on the ongoing activities of the coalition
- Learn more about the Drew Landlord Survey
- Make progress toward our action plan





**Our Impact Statement**: We will improve the condition of existing homes, increase access to affordable housing stock (rented and owned), and improve the built environment/community infrastructure via resident education and outreach, policy change/advocacy, improvements to the physical environment, and oversight of existing protections for all people living in 435 with a particular focus on equity.

# Morristown United for Healthy Living: Impact Model

Result: Affordable, accessible, fair, equitable, healthy, safe and smart housing for all residents of Morristown's census tract 435

Improve Condition of Existing Homes

Increase Access to Affordable Housing

Improve Community
Infrastructure

Education, outreach and relationship-building

Policy change/advocacy

Improvements to the physical environment/infrastructure

Oversight of existing protections