



Mission: To increase the number of families and individuals who are financially stable

Date: Monday, 4/13/2020
Time: 9:00 – 10:30 am

Location: Zoom
<https://zoom.us/j/157066068>
Phone: 1 (312) 626-6799
Meeting ID: 157 066 068

Meeting Minutes

- I. Welcome / Introductions
Present: Clint Brugger, Christal Albigh, De'Angelo Boone, Misty Shulters, Jackie Bradley, Lynne Punnett, Connie Carroll, Mike Smith
- II. Review Agenda & Minutes
Agenda and March meeting minutes accepted by Consensus.
- III. COVID-19
 - A. Current Needs
Many emergent needs are being identified at weekly LENC conference calls. Rental Assistance through H2L is available without the usual requirement for eviction paperwork.
 - B. Future Needs
Utility and rental assistance needs are expected to increase later in the season.

UWLMC is discussing holding on to a reserve of funds for when some of these long-term issues hit.
- IV. Community Service Block Grant (CSBG)
This is expected to be approximately \$150,000 in Lenawee County. These funds will be able to assist people with an income up to 200% of the Federal Poverty Line and will be available to be spend over a 2 year period. Community Action Agency is requesting for it to include rental assistance, utilities, car insurance/payments, low-interest loan program, internet, cell phones, funeral expenses, transportation. There will be a process to ensure that applicants for funds have exhausted other options. The communication plan has not been identified yet, but will probably be referral based, as needed.
- V. VITA
VITA is on hold right now, however CAA staff may be available to assist people with completing their taxes on their own on MyFreeTaxes.com.

Without the libraries, there are not a lot of options for people who don't have reliable internet access. There might be an option for agencies to open up their internet for people to access from their parking lots.

VI. Communication

A. LFSC Facebook

CAA's Marketing Manager was added as an Admin so she can start cross-posting.

LENC now has a Facebook page, too, posts can be shared between pages.

Can we deploy messaging that emphasizes using stimulus checks wisely? This could be sent to the list of people who have taken CAA's financial stability classes.

VII. Collective Impact Core

This group is meeting twice a month to discuss how issues are crossing between groups.

Please let Clint, Connie, or Misty know if there is anything that should be taken to the Core.

VIII. Other Issues / Service Updates

There are many landlords who are not getting paid rent, but who still have mortgages/bills to pay. This could be an opportunity to engage them. The landlord breakfast won't happen again until at least May, but communication could be very important in the meantime.

Landlords might be able to file as self-employed and access some assistance from the federal level. **Misty will look into this.**

Nancy had posted a flow chart for tenants to show that they will still need to pay their rent.

Christal will find and forward to the group.

IX. Next Meeting: 5/8