One Lenawee is...a collaboration of concerned people dedicated to the <u>Vision of making Lenawee County a</u> <u>Great Place to live, work, learn,</u> worship, play, and invest.

We bring attention and action to important community issues.

**Uniting and Connecting** partners and committed people, we identify, support, and develop initiatives and projects that optimize community resources to <u>The Vision</u>.



## 2022 OBJECTIVES \* Continue to work on the seven Focus Areas \* New priorities: - Public Transportation - Attainable Housing - Communications OUR PROCESS:

- Evaluate
- Educate
- Engage

# Steering Committee Notes May 19, 2022

**Present:** Chris Miller, Madeline DeMarco, Lynne Punnett, Sue Lewis, Joe Williams, Don Taylor, Mark Haag, Dave Maxwell, Tim Kelly, Randy Yagelia

### Celebration of the good things we have accomplished since our March meeting:

- We have scheduled appointments with municipalities regarding Housing Lenawee and funding.
- Chris met with Raisin Township their budget is tight, so he is not overly optimistic.
- There was a lot of discussion on how to make "the ask" of municipalities and explain the importance of data to secure grants.
- Mark shared the completion of two tiny houses that the Tech Center students built. They are currently accepting closed bids.

#### **Core Group Report:**

Chris repeated the definition of trauma and how it should be top of mind when we are making decisions. The group is currently working on guiding principles. It was suggested that the Core consider framing their guiding principles in a more positive manner.

#### **Project Phoenix:**

Chris asked if One Lenawee should take a position on this. Open discussion ensued.

Lenawee Community Foundation wrote a letter of support for the "concept," not for how it was to be funded. One Lenawee will not "go looking" for projects or initiatives to support. If OL offers their support, it must align with our vision. It was recommended that OL not turn into a support or political group.

Public Transportation - no report

### Attainable Quality Housing for all:

Joe reported the Sharon Woods tour is coming up on May 31<sup>st</sup>. The group will be touring all of Lenawee County.

## Other:

- Joe reported on the Ebeid Neighborhood Promise Project and how there are four strategic focus sessions so citizens in east Adrian have a voice. The goal is that the sessions be mostly led by citizens. The four areas are:
  - 1. Health May 19
  - **2.** Jobs and Finances May 26
  - 3. Housing June 7
  - **4.** Education and Training June 21

#### All sessions will be at the Comstock School building from 3:00-6:00 p.m.

• Dave suggested that the Housing Lenawee Committee start to meet to discuss operational planning, funding, and not be dependent on whether we receive ARPA funds.

## Next meeting date: Thursday, June 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 am. Facilitator - Randy