

**Age Friendly Louisville
Outdoor Enhancement Workgroup
MEETING MINUTES
January 28th, 2025
In Person**

Members Present

Alli Woosley*
Becky Peak
Sarah Teeters
Beth Mathis
Nikki Green
Greg Willett
Sophia Banks
Tewsdaay Babicka

*Notetaker

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 2:00PM by Alli.

II. INTRODUCTIONS & OBJECTIVE

Establish timelines for the next 3, 6, and 9 months for walk audits, potential cleanups, and other projects aligned with the action plan.

III. DEBRIEF OF JOINT MEETING WITH SOCIAL INCLUSION WORKGROUP

- a. 50/50 mentoring is interested in a collaboration with Age-Friendly Louisville. The plan is to use AARP Community Challenge grant funding for a local project. Nicole (50/50 mentoring) would apply for the grant and manage the funding.
- b. The Flagship Grant would be the best fit. Deadline for the grant is March 5th at 5pm EST.
- c. Ideas for projects include beautification of a senior center, community garden or highway clean up.
- d. Locations discussed could be continuing in the same location as last year, Newburg Community Center, Newburg Library, (maintenance) or Wilderness Road Activity Center or the lawncare for seniors again. Projects could also be expanded along Newburg Rd.
- e. Other potential partners could be Youth Build 502, LFPL, Metro Parks Dept and Brightside.

IV. WALK AUDIT

- a. Fall Park DuValle walk audit did not happen. The workgroup is still open to planning and performing a walk audit in this area as it is near a senior housing complex, family housing and a local health center.
- b. Another walk audit zone to consider is the Poplar level, Eastern Parkway, Norton Audubon campus area.
- c. Anticipated time for the walk audits would be Spring and Fall

V. PROJECT IDEAS

- a. Further discussion was had regarding the project ideas for the AARP Community Challenge Grant. The group believes we could plan a community garden along Newburg Rd, and a small beautification at the Wilderness Road Center within the same grant funds or even around the grounds of a library, as a library employee had brought up the idea to do an intergenerational project on library grounds. Coordinator will reach out to librarians from the SI domain.
- b. The Cash for Trash program is back up. You must be a 501 © 3 to apply and you must commit to 3 miles of roadway. Not sure this will fit our action steps and plan.
- c. The idea of a yard clean up as a partnership with local high school students was discussed. Pairs of volunteers would go out to mow and do small yard clean up. Demand is high during the spring and summer months for seniors and disabled citizens who have difficulty getting outside. Small yard signs with the Age Friendly Louisville logo could be purchased to place in the yards after service.

VI. NEXT Meeting

- a. Proposed next meeting to be held Monday, February 25th 2:00-3:30pm in person at the Edison Center.