

## **Fairfax County Human Services Council**

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## **MEETING AGENDA**

September 18, 2023, 7:00 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Room 11

I. Call to Order Michele Menapace, Chair

II. Approval of August Meeting

**Minutes** 

Michele Menapace, Chair

III. Monthly HHS Update Chris Leonard, Deputy County Executive for HHS

IV. Countywide Strategic Plan Aimee Brobst, Division Director, Countywide Strategic Plan,

Department of Management and Budget

V. Legislative Update Jill Clark, HHS Policy and Planning Manager

VI. Chair's Items Michele Menapace, Chair

• HHS BAC Liaison Roles

 Quarterly meetings with HHS BACs [possible topics housing, One Fairfax implementation, budget priorities,

SHAPE, other ideas?]

VII. Member Sharing HSC Members

VIII. Adjourn Michele Menapace, Chair

## Fairfax County Human Services Council Meeting Minutes August 21, 2023, 7 p.m. Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Room 11

**HSC Members Present**: Barbara Broman (Mt. Vernon), Robert Faherty (Franconia), Thomas Goodwin (Providence), Steven Lam (Springfield), Martin Machowsky (At-Large), Michele Menapace (Chair/Franconia), Paul Thomas (Hunter Mill), Alis Wang (Vice Chair/Mason), and Edward Yost (Sully). Kevin Bell (At-Large), Christopher Falcon (Mason), Maria Posey (Braddock), and Adwoa Rey (Mt. Vernon) participated remotely.

**HSC Members Participating Remotely**: Kevin Bell, Christopher Falcon, Maria Posey, and Adwoa Rey were unable to physically attend the meeting and participated virtually. Remote meeting attendees provided their locations and reason for needing to attend remotely.

**HSC Members Excused**: Dr. Gerald V. Poje (Hunter Mill) and William Kogler (Springfield).

**Staff Present**: Chris Leonard (Deputy County Executive for HHS), Jill Clark (Department of Neighborhood and Community Services [NCS]), and Viola Coleman (NCS).

Call to Order: Human Services Council Chair Menapace called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

**Approval of the Minutes**: The July 26, 2023 meeting minutes were presented for review and approval. Faherty moved to approve the minutes and was seconded. The motion carried.

Health and Human Services Monthly Update: Chris Leonard, Deputy County Executive for Health and Human Services (HHS), reported that there is one memo (i.e., NIP) to the Board of Supervisors that will be sent soon providing an update on the local trends on opioid use. He noted that the 2023 Food Access Program received \$7.5 million in funding requests. He also mentioned that the application portal for the <a href="Economic Mobility Pilot">Economic Mobility Pilot</a> opens September 23. He also announced that applications for the <a href="HHS Innovation Fund">HHS Innovation Fund</a> are being accepted until September 20. Jill Clark, HHS Policy and Planning Manager, added that there will be an information session for interested parties on August 23 and asked that HSC members share this funding opportunity widely.

**FY 2023 Carryover Package**: Leonard reviewed the HHS-related items in the FY 2023 carryover budget package.

Gloss vs. Wheeler Guidance for Boards, Authorities, and Commissions (BACs): Clark reviewed written guidance shared by the Office of the County Attorney on a recent Virginia Supreme Court decision that has implications on public bodies and public business. She offered to invite the County's legal counsel to a future meeting if additional guidance is needed.

**HSC Member Liaison Roles**: Chair Menapace asked HSC members to review the liaison roles document and identify the BAC they would like to liaise with at the September meeting.

**Member Sharing**: Thomas reported that the first <u>Successful Children & Youth Policy Team</u> meeting of the school year will be held in September. Falcon reported that <u>Child Care Advisory Council</u> is off for the summer and the next meeting is set for September. Chair Menapace brought up on Poje's behalf a concern raised about panhandling that was discussed at the most recent <u>Affordable Housing Advisory Council</u> meeting. Rey shared that she will be resigning from the HSC to serve on the <u>Transportation Advisory Commission</u>.

**Adjournment**: Chair Menapace adjourned the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

Minutes captured by Coleman.

BAC	Purpose	Meeting Info	<b>HSC Liaison</b>
Advisory Social Services Board (ASSB)	The Board monitors the formation and implementation of social welfare programs; meets with the Director of Social Services (in Fairfax County it is the Director of Family Services) at least four times annually for the purpose of making recommendations on policy matters; makes an annual report to the governing body concerning the administration of the public welfare program; and	3rd Wednesday of the month 7-9 p.m. at the Pennino Building in Room 505	
Affordable Housing Advisory Council	Advises the Board of Supervisors regarding the county's progress on the preservation and new development of affordable housing opportunities. Originally formed in 2005 to provide oversight for the administration of funds in the original "Penny for Affordable Housing Fund," AHAC has been instrumental in establishing important housing initiatives such as the Housing Blueprint and the	Quarterly Next meeting on Sep. 22 9:30-11:30 a.m. at the Government Center	Jerry Poje
Child Care Advisory Council	Advises the Board of Supervisors and the Office for Children on programs and policies related to child care.	2nd Tuesday of the month from September-June 7-9 p.m. at the Government Center	Chris Falcon
Commission for Women	Advises the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors on policies and initiatives to promote gender equality, eliminate violence against women, and honor women and girls in Fairfax County.	2nd Monday of the month 7:15-9:30 p.m.	

Commission on Aging	Advises the Area Agency on Aging and Board of Supervisors on developing and coordinating community services, policies, programs and actions affecting older adults in the Fairfax area.	3rd Wednesday of the month 1-3 p.m.	
Community Action Advisory Board	Advises the Board of Supervisors on the needs, concerns, and aspirations of limited-income persons; and recommends policies that promote meaningful change. Mandated by federal law, the board provides oversight for state and federal Community Services Block Grant (CSBG) funds.	1st Tuesday of the month 7:30-9:30 p.m.	Michele Menapace
Community Service	Oversees the establishment and operation of services for people in Fairfax County and the cities of Fairfax and Falls Church who have mental illness, substance use disorders and/or developmental disabilities.	4th Wednesday of the month 5-7 p.m.	
Consolidated Community Funding Advisory Committee (CCFAC)	Advises the Board of Supervisors on the development and implementation of the federally required consolidated plan, as well as recommends CCFP priorities based on community and staff assessments of the human services and community development needs within the county. Oversees all aspects of the CCFP policy, priorities, and proposal	2nd Tuesday of the month (does not meeting every month) 7:30-9:30 p.m.	Michele Menapace

Disability Services Board	Represents and advocates for people with physical and sensory disabilities.	2nd Monday of the month 7-9 p.m. (Does not meet every month)	
Health Care Advisory Board	Assists the Board of Supervisors in the development of health policy for the county and to advise the Board on health and health-related issues.	2nd Monday of the month 7:30-9:30 p.m.	
Long Term Care Coordinating Council	Identifies needs and promote solutions that enhance the lives of older adults, adults with disabilities and caregivers so all can participate fully in the community.	2nd Wednesday of every other month 7-9 p.m.	
Successful Children and Youth Policy Team	Sets community-wide goals and priorities for public policy as it relates to children, youth and families	First Wednesday of every other month during school year 10 a.m12:30 p.m.	Paul Thomas