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MEETING AGENDA

July 21, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Fairfax County Government Center, Conference Room 11

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| I. Call to Order | Michele Menapace, Chair |
| II. Approval of June Meeting Minutes | Michele Menapace, Chair |
| III. Monthly HHS Update | Chris Leonard, Deputy County Executive |
| IV. Federal Update | Jill Clark, HHS Policy & Planning Manager |
| V. Election of Officers for 2025-2027 Term | Michele Menapace, Chair |
| VI. Chair's Items | Michele Menapace, Chair |
| VII. Member Sharing | HSC Members |
| VIII. Adjourn | Michele Menapace, Chair |

Next HSC Meeting: August 18, 2025, 7 p.m.

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June 16, 2025, 7 p.m.

Meeting Minutes

HSC Members Present: Barbara Broman (Mt. Vernon), Julie Detter (Dranesville), Jane Edmondson (Dranesville), Nancy Hall (Mason), Steven Lam (Springfield), Kathy Marvin (Sully), Michele Menapace (Chair/Franconia), Gerald V. Poje (Hunter Mill), and Maria Posey (Braddock)

HSC Members who Attended Remotely: Kevin Bell (At-Large), Surayyah Colbert (Mt. Vernon), Tom Goodwin (At-Large), and Paul Thomas (Vice Chair/Hunter Mill) all attended remotely due to personal business.

Excused HSC Members: Robert Faherty (Franconia) and Manolya Tanyu (Braddock)

HSC Members Absent: Anthony Santelises (Providence)

Staff Present: Jill Clark (NCS) and Viola Coleman (NCS)

Call to Order: Human Services Council Chair Menapace called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Approval of the May Meeting Minutes: The May 19, 2025 meeting minutes were presented for review and approval. Kevin Bell moved to approve the minutes and was seconded. The motion was carried.

Health and Human Services Monthly Update: Jill Clark, Health and Human Services (HHS) Policy & Planning Manager, provided the HHS update on behalf of Chris Leonard, Deputy County Executive for HHS. She reminded the HSC about the recent NIP (Board Memo) that was shared on federal impacts to the HHS system.

She reminded members that a county team is actively monitoring federal impacts. Public assistance and Coordinated Services Planning data does not show an increased demand yet, though that may change later this year. Clark reported that there were recent Virginia General Assembly committee meetings that included analysis about possible fiscal impacts from the federal budget reconciliation package. She also shared that presentations from the recent Board of Supervisors' Health and Human Services Committee meeting on the Economic Mobility Pilot and the Consolidated Community Funding Pool Budget Guidance can be viewed on the County's [On Demand pages](#), as well as the Older Adults Committee meeting. Clark added that on July 8, there will be additional Board committee meetings, including the Housing Committee at 11 a.m.

Presentation of HSC Officer Nominations: Tom Goodwin, chair of the Nominating Committee, reported on the recommendations of the Nominating Committee. Paul Thomas was nominated to serve as the new chair of the HSC and Maria Posey was nominated to serve as the new vice chair. Members in these positions will serve a two-year term. Chair Menapace that the election of officers will take place at the July HSC meeting.

Annual Adoption of All-Virtual and Remote Participation Meeting Policies: Jerry Poje moved to approve the all-virtual and the remote participation meeting policies, which are required by state code to re-adopted annually. The motion was seconded by Bell. The motion was carried.

Opportunity to Provide Input for County's 2026 Legislative Programs: Clark provided information about the annual process whereby county agencies and boards, authorities, and commissions (BACs) review the state and federal legislative programs and submit proposals for new positions or significant changes. Submissions are due by August 4, 2025. Clark will be sending additional information, including the current programs and offered support in drafting any legislative items for consideration. Menapace suggested an ad hoc committee for recommendations to present to the full Council next month and asked members to contact her and Jill if they are interested in being involved.

Housing Update: Jerry Poje reported on the most recent [Affordable Housing Advisory Council \(AHAC\)](#) meeting. He shared that there was a discussion on possible cuts to the US Department of Housing and Community Development (HUD) that will impact homelessness. An update on the progress toward the goal of 10,000 new affordable housing units by FY 2034 was provided and there was a discussion on affordable and workforce dwelling units. Poje said that the Board is providing contingency funding toward the impact of federal housing funding cuts; however, the resulting size of cuts is unknown at this time. He shared that low-income housing tax credits are being proposed for reform and encouraged the Council to review the [Affordable Housing Dashboard](#). He added that the county's manufactured housing communities were also discussed at the AHAC meeting.

Poje honored the recent passing of three affordable housing advocates: former Chairman of the Fairfax County Board of Supervisors, Congressman Gerry Connolly; former BOS member and Chairman of the BOS Housing and Human Services Committee Cathy Hudgins; and Conrad Egan, former Chair of the Affordable Housing Advisory Council.

Poje also announced that the Town of Vienna will be celebrating Liberty Amendments Month. He plans to attend a racial covenants workshop in Vienna on June 18.

Member Sharing:

Jane Edmondson attended the May 21 [Commission on Aging](#) meeting. She reported that the [SHAPE the Future of Aging report](#) was presented to the BOS Older Adults Committee on June 3. The Commission is considering establishing a legislative committee.

Chair Menapace reported that Barbara Broman was appointed to be the new HSC liaison for AHAC, replacing Poje. William Kogler, Springfield representative, resigned earlier that day. She also reported that the Board directed staff to review the process for administering the [Consolidated Community Funding Pool](#); they presented recommendations at the recent HHS Committee meeting.

Kevin Bell recognized William Kogler's contributions to the HSC.

Vice Chair Thomas reported that many items were wrapped up at the final [Successful Children and Youth Policy Team](#) meeting for 2024-2025 school year. Next school year, the SCYPT will be focusing on existing initiatives, including workforce readiness and Opportunity Youth.

Adjournment: Chair Menapace adjourned the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

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SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR July 2025-July 2027 (TWO YEAR TERM)

Nominee for Chair:

- Paul Thomas (Hunter Mill District)
- Floor Nominations

Nominee for Vice Chair:

- Maria Posey (Braddock District)
- Floor Nominations