



## CARROLL COUNTY LOCAL MANAGEMENT BOARD (CCLMB)

### for Children, Youth, and Families

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#### MINUTES - DRAFT

January 21, 2025, at 9:00 am – 11:00 a.m. – In Person (Virtual Option)

#### 1. Attendance

<b>Quorum?</b> Yes (17/17) Sue Doyle, CCHD – Present (V) Erin Bishop (Alternate for Sean Davis), BGCC – Present Heather Hibbard, DJS – (Alternate for Brian Gass) - Present Kathi Green, CCPS – Present (V) Vicky Kretzer, DSS – (Alternate for Carrie Vincent) – Present (V) Katie Mack, LBHA (Alternate for Marie Liddick) – Present (V) Celene Steckel, CCG – Present Maria Buckley, DORS – Present (V) Nicole Jackman, SCS – Present Amy Jagoda, CCPS – Present (V) Christina Ogle, CCPL & CCLMB Chair – Present Heather Powell, CCWD – Present Lynn Davis, CCYSB – (Alternate for Malory Sutphin) - Present Javier Toro, CCG – Present (V) Scott Yard, HSP – Present Diana Flores, Citizen/Youth – Present Tammy Black, Access Carroll - Present	<b>Staff &amp; Guests (7)</b> Corey Hardinger, CCG - Grants Maria Lowry, LCT Coordinator Ed Singer, LMB Manager Emma DiBlasi, Citizen Services Beck Saunders, Citizen Services Patrick Weber, Citizen Services Adison Eslinger, ENOUGH Act Coordinator
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#### 2. Welcome & Introductions

Ed Singer welcomed everyone to the meeting, shared the agenda, explained the purpose of the meeting and steps.

#### 3. Approval of November 19, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Christina Ogle asked for a motion to approve the November 19, 2024, CCLMB Minutes. Nicole Jackman made a motion and seconded by Maria Buckley. The motion was unanimously adopted, and the minutes were approved without objection.

#### 4. Community Partnership Agreement NOFA Status

- Top priority is to end child poverty.
- The Governor's Office for Children has been reestablished.

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- c. Should receive NOFA by mid-February.
- d. Expecting to align with ENOUGH Act priorities and be similar to the previous focus.
- e. Additional 5 million in CCIF for LMB.
- f. Separate funding for the ENOUGH Act.

## **5. Engaging Neighborhoods, Organizations, Unions, Governments, and Households (ENOUGH) Update**

- a. Meetings scheduled in Westminster and Union Bridge.
- b. Working to identify the state's definition of Child Poverty.
- c. Adison Eslinger is our new Community Engagement Coordinator, and she will engage the communities to discuss the impact on child poverty.
- d. ENOUGH is an acronym: Engaging Neighborhoods, Organizations, Unions, Governments, and Households.
- e. Theory of Action
  - Collaborative action amongst data
- f. Visions a Community Quarterback
  - The LMB is taking on this role at the start.
- g. 2 communities have level of child poverty but not competitive enough to get grant funds.
  - Will need to leverage philanthropic support to assist with funding some of the initiatives in the 2 identified areas.
  - Cannabis Funds may be an option to help support some of the initiatives.
  - We will need support from all the organizations around the LMB.
- h. The state provided the maps for each of the identified areas, but we will need to work with the communities to determine if we need to adjust the boundaries. An example is within the Westminster community, Friendship Valley ES is on the map, but there is not a lot of poverty within the school's zone. We also need to capture the area around Plum Crazy.
- i. Ed will conduct the initial presentation with the mayors in each of the communities and the commissioners will be joining to show support. The Board wrote a letter of support and sent to each of the mayors.
- j. There is a larger population of Hispanic youth in the Westminster area. Resources will be used to find a good interpreter, someone that speaks the language and the community will trust. We also need the help of an interpreter to translate the materials into Spanish. We will also need to identify areas within the Westminster community to help reach the Hispanic community and solicit their input.
- k. The poverty level of the Hispanic population may be elevated because families accept cash payments.
- l. The overall Hispanic population in Carroll County is 4.3 – 5%.
- m. The Westminster community has 3 elementary school zones, 2 middle school zones and 2 high school zones.
- n. Union Bridge has 1 elementary school, 1 middle school and 1 high school.
- o. During the implementation of the ENOUGH Act, we will work with a consultant to create an asset map and complete a community assessment.  
The end of September 2025 is the targeted completion date. The RFP for the consultant will be posted mid-February 2025 and we hope to have the consultant in place by mid-March 2025.

- p. To encourage community participation at meetings and the completion of surveys, incentives will be provided. Gift cards and a dinner are examples of possible options.
- q. The end of September 2025 will bring a new cycle, and we will need to determine what we are going to do about what is within the community assessment.

#### **6. Program Presentations**

- a. Boys and Girls Clubs of Carroll Summer Leadership Academy and Middle Schools Program
- b. Local Care Team – see Power Point previously sent.

#### **7. Consortium for Coordinated Supports Hub Capacity Building Grant**

- a. Deliverables for the hub are very similar to the ENOUGH Act.
- b. We have made application to be the HUB for Carroll County with the support of the Health Department for monitoring in year 2. The State Budget is very difficult this year and funding for new hubs could potentially be reduced or eliminated which would

- 8. It was mentioned that the Spanish Speaking Community of Frederick was awarded a grant to work with Carroll County. They can provide counsel to assist with eviction.

#### **9. Update on Transportation Pilot and YAB Activities**

- a. The Transportation Pilot began slow but is has helped youth get from school to their internship/job.
- b. The YAB membership is continuing to grow. They had a successful collection of personal hygiene items and those have been distributed to the community schools, the Westminster Youth Project and other areas serving youth in need. They have volunteered to help at the local soup kitchen and are looking to identify other ways to support the community.

#### **10. Organizations News and Updates**

- a. Ed previously sent to everyone the ENOUGH Act PPT.
- b. DJS will present new updates during a future meeting.
- c. Access Carroll: 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Open House on January 31, 2025, beginning at 3:00pm with special remarks at 3:30pm.
- d. Point-in-Time Count scheduled for January 24, 2025.
- e. Grandparents Conference, March 29, 2025, 9am – 2pm.

- 11. **Adjournment** – The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.