

Mayor's St. Paul's Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes

Date of Meeting: June 21, 2022

Minutes Prepared By: Ha Chau, City of Norfolk

1. Purpose of Meeting: To provide the project updates and receive feedback regarding the relocation, the naming progress as well as provides Norfolk Public Schools updates.

2. Attendance at Meeting

Ms. Rene Barco – not present	Mr. Bruce Brady – present	Ms. Kimberly Bray – not present	Ms. LaEunice Brown – present
Rev. James P. Curran – present	Mr. Alphonso Albert – not present	Ms. Caz Ferguson – not present	Mr. Earl P. Fraley, Jr. – not present
Mr. William Harrell – present	Pastor Kirk T. Houston, Sr. – present	Ms. Emma Inman for Dr. Ruth Jones Nichols – not present	Ms. Shamika Kirby – not present
Ms. Deirdre Love – not present	Dr. Robert G. Murray – not present	Mr. Don Musacchio – present	Dr. Glenn Porter – present
Councilperson Paul Riddick – not present	Councilperson Danica Royster – present	Ms. Tara Saunders – present	Dr. Doreathea White – present

3. Agenda

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| I. | Welcome/Opening Comments | 6:00 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Barbara Hamm Lee, SPAC LiaisonCouncilwoman Danica Royster, Chair | |
| II. | Relocation Dashboard/People First Update | 6:10 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Kim Thomas, NRHAPeople First Updates, Nicole Brown, USI | |
| III. | Development Update | 6:25 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Naming Progress Update, Barbara Hamm Lee | |
| IV. | Norfolk Public Schools Update | 6:40 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dr. Dorothea White, Bruce Brady, LaEunice Brown, Norfolk Public Schools | |
| V. | Open Discussion | 7:15 |
| | <ul style="list-style-type: none">SPAC Members | |
| VI. | Adjournment | 7:30 |

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4. Meeting Notes, Decisions, Issues

I. Welcome/Opening Comments

6:00

- **Barbara Hamm Lee, SPAC Liaison**
- **Councilwoman Danica Royster, Chair**
- Ms. Hamm Lee welcomed the committee and read the attendance roster.
- Councilwoman Royster greeted and thanked everyone for attending the June in-person meeting. She announced that:
 - The Norfolk Nighthawks basketball program has come back with three locations: Huntersville Community Center, Young Terrace Community Center, and Southside Boys & Girls Club. She stated that the program would need more volunteers and their time and acknowledged the Southside Boys & Girls Club and the C.R.O.W.N. Project for their contributions. The program starts on July 1st from 9 pm to 1 am. She emphasized that the three communities deserved time, talent, and treasure. She mentioned that the committee could connect with her to obtain more information. In addition to basketball, on this Saturday, there would be employment opportunities, professional developments, G.E.D. program enrollment, healthcare services, and financial literacy programs at three locations.

VII. Relocation Dashboard/People First Update

6:10

- **Kim Thomas, NRHA**
- Ms. Thomas greeted the committee and provided the Relocation Dashboard updates slides (attached below).
- Councilwoman Royster asked if the team identified the number of split households.
- Ms. Thomas stated that the reported number included the family splits. She defined a family split as a family that, in its original Tidewater Gardens household composition, had one or more residents in that household who were 18 years old or older and decided to create their household as they moved out of Tidewater Gardens. She informed that USI was tracking and would provide data when available. She also mentioned that approximately 30-40 households were split.
- Ms. Saunders asked if the number of desires to return percentage went up.
- Ms. Thomas answered that the number had increased slightly by 3% from last year, which aligned with other communities' relocation programs. She stated that the survey was not the only opportunity for the residents to express a desire to return. Moreover, per the right to return policy, NRHA gives the first refusal right to the original household members and the second tier for the split families. She also provided an example for more clarification on the return process with available units and amenities.
- Pastor Houston asked if the residents would be required to paint their apartment before leaving.

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- Ms. Thomas stated that the families do not have to paint anything. She explained that the residents only need to remove their personal belongings for their relocation. NRHA also provided cleaning services to assist the residents.
- Pastor Houston asked about the credit score criteria of residents who desire to return.
- Ms. Thomas deferred Ms. Brown for the answer.
 - *People First Updates, Nicole Brown, USI*
- Ms. Brown answered that it would depend on whether the residents return to a Project-Based Voucher (PBV)/ LIPH unit or mainstream unit. She explained that the PBV units would not need credit score checks while others might require them. USI has been working with the residents, landlords, and The Franklin Johnston Group to ensure they meet the criteria.
- Rev Curran asked if the residents would not need their credit score check as long as they have the voucher with NRHA as their right to return. He explained that if the credit score check is a part of the process, it would be controversial with the resident's right to return what we have told the residents.
- Ms. Brown deferred to Ms. Thomas for NRHA policy about the return requirement.
- Ms. Thomas stated that it would depend on the units that the person is coming back into the community to occupy. She explained that NRHA maintains the waitlist for the PBV units and that returning residents would not need their credit scores assessed for these units. NRHA will check their income to determine that they are not over the income limit to return to the community because of the tax credit. She mentioned that if someone rents from a private landlord using an HCV product, the landlord may have a credit requirement. However, it does not mean that that person is ineligible for rent elsewhere. She concluded that in most cases, the mainstream units and some of the HCV units might have credit requirements while PBV units would have no credit score requirements and these are the units our Tidewater Gardens residents have the primary right to return to and therefore would not have their credit count towards occupancy.
- Councilwoman Royster asked for a written document to provide the community with clarification.
- Ms. Thomas stated that the right to return included all the relevant information and would send the copy to be included with the minutes (attached below).
- Pastor Houston stressed to the team to provide clear communication about the above information to assure the residents understand their right to return.
- Ms. Brown started providing the People First updates (attached below).
- Councilwoman Royster asked if USI has connected with Hampton Roads Workforce Council.
- Ms. Brown informed that USI has been working with Hampton Roads Workforce Council. She also stated that USI Workforce Specialist helped the residents with resume preparation to cover both ends.
- Councilwoman Royster asked for more information about the unemployment barriers besides the childcare issues.

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- Ms. Brown answered that the main barriers were soft skills such as being late at work, transportation, inappropriate dressing, and communication. She mentioned that USI had provided soft skills courses to ensure the residents pass the interview and maintain jobs.
- Mr. Harrell stated that he would like to connect with USI to provide hiring opportunities for the residents.
- Ms. Brown said that USI Workforce Specialist would connect with him over the phone tomorrow.
- Pastor Houston asked if internships would offer payment.
- Ms. Brown answered that Teens with a Purpose and Minority Aids pay their interns.

VIII. Development Update

6:25

- *Naming Progress Update, Barbara Hamm Lee*
- Ms. Hamm Lee explained that John Majors could not present the naming progress updates due to a transportation issue. Ms. Hamm Lee started the presentation (attached below).
- Ms. Saunders asked if the press release would be posted on the St. Paul's website.
- Ms. Hamm Lee said it would be on the website and various social media platforms.

IX. Norfolk Public Schools (NPS) Update

6:40

- *Dr. Dorothea White, Bruce Brady, LaEunice Brown, Norfolk Public Schools*
- Dr. White greeted and introduced her team: Mr. Brady and Ms. Brown. She started her presentation (attached below).
- Councilwoman Royster asked for clarification on the Tidewater Park Elementary School close period.
- Dr. White stated that the school would close in July 2023.
- Rev Curran asked if it would be 2023 or 2024, as presented in the slide.
- Dr. White thanked Rev Curran and said the school would close at the end of the 2022-2023 school year.
- Ms. Hamm Lee wondered if the school would be called Ruffner Academy.
- Dr. White stated that Ruffner Academy would be a consideration as a part of planning.
- Ms. Saunders asked if there would be enough space for students.
- Dr. White informed that the team is working with facilities. She stated that Mr. Fraley, Chief Operations, discussed this matter with the principals: Dr. Phillips and Ms. Flemings. She also mentioned that the building was designed for over 800 students, which would be more than the number of enrollment projections.
- Pastor Houston asked if there would be a plan for a special program.
- Dr. White answered that the team is working on that plan based on the input collected from the communities.
- Rev Curran appreciated the team for their efforts and wondered if there was a plan for teachers.
- Dr. White stated that the plan is to transfer the teachers to Ruffner Academy with the students. She explained that a voluntary transfer goes out every Spring where teachers decide if they

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want to stay in the building or transition to another building. She mentioned that Tidewater Park Elementary teachers would have the first choice of going to Ruffner Academy, and the Ruffner teachers would have the first choice to remain at the school.

- Rev Curran asked about the current number of students registered at this time.
- Dr. White answered that it is about 160 students.
- Pastor Houston asked the committee to spread the word about the 2022 Community Kickoff event.
- Mr. Brady started his presentation with the information on curriculum and instruction (attached below). He emphasized that most students are approximately two years behind due to school lost within the last two years.
- Rev Curran wondered how far the students caught up with the current curriculum after returning to school.
- Mr. Brady stated that based on the statistic, a large percentage of those students was either one grade level behind or on grade level. He also mentioned that a small percentage of students started to be above grade level. Therefore, the team is looking forward to using the programs again next school year to fill in those gaps and keep moving those students forward.
- Councilwoman Royster asked if the delay happened to students in all public schools or only in St. Paul's.
- Mr. Brady answered that it is across the divisions, as the team did not see any unique differences in St. Paul's region.
- Ms. Brown greeted the committee and started her presentation regarding community engagement.
- Councilwoman Royster asked if NPS had discontinued its partnership with Communities in Schools (CIS).
- Ms. Brown informed that NPS had not ended the partnership with CIS. She explained that Communities In Schools lost some of their funding, resulting in the holdback.
- Dr. White thanked everyone for the opportunity for the team to present.

X. Open Discussion

7:15

- Ms. Hamm Lee mentioned that the next SPAC meeting, July 19th, would be conflicted with the Council meeting. She stated the SPAC meeting could be moved to the afternoon time. Several members noted that they would be out of town during the July meeting date. Moreover, there will be no SPAC meeting in August due to the scheduled yearly council recess.
- Ms. Hamm Lee also asked the committee members at the meeting to reach out to the absent members and provide discussed information.

XI. Adjournment

7:30

Ms. Hamm Lee asked if there were any further comments or questions. There were no comments or questions. Ms. Hamm Lee stated that the meeting was adjourned and thanked everyone for coming.



St. Paul's Advisory Committee Meeting

Basilica of St. Mary

June 21, 2022

Agenda

- **Welcome**

- *Barbara Hamm Lee, SPAC Liaison; Councilwoman Danica Royster, Chair*

- **Relocation Dashboard/People First Update**

- *Kim Thomas, NRHA*
- *People First Update, Nicole Brown, USI*

- **Development Update**

- *Naming Progress Update, Barbara Hamm Lee*

- **Norfolk Public Schools Update**

- *Dr. Doreatha White, Bruce Brady, LaEunice Brown, Norfolk Public Schools*

- **Expanding SPAC membership**

- *Councilwoman Royster, SPAC Members*

- **Open Discussion/Next Steps/Announcements**

Relocation Dashboard

Kim Thomas, NRHA



Tidewater Gardens Relocation Dashboard Summary as of May 31, 2022

- **529 household (86% vacancy)** have transitioned out of Tidewater Gardens
- **54%** express a desire to return to the new community
- **82% (434 households)** have selected housing options in Norfolk
- **53% (278 households)** moved to private rental through the HCV program



- **25% (529 households)** have moved into defined Area of Opportunities as defined by HUD (including moves to other NRHA assisted communities)
 - 68% in neighborhoods with <40% poverty (without minority concentration considered)
 - 31% in neighborhoods with <20% poverty (without minority concentration considered)

- **30% (439 households)** have moved into defined Area of Opportunities as defined by HUD (**not including** moves to other NRHA assisted communities)
 - 86% in neighborhoods with <40% poverty (without minority concentration considered)
 - 39% in neighborhoods with <20% poverty (without minority concentration considered)



PEOPLE  FIRST



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People First USI SPAC Update

Nicole Brown, Senior Project Manager

PEOPLE RESULT



OUR MISSION...

All children and families will be STABLE and THRIVING.



POLICY



WORKFORCE



EDUCATION



ECONOMIC
MOBILITY

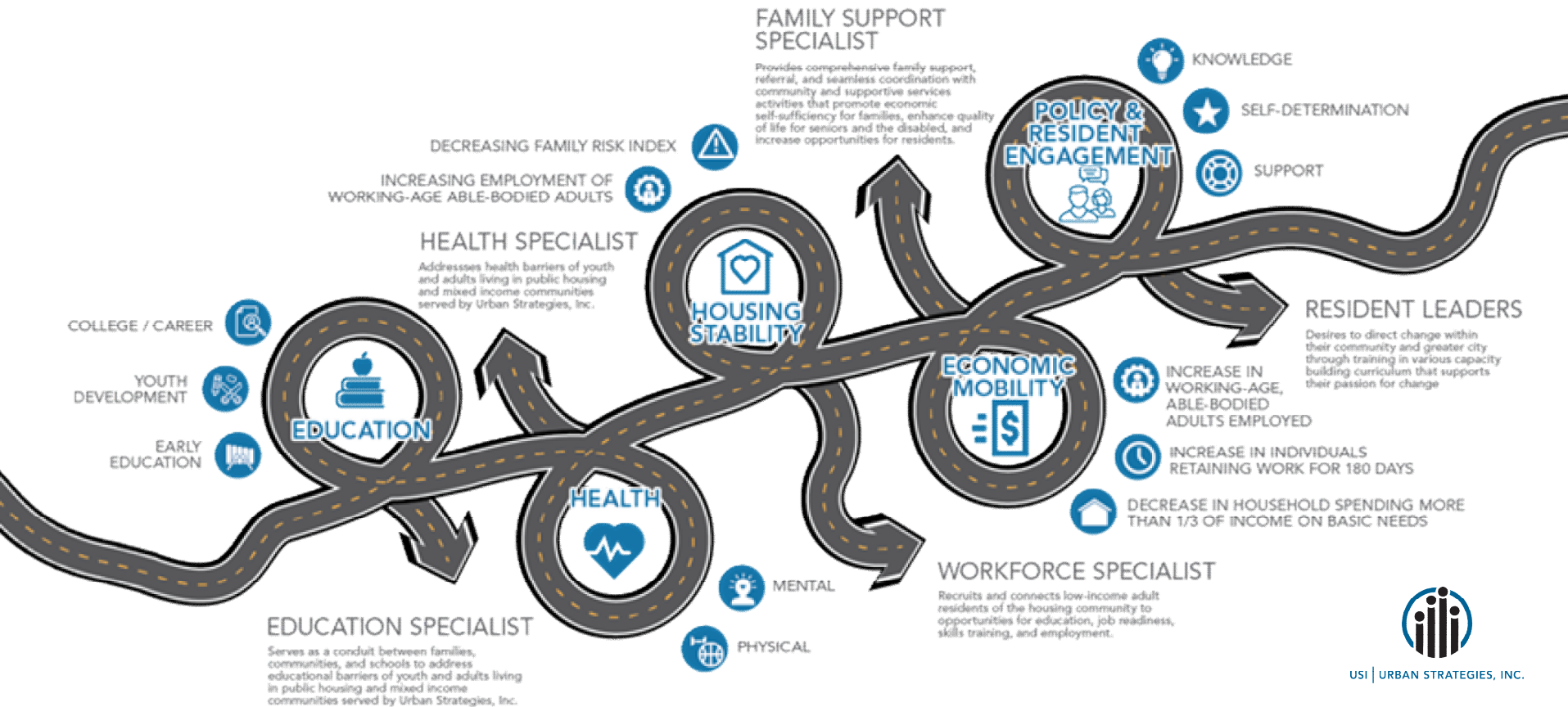


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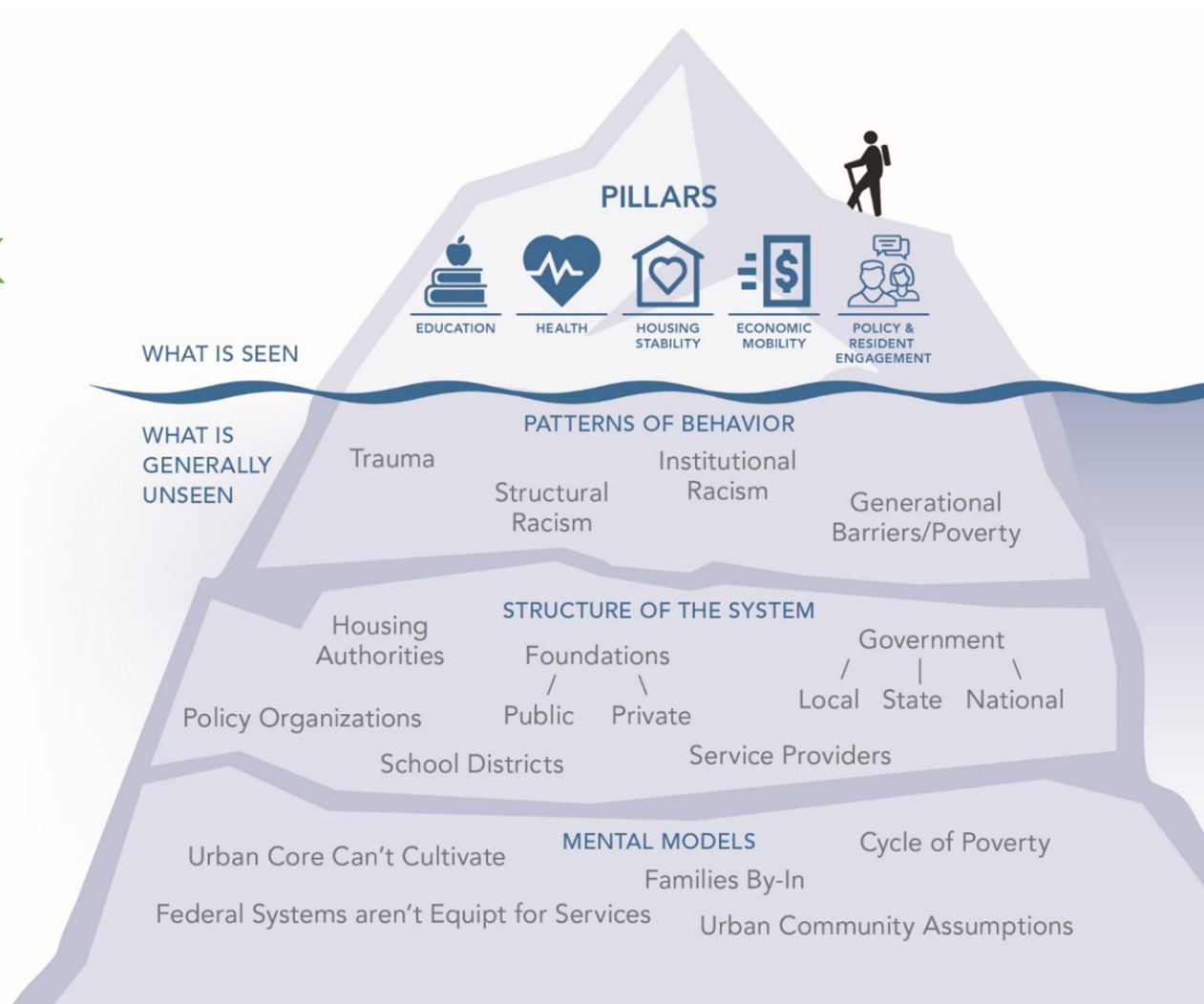


HOUSING
STABILITY

HOW WE WORK



DIVING DEEPER INTO OUR WORK



USI | URBAN STRATEGIES, INC.

CURRENT GOALS FAMILIES ARE WORKING ON WITH FSS

Education

- Adult secures access to appropriate academic intervention services
- Dependent will participate in the college prep program
- Adult secures access to the supportive services needed to address discipline or behavior in school

Economic Mobility

- Obtain part-time or full-time employment
- Secure a job with increased wages
- Resolve legal issues
- Increase Credit scores
- Bring water bill current by paying off late or outstanding balance
- Create savings for future needs or emergencies
- Increase household stability by connecting to cash or non-cash benefits
- Become job-ready
- Secure basic needs for the household

Health and Wellness

- Positive social connections through volunteer or social activities and outings
- Influence: Adults will increase involvement with children and family at home
- Access prenatal care throughout pregnancy
- Access to dental care
- Mental health services
- Maintain positive, healthy lifestyle change

Housing Stability

- Bring rent payment current by paying off all late or insufficient rental payments
- Purchase a home
- Maintaining a healthy and safe sanitary home
- Maintain being in good standing with the landlord
- Bring electric bill current by paying off late or outstanding balance
- Increase household stability through safety planning



Education

15 Graduates 2022 (100%)

College Bound (5)

Military (2)

Merchant Seamen (1)

NTVC- Firefighter class (1)

Work Force(2)

Esthetician School (1)

Culinary Arts Program (1)

Undecided (2)

- 103 (0-4) enrolled in early childhood programs
- 45 youth enrolled in Summer programs
- 27 youth enrolled in Summer School



Strategies

- Meeting with the Pre-School Steering Committee Partnership with NPS
- Increasing attendance in Pre-k programs for children aged 0-5
- Education partners to provide quality youth development programs

Focus on summer programs for Youth

Teens with a Purpose

YMCA

Kroc Center

Summer School

Norfolk Explores Summer Camp

Youth Summer employment

EMPLOYMENT

- 278 (69%) Employed
- 11 (3%) in training or educational programs
- 114 (28%) unemployed



STRATEGIES

Target \$12.00 an hour minimum pay

Refer 30 residents to workforce development training

Monthly Working Wednesday Classes with unemployed residents

Connected with employment partners

Allied Security

(30 open positions; \$14.00-25.00/hr)

Habitat for Humanities

(2 Positions; \$13.00/hr)

Wyndham Garden Hotel

Tidewater Home Care (PCAs and CNAs)

Hiring Event July 20, 2022

Intern Programs

Minority Aids Supportive services

Teens With A Purpose

Development Update

Branding and Marketing of Community

Barbara Hamm Lee

Updates have been implemented based on the input of the SPAC committee during last month's meeting.

The subsequent slides will provide the promotion plan, timeline and an example of the postcard.

- ☐ Joint Press release will be circulated to local media (City, NRHA, Brinshore)
- ☐ Website Image / Landing Page
 - ☐ This landing page will provide users an overview of the redevelopment and a link to the survey. The City will program this page on this website - <https://www.stpaulsdistrict.org/>
- ☐ Social Media Images for the following channels:
 - ☐ Facebook
 - ☐ Instagram
 - ☐ Twitter
 - ☐ Newsletter & Email Images

Postcard - Size: 6.125" x 11", 2-sided, 4/4

- ☐ 2,000 postcards will be printed
 - ☐ 1,800 will be mailed to the residents of Tidewater Gardens, Calvert Square and Young Terrace on the lists provided by the NRHA
 - ☐ Extra postcards will be provided to NRHA/City
- ☐ Survey - 12 Questions
 - ☐ 900 hard copies will be printed & sent to the City of Norfolk to share as needed at the four identified area locations and events.

FRONT OF POSTCARD



THE CITY OF
NORFOLK

BRINSHORE

WE WANT **YOUR** INPUT!

Help us choose a name for the newly redeveloped Tidewater Gardens!
Visit bit.ly/NameTidewaterGardens by **July 22, 2022**, to take our short survey. We value your input.

Printed surveys will be available at the following locations in Norfolk:

- Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority | 555 East Main Street
- The Basilica of Saint Mary | 232 Chapel Street
- City of Norfolk City Hall | 810 Union Street, 1st Floor
- People First Office | 521 Ruffner Street





BACK OF POSTCARD

WE WANT YOUR FEEDBACK!

The Tidewater Gardens redevelopment needs a new name that honors the resiliency, friendship and faith that formed this historic community while also celebrating its bright future.

Help us choose a name for the newly redeveloped community!

bit.ly/NameTidewaterGardens

Win a \$100
Visa gift card!



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT REDEVELOPMENT PLANS FOR THE COMMUNITY, VISIT WWW.STPAULSDISTRICT.ORG.

☐ Week of June 20:

- ☐ Yellow Duck Marketing to send final social and landing page imagery for approval

☐ Week of June 27:

- ☐ Pre-launch Plan begins

☐ Week of July 4:

- ☐ Postcards mailed
- ☐ Hard copies of survey provided to area locations

☐ Friday, July 22:

- ☐ Survey responses due
- ☐ Yellow Duck Marketing will receive three weeks to review survey responses

☐ Week of August 15:

- ☐ Yellow Duck Marketing presents survey feedback to Brinshore Development

☐ Week of August 29:

- ☐ Brinshore Development provides Yellow Duck Marketing name selection
- ☐ Yellow Duck Marketing begins logo concepts

☐ Week of October 10:

- ☐ Brinshore Development presents survey feedback overview, name selection, and logo to SPAC, City, and NRHA
- ☐ Date TBD



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Education Plan



Dr. Doreatha White

Executive Director of
Elementary Schools

Mr. Bruce Brady

Executive Director of
Curriculum & Instruction



Ms. LaEunice Brown

Community Engagement
Coordinator



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- Cornerstone of a Proudly Diverse Community
- Highly Qualified Teachers and Staff
- Maximize Academic Potential
- Lifelong Learning
- Successful Contributors to a Global Society





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Drive for 5

Five Goals for Achieving Equity and Excellence for All..."

1. First, we will work to improve students' academic performance and we will work to integrate social-emotional learning into daily instruction.
2. Second, we will attract and retain highly qualified, effective teachers to teach our students.
3. Third, we will commit to improving our aging infrastructure so that our students are educated in school buildings that are worthy of them.
4. Fourth, we will be more purposeful and strategic in developing and sustaining effective partnerships with our families and other community stakeholders.
5. Fifth, we will be more intentional in our efforts to foster a division-wide culture of caring.



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Education Plan



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- Cooperative Strategies
 - 10-year facilities plan
 - Consolidate, renovate, repurpose, and replace the division's aging schools and facilities



Education Plan



- Tidewater Park Elementary School will close at the end of the 2023-2024 school year
- Transition to Ruffner Middle School will be repurposed from a traditional middle school to a combined school for grades 3 through 8
- 2022-2023 school year planning will include community input
- Grades 3 through 8 division-wide choice program



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Education Plan

- **NPS will provide updates**
- **Details of planning for the Ruffner transition to a 3-8 school with a choice component will be provided soon**
- **Norfolk Public Schools' "Rebuild NPS 2030,"**
- **School Board's section of npsk12.com, and videos of past meetings can be found on the school division's YouTube channel.**





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Education Plan

Tidewater Park Elementary (3rd – 5th) → Ruffner Academy (3rd – 8th)



Ruffner

<https://survey.k12insight.com/r/JR6gk9>

K-2

<https://survey.k12insight.com/r/FnAnD9>

3-8

<https://survey.k12insight.com/r/qYMgPc>



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YOU ARE INVITED!

2022 COMMUNITY KICKOFF



JULY 14, 2022
NOON - 1:30 PM

NORVIEW HIGH SCHOOL
6501 CHESAPEAKE BLVD.
NORFOLK, VA 23513

SCAN HERE
TO REGISTER



RSVP BY SCANNING THE QR CODE ABOVE OR VISITING THE LINK BELOW BY JUNE 30, 2022

<https://forms.gle/biqfDo5pZL3HHSQT9>

For more information please contact Dr. Doreatha White dwhite@nps.k12.va.us or
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https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfIT7nV6FecY8778law-wujVq7HH8Z7IdBylFlig_7nr5MyPg/viewform

Curriculum & Instruction

Curriculum Support

- Revised Pacing & Curriculum
- Prerequisite Knowledge & Skills
- Just in Time assessments
- District Unit Assessment

Curriculum & Instruction

Literacy & Math Support

- Lexia Core 5
- Edmentum Exact Path



Exact Path

Curriculum & Instruction

Tutoring Support

- PALs Tutors
- The Literacy Lab
- FEV Tutors

 **tutor**

Community Engagement

Partners In Education



COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Partners in Education

IT TAKES A VILLAGE...

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Norfolk Public Schools. We strive to encourage and promote positive, collaborative meaningful partnerships between our schools and the community to support student academic learning and success as well as individual well-being. Productive relationships with the following people/groups typically result in additional innovative educational opportunities for students, schools, and the district.

- Families
- Community volunteers
- Businesses
- Community Organizations
- Agencies
- Military Commands

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8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

READY TO APPLY

COMMUNITY PART APPLICATION

VOLUNTEER APP

Updating and Expanding the site to include:

- Partnership information
- Volunteer registration information
- Faith-Based site
- Examples of ways to partner and volunteer
- FAQs



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Communications & Community Engagement

- Presentation at Principals meeting & email with roll-out information
- Return of Volunteer messaging to the families and communities
 - School posters and fier with Qr code
 - PSA welcoming back volunteers
 - Social-media campaign & black board connect messaging sys (phone/email) call which includes where to sign up
 - School Marquee

School Family Engagement Specialist

- Participate in Raptor Training Sessions
- Received resources for training volunteers at school level
- Use Raptor system to advertise need of volunteers for school events



Community Engagement

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Community Engagement Coordinator

- Identify, train, and provide resources and support to school-based volunteer and community liaisons
- Provide support to families and community

Volunteers

- All volunteers will need to visit the Community Engagement website to complete the NPS volunteer application
- Participate in school-based volunteer training sessions starting this fall



*Questions, Comments,
Next Steps, Announcements*



RETURN POLICY

ST. PAUL'S/TIDEWATER GARDENS CHOICE NEIGHBORHOOD INITIATIVE

Adopted November 12, 2020

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

RIGHT TO RETURN

Please find attached the Return Policy for the residents in Tidewater Gardens that are being relocated as a result of the Choice Neighborhood Initiative (CNI). This policy applies to each resident who wishes to return to the replacement housing if they meet the following requirements:

- ▶ Resident was lease-compliant at the time of departure from the Tidewater Gardens public housing community as of February 28, 2019.
- ▶ Resident continued to remain lease-compliant during the relocation period with no eviction proceedings, or judgement for eviction including those who are subject to any court-ordered stipulation agreement.
- ▶ Resident can show evidence that they can pay rent, which will continue to be 30% to 40% of adjusted income.
- ▶ Resident shall have no outstanding debts to NRHA and any other PHA.
- ▶ Resident shall refrain from any criminal activity throughout the relocation period.
- ▶ The head of household must be able to establish utilities in their own name since units will be individually metered
- ▶ Resident must not have been terminated or have a termination pending from the Housing Choice Voucher program.
- ▶ Resident must meet applicable income limits and household composition applicable to the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit program.

PREFERENCES

Returning residents shall be provided a preference for occupancy in the newly developed housing.

- ▶ Preference applies to on-site or off-site replacement units before such units are made available to any other eligible households.
- ▶ Preference applies to affordable units by utilizing an approved Housing Choice Voucher (HCV).
- ▶ Preference remains available for five (5) years from the lease up date for the replacement units and until the initial lease-up of the affordable units.

GRIEVANCE

In the event a resident is denied housing because he/she fails to meet one of the criteria set forth herein, the resident shall be afforded the right to file a grievance to appeal the denial decision.



INTRODUCTION

In order to return to the new Tidewater Gardens community after its revitalization, the Norfolk Redevelopment and Housing Authority (NRHA), in accordance with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (U.S. HUD) federal housing regulations, has set forth certain requirements for occupancy in the new community. The following selection criteria are predicated on these requirements. This policy does not apply to current or future applicants who were not former residents of Tidewater Gardens as further described below.

RIGHT OF RETURN

Each resident who wishes to return to the on-site or off-site replacement housing may return if the resident was lease-compliant at the time of departure from the Tidewater Gardens public housing community as of February 28, 2019 and continued to remain lease-compliant during the relocation period. A returning resident shall be provided a preference for occupancy of on-site or off-site replacement units before such units are made available to any other eligible households. The resident also has the option not to occupy a replacement unit and may retain tenant-based voucher assistance. A qualified resident who wishes to return to an affordable unit will also be provided a preference for occupancy of the affordable units by utilizing an approved Housing Choice Voucher (HCV). These preferences are retained even if the resident has already received permanent relocation benefits.

This preference applies to residents that were relocated due to the redevelopment activity and remains available for five (5) years from the lease up date for the replacement units and until the initial lease-up of the affordable units. If a household is “rightsized” (e.g. splits into two separate households) through relocation resulting from the Choice Neighborhoods grant program, the original head of household will have the right to return. Once all the original heads of household have been housed, the Grantee is required to offer the second household any units that are available. If no units are available, then the second household will be moved to the top of the waiting list. Both the original household and the second household are required to be lease compliant at the time of relocation and throughout relocation.

RETURN CRITERIA

To participate in the St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood Rental initiative, each Tidewater Garden resident, in residents as of February 29, 2019, must meet all of the following mandatory requirements and will be subject to review criteria below as required by NRHA and the Management Company to determine eligibility for occupancy:

1. **Lease Compliance:** The resident must be in compliance with their current lease, with no eviction proceedings, or judgement for eviction including those who are subject to any court-ordered stipulation agreement.
2. **Evidence that a resident can pay rent:** Public housing assistance or a Housing Choice voucher is considered evidence that a Resident can pay the rent. The Housing Choice Voucher rent continues to be 30% to 40% of adjusted income and project base voucher.



3. No outstanding debts to NRHA and any other PHA: Any resident subject to a repayment agreement or stipulated agreement will be current with payment arrangements prior to moving into a new unit.
 - a. People First coaches are available to assist Residents needing to address any outstanding balances owed to NRHA or other landlords as well as and other pertinent issues prior to their completing the application process.
4. Criminal activity: Refrain from any criminal activity throughout the relocation period. NRHA will deny admission to an applicant who has engaged in criminal activity that threatens or interferes with the health, safety and right to peaceful enjoyment of the premises by other residents. A Criminal Offenders Records Investigation will be run on all returning household members 18 years of age and older.
 - ▶ The resident or household member shall not have been convicted of a drug-related or violent crime or have been evicted (or currently undergoing eviction) from any Federally or State-assisted housing program or any other housing during the relocation period and prior to return.
 - ▶ The resident or household member must not currently be or become engaged in illegal drug use.
 - ▶ The resident or household member must not currently be or become engaged in criminal activity.
 - ▶ The resident or any household member of any age must not currently be a sex offender or sexually violent predator or be registered on any state sex offender registry.
 - ▶ Exception to Criminal and Drug Related Activity. Criminal and drug activity that was previously disclosed to NRHA and was cleared by NRHA for occupancy, is exempt from this provision except for lifetime sexual offender registration status since June 25, 2001.
5. Utility Bills: Units will be individually metered, and the head of household must be able to establish utilities in their own name.
6. Tidewater Gardens residents who have utilized a Housing Choice Voucher, must not have been terminated or have a termination pending.
7. Income and household composition: Because units are funded with Low Income Housing Tax Credits, households must meet applicable income limits.

WAITING LIST PREFERENCES

Residents for occupancy at the new St. Paul's Choice Neighborhood development shall be placed on the new community Wait List for the category of housing they have requested. The Wait List shall also be divided by the number of bedrooms for which each Resident's household is eligible.

Tidewater Gardens residents, in residence as of February 28, 2019, who wish to move into a redeveloped unit at the new St. Paul's Area (Tidewater Gardens) site may do so if the resident was lease compliant (see definition which follows) at the time of departure from their NRHA unit, and meet the re-occupancy criteria noted below.



NRHA's goal is to maximize the number of original Tidewater Gardens households that return to the newly constructed units. To achieve this goal, NRHA has established a priority for original residents.

All original Tidewater Gardens residents who are lease compliant and meet the requirements below are eligible for a new unit and will have a right to return to a new unit at the redeveloped site. Original households that become ineligible for relocation assistance because of an eviction are ineligible for re-occupancy.

PRIORITY FOR NEW UNITS

It is anticipated that redevelopment will be completed in phases. Re-occupancy will conform to the redevelopment phases and their associated relocation needs as outlined below.

Redevelopment Phasing:

1. Phase 1: Snyder Lot - 41 replacement units
2. Phase 2: Transit Block 19 & 20 – 59 replacement units – 87 affordable units
3. Phase 3: Transit Block 17 & 18 – 43 replacement units – 59 affordable units
4. Phase 4: Tidewater Gardens Block 9 – 20 replacement units – 29 affordable units
5. Phase 5: Tidewater Gardens Blocks 5 & 10 – 27 replacement units – 33 affordable units
6. Phase 6: Tidewater Gardens Blocks 2,4 & 11 – 36 replacement units – 24 affordable units
7. Phase 7: Offsite units – 88 replacement units

Replacement and affordable unit counts will vary slightly as each project is further refined during the design process.

During the re-occupancy period, NRHA will prioritize residents based on date and time and replacement units will be offered to residents based on these priorities.

- a. Priority # 1: Tidewater Gardens residents in residence as of February 28, 2019 who reside in the area designated for the Phase 1.
- b. Priority # 2: Tidewater Gardens residents in residence as of February 28, 2019 who reside in the area designated as Phase 2.
- c. Priority# 3: Tidewater Gardens residents in residence as of February 28, 2019 who reside in the area designated as Phase 3.
- d. Priority #4: Tidewater Gardens residents in residence as of February 28, 2019 who reside in the area designated as Phase 4.
- e. Priority #5: Newly created households as a result of family splits at Tidewater Gardens who reside in the area designated for the Phase 1.
- f. Priority #6: Newly created households as a result of family splits at Tidewater Gardens who reside in the area designated for the Phase 2.
- g. Priority #7: Newly created households as a result of family splits at Tidewater Gardens who reside in the area designated for the Phase 3.
- h. Priority #8: Newly created households as a result of family splits at Tidewater Gardens who reside in the area designated for the Phase 4.



- i. Priority #9: Current Young Terrace and Calvert Square residents who are in good standing and meet income requirements for tax credit units.
- j. Priority #10: Public Housing residents, outside of the St. Paul's Area, who are in good standing and meet income requirements for tax credit units.
- k. Priority #11: Housing Choice Voucher (HCV)/Project Based Voucher (PBV) participants who are in good standing and meet income requirements for tax credit units.
- l. Priority #12: All other eligible households on NRHA's agency-wide waiting list including meeting income requirements for tax credit units.

GRIEVANCE

In the event a resident is denied housing because he/she fails to meet one of the criteria set forth herein, the resident shall be afforded the right to appeal the denial. The resident shall file a written request to NRHA's Occupancy Department for a grievance hearing within ten (10) business days from the date of the denial notice. Thereafter, the resident shall be afforded a hearing in compliance with federal laws, regulations and the policies of NRHA, which are all incorporated herein by reference. If a resident is required to go through any Grievance process with the Property Management, USI Case Manager/Mobility Specialist will assist the resident with the process.

The written request must specify:

- a. The reasons(s) for the grievance or content of NRHA's proposed action; and
- b. The action or relief sought.

The process described in the Management Plan and Tenant Selection Plan will be followed for residents with disabilities that have been denied housing.

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Tidewater Gardens Relocation Dashboard - 5/31/2022

Resident Relocation Choices by Phase

Phases	Total Units	TPV Choice	LIPH/PBV Choice	Total Current Relocation Choices	Change from Prior Report
Phase 1	187	129	52	181	0
Phase 2	262	165	68	233	0
Phase 3	116	87	12	99	+1
Phase 4	53	35	11	46	0
Grand Total	618	416	143	559	+1

* Phase 1 = 181 + 3 prior move-outs + 1 deceased + 2 evictions = 187 total units

Residents Desire to Return to St. Paul's Area

Phases	Total Units	Total Choices	Total Residents Desire to Return	Percentage Residents Desire to Return	Change from Prior Report
Phase 1	187	181	83	45.86%	0
Phase 2	262	233	139	59.66%	0
Phase 3	116	99	50	50.51%	0
Phase 4	53	46	30	65.22%	0
Grand Total	618	559	302	54.03%	0

Vacancy Statistics by Phase

Phases	Total Units	Total Vacant Units	Total Occupied Units	Percentage Vacant Units	Change from Prior Report
Phase 1	187	176	11	94.12%	+0
Phase 2	262	245	17	93.51%	+4
Phase 3	116	70	46	60.34%	+7
Phase 4	53	38	15	71.70%	+3
Grand Total	618	529	89	85.60%	+14

People First Empowered by Urban Strategies, Inc. Case Management

Household Served by Phase	Change Prior Report	Service and Assessments	Total	Change from Prior Report
Phase 1	190	0	Service linkages May 2022	78
Phase 2	235	0	Total number of household assessments complete	566
Phase 3	118	+4	Collaborative housing stability interventions	62
Phase 4	51	0		
Grand Total	594	+4		

Reason for Vacancy

Reason for Vacancy	Total Count Vacancy Reason	Percentage by Move Out Reason
Moved to Housing Choice Voucher	278	53%
Unit Transfer	100	19%
Rented Elsewhere	60	11%
Moved to Project Based Housing	56	11%
Purchased Home	3	1%
Eviction	19	4%
Termination	1	0%
Deceased	10	2%
Moved Without Notice	2	0%
Grand Total	529	100%

CNI Areas of Opportunity

Reason for Vacancy	Total	Count
Housing Choice Voucher	278	95
Rented Elsewhere	60	20
Project Based Voucher	56	5
Family Splits	26	7
Purchased Home	3	2
Second Moves	16	5
Total	439	134

Areas of Opportunity - includes 439 units noted above

* < 62% mi concentration and <40% poverty	30%
<40% poverty	374
<20% poverty	173

Relocation by City

Relocation City	Count of City	Percentage by Relocation City
Norfolk, Virginia	434	82%
Chesapeake, Virginia	16	3%
Hampton, Virginia	1	0%
Newport News, Virginia	1	0%
Portsmouth, Virginia	9	2%
Suffolk, Virginia	1	0%
Virginia Beach, Virginia	21	4%
Arlington, Virginia	1	0%
Columbia, Maryland	1	0%
Fort Still, Oklahoma	1	0%
Greensboro, North Carolina	1	0%
Atlanta, Georgia	1	0%
Grovetown, Georgia	1	0%
Peach Tree Corners, Georgia	1	0%
Pensacola, Florida	1	0%
Eviction/Termination	20	4%
Deceased	10	2%
No Forwarding Address	8	2%
Grand Total	529	100%

Youth Relocation

Total Youth Relocation
Youth Relocated to HCV
Youth Relocated to LIPH/Project Based

Areas of Opportunity - 529 total including transfers to other NRHA properties

* < 62% mi concentration and <40% poverty	25%
<40% poverty	357
<20% poverty	165