

ACHIEVE (Action Communities for Health, Innovation and Environmental Change) Coalition

Wed., September 2, 2020 **Meeting Minutes from** 9:00am – 11:00am

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Attendees: Kyna Harris (OPHI), Yugen Rashad (MCHD- REACH), Charlene McGee (MCHD-REACH), Sonja Hendrix (MCHD), Adejoke Babatunde (OSU Extension Service), Adam Kohl (Outgrowing Hunger), Emily Bower (City of Gresham), Robyn Stowers (City of Gresham), Helen Kidane (MCHD REACH), Yonas Kassie (EECRC), Frances Hall (DCHS), Ronnie Meyers (MCHD MCFH), Meghan Gerdes (OHA), Lessie Williams, Linda Bryant-Doaka (BPI), Eugene Sadiki (MCHD), Lillian Olero (AFHHO), Megan Gerdes (OHA-PHD), Sydney McCotter-Bicknell (PAALF), Mary Jo Anderson (MC), Anthony Bradly (Play Grow Learn), Edward Hill (Rockwood Rising), Brendon Haggerty (MCHD), Susan Van't Hof (PDES), Andrew Campbell (MCHD-REACH), Cassie Davis (Burnside Bridge), Quete Capuia (MCHD-VP), Lilian Olero (AFHHO), Frances Hall (MC DCHS), Seile Tekle (Historic Parkrose), Germaine Flentroy (Beyond Black), Ahmed Martin (Rockwood Rising), Edward Hill (Rockwood Rising), Shea Flaherty Betin (Prosper Portland), Ryan Curren, Hanna Osman, Jay Higgins, Mike Pullen, Sabrina Villemeray, Shantae Johnson, La Tasha Carter, Elizabeth Stoppelmann

Presenter	Agenda Item	Notes
Yugen/Kyna	<p>Welcome & Introductions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roll Call (Enter Name and Organization in Chat) Review August's Minutes Partners Updates and Announcements enter Here 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Today's agenda: Here Arletta Christian UK- Hired the CHW Manager, Lamar Tillman
Charlene	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update: Advocacy Letter & Black COVID Calls \$62 Million The Oregon Cares Fund , Application: https://thecontingent.org/oregon-cares/ 	<p>This is a follow up to the work initially started by REACH Partner.</p> <p>Updates about the Oregon's Black COVID Advocacy letter.</p> <p>Reminders have been sent in the REACH Weekly updates.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Application - PAALF has received \$62 Million dollars to spend by the end of Dec 31, 2020

	<p>is LIVE. Share, Repost, Apply! The Oregon Cares Fund is a grant program to help Black people, their families and Black-owned businesses and non-profit organizations weather financial hardship caused by COVID-19. Apply for a grant or learn more about eligibility at thecontingent.org/oregon-cares</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Black Indv, Businesses etc., families, job loss due to shut down, hardship ● Fraud verification is at work for distribution ● Following strict federal fund guidelines
<p>Charlene</p>	<p>COVID19 and Civic Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CHW COVID19 Partners (i.e. Contact Tracing) ● Black/African Immigrant COVID19 Response, Recovery, Rebuild ● Census 2020 and Voter Registration Reminder 	<p>Reminder about where people can obtain support who are testing positive.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Both the county and state are contracting with culturally specific community members. UL ,BPI, etc. Dedicated funds set up to make sure people can safely isolate. ● Still in Phase 1 in the reopening plan. ● Face masks necessary. Stay safe with upcoming Labor Day Weekend ● What does reopening look like for kids returning to school? ● Black Mental Health Oregon - deliver wrap around services to Black and African Americans
<p>Shea Flaherty Betin,</p>	<p>Connecting the Dots: Economic Development Opportunities</p>	<p>Economic development is just as important are access to health care and dismantling the racist systems that contribute to disparities. Economic mobility and development is a focus area of the REACH Grant and program.</p>

<p>Prosper Portland flahertybetins@prosperportland.us</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Provide information about Prosper Portland ● Share economic development opportunities 	<p>We have a presenter from Prosper Portland who will provide information about available resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Small Business Relief funds- now are 15 times bigger than the first round. ● Black, Indigenous, Asian, Pacific Islander, Hispanic and women ● The results from the first rounds : Results HERE ● Federal dollars this time. Goes live HERE ● Community Based Childcare ● Food carts ● those in business before Dec 2019 ● no non-profits except child care and social enterprises
<p>Cassie Davis, HDR Inc. Public Involvement & Communications Lead, Cassie.Davis@hdrinc.com</p>	<p>Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Online Open House until Sept. 7th ● Recommended Preferred Alternative for future Burnside Bridge ● Traffic During Construction ● Community Feedback and Engagement 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Cassie- Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Project ● Preferred alternative to what will happen to the Burnside Bridge after an earthquake ● Seismically resilient bridge in DT Portland ● Looking for participants in a community taskforce on Sept 21, 2020 ● At the end of September there will be a kickoff for the October transition to bring on the volunteers
<p>Ryan Curren Hanna Osmann from the Bureau of</p>	<p>Title: NOT Designing for White Comfort</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Identifying the roles of racism in planning and how that 	<p>Another opportunity that aligns with the REACH build environment strategy.</p> <p>We see development occurring throughout the city and county. This is another opportunity to provide feedback and identify partners who are able to advocate for health and equity strategies to prevent displacement through inclusive transportation and land use plans.</p>

Planning and Sustainability	influences health outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health disparities that can be reduced and eliminated from the West Portland Town Center Plan (WPTCP) Plan Social cohesion is an important factor of SDOH Materials: West Portland Town Center Plan , Health Equity Analysis , Historical Context of Planning in Portland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> West Portland Town Center Plan Broader role of racism in planning starting in 1924 both explicit and implicit Request the Curriculum regarding this zoning process to sequester wealth for whiteness in Portland. Health Equity Planning Traffic Safety Infrastructure, health outcomes Multicultural Hub (near the mosque) community center small businesses train station (Barber Transit center) NEXT STEPS: formal hearings land use advocates for funding
Special Guests	Special Celebration and Tribute to Honor and Celebrate the Leadership and Legacy of Yugen Rashad	This is an opportunity to celebrate and acknowledge one of our special colleagues: Yugen Rashad! (see chats) Calling Team REACH and Ms. Helen to kick us off with a brief presentation
Kyna	Review action items and next step Adjourn Meeting	Next Meeting in Oct. 7th
Resources Requests Forms: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> State/County Reopening Consideration, enter here Solution and Resources <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Updated Info and Guidance (i.e. face masks, testing) COVID-19 Resource Request Form Joint Volunteer Information Center (JVIC) Community Needs Survey COVID-19 Food Access and Basic Need Planning Document 		

SAVE THE DATES for ACHIEVE Coalition 2020 Meeting Dates

Usually the 1st Wednesday of each month except: Jan and July - **Time:** 9:00 – 11:00 AM **Location:** Rotates.

Sept. 2, Oct. 7, Nov. 4, Dec. 2

Contact: ACHIEVE Coordinator Yugen Rashad: yugen.rashad@multco.us
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Historical Context: ACHIEVE (Action Communities for Health, Innovation and Environmental Change) Coalition has laid the foundation for Racial and Ethnic Approaches to Community Health (REACH) since 2009. A group of multi-sectoral partners collectively envisioned: ending health inequities in chronic diseases for African Americans/Blacks in Multnomah County . The coalition advocates the use of communication, policy, systems and environmental (PSE) change strategies to increase access to healthy foods, improve community design by connecting safe and accessible places for physical activity, offering tobacco cessation programming and breastfeeding support in the places people live, work, worship and study.

You 9:02 AM

Sonja Hendrix MCHD

Yon K 9:03 AM

Good Morning Every one , Yonas EECRC

Brendon Haggerty 9:04 AM

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Unknown 9:04 AM

Good morning everyone! Susan Van't Hof

Andrew Campbell 9:05 AM

Good Morning Everybody, Andrew Campbell MCHD REACH

Cassie Davis 9:05 AM

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Charlene McGee 9:05 AM

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Lilian Olero 9:05 AM

Goodmorning Everyone Lilian Olero AFHHO

Frances Hall 9:05 AM

Hi! Frances (she/her/hers) Mult Co Dept of County Human Services

Seile Tekle 9:05 AM

Good morning, Seile Tekle (She/Her/Hers), Historic Parkrose

Germaine Flentroy 9:05 AM

Good morning everyone beyond black

Charlene McGee 9:06 AM

Charlene McGee, MCHD

Yon K9:06 AM

I have computer audio technical problem Problem. But I ll listen

Ronnie Meyers9:06 AM

Good morning!!! Ronnie Meyers, she/her, Healthy Birth Initiatives

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Robyn Stowers9:06 AM

Robyn Stowers, Beyond Black

MaryJo Andersen9:07 AM

Good morning from MaryJo from Multnomah County Transportation.

Yugen Rashad9:07 AM

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Ronnie Meyers9:09 AM

Yay for Lamar!!!!

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Black Mental Health Oregon9:14 AM

We have blessed to deliver services through wrap around services for African American families with Covid or exposed. Most of them were not contacted by the state which is a problem

Edward Hill9:17 AM

We allied for the OHA Funds

Edward Hill9:19 AM

OHA: applied for a partnership project with Native Women's Health

Edward Hill9:20 AM

The process took about 3 days with 4 people writing.

Edward Hill9:21 AM

Rockwood Rising Planning Team is on this call as well in support of Rockwood Rising's Emily Bower. Ahmed Martin, Urban Civic Group and Edward Hill, are on this call.

Yugen Rashad9:28 AM

Re: the project - what does contracting aspects look like applying equity lens? How are contract awards being balanced with minority/Black contractors?

Charlene McGee9:38 AM

<https://burnsidebridge.participate.online/>

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Cassie Davis9:42 AM

Thanks for sharing the link, Charlene!

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Frances Hall 11:04 AM

Have a restful and joyful retirement, Yugen. Virtual hugs! Congratulations.

You 11:05 AM

BEAN PIE!!!!!!

Rachael Banks 11:06 AM

Sweet potato cheesecake

Rachael Banks 11:13 AM

Love you

Helen Kidane 11:13 AM

We love you Yugen!

Charlene McGee 11:14 AM

Thank you, Yugen! We love you!! thank you

Andrew Campbell 11:16 AM

Peace N Love Yugen. More memories to come. This is just the beginning

Ronnie Meyers 11:16 AM

Love you Yugen!!!!