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Neighbors in Need Task Force Meeting

Wednesday, July 15, 2026 02:00 PM
Blue Springs City Hall
903 W. Main Street
Blue Springs, Missouri

Members:

Mayor Chris Lievsay (4/4)
Councilmember Jerry Kaylor (4/4)
Councilmember Katie Tholen (4/4)
Councilmember Jeremy Rowan (4/4)
Lori Byl (2/4)
Alex Duvall (0/4)
Danica Fuimaono (4/4)
Mickey Hill (3/4)
Bobby Hines (3/4)
Bridgette Shaffer (4/4)
Cassie Soma (0/4)
Tom Worstell (4/4)

Agenda

1. Call Meeting to Order
2. Confirmation of a Quorum
3. Approval of the June 10, 2026 Minutes
4. Review of Neighbors In Need Survey
5. Adjournment

This agenda was posted at City Hall and on the City's website on July 14th, 2026 A quorum of the City Council may be in attendance; however, no City Council votes will be taken.

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MINUTES OF NEIGHBORS IN NEED June 10 2026 MEETING

MEETING INFORMATION

A meeting of the Neighbors in Need Task Force was held on Wednesday, June 10, 2026 at 3:00 PM in the 210 Administration Training Room at City Hall, 903 W Main Street, Blue Springs, Missouri with Chair Chris Lievsay presiding.

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Chris Lievsay
Councilmember Jerry Kaylor
Councilmember Katie Tholen
Councilmember Jeremy Rowan
Lori Byl – Courtnie Cain (VP of outpatient services for Centerstone as representative
Alex Duvall – ABSENT
Danica Fuimaono
Mickey Hill - Absent
Bobby Hines - Absent
Bridgette Shaffer
Kristy Whitney - ABSENT
Tom Worstell

STAFF ATTENDANCE

Also present were Community Services Bureau Sargeant Traci Benson, Community Services Bureau Officer Jordan Litz, City Administrator Christine Cates, and Director of Strategic Initiatives George Schmitz.

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CALL MEETING TO ORDER AND CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Chair Lievsay called the meeting to order at 3:01 PM and a quorum was confirmed.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Danica Fuimaono moved to approve the May 06, 2026 Neighbors in Need Task Force Meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Rowan and carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION WITH KEVIN MORGAN FROM THE DIVISION OF UNHOUSED SOLUTIONS

Kevin Morgan and Stephen Grimm, the co-founders of the Interfaith Coalition for the Unhoused, and Barbie Miller, the Community Engagement Coordinator for the Division of Unhoused Solutions, spoke with the task force about Kansas City's Division of Unhoused Solutions. The guests spoke about the trainings and education services they offer for groups that work with vulnerable populations as well as some of the initiatives they are currently working on in the Kansas City metro area.

REVIEW OF NEIGHBORS IN NEED SURVEY

Initial survey results were reviewed from the inventory survey created by City Administration. A copy of the survey is attached to these minutes and incorporated herein for reference. The Task Force members decided to gather more input for review at the next meeting of the Task Force in July.

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ADJOURN

At 3:46 PM., there was no further business to come before the Task Force, members moved unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

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June 10, 2026

SIGNATURES:

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Mayor Chris Lievsay, Chair

ATTEST

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George Schmitz, Task Force Secretary

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Neighbors In Need Resources Inventory Survey

The City of Blue Springs Strategic Plan 2025 - 2030 established the objective of the creation of an action plan to support vulnerable populations in the City of Blue Springs. In February 2026, the Mayor and City Council of Blue Springs voted to establish the **Neighbors In Need Task Force**. The task force's purpose was to identify and evaluate the physical and mental health needs of the community and explore ways to address their needs in a meaningful way.

This is a general survey intended to inventory of partners, groups, and resources available to those in need in the Blue Springs area. With this information, the Neighbors In Need Task Force will find ways to coordinate resources, identify gaps, and suggest improvements and strategies for the future.

* Required

1. **First Name** *

2. **Last Name** *

3. **Email Address** *

4. **Organization Name** *

5. **Website** *

6. **Phone Number** *

7. **Street Address** *

8. **City** *

9. **State** *

10. **Zip Code** *

11. **Primary Referral Contact** *

12. **Primary Referral Contact Email** *

13. **After Hours Contact (Name/Phone Number/Email)** If not applicable please write N/A *

14. **Organization's Services & Programs**

    Provide a detailed description of your program's purpose and the services families can receive from your program. This is an opportunity to introduce your program to a wide range of community service providers. Include details that will give partners a good understanding of your services and enable them to make appropriate referrals to your program.
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15. **Eligibility Criteria**
    Describe your program's eligibility requirements. Be specific and avoid acronyms or language that may not be familiar to partners outside your field. *

16. **Counties Served**
Please select the counties whose residents are eligible to receive services from your organization.
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- [ ] Jackson County, Missouri
- [ ] Johnson County, Kansas
- [ ] Leavenworth County, Kansas
- [ ] Miami County, Kansas
- [ ] Wyandotte County, Kansas
- [ ] Cass County, Missouri
- [ ] Clay County, Missouri
- [ ] Lafayette County, Missouri
- [ ] Platte County, Missouri

17. **Service Areas**Please select the Service Areas that reflect the resources, supports, and services your organization provides. *

- [ ] Adoption Services
- [ ] Advocacy, Legal & Mediation Services
- [ ] Aging Supports
- [ ] Case Management
- [ ] Clothing Closets
- [ ] Dental
- [ ] Disability Services
- [ ] Disease Management
- [ ] Early Childhood Services (ages 0-3)
- [ ] Early Childhood Services (ages 3-5)
- [ ] Education
- [ ] Employment Services
- [ ] Family Planning
- [ ] Financial Assistance
- [ ] Food Resources / Assistance Enrollment
- [ ] Furniture/Household Furnishings
- [ ] Grief/Loss
- [ ] Health Insurance Assistance
- [ ] Health Screenings
- [ ] Home Visiting
- [ ] Housing/Utility Assistance
- [ ] Immigration
- [ ] Immunizations
- [ ] Mental/Behavioral Health & Crisis Intervention
- [ ] Mentoring
- [ ] Military/Veteran's Services
- [ ] Outreach

- [ ] Parenting Support / Classes
- [ ] Pharmacy Assistance
- [ ] Prenatal / Perinatal Services & Support
- [ ] Primary Care Services
- [ ] Resource Navigation
- [ ] Safety & Prevention
- [ ] Technology Resources
- [ ] Tobacco / Substance Use
- [ ] Transportation
- [ ] Wellness / Fitness
- [ ] Mobility / Accessibility
- [ ] Other

18. Please indicate the languages in which your organization provides services. *

- [ ] English
- [ ] Spanish
- [ ] Interpreter Provided
- [ ] Other

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