Equity Council Agenda

Zoom Meeting Time: July 29, 2020 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Welcomes & Introductions

- Executive Office of Health and Human Services (EOHHS) Secretary Womazetta Jones welcomed the council members

Individual Supports & Healthy Aging Initiatives | Led by Director Rose Jones, Rhode Island Office of Healthy Aging

- Food Security – In Process. Food security and accessibility programs — including BeSafe+, Food & Fitness, and expanded Meals on Wheels — have been established for aging populations throughout Rhode Island
- Income Replacement – In Process. The weR1 fund provides one-time replacement income for over 7,000 community members not eligible for federal relief programs

Updates from the Last Meeting

- A member reported back about mobile testing sites events at the Bethel AME Church and Elmwood Avenue Church of God

Community Feedback: What are you hearing from the community? What should the State know?

- A member requested presentations on established testing and contact tracing infrastructures prior to school reopening
- A member asked if there is a plan in place to allow all K-12 students to opt into distance learning if their family requests it

Next Steps

- The State communications team will create clear signage and informational flyers for mobile testing stations
- State staff will seek suggestion from Council members to determine future presentation topics
- State staff will assist local faith organizations in acquiring PPE and additional support

Close

- Closing remarks given by Secretary Womazetta Jones