Equity Council Agenda

Zoom Meeting Time: August 19, 2020 3:00 - 4:00 PM

Welcomes & Introductions

- Executive Office of Health and Human Services Secretary Womazetta Jones welcomed the council members
- The Council observed a moment of silence for the passing of Maria Sansiveri, State staff and Equity Council member

Updates from the Last Meeting

- **Testing – Progress Made.** A press conference was held on August 17th regarding the development of mobile COVID-19 testing sites, an initiative led by members of the Equity Council
- CrushCOVID mini-grants, which provide funding for community organizations so they can reinforce COVID-19 guidance efforts, were recently announced. Application link: [https://bit.ly/2T0QsXx](https://bit.ly/2T0QsXx)
- Meeting time will be changing to 3:30pm due to scheduling conflicts

School Reopening Plan | RI Department of Education Commissioner Angelica Infante-Green

- Systems for testing, social distancing, etc. are being put in place, with guidance from the RI Department of Health, to ensure safe school reopening. Find more information at [https://www.back2schoolri.com/](https://www.back2schoolri.com/).

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

- A member requested future presentations on transportation and data
- A member voiced community concern about what resources will be available to families in the case that their child becomes COVID positive. State staff went over existing resources, coordinated by RIDOH, and will follow up with additional resources.

Next Steps

- State staff will provide an update on overall progress made through Equity Council initiatives

Close

- Closing remarks given by Secretary Womazetta Jones