



Housing and Human Services Commission  
TOWN OF LYONS

## **7/9/19 meeting**

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### **I. Welcome / introductions / roll call**

Commissioners in attendance: Amy Reinholds (Acting Chair), Meg Waters (Scribe), Crystal White, Patty McNichol  
Liaisons: Wendy Miller (Town of Lyons Board of Trustees), Lisa Ramsey (Town of Lyons Staff)  
Other guests in attendance: Kim Mitchell (Town of Lyons), Lory Barton (LEAF), Helen Vanderwerken

### **II. Transportation**

1. Boulder County Mountain Community Volunteer Driver Program Working Group led by Boulder County [Mobility for All](#)
  - Kim, Lisa, and Vance French went to the first meeting, held in Nederland on June 27
  - The organization is designed to get people thinking about the needs in the community and how Boulder County can address those.
  - Ultimate goal of monthly meetings is to come up with a plan for a volunteer driver program in the mountain communities of Boulder County.
  - [mobilityforall@bouldercounty.org](mailto:mobilityforall@bouldercounty.org)
  - Future meetings are: July 18 in Allenspark; August 22 in Jamestown; September 26 in Ward; October 24 in Gold Hill; November 14 in Lyons; and December 12 (location not-yet-determined). All meetings are from noon till 2pm. It would be great for people representing Lyons in some capacity to rotate through attending these meetings.
2. Ztrip program voucher option for Town of Lyons
  - Boulder County is providing \$20,000 in transportation funding to the Town of Lyons because the midday Y bus routes went away.
  - The idea is to use that money for paper vouchers for taxi or rideshare-type transportation options like Ztrip.
  - Lisa Ramsey is working on getting more information about how a pilot program in Longmont has worked.
  - This is a clear need; LEAF sees individuals deferring vital healthcare because they have no transportation to appointments. Between 5 and 10 people who visit the LEAF Food Pantry have no transportation at all.

### **III. Youth & Seniors**

1. Walt Self Senior Center
  - The lunch program is going well. All speakers lately have been well received. Once a month, shoulder and neck massages are offered as well.
  - A community supported agriculture (CSA) farm is providing vegetables to seniors at Walt Self. Volunteers sign up to deliver it.
  - In addition, the town is working with the county to provide individual counseling as needed.
2. Homesharing program



- It would be great to emulate the homesharing program in Larimer County that the nonprofit [Neighbor to Neighbor](#) runs. That's something the LEAF board might be open to helping with.
  - The program would need to include counseling, to be sure the landlords and tenants (of different generations) are communicating well.
3. Lyons Volunteers
- Lyons Volunteers and LEAF are meeting to discuss how they can work together to solve challenges in transportation, Meals on Wheels, and minor home repairs.
4. Youth
- Town may work with LEAF on revisiting an anti-drug program for teens.

**IV. Resiliency & Preparedness**

- Evacuation is an issue for people with transportation needs. We need to keep promoting the Town of Lyons vulnerability list.
- We also need to keep getting messaging out about Lyons Prepared, connecting with local captains.

**V. Comprehensive Action Items**

- Transportation: Lisa Ramsey – Find out more about ZTrip
- Senior Housing: Lisa – Research homesharing options
- Senior Housing: Amy Reinholds – Research housing vouchers
- Resiliency: All – Continue messaging about vulnerability list

**VI. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting**

- Approved 4-0

**VII. Adjournment**