

**MINUTES
KPPC/EJP2
WEST COUNTY COMMUNITY TASK FORCE
MEETING**

Tuesday, April 18, 2000

The KPPC/EJP2 West County Community Task Force Meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. at the Louisville Urban League, 1535 West Broadway, Louisville, Kentucky.

ATTENDEES/MEMBERS PRESENT:

Ms. Arnita Gadson, KPPC, WCCTF
Ms. Laura Hackett, Russell
Ms. Mayme Whaley
Ms. LaLetta Jenkins
Ms. Peggy J. Bolton, Shawnee
Mr. Jonathan Miller, DuPont Dow
Mr. Roddy Williams, MSD
Mr. Bobby Hickey
Ms. Jody Coxe
Ms. Evelyn Glass
Ms. Karen Cairns
Rev. Isaac Shoulders
Mr. Wade Helm
Mr. John Trout, APCD
Mr. Don Szymansky, MSD/Morris-Foreman Plant
Mr. Saeed Assef, MSD/Morris-Foreman Plant
Ms. Penny Williams, KPPC

Arnita Gadson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. She informed those present that according to Leonard Gray \$300,000 has been secured. Response from Mayor Armstrong's Office regarding request for \$6,000 stated our proposal was still under consideration. Of course, the mayor would receive full credit if this funding is approved. She expressed the importance of the role of Senator Gerald Neal in the funding process. State Representative Paul Bather deserves our thanks for his part in helping the Center to receive funding. She informed those present that Center will have to relocate and that the allotted amount for rental space is \$500/per month. In addition, there is a \$50 meeting room fee, which we hope to negotiate, and \$200 catering fee.

LeRoy Cross of Aqua Clear Consulting, Ltd. cancelled his presentation for this evening, and will reschedule for a later date. BF Goodrich cancelled their presentation; they are in the process of being purchased by another company.

MSD (Metropolitan Sewer District) PRESENTATION – Roddy Williams of MSD gave a presentation on the “CSO and Basement Backflow Prevention Program”. The Wet

Weather Program is a series of combined sewer overflows (CSO) which are being worked on to reduce the problem. The program elements of the CSO Program and Activities are UDRT –Regional Storage Facility, SBRD – Other In-line Storage Projects, Backflow Program – Installed in homes once a homeowner has contacted MSD. A CDS unit will be placed in some waterways with an UV light to assist in cutting down on bacteria before the water is reintroduced into the system. Currently, there are 115 CSOs, and 75 of them are located along Beargrass Creek. All CSOs, and Backflows are being measured by human conduct. In relation to rehab a contract has been received to reline all system pipes at a cost of \$4 – 6 Million. MSD has also spent \$50 Million on “good neighbor efforts”, and on April 10, 2000 they received a \$65 Million contract to conduct “smell treatments”. A two-year project is currently underway to remove the zimpro from the water system, which is cutting down on most odors. An outline of how these projects are funded can be found at the MSD website. In addition, copies of the presentation will be made available at the next meeting.

CANCER IN JEFFERSON COUNTY PRESENTATION – Dr. Tuckson of the University of Louisville gave a presentation on “Cancer in Jefferson County: Incidence and Mortality”. The study that this presentation is based on reveals that there appeared to be a higher mortality rate from cancer within the western portion of Jefferson County. The Health Planning Areas were Area 1 - West, Area 2 - East, Area 3 - Southwest, Area 4 - South, Area 5 - Southwest. It was thought that pollutants from industrial plants located in this area were significant factors. The study revealed that the West End had a significantly higher rate of lung, colorectal, cervix, oral and esophageal cancers than the East End. The presentation included the following: the method, demographic data health planning areas, factors affecting mortality, patient factors, stages of disease, treatments, etiology, most common cancers by area, and various social factors. In addition, copies of the presentation will be made available at the next meeting.