WELCOME

ASL, captions, and language interpreters will be provided today.
EFFECTIVE & INCLUSIVE COMMUNICATION

- Verify that your microphone is muted when others are speaking during the meeting.
- Always speak slowly and clearly.
- Utilize the “raise hand” or chat feature for your questions and comments.
- Always take turns when speaking.
SCHEDULE

Training #1 – March 21 (Housing)

Training #2- April 11 (The intersection of disability and abuse)

Training #3 – May 23 (Technology and effective communication)
This training is brought to you by the Enable Project, a coalition that brings together non-profit and social justice organizations and their staff to create channels for integration of people with disabilities within their organizations and movements.
MINDFULNESS

Chaplain Beyssa Buil

Introduction -
Creating a safe space for triggering discussions
A place to be seen and heard

Website: www.greyteakettle.com
Email: chaplainbeyssa@greyteakettle.com
“SACRED SPACE”

This will be a safe place.
This will be a sacred and holy place.
A place without time.
A place where we are all welcome.
Feel seen, heard and supported.
INTRODUCTION
DAY TO DAY LIVING FRED

• Maintenance and upkeep
• Repairs/broken elevators
• Mold
• Roaches and other creatures
• Trash
Housing insecurity remains disproportionately high for people with disabilities.

There are more than 7 million renters with disabilities that pay more than 30% of their income on rent and therefore more likely to face eviction.

Disabled renters of color are even more vulnerable to losing their housing.
WE NEED A TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS
STATE OF EMERGENCY
The Housing Crisis in Miami
The Housing Crisis in Miami

The housing crisis throughout Florida and in Miami particularly has escalated since the onset of the COVID pandemic with tenants living with disabilities, single parents, low wage immigrant workers as those most vulnerable to rapid and violent displacement.
The Housing Crisis in Miami

- 20,000+ evictions have been filed against tenants in Miami-Dade County since the onset of the COVID pandemic.

- 1 in every 20 renters in Black neighborhoods in Miami-Dade County have faced an eviction during the pandemic. **1 in 5 renter households with children are not caught up on rent.** 24% of Black renters and 16% of Latinx renters are not caught up on rent.

- Rent is up 50%+ in Miami within the last year, making it one of the least affordable housing markets in the nation.
The Housing Crisis in Miami

Disabled adults experience poverty at more than twice the rate of nondisabled adults: nearly half of adults ages 25 to 61 who have lived in poverty for at least one year have a disability, while point-in-time counts suggest that nearly 25 percent of the more than 580,000 people experiencing homelessness on any given night in the United States have a disability. This trend affects disabled women and disabled people of color at disproportionate rates. Disabled people also hold higher shares of medical debt, experience higher rates of food insecurity, and receive lower pay. These and other factors contribute to higher rates of homelessness.
Where do we go from here?

Listen to the tenants: any innovative solution to the housing crisis will require equipping hundreds of tenants across Miami with the skills and organization necessary to hold our landlords and electeds accountable.
Our Intervention
Our Intervention

The Tenant Bill of Rights Campaign is a reflection of demands brought forth by tenants experiencing the violence of displacement and evictions toward holding landlords accountable and dignified living conditions, it is an experiment in popular participation of tenants in advancing shared policy demands grounded in our lived experiences.
Our Intervention

The current draft of the Miami Tenant Bill of Rights Legislation includes the following:

- Mandatory notice to tenants of their rights
- Officially codifies Office of Housing Advocacy
- Changes 30 day notice to 60 day notice as minimum for termination of month to month tenancy
- Right to deduct repairs costs from rent
- Prevent discrimination against tenants for a previous eviction
- Creates fees structure and legal accountability for landlords who violate tenant protections
Our Intervention

To advance more ambitious and audacious demands like rent stabilization we need strong bases of renters that can be mobilized to hold local and state leaders accountable and increase pressure. Promises of future affordable housing are inadequate. Incentivizing landlords in the hopes of changing behaviors is inadequate. Tenants need power.

The narrative and strategy around housing justice must shift to emphasize landlord accountability and tenant self-determination.
Our Demands for 2022
Win a Tenant Bill of Rights in Miami
Win Increased Notice Periods #FairNotice
Win Increased Notice Periods #FairNotice
Win a Cap on Rental Application Fees

Fight Poverty Not the People

Workers & Tenants United
Trabajadores e Inquilinos Unidos
Travayè ak lokatè ini

MiamiWorkersCenter.org
Win Right to Counsel
Join us on Thursday, April 14 Public Hearing on the Tenant Bill of Rights at Government Center
Public Housing and Community Services Committee

Tenant Bill of Rights legislation has to pass through this committee before going to the full Board for approval.
At least 7 of the 13 Miami Dade County Commissioners have to vote “YES” for legislation to become a law in our County.
THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE ORGANIZATIONS THAT HAVE ENDORSED THE MIAMI TENANT BILL OF RIGHTS CAMPAIGN!
GUIDED BODY SCAN

Reset your nervous system and mindfulness

Reflect for one minute and observe what has come up for you. It can be a physical sensation, a memory, emotion, a thought.
The Miami-Dade Age-Friendly Initiative is a collaborative effort to create a community where older adults of all ages can stay active, engaged, and healthy with dignity and enjoyment.
Age-Friendly Initiative Leadership & Collaborations
AGE-FRIENDLY DOMAINS OF LIVABILITY

BUILT ENVIRONMENT
- Outdoor Spaces & Buildings
- Transportation
- Housing

SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT
- Respect & Social Inclusion
- Civic Participation & Employment
- Social Participation
- Community Support & Public Health System
- Communication & Information

AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

Adapted from: Suzanne Barre, University of Sherbrooke

Age Friendly Initiative
 dementia.org
AGE-FRIENDLY MUNICIPALITIES

- Miami-Dade County
- Cutler Bay
- Palmetto Bay
- Pinecrest
- Coral Gables
- Miami
- Miami Beach
- Miami Lakes
- Miami Shores
- Miami Gardens
- Doral
- Hialeah
- Healthy West Kendall
Age-Friendly Accomplishments
We’ve Done A Lot!

- Two surveys of age-friendliness in the county were conducted with over 2000 older adults in 2017 to help inform future efforts.

- Since 2012, over 80 age-friendly policy, systems, and environmental changes have been implemented across Miami-Dade County.
Aging In Place
Why Aging In Place?

- Allows someone to age in their current residence instead of relocating to an assisted living facility or long-term care.

- Older adults need to be ensure safety, mobility, dignity, and access in order to do so.
• Communities need to be (re)designed to account for the aging population.

• Transportation, housing, healthcare, parks, emergency preparedness, etc. need to ensure individuals of all ages are included in the planning and design process.
What Are We Doing

- Age-Friendly Housing Policy Scan
What Are We Doing

- Aging Road User Strategic Safety Plan
What Are We Doing

- Age-Friendly Parks Toolkit
Opportunities to Get Involved
WAYS TO GET INVOLVED

Join a Workgroup/Sub-Committee
Sharing of information & opportunities
Connect with us online or social media

NEXT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING
March 2022
Date to be finalized, via Zoom

AGE-FRIENDLY NEWSLETTER
Subscribe Here:
https://agefriendlymiami.us10.list-manage.com/subscribe?u=53fd81c8f0e85608433468&id=c11ec9cf11
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Hurricanes
COVID-19
BRINGING IT ALL TOGETHER

Inclusive living
Balancing the rights of everyone
ENABLE PROJECT
PARTNERS

- Catalyst Miami
- The Center for Independent Living of South Florida
- Disability Independence Group
- The Advocacy Network
- Enable Project Advisors
CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 11, 2022 – The Intersection of Disability and Abuse

April 14, 2022 – Public Hearing on the Tenant Bill of Rights

May 1 -10, 2022 - 10 Days of Connection

May 23, 2022 – Technology and Accessible Communication

CILSF Activities: https://www.cilsf.org/calendarofevents
PRESENTATION MATERIALS

https://www.justdigit.org/resources-2/
THANK YOU!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Enable032122