

Justice and Equity Coalition Meeting

August 24, 2022

BACK TO

SCHOOL

**Welcome to National Back to
School Month**

Agenda

1. **Welcome**
2. **Topic: Examine the Feasibility of Innovative and Dignified Approach to Affordable Housing**
3. **Videos**
4. **Discussion**
5. **Speakers:**
Matt Kleinmann
Unified Government of WYCO
Amber Adams -
Churches United For Justice
6. **Committees:**
 - * **Education & Awareness**
 - * **Youth & Prevention**
 - * **Public Policy**
 - * **Victim Rights**



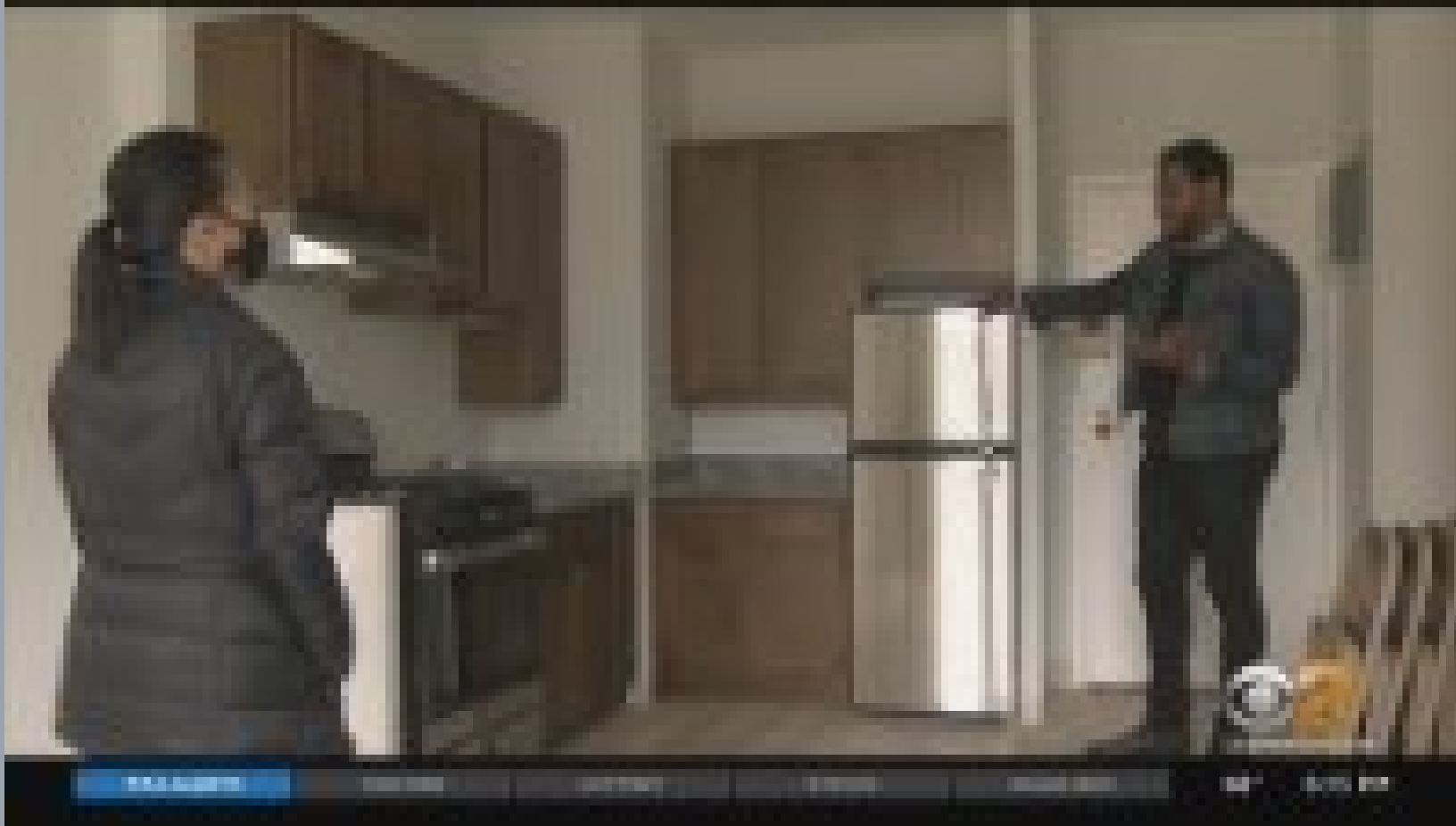
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**Let's NOT become
FAT on
Information
AND**

**THIN on WORK toward
CHANGE**





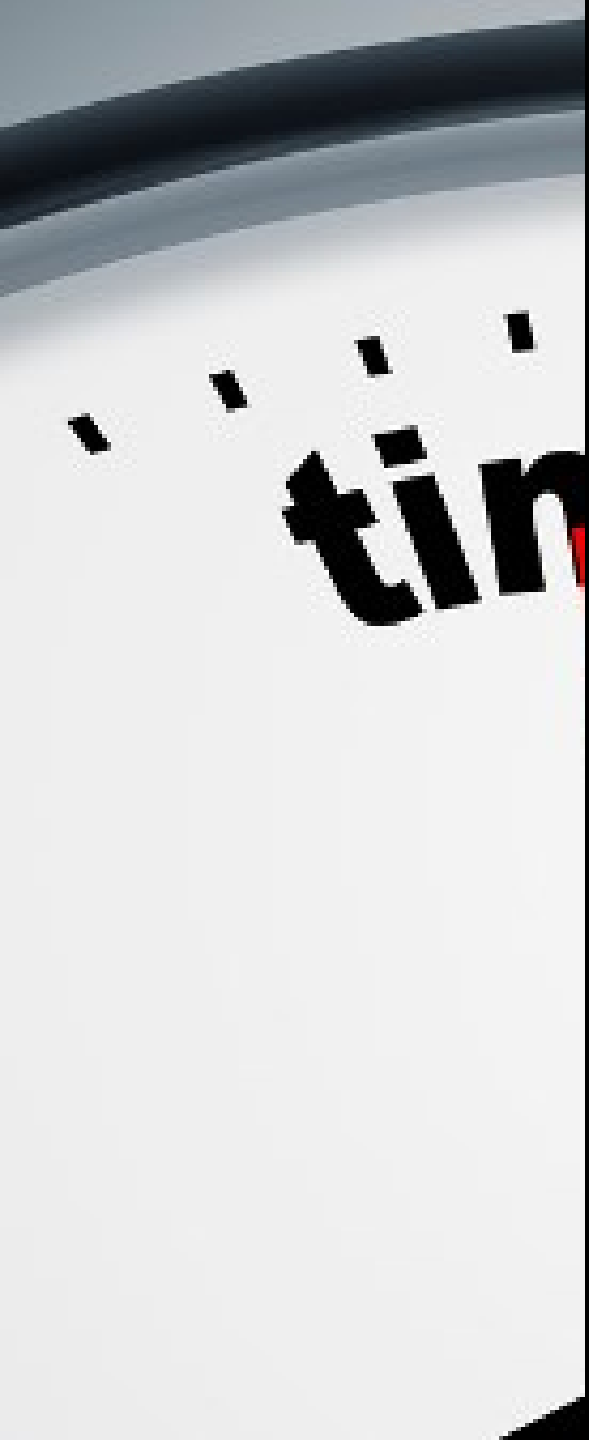
AFFORDABLE APARTMENTS

OCCUPANCY RATE

96%

NATIONALLY

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Deryl Wynn

Matt Klienmann UG of WYCO

Land Bank Opportunities/ Possible Solution For WYCO





**Speaker:
Amber Adams**



**Churches United
For Justice**

Total Evictions In Wyandotte County 2022

- + January- 39
- + February- 35
- + March- 53
- + April- 32
- + May- 33
- + June- 61
- + July- 30
- + August- 20

+ Total- 303

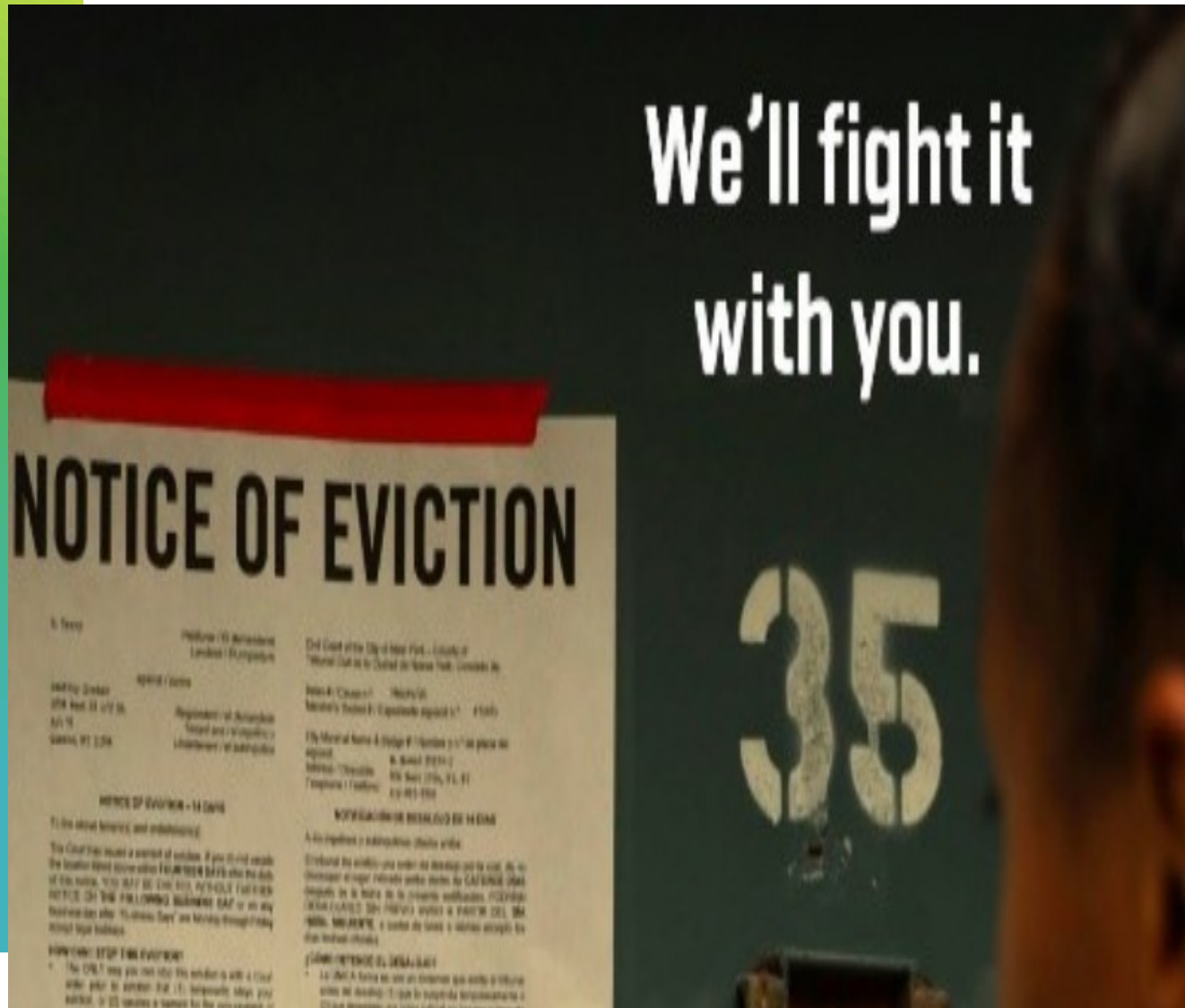
Where do families go after eviction?

- 1) Family?
- 2) Friends?
- 3) Social Service Agencies?
- 4) Live in Cars?
- 5) hotels/motels?
- 6) Homeless?



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What can the J & E Coalition Do to Help?????



Under **New York City's Right-to-Counsel (RTC) law**, DSS/HRA's Office of Civil Justice (OCJ) provides tenants facing eviction in Housing Court or NYCHA administrative proceedings with access to free legal representation and advice provided by nonprofit legal services organizations from across the five boroughs.

Right-to-Counsel legal services are **free**, available in **every ZIP code**, and available **regardless of immigration status**.

84% of tenants who had a lawyer through the Right to Counsel program avoided eviction.

Facing eviction? Call 311 and ask for "Right to Counsel". You don't have to face eviction alone.

The J & E Coalition – Victim Rights Committee can start this work.



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Committee Work

Work for Public Policy

- Utility Policies
- Housing Policies

Work for Youth & Prevention

- Decrease Youth Violence

Work for Education & Awareness

Help with information gathering and distribution.