

ST PERPETUA OUTREACH COMMITTEE MINUTES

October 4, 2016

Members Present: Ann Diemer (Chair Person), Ann Porcella, Sandi Gritzer, Joan Liston, Pat Snyder, Carol Weyer, Kitty Locke, Marielle Narkiewicz (Secretary), Marj Ho, Patty Flynn, Mary Terjeson

Welcome and Opening Prayer: Ann Diemer welcomed everyone and handed out a prayer to help the hungry.

Speaker:

Ann began the meeting by confirming with Joan Liston that Donna Colombo from the Trinity Center can speak for the November meeting and reminding everyone to be thinking about speakers for future meetings.

Correspondence and Agency Updates:

Update on Friendly Manor- they merged with St. Mary's Center (and this is the formal name they will use going forward; however, you can still address letters/memos to Friendly Manor). We should ask Virginia to follow up with them on documentation & also how to address them in the future – for now we will keep it on our documentation as “Friendly Manor / St. Mary's Center”.

Profile updates: Joan- next month we will be hearing from Donna (from Trinity Center?); Meals on Wheels Senior outreach are moving to the east contra costa area & also developing an interdisciplinary adult abuse program (physical, emotional & substance) – they are expanding their services more. And their money will not be as readily available because the foundation that was funding them is now coming to an end.

Mary- asking if anyone has more updates on the “big document” summarizing all the agencies we support. Marj (Foster Family) needs to update her program. Patty asked if the “2010” date should remain on the document since it has recently been rewritten; it was concluded that this should be removed completely. No other comments or adjustments should be made.

Potential New Agencies:

Pat- met with the operations manager (Drea Riquelme) from RotaCare Pittsburg Free Medical Clinic at St. Vincent De Paul. Rotary international has RotaCare as a big program for them; they have 12 free medical clinics around the bay area. They provide the work with the state agencies for licensing. They also do some fundraising but for the most part the clinics find their own funding. They provide primary care to people who don't have insurance and people who may have insurance but very high deductible and

no funds to pay for those deductibles. This is for adults only as they do not have any pediatricians on site. They have a clinic every Wednesday from 4-8 and the 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month; and they have volunteer nurses, specialty care, and physician who can handle triage for them. They are developing clinics that are run by nurse practitioners that help with diabetic education and self-management. They will be expanding in January and working 30 hours a week & become the "Master Clinic" for the bay area, meaning possibly more resources but also more demands. The budget right now is \$170K, and essentially 65% is the salary for the employees and 20% goes to fund lab work and XRays. The budget comes from several places: 17% comes from the city & county, while individual donors equate to 17% of the budget, 45% from foundations, 8% from St. Vincent de Paul and other misc, 7% from corporations, 3% from special events, and 1.5% from St Joan of Arc and 2% from other Rotary Clubs. This program is only 5 years old. And Drea can come to talk with us about their program. This may also be a good blue barrel donation too (gauze, cotton balls, braces & crutches etc.).

Pat asked if we agree that they should be added to our donations list and everyone was in agreement; Mary will work with Pat to get this on our list (suggested to go under Support Services).

Financial Report & Fund Distribution:

Patty- Katherine Korsak just took over from Mary King; Katherine is in the process of changing the program we use to track the finances (from word document to excel). Patty will meet with Katherine to make sure everything is lined up. Mary will attend that meeting too, so that Katherine has the history of the Outreach Committee. Katherine would like us to tighten up our system (for example, Kitty- should submit the exact expenses and Kitty will get a check for those exact expenses). Patty will have a new report by our meeting next month.

Project Hope- ANKA socks- Pat has confirmed with Christine, they will finish the first week in December; they will need the money (~\$800), so we need to keep \$1000 off the top, set aside for the ANKA socks. As well as Shelter dinners (roughly total of \$1600). Anything we get substantially above the \$1600 Patty will tell us suggestions on who we can donate to prior to the next meeting. Otherwise we will wait till next meeting.

Ministry Fair:

October 22/23- Ann D. will forward all Outreach photos for the PowerPoint for display during the Mass to Christoph by October 18th. They are trying to get information from each of the ministries and heads of each ministry. We can use our summary handout to

give out during the ministry fair. Ann will follow up with Christoph to determine if we can have handouts and nametags, etc.

Food Basket:

October food collection will go to Monument Crisis Center.

Blue Barrel:

Karen spoke to Christoph and the Coats and Blankets blue barrel will be November 5th & 6th. Karen still needs help sorting all the items. Ann will follow up with Karen and be sure the office has been notified of the event. Any last minute needs can be discussed at the November 1, 2016 Outreach Committee Meeting.

Shoes That Fit:

Marj: still has not received a list of children needing shoes for this new school year. Marj followed up and called the school today, but hasn't heard back yet.

Other: Refugee Family:

Pat- Christoph is not trying to get Outreach to lead this project, but to support it, and wants to get feedback from us.. This will involve recruiting a team. The refugee families come from Burma, or the Congo. They have been vetted extensively and coming from a refugee camp. They may have a connection to someone who is already here. They want them to have this connection to be there to help with language and other support along the way. Most of them have had a connection to the US, such as being an interpreter for the embassy. Catholic Charities is taking this on to give more immediate support. They involve the parish but it is not the sole responsibility of the parish to fund the family or find them housing. For the future, someone might pitch from the pulpit for a meeting to attend to gauge interest (no commitment there) and see if they can build support for Refugee Family.

Pat wanted to present this to us to get feedback: When they did Family-to-Family they had some challenges and we want to avoid that in the future. Ways we could help- after the pitch from the pulpit, we could host the table outside the church after mass to get volunteers. Joan's suggestion is also to have this presented during the Ministries Fair.

Publicity:

Sandi- no updates as there are no financial donations this month. Acknowledgement of Shelter Dinner can wait till next month.

Shelter Dinners:

We are having a Shelter Dinner this Thursday October 6th. Maureen Vierengel will be the chef and Jan and Rick Saillard, Betty Clogher and Dick Jacobberger will serve.

Closing Prayer: The meeting was ended with group prayer of the Hail Mary.

Next Meeting: November 1, 2016, Chairperson will be Pat Snyder