

ST. PERPETUA CHURCH
Outreach Committee Minutes
September 1, 2020

Members Present:

Marielle Narkiewicz, Rotating Chair; Ann Diemer, Diane Hansen, Carol Weyer, Pat Snyder, Mary Terjeson, Kitty Locke, Sandi Gritzer, Marj Ho, Karen Kalvass, Heather Keith Spellman, Recorder.

Opening Prayer

Holy Spirit of Peace

Correspondence and Agency Update:

Agency recommendations for upcoming donations: We Care, Youth Homes, Child Abuse Prevention Council, Hope Council and Stand. Prior Donations made to: Child Abuse Prevention Council, Youth Homes, Putnam Clubhouse, Options Health, RotaCare Pittsburg, SHARE, Friendly Manor and Contra Costa Food Bank.

- Food Bank – September donations will be matched.
- We Care – Sandi made a site visit some time ago and will return once it's safe to do so. Their work was heartwarming to watch.
- Shelter Inc. – hasn't had promotion or donation since May. Holding virtual fundraiser Oct. 1
- Winter Nights – Have created a Covid-compliant plan to continue serving clientele. Two parishes will host; seeking meal sponsors for restaurant delivery. Starts Nov. 2
- Friendly Manor – Karen will do sandwiches; seeking chips or fruit. Will circulate signups.

Town Hall

Fr. John and Christoph moderate the weekly sessions. Speakers requested from agencies. Total of 40 minutes; could be two agencies splitting time, or one 20-minute presentation with 10 minutes of questions. A powerful way to share details on how donations make a difference in people's lives. Mary to coordinate.

Finance - Ann D

In August we took in \$2,443, bringing our balance to \$2,955. Can make five donations of \$500 each, assuming the same \$500 per donation format, leaving a balance in the account of \$455.

In looking at the tracking spread sheet, there are five agencies who have only received \$500 year to date. As mentioned last meeting, it seems reasonable to make one more donation to each of these agencies before end of year to bring their annual total to \$1,000. Except for Hope Conference, one of agencies categorized as well funded. Going forward, we could table "well funded" agencies and spread our donations among remaining agencies until the end of year.

Decision for coming month: Donate to Child Abuse Prevention Council, Hope Conference, Stand, We Care, and Youth Homes.

Parish Communications:

Rotating several names to keep information fresh. Prior Agencies spotlighted: SHARE, Loaves and Fishes, Trinity Center, plus RotaCare one week. Mention Committee focus on current agencies we are donating to, especially those giving out food. Include results of prior food drive. Next groups to feature: Food Bank, MOW, Monument Crisis Center, and St. Vincent de Paul.

Shelter Inc needs reference next time. Discussed creating a folder for agency fundraisers/galas in ORC website along with our other items. Further discussion needed at next meeting.

Food Drives:

Monument Crisis Center will be recipient of next drive, Sunday, Sept. 13 from 12:30 – 2:30, 12:30-2:30 pm. in front of school. Announcements made 2 weekends prior to drive in the Timely Perpetuan. Monday delivery 9 am. October drive will be Sunday, Oct. 25 to avoid conflict with potential Oktoberfest. Final drive of year for holidays early weeks of December.

Shoes that Fit

On hold for now with kids not physically in school. Marj checking with school representative on the organization's national measurement info.

Other Items

Mary presented Outreach Committee's overview to St. Perpetua Townhall on our agencies that have food as part of their programs offered. Other Townhall topics cover world, US and Contra Costa County hunger issues and opportunities to help.

NEXT MEETING: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 2020 AT 7PM via Zoom