

EMPOWERING HUMANITIES Minutes

January 9, 2020

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Secretary: Kyle Metzger

- I. Introduction
- II. Sharing – Everyone
 - a. United Way
 - i. Campaign going very well
 - ii. Census workers needed.
 - iii. Letter of Intent now open for applications. Info available on website
 - b. Safe Huntington
 - i. Weekly meetings when everyone can get together. Meeting for LGBTQ youth.
Can follow on facebook
 - c. McKenzie's Hope
 - i. Super Bowl pizza sale happening now
 - d. Purdue Extension
 - i. Caroline – new health and human services director. Will be contacting many of you.
 - e. Huntington County Council on Aging
 - i. Warren Fish and Chicken Supper February 7 from 4-7 at KBC in Warren
 - f. Adam
 - i. Here for the poor. Lots of people are cold out on the streets and there are city ordinances preventing the church from doing its job of serving the poor.
 - g. Kids Kampus
 - i. Early Head start program always accepting applications
 - h. Huntington Township Trustee
 - i. Have a client they are trying to help – please contact her if you have resources
 - i. County Council
 - i. Working on jail expansion
 - j. SCAN/Be Someone Now
 - i. Looking for full time advocate in Huntington County
 - k. YWCA
 - i. They provide domestic violence services in Huntington County. Also, can do education and training. Provided flyers with crisis hotline.
 - ii. Have case workers who provide specific services. All services are free.
 - l. Wabash Friends Counseling
 - i. Have office hours at Huntington Nazarene twice weekly
 - m. Community Foundation
 - i. New program director doing scholarships and marketing.
 - ii. Scholarship deadline March 18. Can apply on website
 - iii. Grant deadline is April 15 for non profits serving Huntington County
 - n. Salvation Army

- i. Homeless coalition will meet on Friday the 24th.
 - ii. Basketball season has started
- o. Huntington House
 - i. 2 openings in the shelter. 4 recent graduates.
- p. CFS homeless prevention
 - i. Leave a message because the employee is part time.
 - ii. Lake City provides financial literacy
- q. Catholic Charities
 - i. Utility Assistance on January 29th at the Bowen Center. Set up appointment at 260-422-5625 ext 238. Ask for Melissa.
- r. Head Start
 - i. Still taking applications
- s. Bowen Center / SOC
 - i. SOC will meet after EH today to talk about homelessness and unmet needs.
- t. WorkONE
 - i. Lots of job opportunities available. If anyone is seeking employment, send them their way. They work with all kinds. Can work with felons.
- u. YSB
 - i. Part time case manager position open
 - ii. Free Human Trafficking training available
 - iii. Free QPR suicide prevention available
 - iv. Gear up program funds available – can help equip home with ANY kind of health and safety equipment. Children can't be involved with DCS or probation. Contact YSB for more details.
- v. Lafontaine Center
 - i. Have units available for anyone 61 or older or anyone with an identified mobility issue
- w. YMCA
 - i. Lots of new spring programs beginning
 - ii. Reduced sign up fee for membership this month.
 - iii. POWER Club program for middle schoolers. Looking for speakers from the community.
- x. Impact Institute
 - i. Free HSE classes available at the Learning Center available to anyone over 16
- y. Place of Grace
 - i. Annual red party on February 13. Fundraiser focused on women's health. This year's focus is on women's mental health with a theme of "Women Need Women". 7:00 at Fork of the Wabash with basket auctions and speaker.
- z. Huntington University Social Work
 - i. J-term – students all over the country
- aa. Cancer Services of Northeast IN
 - i. Hopes to have report on number served at Feb meeting
 - ii. Flyer distributed with upcoming events
- bb. Harmony Home

- i. Opened November 30th and already full since second week. New recovery home in Huntington.
 - cc. Bright Point
 - i. Available to help people get health insurance at Bowen Center on Wednesdays
 - dd. Bowen Center
 - i. Hired new child psychiatrist, hoping to add another adult psychiatrist.
 - ii. Have new role playing game for adolescents to help with supporting each other in a team environment
 - ee. Visiting Nurse
 - i. Brought updated list of grief support groups. All services are free.
- III. Unmet needs

Next Meeting: February 13, 2020

Skye Rittenhouse-Facilitator

Kyle Metzger- Secretary

Ground Rules:

- To provide fair time to all speakers and end the meeting by 10:30am, please limit time to 10 minutes per speaker.
- Please limit sharing to 60 seconds per person.
- Please email any items (that are not fundraising) you would like emailed to the entire group to Deidre Gray at gray110@purdue.edu.