

Leveraging the power of Collective Impact to fight hunger by efficiently utilizing all the resources available in Lenawee County

# December 5, 2023

Attendance: DeAngelo Boone (City of Refuge Ministries/MAP of Lenawee), Diane Herr (SVDP), Lisa Aleobua (Pathways), Rosemary Hardnett (MAP of Lenawee), Spencer Ruffner (Tecumseh Service Club), Vickie Pfeifer (MSUE), Brooke Habay (LCMH), Amada Burgard (LCHD), Amy Gilhouse (Promedica Farms), Anne Walker (First Presbyterian Church Tecumseh), Heather Pearce (South MI Food Bank), Jim Southard (The Daily Bread), Joanne Baty, Laura Pipis (UWML), Lisa Millyard (DHHS), Terrina Liogghio, Troy Mason (Promedica Ebeid) and Lynne Punnett (Promedica Ebeid)

**Presentation**: Troy Mason and Lynne Punnett from the Promedica Ebeid Program presented. The Ebeid Neighborhood Promise is a community driven project. Promedica sponsors this 10 year multi million project. The program hopes to empower community members and improve health outcomes through education and training. Currently, programming is run out of the Comstock School but will be moving to its permanent home (on the East Side) in the spring of 2024.

#### General business:

Special recognition to Spencer for his help translating the Lenawee Food Resource Guide into Spanish. Thank you Spencer for all of your hard work!!!!

Motion to hold elections in June for service positions was discussed. This could also be a time for another popular panel discussion. Further exploration and comments will be made at the January meeting.

Lenawee Transportation is putting out a survey concerning what other services are needed. This will run through the end of the year.

The Tecumseh AM Rotary has a Facebook video and is available to help with food insecurity this holiday season.

Tecumseh Service Club is taking applications for their Christmas Assistance program. They have gift cards and food baskets available.

DHHS also has \$25 gift cards available for help with food. You must have a case with them or another connection. Please reach out to DHHS for more information.

The number for the Meal Assistant Program is 517-442-5880. Fresh Food is on hold till spring.

The Promedica Veggie Mobile is looking for a connection in the Human Services Building. They would like to offer their services indoors during the winter months. They accept cash, credit card and EBT cards.

This year the Food Bank has distributed 10 million pounds of food with 760,000 pounds going to Lenawee.

## Collective Impact Core Updates: N/A

## **Emerging Issues:**

Grants: January's meeting will focus on grants that are available in the community and how to apply for them. Please bring your resources and thoughts to the next meeting.

#### **Adjournment**