

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

November 6, 2023

Attendance: Amy Shovels) MSUE, DeAngelo Boone (City of Refuge Ministries/MAP of Lenawee), Diane Herr (SVDP), Lisa Aleobua (Community Attendee), Rosemary Hardnett (MAP of Lenawee), Spencer Ruffner (Tecumseh Service Club), Vickie Pfeifer (MSUE), Brooke Habay (LCMH), Liz Seeburger (Blissfield Ministerial), Mary Donaldson (MSU Educator), Paula Trentman (LCF), Lynne Punnett (Promedica Ebeid)

Presentation: Paula Trentman from the Lenawee Foundation. If you are submitting a grant request be sure to check the due date. Different grants have different due dates. Some of the different grants connected to the Lenawee Foundation are the Lenawee Care, Youth Council Grant, and the Knight Grant to name a few. All grants must be from non profit groups only. Discussion was held on the possibility of having a class on grant writing because most of us have no experience in writing a grant. Paula was going to check into this. Another program that benefits some of our pantries is the Hunters Helping Lenawee where deer hunters donate their deer to be processed and then given to pantries that can use it. Paula also passed out copies of their annual report.

General business: Introductions were made, and a motion to accept the October minutes was made. Motion passed

Many groups expressed their need for extra help. The suggestion was made to tap into already existing groups. Local Honor Societies, Kiwanis Key Club and other local youth groups.

Lenawee Transportation is putting out a survey concerning what other services are needed.

De'Angelo reported that the Meal Assistant Program has a satellite site at the Boys & Girls Club. Parents can order thru the app and then pick up at the Club. The 3rd Thursday Fresh Food is on hold till spring.

Tecumseh Service Club is taking applications for their Christmas Assistance program.

Most pantries are saying with the lose of the extra Covid money their numbers are up.

Collective Impact Core Updates:

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Emerging Issues:

- Check into the Greater Toledo Community Foundation. They tend to give out bigger grants for collective non profits.
- Dec. meeting to be either at Comstock School or River Raisin Room at HHS
- January meeting?
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