North Brevard Coalition of Human Services
"Providing a hand up, not just a handout"
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I. **Meeting was called to order and opened with prayer.**
II. **Finances were reported by Mary K to be $2600.92**
III. **Introductions were made around the room.**
IV. **Trop Post presented on the Community Garden concept. The garden is presented to be at Wild Ocean. They are seeking a letter of support by April 20th to help get grants to make this possible. Attached to the email, you will find the power point presentation.**
V. **Kim from North Brevard Charities spoke. She discussed Project Maybe. This program is targeted at individuals that are 18 and older. It is designed to help those suffering from addiction. If a person comes to them and is actively using, they must go through detox first. They don't want to focus those that are mandated through the court system. They want people who are ready to make a positive change in their lives. They did purchase a home that will be used for a single mother with children, but nothing yet for a single father with children. This is a 90-day program. The 90 days begin after the 3-day welcoming period.**
VI. **Sub-committee group Updates**
    a. **Foster Care- They will be meeting once a month after the NBCHS. They will meet at 11:30 at the YMCA. They had Deveroux speak at their meeting for April. They would really like to get churches involved.**
    b. **Employment- Met with Holly at Career Source. They feel that they could have a great partnership. Their target age range is 16-21 year olds, but is considering raising it to 24. Moving forward they will focus on pre-employment training. They have set a goal of getting 20 summer jobs, but would like at least 10 for youths. They are seeking churches that would like to mentor youths as well. If a church isn't able to mentor, then they have hopes that they can donate money to help pay someone's salary in the program.**

c. **Emergency Shelter- This group is trying to be more action orientated. It was presented that the Salvation Army shelter closed, with no plans to reopen. It was discussed how this is a horrible situation, and have tried to reach out to Salvation Army. This task force is also focusing in on helping Tara with Family Promise of Brevard bring their services to North Brevard.**

VII. Agency Announcements

VIII. Pass the Hat: $49.00

IX. Close in Prayer

X. Motion to Adjourn