North Brevard Coalition of Human Services
"Providing a hand up, not just a handout"
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Agenda
Monthly Meeting 10:00 a.m. @ Harry T. Moore Social Services Center
Augut 16, 2017
PLEASE BRING A COPY OF AGENDA WITH YOU TO THE MEETING

Attendance:

1st UMC	211	CareerSource Brevard
Crosswinds	DCF/C18	Division of Blind Services
Healthy Start	Helping Hands	HNB
Hospice of St. Francis	St. Gabriel's Episcopal	Walk About Ministries

I.	**Invocation**	**Volunteer**
II.	**Welcome – Introductions**	**Chair**
III.	**Minutes Approval -- Approved**	**Secretary**
IV.	**Finance Report** $2042	**Treasurer**
V.	**Speaker Topic:** Update on Coalition Taskforces	

211 will be our primary source for resources; the Directory will be focused on the actual agencies & institutions participating in the Coalition.

Taskforces:

Jobs Update: We wanted more Job Opportunity for teenagers in the community. We had 6 jobs at the City, and then bumped it to 12 jobs. This summer 10 jobs at the city. Kids with socio-economic, at risk. We will have a job fair in September—writing resumes, job application. Walmart, Barnlight, Precision Doors, Knights Enterprises, Goodwill, CareerSource Brevard (bringing computers), Publix, Lowes/Home Depot (TBD).

A great outreach—12 people hired last year due to the job fair.

Foster Care Update: Exciting journey. Introduction to Foster Care at the Library—five couples attended. (Brevard Family Partnership FB page is generating leads). August 5 we had a "back

to school" event to support Foster Families in N. Brevard (Merritt Island North). 9 families registered. 7 churches provided all we needed. Clothing, books, gift cards to consider helping at Christmas & other needs. 58 Packbacks collected.

Mary Kofil: How many were given out? That number is unknown at this time. Jennifer Taylor would have that information.

Trey: Initial goal was to get more families? BFP wants 40 in the N. Brevard Area. We are trying to get more families. Videos were designed to promote. BFP is a new way of outreach—open our homes to have informational meetings—as well as looking for church partnerships. Recruitment is better & intentional care for Foster Care famililes.

Emergency Shelter Update: Trey Gordon

2015 was Family Shelter & Cold Night Shelter was the goal.

We partnered with 40 days of generosity & Salvation Army to build a Shelter—unfortunately Salvation Army had to back out. We still have that $$$ for Shelter.

Cold Night Shelter—created policies, get approval on the site at the DAV, we had 11 nights & 32 individual guests. Over 20 got long-term housing. 5 different agencies/churches participating. N. Brevard has a Duplex available for Cold Night or Emergency Care (Trey)

Bri: Where do people go when it's stormy/hurricane alerts? Utilize similar protocol during the Summer. Need a host site?

Discussion: Water Stations, A possible Titusville idea in work for showers/charging phones.

Harry T. Moore: N. Brevard Charities will be the lead agency here.

City will keep their offices here; and NBC will be bringing someone here. (Could be a good topic?)

They're going to bring their food pantry here & cold food.

Thursday Meal Program is they are going to pay for entrée & any group can bring the sides, etc.

Goal: To see more Thursday Meals happen.

Bringing Thanksgiving Meal & Toy Giveaway will be centered here.

They will have a "leadership team". They want to see the community grow.

OCTOBER 1 IS THE START DATE. CAN WE GET THEM BEFORE TO COME & SPEAK IN SEPTEMBER? (EXECUTIVE TEAM DISCUSSION?)

We don't have anyone to do SPDATS in N. Brevard. Mary Kofi: What if we go back to Housing and ask for help?

Agency Announcements/update (2-minute limit)

Juvenile & Poverty workshop with the City: August 24, 6-8PM

The Feds: Change in Food Stamps. The income limits are increasing AND the deductions are increasing….the maximum and minimum allotments are decreasing. We expect the changes to result in increased food assistance. Effective October 1.

Crosswinds: Clue at the Zoo Event. 5-7pm at the Brevard Zoo. $50 tickets. September 9. EventBrite Tickets—clue at the zoo Brevard.

Hospice of St Francis: Caregiving Classes—Monday, August 21-September 4. 6 week classes at Holy Spirit Catholic Church.

FUMC:

Conversation on possibly establishing a ministry or service for widows. Separate Widow Ministry.

Legacy Charter Academy is renting the facility at FUMC.

Saturday Breakfasts are continuing at our church, Every Saturday 8-10am.

Food Pantry at UMC is struggling.

Trey: Talking about Mentoring at AHS & THS. And sponsoring sports teams.

VI. Pass the Hat: for Project E.A.T. **Treasurer**

VII. Motion to Adjourn

REMINDERS:

VIII. Monthly Meetings:

1. **Officers** – 1st Friday – Sunrise Bakery September 1, 2017 – Time: 8:30 a.m.
2. **General** – 3rd Wednesday – September 20, 2017, Harry T. Moore Social Service Center, Titusville.

Mission Statement

The North Brevard Coalition of Human Services will serve to educate the community and individual agencies about existing services; to work cooperatively to develop services that fill unmet needs; and as a united group, act as a consultant to individual agencies in the preparation, review and submission of grant proposals or the development of new projects or programs.

Mission

NBCHS's mission is education, coordination, and facilitation of community transformation through partnerships of community organizations. Together, the member organizations have found ways to assist many families and individuals who would otherwise have trouble meeting basic human needs including food, clothing, and shelter.

History

The North Brevard Coalition of Human Services, "NBCHS" or "the Coalition", founded in 1994, is an unincorporated association of over one hundred community and faith-based organizations that has continually served as a grass-roots movement to successfully impact and improve the quality of life for families and individuals in need.