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Minutes
Monthly Meeting 10:00 a.m. @ Harry T. Moore Social Services Center
Wednesday September 20, 2017

I. Invocation — **Rev. Nancy Oliver**

II. Welcome – Introductions — **Trey Gordon**

Attendees:	St. Gabriel's Church	Habitat for Humanity	2-1-1
	1st Baptist Church	Good Shepherd Lutheran	Hope for N. Brevard
	Div. of Blind Services	Hospice of St. Francis	Titusville Chamber
	Great Outdoors Church	Crosswinds	Indian River CityUMC
	Second Harvest	VITAS	1st UMC
	N. Brevard Church of Christ	BETA	

III. Minutes Approval — **Moved, seconded and approved** — **Marie Hunsaker**

IV. Finance Report- $2058.00 — **Mary Kofil**

V. Topic: Group Discussion—Disaster Relief Efforts Post Irma — **Trey Gordon**

An observation: we need to get systems in place then plug people into them/communicate systems available.

- 2-1-1
- FEMA.gov 800-621-3362
- Crisis Clean-up 800-451-1954:
  - To volunteer and choose projects you can do Call Marcia Gaedcke 321-863-0585 or Trey Gordon 321-863-6357
    - Have supplies, need labor
    - Some churches forming teams
- Where did our system fail and where can we do better?
  - Rental places for short term with furnishings
    - Treader Realty may be resource
    - 2-1-1 for information about housing and other resources
    - Hotels that are accepting FEMA vouchers for qualifying people
      - Insurance may reimburse
      - What about pets?
      - Any volunteers willing to take into their homes?
    - SpaceCoast.com for weather information for Titusville
  - Communication gaps:
    - Poor cell phone reception on both ends of, linking with resources difficult.

- Message on agency/business phones
- Shelters: when open, when closed, when consolidating
  - Those with ankle monitoring were sheltered at Courthouse jail
- Meals, water for elderly/disabled
  - Senior Disaster Relief Team for pre-planning purposes?
  - Establish data base for elderly/disabled currently receiving meals
    - Meal volunteers could have signup sheet prior to storm
  - Delivery of pre-disaster shelf-stable meals to have on hand: MRE's?
  - 2-1-1/Aging Matters develop a 'registry' so that volunteers can make meals and deliver them
    - Flyer: "If you elect to stay at home-What you need to know"
  - Meal resources other than meals on wheels kitchens
- Transportation
  - Bus lines closed before shelters opened, homeless had not way of accessing shelters unless volunteers know where they are
- Alternate resources for no power/no water?
  - YMCA offering showers, hygiene kits

Subtopic: Food Pantries (will continue at the October meeting):

- Where are the gaps?;
- Who is doing what?;
- Can we collaborate?;
- What can we do better?;

VI. Agency Announcements/update (2-minute limit)

- Hope for N. Brevard- Job Fair rescheduled for 10/10/17 (Tuesday) at Harry T. Moore Social Service Center; will help with resume.
- City budget: Youth Engagement Programs approved in budget 9/19/17

VII. Pass the Jar $26.00 **Mary Kofil**

VIII. Motion to Adjourn **Volunteer**

REMINDERS:

Monthly Meetings:

1. **Officers** – 1st Friday – October 6, 2017, 8:30am, Sunrise Bakery, second floor
2. **General** – 3rd Wednesday – October 18, 2017, 10:00am - Harry T. Moore Social Service Center, S. Deleon Ave., Titusville.