

Community Outreach & Advocacy Ministry Progress Report

October 17, 2017

In attendance: Brenda Tubbs, Dixie Hanson and Sheri Groenveld

Completed since last meeting:

Walk to Fight Poverty - Sunday, October 8 at Noon registration/lunch, walk at 1:00 PM. This year the walk was on a Sunday. Still a good turn out from HTLC, about 25+ walkers. Online so far, we've raised \$4,250 plus more that was taken in as cash and checks. The entire walk money raised has not been tallied yet. The total goal was \$30,000. Holy Trinity donated two baskets of Fair Trade items for the raffle.

Park Oaks tutoring - Training was held on October 11. Tutoring will take place every Wednesday until April 25, 2018 with the exception of holidays. Holy Trinity will be tutoring the first grade class again.

Upcoming:

COAM Budget - due 11/6/17. We completed during our meeting.

Winter Shelter Sign Ups to begin November 12 - When sign ups are taken ask folks if they are a Thrivent member and if they would like to help the Winter Shelter with an action team?

Angel Tree and Park Oaks Gift Cards- Jody Rehder is working on the angel tree and has requested 60 children. Jody is targeting November 12 for the first Sunday tentatively. Kari is making the angels and Sheri will work with kids in Sunday School to decorate.

Fair Trade Sale- scheduled for Sunday, November 19

World Hunger Advent Calendars- will be passed out to all congregational members and Honey Tree families if OK with Honey Tree in November.

Gifts of Hope for El Salvador this year

Ongoing -

Meals Program & Fair Trade Coffee- going smoothly.

Micah 6:8 article - Jeanne Balsley wrote an article about Manna for November. Possibly Maija Lynch (shelter/meals program) will write an article for December.

Future -

Peace Pole, idea to add Farsi or Turkish. Maybe around a Muslim interfaith event. More to come..... just starting to think of ideas. Another idea to add Hindi on the birthday of Gandhi on October 2, 2018. Discussed 7 social sins and could possibly have a guest from the Hindi Temple in Agoura.

Music4Meals - Richard Ferrin said he would help, but doesn't want to be in charge. Looking for someone to coordinate the event.

Idea - We discussed the need for diapers in the pantry and had an idea for a Christmas collection - "diapers for baby Jesus" or something like that. Diapers could be collected for both Manna and LSS.

✓ Next meeting date **Tuesday, November 28 @ 7:00 PM** - Meet in the Narthex Lounge (Our meeting date has changed to the fourth Tuesday of each month to avoid conflicting with church council).