PAC Meeting Minutes

7.16.19

Taken by: Katrina Kendall-Thompson @ 10AM

Attendees: Nikki Amrich, Leo Marciniak, April Travis, Stacie Nielsen, Doug Tallant, Bonny Gauthier, Ashley Gagnon

TEFAP-CSFP: Presented by Bonny

- There will be 20+ items in the next TEFAP box
- 2 produce giveaways coming up
  - July 24th- Hale MI- Plainfield TWP Community CTR 11AM-1PM
  - July 31st- Cheboygan- Black River Full Gospel 12PM-2PM
- Alcona county project connect coming up- Alcona High School- August 15th
- Oscoda project connect coming up- Oscoda Legion- August 20th

Weatherization: Presented by Doug

- 95 homes completed- exceeded goal set by the state
- 80 homes to complete in the new year- funding has been cut this round
- Half- way through the water heater funding- program end date of December 31st 2019

Heat and Utility: Presented by Katrina

- Summer fuel program is open until August 12th- clients must income qualify
  - Pre-buy of fuel- will put credit on account
- Consumers Energy funds of $1200 left- clients must income qualify
- Warm Hearts funds(unrestricted) Combined amount of $131.72 that can be used for any county; $149.19 for Presque Isle county
- Stacie will be attending the MCA conference next week- hopefully will be bringing back news of what is to come in the upcoming season

Housing- Presented by Ashley

- No extension scheduled for housing grants
- RRH and RRP will be one grant October 1st
- Have been able to pay more security deposits with new funding

Financial Empowerment- Presented by Ashley

- 15 people still in process for Step Forward Michigan
  - Alpena treasurer has been sending out her information with summer tax bills
- 2 new applications are in process for FSS
- IDA- 1 client is nearly ready to close out; 3 people left in the program after that
- Program is set to end on September 30th
- Has been working with housing staff and clients
Stacie/Nikki - SOAR

- Will be able to help homeless/at risk of becoming homeless clients apply for SSI, SSDI, etc.
- We will be partnering with the housing staff to help their clients receive income
- We are trying to connect with mental health so we could also partner with them

Leo - St. Vincent de Paul Alcona County

- Has helped with a few small home repairs
- Most of their help has gone towards helping clients with food
- No produce giveaways this summer- they are short staffed at this time

Next meeting: October 15th 10AM-11AM

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