# Faith Community Committee Meeting

#### **MINUTES**

April 18, 2017

#### In Attendance

Anne Lansing, City of Pasadena; Colton Curry; Grace Pasadena, Dan Davidson, Rose City Church; Gary Talbert, Salvation Army; Jill Shook, IMA; Joan Feser, Society of St. Vincent De Paul; Lauren Furutani, New Abbey; Matt Rayburn, Family Promise San Gabriel; Robert Wyatt, Society of St. Vincent De Paul; Terry Bright, Elizabeth House; Than Veltman, Lake Avenue Church.

#### **Introductions / Approval of Minutes**

Members of the committee introduced themselves and the minutes from the March Faith Community meeting were read and approved. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Than Veltman and the motion was seconded by Anne Lansing.

Presenter:

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Dan Davidson

Than Veltman

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### FCC Mission / Sharing Stories of Success

- Mission statement was reviewed in order to remind us what the mission of the FCC is
- The FCC remains committed to learn about and support evidence-based and best practices to prevent and end homelessness in Pasadena
- The role of the faith based communities is to help be part of the solution to end homelessness
- Joe Colletti will be at our May FCC meeting to give us updates on Best Practices.
- Several stories were shared of families and individuals who, through collaborative efforts, were helped out of homelessness
- Faith based organizations can provide friendship and maybe even welcome parties for homeless individuals and families newly housed
- The book Evicted by Matthew Desmond was recommended that gives great insight on the reality of what homeless families go through

| Action Items:   | Person Responsible |
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| Success stories should be written and posted on our website |                    |

# Update on Strategies to Share the Toolkit

- Send e-mails to faith based organizations to share the Toolkit and possibly set up a text line
- Working on a script that can be utilized to outreach, inform and share the Toolkit with the faith community
- Creating a list of agencies contacted to avoid duplication
- Please review the Toolkit and inform the subcommittee of anything missing or needing to be updated
- 120 people received the Toolkit at the Palm Sunday Peace Parade
- Would like to facilitate presentations on the Toolkit to groups. Please inform the subcommittee if you are interested in having he Toolkit presented to your organization.

# Welcome Packet & Website Update

 Welcome packet needs to be put together with the information on what the FCC is and does. Possibly to include most common acronyms, history, and stories.

- Information will be gathered and a welcome packet will be put together by Elizabeth House interns
- Toolkit will be update by the subcommittee
- Website needs to be updated

| Action Items:  | Person Responsible     |
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| Create a welcome packet for new members  | Elizabeth House        |
| Update the Toolkit   | Than and sub committee |
| Ideas on how to update Pasadena Partnership website so it can be used as tool to connect/learn about FCC | Lauren Furutani        |

## **Update on Homeless to Housed Bus Tour**

- An invitation has been created
- \$700 have been raised to cover the cost for the tour. Total cost is \$1,200
- Sponsors thus far are Rose City Church, Grace Presbyterian , Lake Avenue, and New Abby
- The goal is to educate faith based organizations on what it takes to end homelessness and how they can be a part of it

Presenter:

Jill Shook

- Bus Tour is scheduled for June 12, 2017
- There are 56 seats on the Bus Tour
- There will be 6 stops: Union Station Homeless Services, Lake Avenue, Marv's Place, Door of Hope, Friends in Deed, and Navarro House
- Registration will take place at Pas Naz from 8:30am to 9:00am
- Lunch will be at Pas Naz at noon with a discussion of the tour
- Provide names of those who should be invited to Jill by Friday April 21st for an invitation to be sent

### **Announcements & Other Items**

- Homeless Count will be presented and reviewed at the City Council Meeting on April 24th
- Golden Motel (permanent supportive housing for veterans) Project will have a public hearing on May 31st
- Bill Huong will be giving a workshop April 26 on how build second units on your property

### **Next Meeting**

Tuesday, May 16 at 9:00 am