

SCKTRO

SCKTRO Minutes for November 27, 2007

Call to order 9:25am

Attendance: Kathleen Blair-SCKTRO Chairperson, Barb Neslund-SCKTRO Secretary/Case Manager, Matt Deighton-SCKTRO Volunteer Coordinator, Kelly Gindlesberger-SCKTRO, Disciples of Christ, Teresa Flora-SCKTRO Case Manager, Kathy Koehn, LDR Case Manager, Nicki Goers, Donna Meier Pfeifer-Cannonball Trail-American Red Cross, Deb Folkerts-Salvation Army, Doug Bruggeman, Julie Smith, Linda Howard-Mennonite Housing, Don McAllister-Church of the Brethren, Willis Troyer, Melvin Miller-Mennonite Disaster Service, Jeff Blackburn-Greensburg Mennonite Church/KCMA, Mark Stump-United Way of the Plains, Chuck Jedele-LDR, Matt Grice, Kathy Harmon, Pat Harman-KARE, Debbie Snapp-Catholic Social Service, Louise Reimer-UMC Site Coordinator

Opening Prayer

Announcements

- Christmas Festival is scheduled for December 1 at the SCKTRO Dining Hall- There will be a distribution of live Christmas trees and decorations, along with toys, books and quilts; plus a visit from Santa. We will have vendors, including food.
- The Christmas Parade will be on Sunday, December 2nd at 6:00pm. It will begin at the elementary school and end at Volunteer Village, with a social immediately following.
- Donna Meier-Pfifer worked thru the Rotary Club to obtain the Santa House which will be complete in time for the parade. Thank you Donna for you help!
- KARE has put together a brochure and flyer for “Coping With the Holidays”
- There will be “staff only” meetings December 4th (10:00am) and December 18th (12:00pm)
- The next funding meeting and case presentation will be on December 11th at 9:00am

Committees

Donations

- The Salvation Army Distribution Center in Pratt will be closed as of November 21st. Deb Folkerts will be moving her office to the Volunteer Village and Rocky Mease will contact Orphan Grain Train to inquire about getting another shipping container for donations and distribution. Deb has also been asked to be the new committee head of donations.

Building/Volunteer

- There has been a suggestion that we try to solicit volunteers from Greensburg for neighbors helping on another. United Way has agreed to put out a bulletin of sorts for volunteers across the state to promote volunteerism
- SCKTRO is looking to promote an “Alternate Spring Break” to the big 12 schools here in KS for volunteers to come work during spring break
- Blitz Build pre-construction to begin towards the end of February, beginning of March, with the builds to be done in April. We currently have 2 families lined up for this project.

Financial

Will be discussed at the December 11th funding meeting

Casework

Case #13- requesting funding for siding and insulation (\$2000.00) and additional funding of approximately \$1,600.00 for other repairs that appear to be non-tornado related. United Way has agreed to fund \$2,000.00 towards the cost of siding and insulation.

Case #83-Needs help with final costs on their basement. They have a USDA loan, but after paying off original mortgage with insurance funds, and paying for new home, they are short approximately \$12,000.00. United Way has agreed to fund this.

Case #75-Needs help with final costs on their foundation. They have purchased a modular, and received loans for all that they can afford. They need approximately \$12,000.00 to complete foundation work. Catholic Social Service has agreed to fund the foundation work.

Case #88-In need of assistance to cover plumbing and electric costs-estimate given is \$2,786.35 which Catholic Social Service has agreed to fund.

Case #98- Needing assistance with plumbing and electrical costs-estimate given was \$4,000.00. Catholic Social Service agreed to fund this on the stipulation that an effort was made to have some volunteer labor to help lower the costs.

Case #116-Single mother in need of financial assistance to have foundation wall in basement repaired. House was purchased after tornado and inspector hired did not do a thorough inspection-Estimates have been obtained for repairs which run from \$8,300.00 to \$9,800.00-At this time, funding is declined until more info can be obtained about legalities-Barb to look into.

Case #154-Client in need of a vehicle to get back and forth to doctors appointments and such-Catholic Social Service has agreed to fund \$1,300.00 towards the purchase of vehicle, tags and insurance.

Case #108-In need of assistance with electrical work. The estimate given is for \$850.00- The home needs to be completely re-wired. James has reviewed case and feels that this is a job for a professional, not volunteers-Catholic Social Service has committed to fund project.

Cases 25, 75, 86, 100, 142, 147 - in need of storm shelters-United Way has agreed to pay for the cost of these which are \$2,350.00 each.

General Information

Mother Earth News is looking to build 10 “green” homes in Greensburg that people can tour, and stay in to see if “green living” is for them. More info to come.

TLC has been passing out flyers as they are looking to promote a “green” show. They are looking for 3-4 families that are rebuilding “green”.

Close of meeting: 11:10