**Human Service Provider Call**

**2/17/2022**

**Zoom Meeting**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/recording/detail?meeting_id=nU3K92sxQJeHY2Sb96v1Hg%3D%3D>

This call is to help streamline communication and support and encourage collaboration to make the most of resources, especially as we continue to deal with the COVID 19 pandemic. It also provides the opportunity for updates on local needs from the nonprofit sector. Please refer to United Way website for previous notes and resources-<https://dbqunitedway.org/covid-19-nonprofit-support>

This call has created great opportunities to build partnerships and for our system to work together to coordinate and broaden our impact. There has been a great deal of collaboration with the city, nonprofits, philanthropists, legislators, and more. THANK YOU!

**United Way**  
**Paula Paider Licht**

* Closed grant process last Friday – Investment Review Panel process of reviewing grants has started
* High volume of calls to 2-1-1 – organizations should check to see if their information is accurate and updated
* Professional Clothes Closet - Women UNITED making changes over to spring/summer clothes. There is consistent utilization of the clothes closet.
* Volunteer DBQ – Actively working with Days of Caring group to get projects from the nonprofits. Once that is done start recruiting volunteers to participate at the end of April.
* Next meeting March 17th, 2022

**St. Mark  
Kaitlin Schmidt**

* Before and after school programs are still running
* Released summer registration form to families who have participated in the past and those currently enrolled. Opens up to public on February 28th
* Summer program – educational, literacy, and social emotional learning
  + Theme based classrooms for the older age range of kids
  + STEAM – science, technology, engineering, arts, and math
  + Cooking class
  + Nature based classroom
* Open positions – shifted resources into hiring full-time program coordinators (need one more) – also hiring a full-time office coordinator
* Staffing Crisis - more success hiring full-time positions instead of part-time
* Currently have a planning grant to explore early childhood programs like Headstart

**HACAP  
Ron Axtell**

* Will continue taking applications for heating and water assistance for the next few months
* VITA is taking tax returns for low-moderate income families
  + Call or stop down for additional information
  + New email address for those to contact rather than coming down to the office
  + [taxes@hacap.org](mailto:taxes@hacap.org)
* Applications for Headstart – 3- and 4-year-olds
  + Started taking applications for next fall
* Referenced Project HOPE meeting – addressed that childcare is a huge issue right now affecting employment

**Catholic Charities  
Matt Wolch**

* Working to develop a way to go into the jail and help individuals apply for Medicaid or food stamps
  + Discussion with the jail administrator to see how things will work and if there’s any interest with doing it
* Also going into the DBQ Residential facility
  + Teaching life-skill classes; budgeting and mindfulness
  + Yoga at the Multicultural Family Center – every Thursday
* Still taking clients and doing telehealth
  + Counseling Services: 800-772-2758