

Human Service Provider Call

11/18/2021

Zoom Meeting

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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

Danielle Peterson

- COVID – numbers are still up in Dubuque. Boosters for all vaccines are now available. For current information on walk-in vaccination and booster clinics and other vaccination opportunities in Dubuque County, please visit www.dubuquecounty.org/sleevesup or call 563-690-MAKE(6253).
City: <https://www.cityofdubuque.org/2965/COVID-19-Vaccinations>
County: <https://www.dubuquecountyiowa.gov/567/COVID-19-Vaccinations>
- Working with a consultant to help us prepare for our open RFP that will come out in January. Shifted to a 2 year funding cycle. Also reviewing our funded partner data as well as our donor data.
- We are at 26% of our campaign goal of 1.2 million. A bit ahead of this same time last year. All funds are put into our Community Impact Fund that is distributed back into the community.
- Dimensional Brewing Event on December 2nd. All tips will go to UW on that day. Music from Joie Wales. Our theme this year is UNITED WE CAN, so we will also have a canned food drive that night to help with food scarcity.
- Iowa workforce development is holding open job fairs and workshops. See link for dates.
<https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/dubuque>
- Opportunity Dubuque – short term certificate programs available.
<https://www.greaterdubuque.org/workforce-solutions/opportunity-dubuque>
- Get Connected portal has officially been rebranded to **Volunteer Dubuque**– if you have any volunteer needs/opportunities, especially virtual, please post. You are also welcome to reach out to Paula Paider Licht for any questions. Paula.paiderlicht@dbqunitedway.org
<https://www.volunteerdubq.com/>
- **Next meeting December 16th (third Thursday)**

COAD

Long Range Planning Committee - Paula Paider Licht

The committee is now meeting on an as needed basis. We received a request from the Ginter Family Thanksgiving meal. They did not hold their annual meal last year due to COVID and subsequently lost some of their volunteers and donor base. The committee granted them \$5,000 to assist with the cost of this event. They're still working on raising the remainder of the needed funds.

Stonehill

Amy Schauer

- Caregiver Resources Center is OPEN! Joleen Koopman is the new coordinator. Able to meet with people. Information on the Stonehill website. Caregivers of any age caring for anyone of any age can receive support.
- Working to get the remainder of their staff vaccinated as they fall under the mandate. 76% of staff and nearly 100% of residents are already vaccinated.
- CMS has direct that they are open for visitors. Still screen all visitors and ask people not to come if they are sick.
- Worker shortages continue– across the healthcare field.

Community Solutions of Eastern Iowa

Shelby Eipperle/Ashley Noonan

- Still taking referrals for one time assistance. Still filing opens for people literally homeless.
- Street outreach – if you see anyone who may need assistance, send Ashley or I an e mail. Try to get out every 2 weeks to touch base with people.
- Point in time count in January. Volunteers will go out in the middle of the night to try to find people at their campsites. Will provide physical resources (blankets, supplies, etc.) as well as connect them to services.
- Still partnering with DALH for food delivery. **new phone line 563-690-5735**. Deliveries are 1st & 3rd Saturday of every month.

Catholic Charities

Matt Wolch

Volunteer opportunity with Fort McCoy. There is over 13,000 Afghan individuals being housed there while they are being processed. Catholic Charities of La Cross Diocese is asking for volunteers to come spend about 6 days to do some humanitarian relief interacting with the people. There is training prior. All meals and accommodations are provided by CC. Good opportunity to experience and interact with people who don't know anything about this country. <https://catholiccharitiesdubuque.org/fortmccoy>

HACAP

Ron Axtell

- Effective November 1st, started taking applications from all households for Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Runs through April 30th.
- New pilot project, Low Income Household Water Assistance Program (LIHWAP), will run into 2023. Looking to avoid disconnection or help with reconnection. Ongoing through the pilot project period.
- One application for both programs. <https://www.hacap.org/energy>
- Working on getting VITA figured out. AARP may not be operating again this year. Looking at getting more volunteers so can expand capacity. Volunteers do have to go through training (mostly likely in January).

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