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Boise/Ada County Homeless Coalition Minutes, April 12, 2023

The meeting was conducted by Pete Schroeder, President

See attendance on attached sheet:

Review of Minutes: March 8, 2023--Approved unanimously.

Review of Treasurer's Report: Presented by Carol Craighill with a balance of \$3,800.95. Approved unanimously. Carol also stated that we received a \$150 donation from "Yoga for Good".

Carol C. is looking at a program called MemberPlanet. She is asking for people who are using this program to contact her.

Pete said the city will be providing 1.8 million for motel rooms for the Interfaith Sanctuary community until the new shelter is built. The city stepped up to pay this because the Ada County Commissioners refused to do so. There is really no excuse for them not being willing to pay because they still have \$90 million dollars to spend. It was suggested having a meeting with the commissioners to ask them how this money will be spent.

Vivian P. reported that SNAP is part of the new farm bill and that we should send in letters of support.

Committee Reports:

Jim G. reported that the book group starts on Friday, April 14 at noon and will continue on April 28 and May 12. The book is <u>Homelessness is a Housing Problem</u> by Gregg Colburn.. 15 people have signed up.

Neysa J. told us about an organization she is a part of called Rolling Tomato. Volunteers pick up leftover food from restaurants and deliver it to the shelters.

Agency Reports: This month, the representatives of provider organizations exchanged valuable updated information from their own agencies and together discussed problems and solutions with others who serve people experiencing homelessness.

Kira H. (Salvation Army) reported that there are too many people coming in and not enough food to give them. 40% are new. She also said that so many people have lost Medicaid.

Cassandra A. (Jesse Tree) explained the procedure for qualifying for help with evictions.

Don. R.(Corpus Christi) reported that there is a critical need for underwear and pants for both men and

women. He also said there is a huge increase in people needing help. They are also looking for a garage to help with car repairs.

Mel L. (Director of SLIC)--they are offering free COVID tests to anyone who needs them.

Kelli P. (Jannus)--they are offering a new program (Economic Opportunity) to help people establish credit.

Saidee Jones--we welcomed Saidee to her position as new Coordinator for Our Path Home

Peg R. (IFHC)--the goal is to get across the entire state of Idaho, to educate people about tenant rights. Peg also mentioned that 23,000 people have been dropped from Medicaid.

Cay M.(LEAP Housing)--Lots going on with LEAP Housing. Information can be found on our Homeless Coalition agency website page.

For more details on agency updates, please go to our Coalition website: https//www. homelesscoalitionboise.com/updates/.

We were reminded that April 18th at 10:00 AM is the groundbreaking ceremony for the new Interfaith Sanctuary.

Meeting adjourned. The next meeting will be May 10, 2023, at 1:30.

Notes taken by Cay Marquart Secretary: Carol Craighill