

Social Action Minutes

Dec. 7, 2022

Present: Dayle Vraets, Anne Warwick, Marion Quirk, Liz Probert, Rev. Donalee Williams, Jane Scholer (recorder)

Correspondence: 1) Wesley Christmas Appeal, 2) YWCA, Affordable Housing appeal, 3) FORT Christmas appeal

Fund Balances as of Oct. 31, 2022

M & S Fund - \$23,046.70

S.A. (Blue) - \$ 578.45

Trinity Justice - \$1070.00 (\$500 from Trinity Justice Fund, plus \$570 from congregation!)

S.A. Committee -

(NO update for November, note from Annette - donations to FORT and Angola MSF done)

Traditional Recipients:

Wesley Urban Ministries \$500, Migrant Farmworkers Project \$300, Grimsby Benevolent Fund \$300, Habitat for Humanity \$300, McNally House \$500, Amnesty International \$300, Nations Uniting. Angola MSF \$300, Gillian's Place West Niagara, FORT \$300, CFGB \$300

Business:

- 1) **White Gift** - About 5 bushel baskets of toys, 3 more bushels of beautiful knitted goods, gift cards and over \$200 in donations were given by our generous Trinity congregation for the Holiday Hampers. All this was delivered to the Wesley Urban Ministries hamper headquarters By Dayle and Bill Vraets.
- 2) **The Hub at St. Albans** - reopening Dec. 8! We will share volunteer dates with St. Andrews. Trinity people will do the first and third Thursdays - 4 to 6p.m. St. Andrews will cover the 2nd and 4th Thursdays.
- 3) **Toques Eh!** - Trinity has been asked to provide 250 toques to the Welcome Bags going to each migrant farmworker this March. Can be a wonderful new challenge to the congregation to come up with 250 hats in the new year. ?Toque thermometer ? Liz has 50 toques for a generous start! Trinity Beamsville is packing and delivering the Welcome Bags this year and appreciates our help.
- 4) **Advocating for the rights of migrant farmworkers!** Discussion of how, who, lots of details. Arising from the worker Ceto Reid being hit by a car with his hip broken and respite required after surgery. The accident happened the day before he was going to fly home and was bicycling back to P.G. Enns farm with his laundry. We have agreed to look into next steps in personally advocating for better living conditions for the workers.
- 5) We will donate \$150 to both Nations Uniting and Gillian's Place.

Next Meeting
Jan. 4, 2023!