Minutes

Society of St Vincent de Paul, St Thomas Aquinas Conference

Meeting of December 9, 2021

Members present: Tom Quinn, Chris Countryman, Peggy Alderman, Leah Turner, Bob White, Cindy Brown

1). Opening Prayer/Spiritual Reflection

The meeting was opened with prayer and reflection led by Peggy

2). Presidents Announcements

Updates from the SVdP Indianapolis Council meeting:

- For the fiscal year ending Sept 30, 2021 the council reported net income of $778,518.
- 2021 net income from the 2 Mission 27 stores totaled $434,000.
- 2021 donations totaled $1.97m.
- Proceeds from the Struttin' Your Stuff fundraiser totaled $207,000.
- The Council reported $177,000 in income in October
- The Council has purchased the Coleman Center from the Indianapolis archdiocese. The facility will be renovated and used for a new homeless ministry
- The Changing Lives Forever program reports a total of 430 graduates since the program's inception. "Continuing Education" classes will be provided to graduates of the program.

The city of Indianapolis will no longer allow donations of used mattresses after the current supply of college-supplied mattresses are disbursed. The STA conference will continue to purchase bed sets for clients as needed

Christmas gift bags will be distributed to 25 clients the weekend of December 18-19. Grocery gift cards will be included in the gift bags with some food items provided by the Boulevard Place Pantry. STA students are preparing hand-made Christmas cards to be included. Thank you to Peggy and Leah for coordinating the gift bags this year, and to Chris and Bob for assisting with distribution to client's homes

3). Treasurer's Report

The beginning balance in our account on November 1 was $6,340.09

$2,468.50 was received from STA October collections

$400.00 was used for client rent and utilities

$597.63 was used for SVdP annual dues

$2,400.00 was used for the purchase of grocery gift cards for client Thanksgiving bags

$150.00 was used for the purchase of items for client Thanksgiving bags from boulevard Place Pantry

Total October expenses totaled $3,547.63

The ending balance in the SVdP account as of December 1 is $5,260.96

4). Client Support Update and Discussion

There have been few recent requests for rent and utility assistance, which follows a trend of recent months

5). Other Reports

N/A

6). Closing Prayer

Completed

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 6 at 7:00

Meeting notes submitted by Tom Quinn