

## COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network

*Summary of 3/24/20 virtual meeting*

### Volunteerism

- Continue to use the specific area on the Volunteer Center website for listing COVID-19 related volunteer opportunities.
  - Virtual volunteer opportunities are strongly encouraged at this time.
- “Wish List” created for nonprofits to list the tangible items that they are in need of, such as hand sanitizer, cleaning supplies, etc.
  - Email Lee Anne Raleigh ([leeanne@uwofsc.org](mailto:leeanne@uwofsc.org)) to submit your wish list of items and drop off site to be uploaded to the Volunteer Center website.
- Food Bank and Salvation Army are the volunteer needs listed specific to COVID-19 (update as of 3.24.20 afternoon).

#### **ACTION STEPS:**

- 1) **United Way** will send research and send ideas for virtual volunteer opportunities to agencies when appropriate.
- 2) **United Way** will assist in making connections between businesses and agencies with regards to the wish list items.
- 3) **Nonprofit agencies** will submit wish list items directly to Lee Anne via email: [leeanne@uwofsc.org](mailto:leeanne@uwofsc.org). Volunteer opportunities can be uploaded through the volunteer center website.

### Resource Guides/Potential Website

- United Way is working with key agencies to serve as point people within the areas of highest need for referral purposes. These contact leads for each ‘bucket’ are for inquiries that you are not sure of the resources available to a community members specific need.
- United Way has developed a document outlining lead contacts for each ‘bucket of need.’ (Included in the email sent to the COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network on 3.24.20)
- There is a discussion around developing a one-stop shop website to link to resources related to COVID-19. Feedback on this was positive. Please send further feedback to Katelyn Piper at [katelyn@uwofsc.org](mailto:katelyn@uwofsc.org).
- Lakeshore CAP anticipates an increased need in rental assistance. They have applications available by:
  - Calling their office: 920-803-6991
  - In the entry of the Sheboygan County Chamber offices, which remain open
  - Online at [lakeshorecap.org](http://lakeshorecap.org)
- Safe Harbor foresees an increase of people looking for shelter, in part because shelter services in Sheboygan have not closed and are still providing services. Some of these individuals could be coming from outside our community.
- Meals on Wheels encourages agencies to refer people who need food to them. They are providing meals weekly to clients, and have volunteers calling clients daily for safety checks.

- Lakeshore Regional Child Advocacy Center is still open for emergency interviews for children and vulnerable adults.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1) **United Way** will send out 211 information. (Included in the email sent to the COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network on 3.24.20)
- 2) **Nonprofit agencies** will update their information in 211 database.
- 3) **United Way & Lakeshore CAP** will follow up regarding:
  - a. Use of state funding and any changes with that.
  - b. The survey/spreadsheet and the best way to have the internal database shared and regularly updated.
- 4) **United Way** will talk with community leadership about developing the COVID-19 Community Resource website.
- 5) **United Way** will send the MHA Resource Card to agencies to make sure information is accurate. (Included in the email sent to the COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network on 3.24.20)
- 6) **MHA** will update the COVID-19 Resource Card as needed to finalize for printing purposes.
- 7) **United Way** will stay in touch with Safe Harbor and Salvation Army about shelter needs.
- 8) **United Way** will connect with Matricia and Family Connections to receive updates regarding childcare needs and access in Sheboygan County.
- 9) **United Way** will connect with Patrick on the Sheboygan Emergency Government resources and supplies being made available to share more information. (Included in the email sent to the COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network on 3.24.20)

### COVID-19 Relief Fund

- The first application was received last week and approved by the Fund Distribution Team
  - Food Bank for \$5,000
- Donations are starting to come in and United Way is actively fundraising
  - There were a couple larger corporate donations as well.
- Questions should be directed to Gina and/or Emily at United Way.

### Questions?

- **COVID-19 Nonprofit Response Network** | Kate Baer ([kate@uwofsc.org](mailto:kate@uwofsc.org))
- **COVID-19 Relief Fund Applications** | Gina Covelli ([gina@uwofsc.org](mailto:gina@uwofsc.org))
- **COVID-19 Relief Fund Contributions** | Emily Kaiser ([emilyk@uwofsc.org](mailto:emilyk@uwofsc.org))
- **COVID-19 Community Resource Marketing & Outreach** | Katelyn Piper ([katelyn@uwofsc.org](mailto:katelyn@uwofsc.org))
- **COVID-19 Volunteer Opportunities** | Lee Anne Raleigh ([leeanne@uwofsc.org](mailto:leeanne@uwofsc.org))

For immediate questions regarding COVID-19, contact our local public health department at 920-459-0321.