

Arden Arcade HART Meeting

Thursday, July 9th, 2020

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Meeting Minutes DRAFT

Attendance:

Mike Grace , CeeCee Coleman, Jeannie Anderson-West, Megan Brooks, John McCormack, Lia (Last Name?), Tom Tortora, Rich Desmond, Jim Schaal, Hadley Rood, Rick Morrat, Kathy Stricklin, Jason Bense, Josh Coy, Ken Bennett, Keira Miller

Excused: Gabriella Yost

The meeting was called to order at 12:05 PM

Meditation and Introduction:

CeeCee Coleman opened the meeting with a quote and encouraged members to think about how the quote relates to AAHART. Members went around the room to introduce themselves.

Minute Review:

May minutes were provided for review. June and July minutes will be presented at the August 13th meeting. We are no longer voting on the minutes at general board meetings. Please send any corrections you have to our email: ardenarcadehart@gmail.com.

Board Member Update:

Arden Arcade HART is still looking for a Treasurer (Jim Schaal is serving temporarily as Acting Treasurer). Please contact CeeCee Coleman at ceelcee1007@gmail.com if you are interested in this position.

Finances:

Check and cash donation are being given during the Monday Donation drives. Jeannie and CeeCee and depositing them in the account as they com.

Winter Shelter

The Winter Shelter subcommittee meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at noon. Together they hash out the details and then bring up their progress to the meetings. If you would like to join the Winter Shelter Subcommittee, please contact ardenarcadehart@gmail.com

Members of the Winter Shelter subcommittee attending the All-HART-Meeting to discuss what other HARTs are planning for the upcoming winter. No decisions have been made for the 2020-2021 winter.

The next Winter Shelter subcommittee will meet on Thursday, July 16th at noon via zoom.

Street Outreach:

Mercy Pedalers are a group that typically rides on bikes to greet and comfort those experiencing homelessness. They offer resources, provide a cup of coffee or a snack, and ask about their needs. There are multiple Mercy Pedalers in the Arden Arcade Area to cover most of the week.

Heather Wheeler is the Navigator for Arden Arcade and Carmichael. Heather's work cell is 916-754-7315. Heather's office hours are every Tuesday at Carmichael Presbyterian (5645 Marconi Ave) from 11am to 2pm and Fridays at the Arcade Library (2443 Marconi Ave) from 2pm to 4pm. If you meet anyone that needs her services, they can call or visit her office hours. Heather helps those experiencing homelessness get documents ready for housing and other programs: i.e. ID vouchers, proof of income, social security cards, birth certificates, and more. She helps guide clients to obtaining income and job resources. When

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clients are ready for housing, she will locate housing and send referrals while also supporting the client through the process. Heather is in constant need for resources to support her in Navigation—day bus passes, gas cards, and gift cards from McDonalds/Walmart/Goodwill.

NOTE: *dates and times may have changed due to the COVID19 virus.*

Mercy Pedalers update: our homeless friends are still scattered about and hard to locate. St. Marks is still donating about 45 lunches for the Pedalers to deliver.

Heather is still doing outreach at this time and assisting those that qualify get into the COVID19 motels/trailers. Heather will be out on leave for a few weeks and is projected to return 7/8/20. Heather has been distributing “angel bags” and excess donations from River City Food Bank.

Pedalers and Navigators agree there is a great need for access to restrooms and showers by our unsheltered community members.

No update from the Street Nurses.

School Outreach:

If you would like to get involved with the School Outreach Committee, please contact Melinda Eppler at Melinda@fultonavenue.com

Next meeting: TBA

Fundraising:

For June and July, we are collecting donations at 4641 Marconi Ave (Lutheran Church of Our Redeemer) on Monday ONLY from 10am to noon. A volunteer will meet you out by your car and take your donations. No need to get out of your vehicle. Some of the items we are asking for are: non-perishable foods, gift cards, toiletries, and clothing. Please direct questions to ardenarcadehart@gmail.com

HART Update:

Website for all HARTs; hartstogether.org. On the website, you will find meeting times for all HARTS, fundraisers, donations, resources, programs, and any general information.

Next Meeting:

Our next Leadership meeting is Aug 6th at Noon- via Zoom

Our next General Meeting is Aug 12th at noon- via zoom