

Help Guide How United Way Dollars Are Invested in Partner Agencies

United Way of Greater St. Joseph is calling for community volunteers for the annual allocations process. Through the United Way Allocations Process, volunteers examine United Way Partner Agency programs, their community impact, operations and finances before recommending how much money should be allocated to each agency the following year.

Recommendations are presented to the United Way Board of Directors for review and final approval.

The volunteers help ensure that donor dollars are used to achieve the greatest impact in the areas of education, health and financial stability and that United Way of Greater St. Joseph is accountable to donors.

Volunteers are placed on one of six subcommittees, and each subcommittee reviews three United Way Partner Agencies. Volunteers dedicate 10-15 hours over a two-month period from mid-March to mid-May. Each subcommittee meets approximately five times.

Those interested in volunteering in 2017 may contact Jodi Bloemker at the United Way office, 364-2381, or jodi.bloemker@stjosephunitedway.org.

In With the New: Remember Three Social Service Locations

Three United Way Partner Agencies in town have new locations as the new year begins: Catholic Charities of Kansas City-St. Joseph, Inc.; a new program through Community Missions (CMC); and St. Joseph Safety and Health Council.

Catholic Charities is now open at their new, permanent location—1123 S. 10th Street. They welcome all and serve those in need in their Welcome Center, Mon. through Thurs., 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. An official January grand opening celebration will be announced soon. For more information, call 232-2885.

Community Missions 8th Street Drop-In Center recently began serving the community at 629 S. 8th Street. The Drop-In Center offers a place for people to get out of the weather, take a shower, have a glass of water or a cup of coffee and use the single load washer and dryer. They offer a welcoming environment, and a case manager is available to help connect people to services and housing options. Original funding was made available through Mosaic Life Care. The center is available Mon. through Fri., 8 a.m.-4 p.m. and Sat. 8 a.m.-noon. For more information, call 259-5233.

The St. Joseph Safety and Health Council recently moved to a new location at 3131 Frederick Avenue, Suite 220 in the Habitat for Humanity building after occupying downtown office space for 26 years. The new location offers facilities to serve clients and companies well with easy access and a training classroom. For more information, call 233-3330.



Peek Into Important Community Services



InterServ—Wesley Weightlifter Emma Nye recently competed in the 2016 American Open in Orlando, FL and went 5-for-6, holding the national youth clean-and-jerk record for a session before it was broken later in the meet. She is now in contention for a spot on the USA World Youth Team in the 44 kilo class.



Specialty Industries of St. Joseph, Inc.—More than 100 guests attended a 50th Anniversary event during which the agency's top 10 customers were awarded for continued commitment to the mission of employing individuals with disabilities.



YWCA—For the fourth year, children served by the YWCA watched with joy last month as Santa gently dropped a huge sack filled with toys from a crane outside the YWCA. This Signs of the Season Toy Drop was again hosted by St. Joe Sign and has become a much-anticipated annual tradition.



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