

Aug 27, 2014

Thrive! Living Wage Coalition Minutes

Marsha, Mia, Susana, Julie, Mo, Paul

Dale Rodebaugh from Durango Herald came prior to meeting to learn about Thrive!

KusaJasiri (from Food not Bombs) came for the beginning of the meeting to discuss possible collaboration of Thrive! with Food Not Bombs. We will be able to have food donated for our events through Food Not Bombs from Durango Natural foods (Rachel) and Bread (Jeffy), Durango Bagle (John). Call 1-2 weeks before. KusaJasiri mentioned an event through the City April 26 at Rec center – have to commit by March 1. Food Not Bombs is planning a monthly thing at Manna and possible event in May. We expressed interest in collaborating on these events and asked KusaJasiri to help get the word out about Thrive! to her contacts.

Updates

Picnic

At the picnic it was suggested that we make thrive! Flyers at social service agencies (library, county offices, rec center). Mo will get some out and see how they go.

Also suggested that we add Facebook address to our brochures. Mia did not feel that this was particularly worth the time & effort. Mo can print out some small labels with Facebook address and bring to next meeting.

TERP forms complete

Website Launched

Donations

UUFD Share the Plate – Thrive! will be the recipient starting in Sept and for 1 year, about \$400-500 per month.

UUSC \$500 Social Action Leadership Award

Community Foundation application for \$700 submitted

United Way and Chinook have been recommended by Just Economics and San Juan RDCD, respectively, as good potential funding sources. Mo will look into.

Recent meetings

Chamber of Commerce 8/21/14

Vicki Meath Just Economics 8/22/14

MRMC Community Benefits Comm 8/26/14

Upcoming meetings

Gwen Lachlet 9/8/14. Mo will attend, Marsha may

Becky Clausen (FLC Sociology Dept) and Rachel Taylor (Habitat) 9/8/14 re possible survey of Low-wage workers.

Potluck – a good healthy meal was enjoyed by all

Working Groups:

TERP – plan for contacting employers

Several people are making personal contacts

Need to keep info up to date on google drive (TERP, employers)

Send letter by mail by Sept 5. Marsha, Susana and Julie will address envelopes Sept 2, 6PM, Mo's house. Phone within 1 week to set up appt. People assigned to each business.

Print Return labels

Outreach something about UUSC award
 Labor Day – UUFD presentation
 Website/facebook maintenance
 need camera
 Fundraising – Labor day Appeal?

Mo has emailed Darren to see if he could send out an email re above.