

PRESBYTERY OF SAN FRANCISCO
EAST REGION MEETING
Minutes of August 27, 2019

These Minutes document the East Region meeting, held at First Presbyterian Church of Hayward during the August 27, 2019 Presbytery meeting.

Pastor Barbara Barkley opened the meeting with prayer at 5:12 pm; and then led a small group exercise to help each participant identify: a) where they are in their spiritual growth, b) where they feel their respective congregations are in their spiritual growth, and c) where they would like their congregations to be.

QUORUM: A quorum was present because 24 Presbyters from 11 East Region churches attended this meeting. For a quorum, 10 of the 14 churches in the East Region must be represented. A list of attendees is included at the end of these Minutes.

MEETING ACCOMPLISHMENTS: To continue the East Region's housing-related mission work, funded by grants through the Presbytery's Regional Missional Partnerships, the East Region:

1. Reminded our East Region churches of the criteria, application form, and management process that our region previously adopted to solicit, prioritize, and approve grant requests for housing-related mission projects; and encouraged East Region churches to develop new housing-related programs that can be supported through the available grant funds;
2. Summarized the first grant-funded project: the January-April 2019 Parking Lot Program at Community Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg. That program provided space on CPC church property, with snacks and access to restrooms, for people to spend nights in their vehicles during the cold winter months. It was part of the larger Winter Nights Program and was funded in large part by the \$32,000 grant from our East Region;
3. Informed the East Region churches that the second grant request received by the East Region's Partnership Management Team was approved by the Team earlier this month. The \$200,795 request submitted by Humanity Way will be used to provide housing and homeless prevention services to a minimum of 50 homeless or at-risk individuals and families. Humanity Way Executive Director DeVonn Powers was invited to summarize the proposal. She explained services provided by this grant-funded program include: searches for affordable housing; housing application and rental agreement support; financial assistance to cover application fees, credit checks, and move-in costs; housing placement in emergency shelters, publically funded, and partially subsidized housing; and employment and job retention services. After her presentation, DeVonn answered questions from attendees; and
4. Extended the deadline for receiving grant applications to fund, or help fund, housing-related mission projects, consistent with the East Region's previously approved criteria, process, and application documents.

DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS FOR PROJECT FUNDING: The group discussed, then approved the following Motion: The East Region's deadline for accepting applications for the next round of project funding is January 1, 2020. The Motion was **M/S/P**.

FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS:

Minutes of this meeting will be submitted to the Presbytery Office so they can be posted on the Presbytery's webpage.

The Partnership Management Team will proceed to negotiate a grant agreement with Humanity Way, the recipient of the new grant, conferring with Presbytery's Finance & Property Oversight Committee Resource Manager before finalizing the agreement.

It was agreed that new applications for project funding should be sent to Jon Myers, at First Presbyterian Church of Concord, 1965 Colfax Street, Concord, CA 94520, or emailed to Jon at jonmyers23@comcast.net.

PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT TEAM: At each meeting, the five-member Team reports on the progress of grant requests and programs currently underway. Team members are:

1. Elder Mary Burks, Community Presbyterian Church of Pittsburg;
2. Elder Sylvia Chatagnier, Ygnacio Valley Presbyterian Church;
3. Pastor Lauren Gully, Lafayette-Orinda Presbyterian Church;
4. Elder Enicia Montalvo, Mission Hispania Concord; and
5. Elder Jon Myers, First Presbyterian Church of Concord.

The meeting was closed with prayer by Pastor Barbara Barkley at 5:54 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jon Myers, Partnership Management Team Member
East Region of the Presbytery of San Francisco

EAST REGION AUGUST 27, 2019 MEETING ATTENDEES:

1. Clayton Valley: Barbara Barkley, Lisa Justice
2. Concord First: Jon Myers, DeVonn Powers
3. CPC Pittsburg: Mary Burks, Carol Hosmer, Cherie Pensing
4. Delta Community: Doug Schoonover
5. Grace: Diana Barkley
6. John Knox: Randy McGrady-Beach, JoAnn Parker
7. Lafayette-Orinda: Gerald Chinen, Ryan Feaver, Lauren Gully, Phil Hunter, Linda Johnson, David MacKenzie, Lynne Terril
8. Livermore First: Karen Vied, Christine Holsen
9. Mission Hispania: Enicia Montalvo
10. St. Andrews: Ernie Hess
11. Ygnacio Valley: Sylvia Chatagnier

Also in attendance: Judy Durff, Honorably Retired
Gail Doering, Pilgrim UCC, Redding

East Region churches not represented at this meeting: Agape, ATC Grace, and Tri-Valley

INFORMATION SUBSEQUENT TO THE AUGUST 27, 2019 EAST REGION MEETING

In early October, 2019, the Partnership Management Team and Humanity Way negotiated and approved a Partnership Grant Agreement to fund Humanity Way's Jerry Project. The amount of the grant is \$200,795. Humanity Way will report quarterly to the East Region and to Presbytery.