**GRANT COUNTY HOMELESS TASKFORCE**

**GENERAL MEETING**

**Agenda**

**September 19, 2016**

**5:30 p.m.**

**Platteville High School Guidance Office**

**Meeting Room**

**Present: Nancy Bongers, Lois Kaiser-Genthe, Maggie O, Nancy Olson, Sam Hamer, Bev Doll, Shirley Bowden, Sam Villeneuve,**

**Agenda Items –**

1. Treasure Report - Maggie - Balance last month was $3,097.56 - We have had some expenses this month and some deposits - An updated balance will be shared at the October meeting.
	1. Scrip sales - Cards are available for purchase from Maggie.
2. Platteville Shelter Updates - It is clean, open and ready to move in. Maggie has updated the bedding for the cooler weather. Nancy O will bring a different recliner to the Shelter apt. The current recliner will be donated to Family Promise. The Church is looking at ways to improve the entry way of the apartment.
3. Updates from SWCAP –
	1. Welcome Michelle Friedrich with SWCAP - Michelle did not share any updates.
4. Family Promise Updates – Hannah - one of the families just graduated from the Family Promise program and another family is scheduled to graduate from the program soon. Maggie suggested that we do a celebration for families when they graduate. The Family Promise does have a number of referrals to attend to. The Family Promise is promoting their fundraising event scheduled for Nov 10th. It is call “10 grand in your hand”. The cost of the ticket is $100 and that covers drinks all evening and two free meals. Your ticket will be entered into a drawing. The very first ticket drawn and then every 10th ticket drawn will win a prize worth $100.00 All of the tickets will be drawn. The last three tickets will win denominations of $250, $500 or $10,000.
5. Direction of Taskforce - Continuing to enhance the mentoring program. How do we want to or how can we move forward to help more folks in need? Maggie would like to see us look at more transitional housing opportunities that folks could move into following their stay at the Shelter Apt. This would involve intense mentoring and classes to help folks learn necessary skills to reduce or prevent the risk of continued homelessness. Nancy O will invite Jen Weber to the October meeting as a first step to making a decision about our next direction.
6. Funding
	1. Benevento’s - 3rd Thursday of the month
	2. Signing up for 2016 Farmer’s Market - we are looking at volunteers for the Market.
* October 8 - Maggie will do the market
* October 22 -
1. Other - Bev D will contact Dr. Beebe, the vet, about the possibility of housing the pets of our residents/guests in the Shelter and/or Family Promise. We have been invited to have a table at the Quota Club Cookie Sale on Saturday, Dec. 10th from 9am to noon. Nancy O, Shirley and Maggie will cover the event. Nancy O will send in the registration
2. Next Meeting Date - October 17th, 2016 - 5:30 pm at PHS