



# Hunger Free Lenawee!

MINUTES from 09/01/15

**Call to Order/Introduction:** Kelley Elliott (VA), Joan Condon (St Vincent de Paul Food Pantry, Andrea Aguilar (MSU Extension), Vickie Pfeifer (MSU Extension), Tami Gilbert(CAA-WIC), Beth Mehan-Wood (Dept. on Aging), Rachel Doyle (United Way), Nancy Bishop (DHHS), Christine McNaughton (United Way), Patty Parker (Food Bank of SCM), Laura Terlesky (The Daily Bread), Wenda Dissinger (Food Bank of SCM)

- **Agency Visits:** Rachel, Tami, Andrea , Monica visited
  - They were planning on visiting **Solid Rock** but they are temporarily closed due to a flooding
  - **Morenci:** They were very receptive of the visit. The pantry is very well organized. They are not members of the Food Bank. They were given information on 211. They service Morenci residents.
  - **St Mary's Catholic Church:** It is clean and well organized; consumers reported that the pantry is very welcoming.
  - **The goal is to hit 3 pantry's per month**
  - MSU Extension: Ingham County They have a piloted a similar program of reaching out to pantries and sharing information. Becky Henne is willing to come and talk to us about what they are doing. Andrea is scheduled to meet with her on 09/08. She will talk to her about attending a HFL meeting.
- **The Breakfast:** The second Breakfast will occur in January. This will be an annual event.

- **Lenawee Essential Needs:** There is talk about restructuring LENC. Ideas that have been presented are...
  - joining HFL with The Utilities Task Force
  - Combine LENC with Utilities Task Force and HFL
  
- **The Tool Kit:** Nancy will email out Labels for Tool Kits. We can all copy them and pass them out.
- **Unveil the Trail** is scheduled for 09/27 from 4-6PM At Heritage Park. There will be guided tours through the trails, education about the history of the park, and entertainment.
- **September is Hunger Action Month!** This is an awareness campaign. There are posts on The Food Banks Web Page. Please share some of the posts.
- **United Way Grant/Funding Opportunities:** there are funds available for out county sites. This Year if there is a food pantry that requests funding from the United Way; United Way is asking if Food Pantries are ordering from the Food Bank. The goal is to get pantries to consider ordering from the Food Bank and to bring awareness.
- **WIC** Is officially in Hudson! They are located at the Hudson Middle School.

***MISSION STATEMENT: Leveraging the power of Collective Impact in order to fight hunger by efficiently utilizing all of the resources available in Lenawee County.***

■ **Adjournment:**

➤ **Next Meeting Date**

- **The First Tuesday of the Month**
- **10/06/15 @ 1:00PM**
- **The Department of Health and Human Services**