

# SEAS SVDP Weekly Meeting

July 18, 2016

# Agenda

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- Opening Prayer
- Spiritual Reading
- Approval of Minutes
- President's Report
- Home Visitation Reports:
- Fund Raising Committee Report
- New Business
- Closing Prayer

# President's Report

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- **Weekly Activity**

- Calls  $3+0+1+0+0+3=7$
- Home Visits: 15 with 9 previous clients
- Emergency Requests: 7
- Twinning Requests: 2

- **Key Activities Update**

- Current Balance of **\$16,592**, pending outstanding expenses of **\$5,457**, and \$8375 in escrow.
- Mike, Ruth, Tim,
- July Collection:\$14,147
- Transition Joe O to active member
- We will receive 20 free backpacks with school supplies: Pickup on 7/16 at Holy trinity between 12-4. Hank and Janice will pickup.
- Ideas to attract additional clients: Email sent to all parishioners on 5/20
- Cooperation with the Social Justice Ministry (Becky Garcia, John Gilbert)
- Dedicated Collections in 2016: Apr. 10, July 10 and Oct 9

# Free Back Packs

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- Gary & Mary: Client 43-4, Client 630-1

# SVDP Yearly Results

	<b>2016</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>Total</b>
Hotline Calls	1,250	1,387	2,637
Clients served	511	441	952
Family members served	1,377	1,176	2,553
Funds Dispersed	\$177,194	\$160,837	\$338,031
Average expense/client	\$347	\$365	
Families needing rent assistance	171	177	348
Families needing utility assistance	117	128	245
Homeless families needing shelter	62	61	123
Paid for food/gas/clothes/medical bills/car repairs/insurance/Twin requests	161	75	236
Repeat clients	52%	28%	

# Ideas to Attract Additional Clients

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- Focus initially on getting our message out to everyone in the 75023 zip code
- Develop a one page information sheet that we can distribute to organizations within our zip code (Tim will develop)
- Distribute these information sheets to
  - All the organizations within our resource book
  - The Plano Wellness Center
  - All the Apartment complexes within our zip code plus Garden Gate
  - All the Churches/Temples/Mosques within our zip code
  - Are Dennis and Joe willing to volunteer? YES
- **New Ideas**
  - Start slow with a 70023 mailing. Develop a post card version of the information sheet and send it to a subset of the families in our zip code as a test case.
  - Send out email to Plano parishioners



# The Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Conference

Helpline  
**(972) 648-7207**

## ***Our mission is to serve those in need;***

- we help about four families a week to avoid eviction;
- we pay utility bills to restore water or lights for hundreds of families each year;
- we bring food to the hungry;
- and find shelter for the homeless.

When they call for help, we don't ask them to come to us, or to fill out forms to "qualify." We go to them, we listen to them, we pray with them, and we provide whatever help we can to meet their needs.

We help not just our Parishioners, but all those in need in our 75023 neighborhood.

***If you need help, call us today!***

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# Proposal to Contact Existing Clients

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- With our extra financial resources, a trend to fewer clients each week, and new advocates wanting to do HVs, I think we should take this opportunity to reach out to all of our existing clients to see if they need help.
- These contacts will allow us to update the data base and to conduct new home visits when required
- I suggest that the advocate teams that have a large number of clients ( Gary & Mary, Tim & Zoe, and Hank & Janice) allocate 50% of those clients to newer advocate teams.
- We can also assign clients with non active advocates to new advocates
  - Maggie & Chris clients(3):
  - Desiree (12):
  - Donna(4):
- This will create some HV opportunities for our newer members.
- I suggest we try to contact all of our existing clients over the next three months.