

2018.01.01 – 2019.06.11 Circles of Care Ministries Report

“Outreach and Justice”

We thank God for those who have been engaged in Circles of Care ministries and decision making. They include:

Joanna Begin, Virginia Berthiaume, Brenda Briggs, Marie Canavan, Charlene Carle, Branwen Cook, Fraelean Curtis, Susan D’Arcy Fuller, Debbie DiSciullo, Joanne Harris, Ose Manheim, Rev. Wendy Miller Olapade, Lisa Parker, Bruce Roberts, Julie Roberts, Carvina Williams, Kathy Williams.

Circles of Care Ministries

Medford Cares

- **The Medford Care Ministry Team** no longer meets due to leadership limitations of the staff; the ministry will enter into a time of discernment in 2019.2020 about how best to live out the call to love our neighbor as ourselves.
- **Lakota Youth Stay – Please see separate report from the ministry team**
- **Bread of Life** - We have consistently recruited new people from the wider Medford community through social media and a partnership with Shiloh Baptist Church to this every other month (2nd Thursday, even numbered months) which has re-energized this ministry.
- **Outdoor Church Sandwiches** – this ministry is lovingly implemented by a small group of people on the 5th Sunday of the month. Shout out to Julie Roberts, Charlene Carle and Kathy Williams.
- **Meals for Medford** – in August of 2018 with a \$2500 grant from the Melville Trust, Medford Cares partnered with Tufts FOCUS and Medford Food Security Task force to pack and distribute 10K Meals for Medford. We will offer this program again in the summer of 2019.

Donations and Discretionary Grants

In 2018 Sanctuary’s Circles of Care Ministry distributed discretionary gifts and donations as follows:

- 650.00 Gift Cards to Medford Housing Authority Christmas Gifts for Youth
- 400.00 Donation to Our Sister Brother’s Keeper
- 120.00 Donation to Funeral Expense for MOA Friend
- 340.00 Scholarship to MOA Sober House
- 150.00 Support to Medford Conversations
- 1000.00 Stop and Shop and Charlie “Care” Cards: The cards that have been made available by this ministry are a huge blessing – we are able to confidentially serve and care for people in need and the blessings abound.

Other Donations

- 600.00 Donation to Bread of Life from Pleasant Street Fund
- 990.00 Donations Made to (5) UCC Funds”: Neighbors in Need, Our Churches One Great Mission, Christmas Fund, Strengthen the Church Fund and Disaster Relief
- 500.00 Donation to City Mission Boston
- 3285.00 to the United Church Fund

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