

Social Services Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

1/3/2023



Call to Order

The monthly meeting of the Social Services Advisory Board was called to order at approximately 4:00pm on 1/3/2023 at the Sunrise Senior Center.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Sharon Baron-Present
Abdul Basit-Present
Olivia Coleman-Present

Justin Wells-Present
Harvey Soufrine-Present

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from December 2022 meeting were approved.

Open Discussion

No open discussion.

Presentation

Kathy Osborn our Social Worker here at the City of Sunrise is a key resource for the community. She is information and referral based which means that she helps guide patrons to the resources that best suit their situation/ needs. Her network of agencies is tremendously helpful and needed for some of our most vulnerable residents especially during hardships. You may think that it is easy to just go on the Internet and search for resources but a lot of times people don't think about doing that or they don't know where to start or how to navigate the Internet. Kathy is a key aspect in providing the right resources to each client on a case by case basis. She also provides multiple beneficial programs here at the Senior Center to educate and help the seniors transition through those hard changes that come with aging.

New Business

Kathy Osborn reported Social Services numbers for the month of December:

Fee waivers: 7

Medical Transportation: 7

Food Pantry: 109 families (including 100 holiday baskets)

Client Contacts: 267

Client Contacts for Holiday baskets: 100 Families

Client Contacts for Holiday party: 27 families 77 children

EAF: 0

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at approximately 5:03pm. Next meeting will take place on March 7, 2023 at 4:00pm.

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